

# IntelliJ IDEA 2017.3 Help

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## For beginners

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- [Language and Framework - Specific Guidelines](#) provide information on how to create and run an application using one of the many supported frameworks and languages.
- [IntelliJ IDEA Pro Tips Guide](#) provides more advanced information about IntelliJ IDEA.

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## Installation requirements

### Hardware requirements

- 1 GB RAM minimum, 2 GB RAM recommended
- 1.5 GB hard disk space + at least 1 GB for caches
- 1024x768 minimum screen resolution

### Software requirements

JRE 1.8 is bundled with the IntelliJ IDEA distribution. You do not need to install Java on your computer to run IntelliJ IDEA.

A standalone JDK is required for Java development.

#### WindowsmacOSLinux

Microsoft Windows 10/8/7/Vista/2003/XP  (32 or 64 bit)	macOS 10.8 or later  (only 64-bit systems are supported)	- OS Linux (note that a 32-bit JDK is not bundled, so a 64-bit system is recommended) - KDE, Gnome or Unity DE desktop
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## Download and install IntelliJ IDEA

IntelliJ IDEA is available in two editions: Ultimate and Community . The Community edition is an open-source project and is free, but it has less features. The Ultimate edition is commercial, and provides an outstanding set of tools and features. For details, see the [editions comparison matrix](#) .

To install IntelliJ IDEA

1. [Download IntelliJ IDEA](#) for your operating system.
2. Do the following depending on your operating system:
  - Windows :
    1. Run the `ideaIC.exe` or the `ideaIU.exe` file you have downloaded.
    2. Follow the instructions in the installation wizard.
  - macOS :
    1. Double-click the `ideaIC.dmg` or `ideaIU.dmg` file you have downloaded to mount the macOS disk image.
    2. Copy IntelliJ IDEA to the Applications folder.
  - Linux :
    1. Unpack the `ideaIC.gz` or `ideaIU.gz` file you have downloaded to a different folder if your current Downloads folder doesn't support file execution:

```
tar xzf ideaIC.tar.gz or ideaIU.tar.gz. <new_archive_folder>
```

The recommended install location according to the filesystem hierarchy standard (FHS) is `/opt` . For example, it's possible to enter the following command:

```
sudo tar xf -*.tar.gz -C /opt/
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      2. Switch to the `bin` directory, for example:

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cd opt/~/bin
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      3. Run `idea.sh` from the `bin` subdirectory.

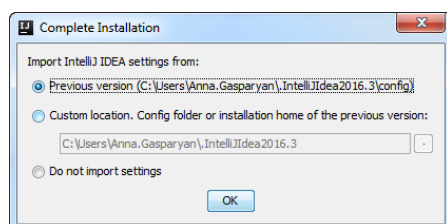
**Note** JRE for 32-bit systems is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA. If you are using a 32-bit version of Windows, select the Download and install JRE x86 by JetBrains checkbox in the installation wizard to automatically download and install JRE.

**Note** A new instance must not be extracted over an existing one. The target folder must be empty.

## Run IntelliJ IDEA for the first time

### Import IntelliJ IDEA settings

When you start IntelliJ IDEA for the first time, or after you have upgraded it from a previous version, the Complete Installation dialog opens where you can select whether you want to import the IDE settings:



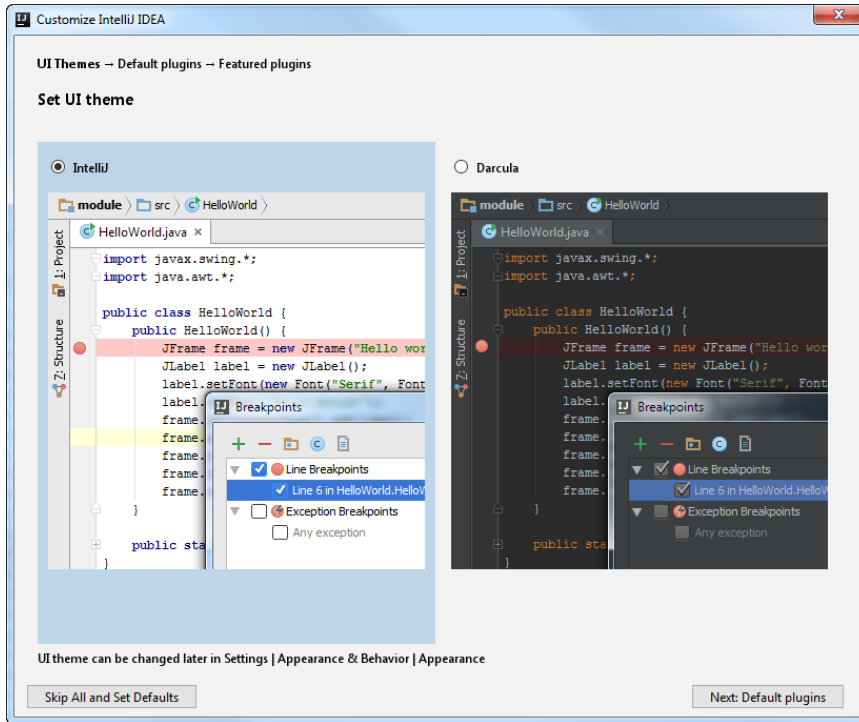
If this is your first instance of IntelliJ IDEA, choose the Do not import settings option.

**Note** You can [import and export settings](#) manually at a later point using the File | Import Settings and File | Export Settings commands on the main menu.



## Select the user interface theme

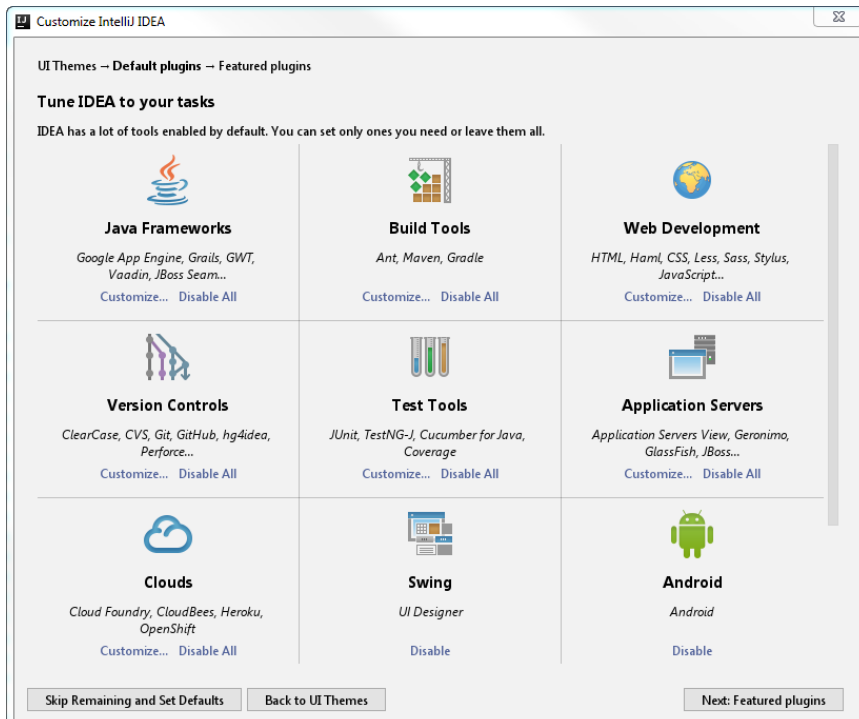
Next, you will be prompted to select the UI theme. You can choose between the Default and the Darcula themes:



## Disable the unnecessary plugins

IntelliJ IDEA is shipped with a variety of plugins that provide integration with different version control systems and application servers, add support for various frameworks and development technologies, etc.

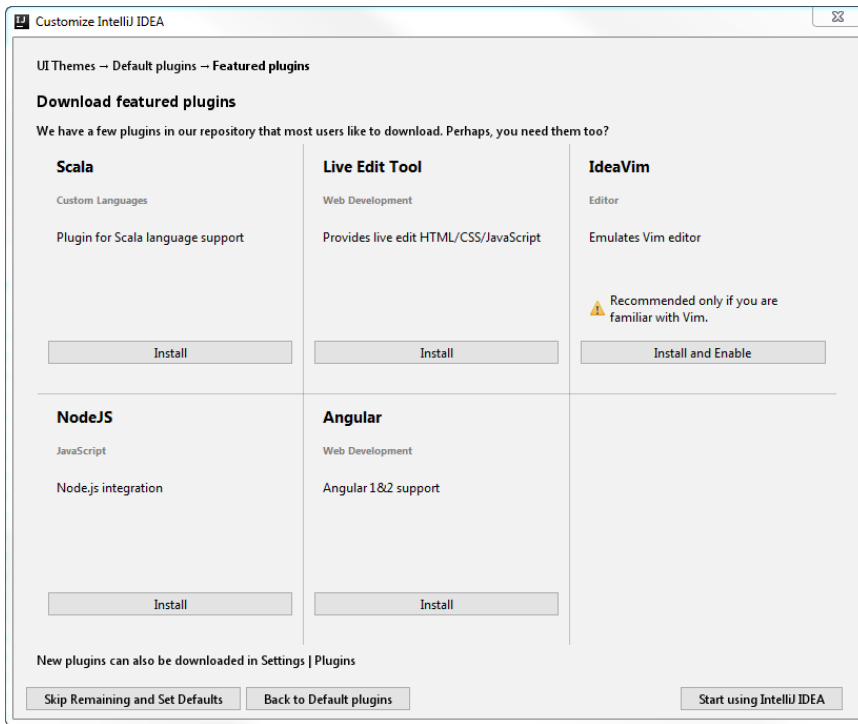
On the next step you can disable the plugins you do not need to increase IntelliJ IDEA performance. If necessary, you can re-enable them later in the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) under Plugins ).



You can click the Disable All link for each group of plugins to disable them all, or Customize to disable individual plugins.

## Download and install additional plugins

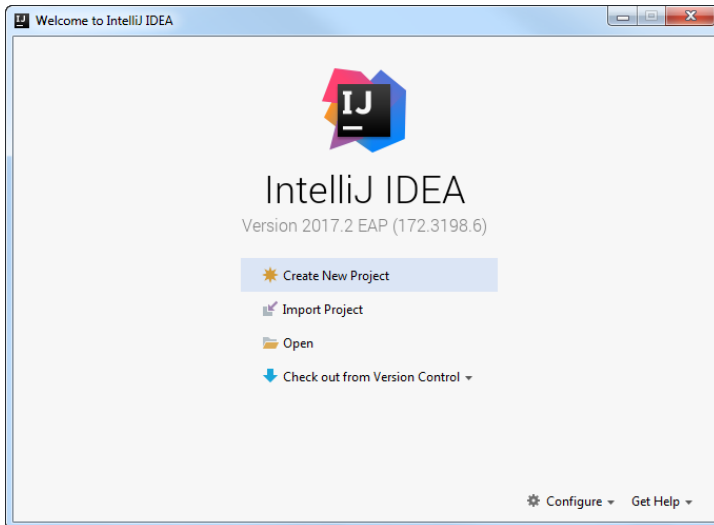
On the next step, you are prompted to download additional plugins that are not bundled with the IDE from the [IntelliJ IDEA plugins repository](#) :



## Start a project in IntelliJ IDEA

After you have completed initial IntelliJ IDEA configuration, the Welcome screen will be displayed. It allows you to:

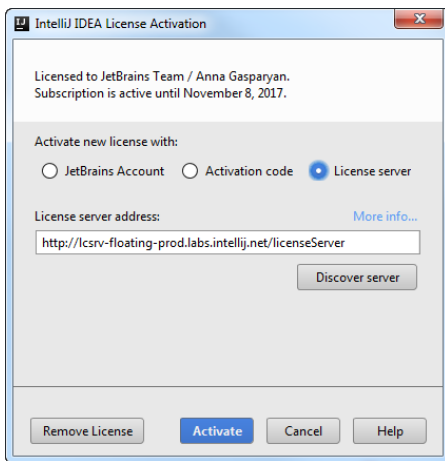
- [create a new project](#)
- or [check out an existing project from a version control system \(clone from a remote repository\)](#)



## Register IntelliJ IDEA

To try and evaluate IntelliJ IDEA, you can download and install its trial version for free. The trial version is available for 30 days, whereupon you need to obtain and register a license.

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the Welcome screen, click [Configure | Manage License](#)
  - Select [Help | Register](#) from the main menu



2. Select how you want to register IntelliJ IDEA:

- JetBrains Account : select this option if you have a [JetBrains Account](#) that allows you to access your purchases and manage licenses (see [What is JetBrains Account?](#) to learn more).
- Activation code : select this option if you have an activation code for IntelliJ IDEA, and paste it to the text area.
- License server : select this option to register IntelliJ IDEA through the [License Server](#) web application that allows you to manage floating licenses and issue licenses to users who do not have direct internet access.

**Note** IntelliJ IDEA builds that can be downloaded as part of the [Early Access Program](#) do not require any registration and are shipped with a 30-days license.

## Update IntelliJ IDEA

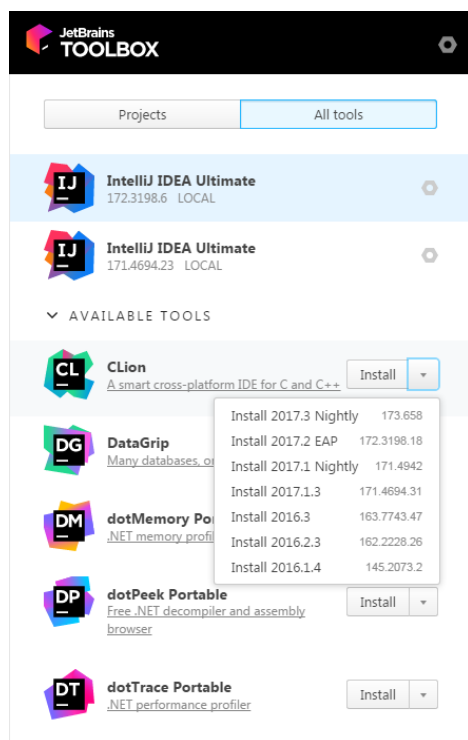
1. [Download](#) the latest version of IntelliJ IDEA.
2. Launch the setup as described in [Download and install IntelliJ IDEA](#) .
3. Choose whether you want to uninstall the existing IntelliJ IDEA version together with its settings, caches and local history and follow the instructions of the installation wizard.

## Manage IntelliJ IDEA through Toolbox App

Toolbox App is a control panel that allows you to manage all JetBrains developer tools, including IntelliJ IDEA, as well as your projects, from a single point of access. It lets you maintain different versions of the same tool, install updates and roll them back if needed. It also remembers your JetBrains Account and uses it to automatically log you in when you install and register new tools.

1. [Download](#) Toolbox App .
2. Launch the setup file.
3. When the installation is complete, accept the JetBrains privacy policy and sign in to your JetBrains Account.

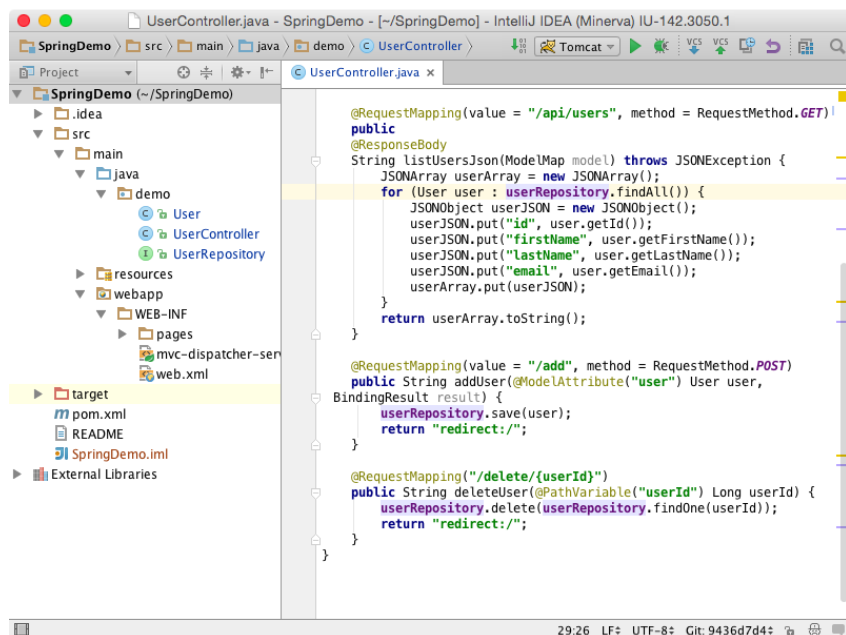
Now you can manage existing tools, install new tools and download updates:



This guide is intended to help you become more productive with IntelliJ IDEA, and provides an overview of the most important features, together with tips, tricks, and the hottest shortcuts.

## User interface

The IntelliJ IDEA [Editor](#) is special in a number of ways, most notable being is that you can invoke almost any IDE feature without leaving it, which allows you to organize a layout where you have more screen space because auxiliary controls like toolbars and windows are hidden.



Accessing a tool window via its shortcut moves the input focus to it, so you can use all keyboard commands in its context. When you need to go back to the editor, press `Escape`.

Below is a list of shortcuts that invoke the tool windows you will most often need:

Tool Window	Shortcut
Project	<code>Alt+1</code>
Version Control	<code>Alt+9</code>
Run	<code>Alt+4</code>
Debug	<code>Alt+5</code>
Terminal	<code>Alt+F12</code>
Editor	<code>Escape</code>

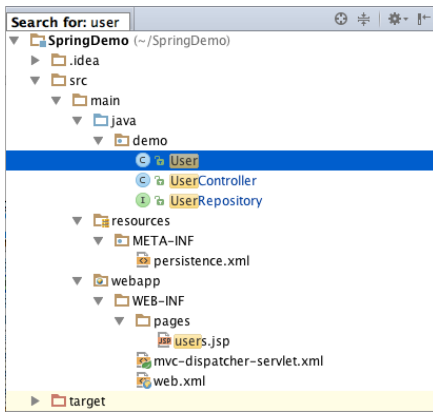
When you want to focus on the code, try the [Distraction Free Mode](#). It removes all toolbars, tool windows, and editor tabs. To switch to this mode, on the main menu select `View | Enter Distraction Free Mode`.

An alternative to the Distraction Free Mode may be hiding all tool windows by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+F12`. You can restore the layout to its default by pressing this shortcut once again.

The [Navigation Bar](#) is a compact alternative to the [Project Tool Window](#). To access the Navigation Bar, press `Alt+Home`.



Most components in IntelliJ IDEA (both tool windows and pop-ups) provide [speed search](#). This feature allows you to filter a list, or navigate to a particular item by using a search query.



**Tip** When you don't know the shortcut for an action, try using the Find action feature by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+A`. Start typing to find an action by its name, see its shortcut or call it.

For more details, refer to [Guided Tour around the User Interface](#), [Editor](#), and [Tool Windows](#).

## Editor basics

Since in IntelliJ IDEA you can undo refactorings and revert changes from [Local History](#), it makes no sense to ask you to save your changes every time.

The most useful Editor shortcuts are:

Action	Description
Move the current line of code	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Up</code> <code>Ctrl+Shift+Down</code>
Duplicate a line of code	<code>Ctrl+D</code>
Remove a line of code	<code>Ctrl+Y</code>
Comment or uncomment a line of code	<code>Ctrl+Slash</code>
Comment a block of code	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Slash</code>
Find in the currently opened file	<code>Ctrl+F</code>
Find and replace in the current file	<code>Ctrl+R</code>
Next occurrence	<code>F3</code>
Previous occurrence	<code>Shift+F3</code>
Navigate between opened tabs	<code>Alt+Right</code> <code>Alt+Left</code>
Navigate back/forward	<code>Ctrl+Alt+Left</code> <code>Ctrl+Alt+Right</code>
Expand or collapse a code block in the editor	<code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code> <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>
Create new...	<code>Alt+Insert</code>
Surround with	<code>Ctrl+Alt+T</code>
Highlight usages of a symbol	<code>Ctrl+F7</code>

To expand a selection based on grammar, press `Ctrl+W`. To shrink it, press `Ctrl+Shift+W`.

IntelliJ IDEA can select more than one piece of code at a time. You can select/deselect any piece of code via `Alt+J`, or by clicking a code selection and pressing `Shift+Alt+J`.

For more details, refer to [Editor](#).

## Code completion

When you access [Basic Completion](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Space`, you get basic suggestions for variables, types, methods, expressions, and so on. When you call [Basic Completion](#) twice, it shows you more results, including private members and non-imported static members.

The [Smart Completion](#) feature is aware of the expected type and data flow, and offers the options relevant to the context. To call [Smart Completion](#), press `Ctrl+Shift+Space`. When you call [Smart Completion](#) twice, it shows you more results, including chains.

**Tip** To overwrite the identifier at the caret, instead of just inserting the suggestion, press `Tab`. This is helpful if you're editing part of an identifier, such as a file name.

To let IntelliJ IDEA complete a statement for you, press `N/A`. [Statement Completion](#) will automatically add the missing parentheses, brackets, braces and the necessary formatting.

If you want to see the suggested parameters for any method or constructor, press `Ctrl+P`. IntelliJ IDEA shows the parameter info for each overloaded method or constructor, and highlights the best match for the parameters already typed.

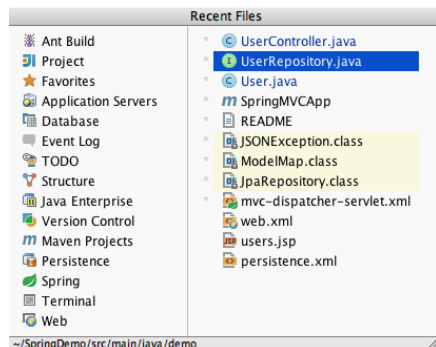
The [Postfix Completion](#) feature lets you transform an already typed expression to another one, based on the postfix you type after a dot.

For more details, refer to [Auto-Completing Code](#).

## Navigation

### Recent files

Most of the time you work with a finite set of files, and need to switch between them quickly. A real time-saver here is an action called **Recent Files** invoked by pressing `(Ctrl+E)`. By default, the focus is on the last accessed file. Note that you can also open any tool window through this action:



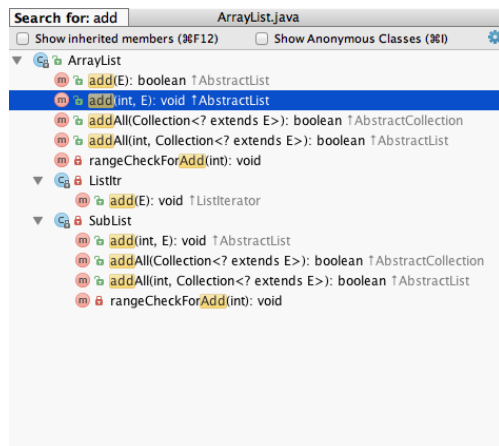
**Navigate to Class** is available by pressing `(Ctrl+N)` and supports sophisticated expressions, including camel humps, paths, line navigate to, middle name matching, and many more. If you call it twice, it shows you the results out of the project classes.

**Navigate to File** works similarly by pressing `(Ctrl+Shift+N)`, but is used for files and folders. To navigate to a folder, end your expression with the `(Slash)` character.

**Navigate to Symbol** is available by pressing `(Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N)` and allows you to find a method or a field by its name.

### Structure

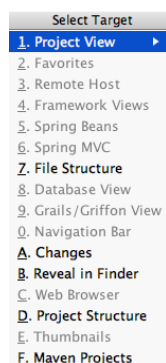
When you are not switching between files, you are most probably navigating within a file. The simplest way to do it is to press `(Ctrl+F12)`. The pop-up shows you the structure of a file, and allows you to quickly navigate to any of them:



### Select in

If you need to open a file in a particular tool window (or Finder/Explorer), you can do so via the **Select In** action by pressing

`(Alt+F1)`:



Navigation shortcuts include:

## Action Shortcut

Search everywhere	Double Shift
Navigate to class	Ctrl+N
Navigate to file	Ctrl+Shift+N
Navigate to symbol	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N
Recent files	Ctrl+E
File structure	Ctrl+F12
Select in	Alt+F1
Navigate to declaration	Ctrl+B
Navigate to type hierarchy	Ctrl+H
Show UML pop-up	Ctrl+Alt+U

For more details, refer to [Navigating Through the Source Code](#) .

## Quick pop-ups

**Quick Pop-ups** are helpful for checking additional information related to the symbol at the caret. Below is a list of pop-ups you should know if you want to be more productive:

## Action Shortcut

Documentation	Ctrl+Q
Quick definition	Ctrl+Shift+I
Show usages	Ctrl+Alt+F7
Show implementation	Ctrl+Alt+B

**Tip** Quick Pop-ups are available for symbols in the editor, however, they are also available for items in any other list via the same shortcuts.

## Refactoring basics

IntelliJ IDEA offers a comprehensive set of automated code refactorings that lead to significant productivity gains when used correctly. Firstly, don't bother selecting anything before you apply a refactoring. IntelliJ IDEA is smart enough to figure out what statement you're going to refactor, and only asks for confirmation if several choices are possible.

**Tip** To undo the last refactoring, switch the focus to the [Project Tool Window](#) and press `Ctrl+Z` .

## Action Shortcut

Rename	Shift+F6
Extract variable	Ctrl+Alt+V
Extract field	Ctrl+Alt+F
Extract a constant	Ctrl+Alt+C
Extract a method	Ctrl+Alt+M
Extract a parameter	Ctrl+Alt+P
Inline	Ctrl+Alt+N
Copy	F5
Move	F6
Refactor this	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T

**Tip** A real time-saver is the ability to extract part of a string expression with the help of the **Extract** refactorings. Just select a string fragment and apply a refactoring to replace all of the selected fragment usages with the introduced constant or variable.

For more details, refer to [Refactoring Source Code](#) .

## Finding usages

**Find Usages** helps you quickly find all pieces of code referencing the symbol at the caret (cursor), no matter if the symbol is a class, method, field, parameter, or another statement. Just press `Alt+F7` and get a list of references grouped by usage type, module, and file.

If you want to set custom options for the **Find Usages** algorithm, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7` , or click the first button on the right panel with search results.

If what you're looking for is plain text, use **Find in Path** by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+F` .

For more details, refer to [Finding Usages](#) .

## Inspections

**Inspections** are built-in static code analysis tools that help you find probable bugs, locate dead code, detect performance issues, and improve the overall code structure.

Most inspections not only tell you where a problem is, but also provide quick fixes to deal with it right away. Press

`Alt+Enter` to choose a quick fix.

**Tip** The editor lets you quickly navigate between the highlighted problems via keyboard shortcuts. Press `F2` to go to the next problem, and `Shift+F2` to go to the previous one.

Inspections that are too complex to be run on-the-fly are available when you perform code analysis for the entire project. You can do this in one of the following two ways: by selecting `Analyze | Inspect Code` from the main menu, or by selecting `Analyze | Run Inspection by Name` to run an inspection by its name.

Note that while inspections provide quick-fixes for code that has potential problems, intentions help you apply automatic changes to code that is correct. To get a list of intentions applicable to the code at the caret, press `Alt+Enter`.

For more details, refer to [Code Inspection](#).

## Code style and formatting

IntelliJ IDEA automatically applies a code style you've configured in the [Code Style settings](#) as you edit, and in most cases you don't need to call the **Reformat Code** action explicitly.

Useful formatting shortcuts:

Action	Shortcut
Reformat code	<code>Ctrl+Alt+L</code>
Auto-indent lines	<code>Ctrl+Alt+I</code>
Optimize imports	<code>Ctrl+Alt+O</code>

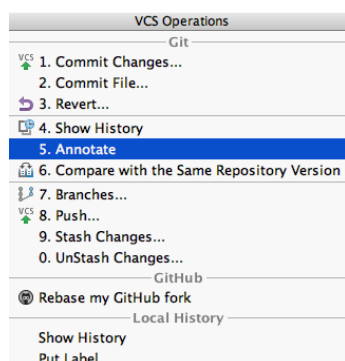
Note that by default, IntelliJ IDEA uses regular spaces for indents instead of tabs. If you have files with lots of indents, you may want to optimize their size by enabling the Use tab character option in the [Java code style settings](#).

For more details, refer to [Reformatting Source Code](#).

## Version control basics

To check out a project from a Version Control System (VCS), click Checkout from Version Control on the [Welcome Screen](#), or in the main VCS menu.

To quickly perform a VCS operation on the current file, directory, or an entire project, use the [VCS operations pop-up](#) by pressing `Alt+Back Quote`.



Once you've configured the VCS settings, you'll see the [Version Control tool window](#). You can switch to it anytime by pressing `Alt+9`.

The [Local Changes](#) tab of the Version Control tool window shows your local changes: both staged and unstaged.

Useful VCS shortcuts:

Action	Shortcut
Version Control tool window	<code>Alt+9</code>
VCS operations pop-up	<code>Alt+Back Quote</code>
Commit changes	<code>Ctrl+K</code>
Update project	<code>Ctrl+T</code>
Push commits	<code>Ctrl+Shift+K</code>

**Tip** **Annotation** (available from both the quick list, the main and the context menus) allows you to see who and when changed a line of code for any file.



For more details, refer to [Version Control with IntelliJ IDEA](#) .

## Branches

To perform an operation on a branch, either select Branches from the VCS main or context menu, the VCS operations pop-up , or the widget on the right of the status bar.

Note that for multiple repositories, IntelliJ IDEA performs all VCS operations on all branches simultaneously, so you don't need to switch between them manually.

[Shelves](#) , [stashes](#) and [patches](#) help you when you need to store some of the local changes without committing them to the repository. You can then switch to the repository versions of the files, and then come back to your changes later.

For more details, refer to [Manage branches](#) .

## Make

By default, IntelliJ IDEA doesn't automatically compile projects on saving. To compile a project, select Build | Make Project from the main menu, or press [\(Ctrl+F9\)](#) .

For more details, refer to [Compiling Applications](#) .

## Running and debugging

Once you've created a [Run/Debug configuration](#) by selecting Run | Edit Configurations from the main menu, you are able to run and debug your code.

### Action Shortcut

Run	<a href="#">(Shift+F10)</a>
Debug	<a href="#">(Shift+F9)</a>

When in the debug mode, you can [evaluate any expression](#) by using the **Evaluate expression** tool, which is accessed by pressing [\(Alt+F8\)](#) . This tool provides code completion in the same way as in the editor, so it's easy to enter any expression.

Sometimes, you may want to step into a particular method, but not the first one which will be invoked. In this case, use **Smart step into** by pressing [\(Shift+F7\)](#) to choose a particular method.

### Action Shortcut

Toggle breakpoint	<a href="#">(Ctrl+F8)</a>
Step into	<a href="#">(F7)</a>
Smart step into	<a href="#">(Shift+F7)</a>
Step over	<a href="#">(F8)</a>
Step out	<a href="#">(Shift+F8)</a>
Resume	<a href="#">(F9)</a>
Evaluate expression	<a href="#">(Alt+F8)</a>

If you want to "rewind" while debugging, you can do it via the **Drop Frame** action. This is particularly helpful if you mistakenly stepped too far. This will no revert the global state of your application, but will at least let you revert to a previous stack frame.

**Tip** Any breakpoint can be quickly disabled by clicking on the gutter while holding [\(Alt\)](#) . To change breakpoint details (e.g. conditions), press [\(Ctrl+Shift+F8\)](#) .

For more details, refer to [Running and Debugging](#) .

## Reloading changes and hot swapping

Sometimes, you need to insert minor changes into your code without shutting down the process. Since the Java VM has a HotSwap feature, IntelliJ IDEA handles these cases automatically when you call Make .

## Application servers

To deploy your application to a server:

1. Configure your artifacts by selecting File | Project Structure | Artifacts (done automatically for Maven and Gradle projects).
2. Configure an application server by clicking the Application Servers page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.
3. Configure a run configuration by selecting Run | Edit Configurations , then specify the artifacts to deploy and the server to deploy them to.

You can always tell IntelliJ IDEA to build/rebuild your artifacts (once they have been configured) by selecting Build | Build Artifacts .

**Tip** When you need to apply changes in the code to a running application, in addition to **Make** , you can use the Update action by pressing [\(Ctrl+F10\)](#) . This action is only available for the **Exploded artifact type**. Based on your choice, it can update resources or update classes and resources. When the **Update** action is applied in the **Debug mode**, it uses **HotSwap** ; otherwise, it uses **Hot redeployment** .

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For more details, refer to [Working with Application Servers](#) .

## Working with build tools (Maven/Gradle)

Once you've imported/created your Maven/Gradle project, you are free to edit its `pom.xml` or `build.gradle` files directly in the editor. Any changes to the underlying build configuration will eventually need to be synced with the project model in IntelliJ IDEA.

If you want the IDE to synchronize your changes immediately, do the following:

- For `pom.xml`, enable the Import Maven projects automatically option in File | Settings | Build, Execution, Deployment | Build Tools | Maven | Importing (Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Build, Execution, Deployment | Build Tools | Maven | Importing (macOS).
- For `build.gradle`, enable the Use auto-import option in Build, Execution, Deployment | Build Tools | Gradle of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

For manual synchronization, use the corresponding action on the Maven/Gradle tool window toolbar: .

Note that any goal or task can be attached to be run before a run configuration.

For more details, refer to [Build Tools](#) .

## Migrating from Eclipse or NetBeans

If you are considering the possibility to migrate from Eclipse or NetBeans to IntelliJ IDEA, refer to the migration guide for [Eclipse](#) or [NetBeans](#) .

## What's next

We strongly advise you to read the documentation. Also you might find it useful to refer to the Java tutorials under [Java SE](#) , and also to the tutorial on [Java EE](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA has keyboard shortcuts for most of its commands related to editing, navigation, refactoring, debugging, and other tasks. Memorizing these hotkeys can help you stay more productive by keeping your hands on the keyboard.

**Warning!** Use a keyboard with English layout. IntelliJ IDEA may not detect some of the shortcuts correctly for other national layouts.

## Choose the right keymap

To view the keymap configuration, open the Settings / Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`) and select Keymap.

**Warning!** Enable function keys and check for possible conflicts with global OS shortcuts

### – Use a predefined keymap

IntelliJ IDEA automatically selects a predefined keymap based on your environment. Make sure that it matches the OS you are using or select one that matches shortcuts from another IDE you are used to (for example, Eclipse or NetBeans).

### – Tune your keymap

You can modify a copy of any predefined keymap to assign your own shortcuts for commands that you use frequently.

### – Import custom keymap

If you have a customized keymap that you are used to, you can transfer it to your installation.

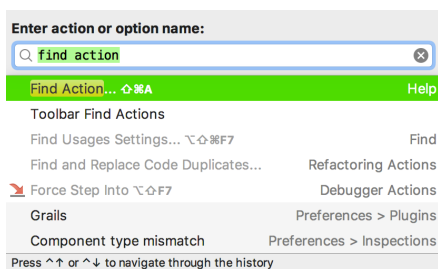
**Tip!** For macOS, select the Mac OS X 10.5+ keymap instead of Mac OS X

## Learn shortcuts as you work

IntelliJ IDEA provides several possibilities to learn shortcuts:

- **Find Action** is the most important command that enables you to search for commands and settings across all menus and tools.

Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` and start typing to get a list of suggested actions.



You can select the necessary command and press `Enter` to execute it.

- **Key Promoter X** is a plugin that shows the corresponding keyboard shortcut whenever a command is executed using the mouse and suggests to create a shortcut for commands that are executed frequently.
- If you are using one of the predefined keymaps for your OS, you can print the [default keymap reference card](#) and keep it on your desk to consult it if necessary. This cheat sheet is also available under Help | Keymap Reference. Full reference is documented in [Keyboard Shortcuts and Mouse Reference](#).

The following table lists some of the most useful shortcuts to learn.

### ShortcutAction

<code>Ctrl+Shift+A</code>	<a href="#">Find Action</a> Use keywords to search for a command and execute it.
<code>Ctrl+N</code>	<a href="#">Find class, file, or symbol</a>
<code>Ctrl+Shift+N</code>	Use keywords to find and jump to the desired class, file, or symbol.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N</code>	
<code>Ctrl+E</code>	<a href="#">View recent files</a> Select a recently opened file from the list.
<code>Alt+Enter</code>	<a href="#">Show intention actions</a> Improve or optimize a code construct.
<code>Ctrl+Space</code>	<a href="#">Basic code completion</a> Complete names of classes, methods, fields, and keywords within the visibility scope.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Space</code>	<a href="#">Smart code completion</a>

Complete code based on the type applicable to the current context.

Ctrl+Shift+Enter

Smart statement completion

Complete a statement with a syntactically correct code construct.

Ctrl+W

Extending or shrinking selection

Ctrl+Shift+W

Increase or decrease the scope of selection according to specific code constructs.

Ctrl+Slash

Add/remove line or block comment

Ctrl+Shift+Slash

Comment out a line or block of code.

Ctrl+Shift+F7

Highlight usages in file

Visualize all occurrences of the selected fragment in the current file.

## Use advanced features

You can further improve your productivity with the following useful features:

### – Quick Lists

If there is a group of actions that you often use, create a quick list to access them using a custom shortcut. For example, you can try using the following predefined quick lists:

– Refactor this `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T`

– VCS Operations `Alt+Back Quote`

### – Smart Keys

IntelliJ IDEA provides various aids, such as automatically adding paired tags and quotes, and detecting *CamelHump* words.

### – Speed search

When the focus is on a tool window with a tree, list, or table, start typing to see matching items.

### – Press twice

Many actions in IntelliJ IDEA provide more results when you execute them multiple times. For example, when you invoke [basic code completion](#) with `Ctrl+Space` on a part of a field, parameter, or variable declaration, it suggests names depending on the item type within the current scope. If you invoke it again, it will include classes available through module dependencies. When invoked for the third time in a row, the list of suggestions will include the whole project.

### – Resize tool windows

You can adjust the size of tool windows without a mouse:

– To resize a vertical tool window, use `Ctrl+Shift+Left` and `Ctrl+Shift+Right`

– To resize a horizontal tool window, use `Ctrl+Shift+Up` and `Ctrl+Shift+Down`

This guide targets IntelliJ IDEA users who are already familiar with its basic features and would like to learn more. If you're relatively new to IntelliJ IDEA, we recommend that you read the [Discover IntelliJ IDEA guide](#) before delving into this one.

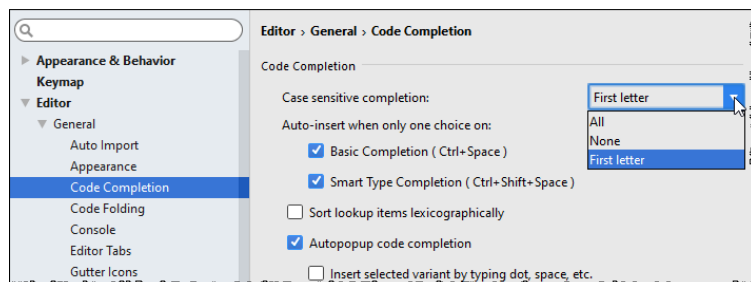
## Coding assistance

### Type info

If you want more information about a symbol at caret, e.g. where it comes from or what its type is, the [Quick Documentation](#) is your friend. Press `Ctrl+Q` to invoke it and you will see a popup with these details. If you don't need the full info, then use the Type Info action instead: it only shows the type of a selected expression, but doesn't take up that much of screen space.

### Code completion case sensitivity

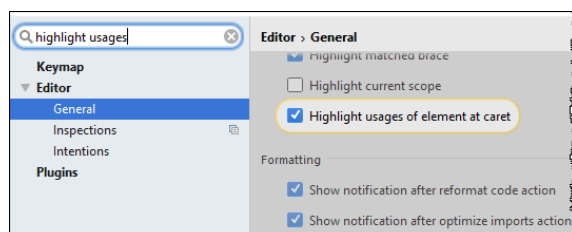
By default IntelliJ IDEA code completion case sensitivity only affects the first letter you type. This strategy can be changed in the Settings/Preferences dialog, Editor | General | Code Completion, so you can make to either make the IDE sensitive to all letters or make it insensitive to the case at all, based on what better fits your preferences.



**Hot tip:** Here you can also turn off the Autopopup code completion option. This makes sense if you want the code completion popup to show up only when you explicitly call it.

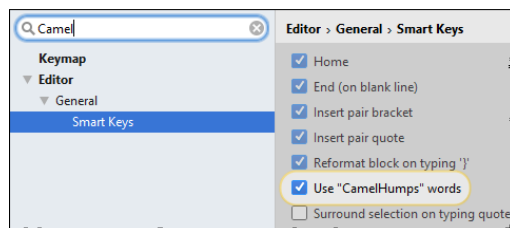
### Disable highlighting usages of element at caret

Talking about the defaults you may want to change after learning IntelliJ IDEA better, we can't miss the Highlight usages of element at caret option in the Editor | General page of the Settings/Preferences dialog. If you know the `Ctrl+Shift+F7` shortcut and don't like the highlighting in the editor to appear and disappear each time you simply move the caret, you don't need this option.



### CamelHumps

By default, when you select anything in the editor, IntelliJ IDEA isn't sensitive to the case of the words. If you prefer to select words according to CamelCase, e.g. instead of selecting the whole word, select a part of it, you can enable this in Editor | General | Smart Keys of the Settings/Preferences dialog.



### Hippie completion

IntelliJ IDEA provides [Basic completion](#) via `Ctrl+Space`, [Smart completion](#) via `Ctrl+Shift+Space`, and [Statement completion](#) via `Ctrl+Shift+Enter`. All these features are based on the actual understanding of the code structure. However, sometimes you may need a more trivial, yet flexible logic that would suggest the words used earlier in the current file or even project regardless to their context. This feature is called [Hippie completion](#) and is available via `Alt+Slash`.

```
reportArray(((PatternSet) robj).getExcludePatterns(getProject()));
System.out.println();
System.out.println("Include patterns: ");
reportArray(((PatternSet) robj).getIncludePatterns(getProject()));
getExcludePatterns|

static String[] convertMetersToInches (String metersToConvertString) {
    String[] conversionResult = new String[2];
    double conversionFactor = 39.37;
    try {
        double metersToConvertDouble = Double.parseDouble(metersToConvertString);
        double
```

## Refactorings

### Undo refactorings

With IntelliJ IDEA you don't need to worry about consequences when refactoring code, because you can always undo anything by invoking [Undo](#) via the convenient `Ctrl+Z` shortcut.

### Extract string fragments

IntelliJ IDEA is capable of refactoring not only executable code, but also string literals. Select any fragment of a string, call [Extract](#) variable/constant/field/parameter to extract it as a constant and replace its usages throughout the code.

### Type migration

When you refactor, you usually rename symbols, or extract and move statements in the code. However, there's more to refactoring than just that. For example, [Type Migration](#) (available via `Ctrl+Shift+F6`) lets you change the type for a variable, field, parameter or a method's return value (`int → String`, `int → Long`, etc), update the dependant code, and resolve possible conflicts.

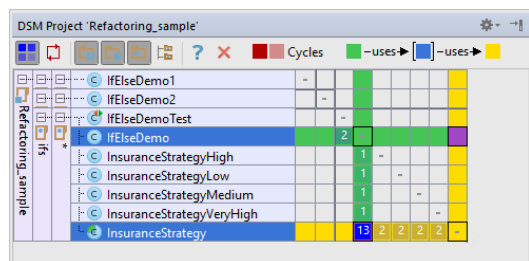
### Invert boolean

If IntelliJ IDEA can automate type migration, why not do the same with semantics? To invert all usages of a boolean symbol, just use the [Invert Boolean refactoring](#).

## Code analysis

### Dependency structure matrix

IntelliJ IDEA lets you analyze how tightly components in your code depend on each other, and you need to keep an eye on that because when there's too much dependencies, it's likely to cause various [problems](#). [Dependency Structure Matrix action](#) (available via the Analyze menu) will help you visualize and explore dependencies between modules, packages and classes.

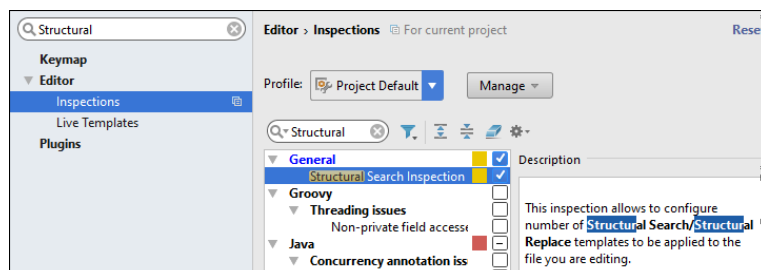


Despite its complex looks, it's a very easy-to-use tool. Just select a class or package and see where it's used and what it uses.

### Structural search and replace

[Structural Search and Replace, or SSR](#), is quite powerful (after you learn to use it right), and can be used for static code analysis and refactoring automation. In a nutshell, it lets you search for specific patterns in your code and replace them with parametrized templates. For that, it's equipped with its own language for defining code patterns that is described in more detail in this [article](#).

To access this feature, use the Edit | Find | Search/Replace Structurally... If you want to create your templates or patterns, go to Settings/Preferences dialog, click the page [Editor | Inspections](#), and enable Structural Search Inspection under the General node:



## User interface

### Disable breadcrumbs and tag tree highlighting

If you work with lots of HTML and XML and would like to avoid unnecessary distraction, you may want to disable breadcrumbs and tag tree highlighting in [Editor | General | Appearance](#).

### Disable unnecessary gutter icons

Gutter, the leftmost editor column, typically displays useful information related to the code you're editing. If you feel that sometimes it's just too much, you can configure what you want to see in the Settings/Preferences dialog: [Editor | General | Gutter Icons](#).

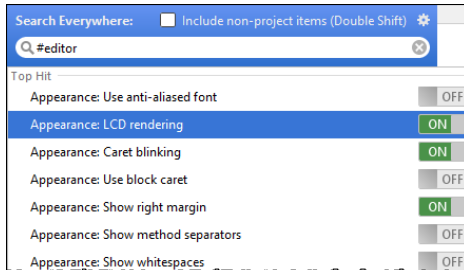
## Disable annoying intention light bulb

One more thing that might be annoying is the [intention bulb](#) that appears in the editor every time there is an intention available at the caret. Disabling that is a little bit more difficult: you need to manually edit your `<IntelliJ IDEA preferences folder>/options/editor.xml`, and add the following line:

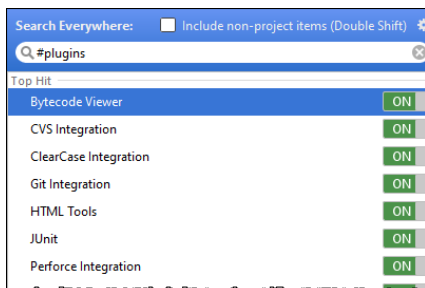
```
<option name="SHOW_INTENTION_BULB" value="false" />
```

## Using from Search everywhere

With [Search Everywhere](#) you can find arbitrary text fragments literally everywhere: in the code, libraries, parts of the UI, settings (by prepending the settings name with `#`), or even action names. If you're using this feature a lot, it's worth knowing that you can access IntelliJ IDEA settings by just pressing `Enter` right in its popup. For example, here we're accessing the editor settings:

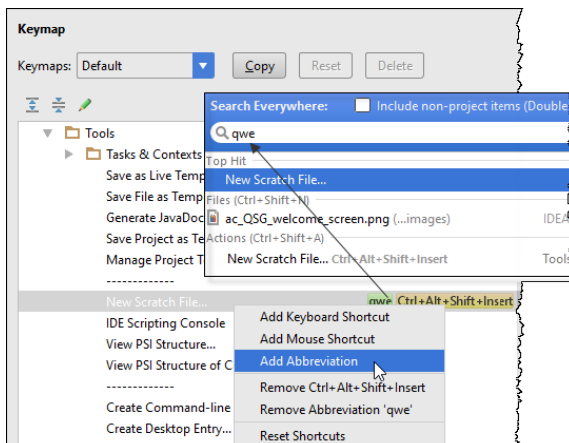


If you start your search query with `#plugins`, you'll be able to turn them on and off:



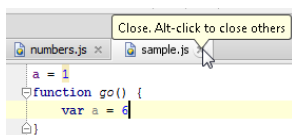
Other tags include `#appearance`, `#system`, `#inspections`, `#registry`, `#intentions`, `#templates`, and `#vcs`.

Another interesting fact is that Search Everywhere supports abbreviations. You can use [Keymap page](#) of the Settings/Preferences dialog to assign a short text to any action, and then have this action called from Search Everywhere by entering this text:



## Hide editor tabs

When you need to close all editor tabs except the current one, click the close icon `x` on the current tab holding `Alt`:



If you don't want to see the editor tabs at all, go to the [Editor Tabs](#) page of the Editor Settings/Preferences and under the Placement drop-down select None.

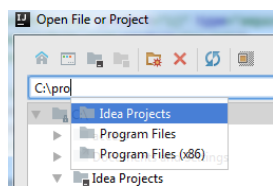
## Open file in new window

A feature that is not that easy to find, yet comes in handy, is opening a file in a new window by selecting it in the [Project Tool Window](#) and clicking `Shift+Enter`.

## Use path completion

Path completion helps you speed up the selection of files, folders, etc. This is useful when adding a new SDK in the Project Structure dialog, or specifying an application server home directory.

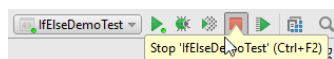
When you start typing a path, press `Ctrl+Space` to invoke the suggestions list:



## Add stop and resume buttons to the toolbar

It might be convenient to add Stop and Resume buttons to the toolbar of the [Navigation Bar](#). You can do it via the [Appearance and Behavior | Menus and Toolbars](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

If you prefer to use the mouse rather than keyboard shortcuts, this way you won't need to open the Debug tool window to manage your current debugging session.



## Editor

### Compare with clipboard

IntelliJ IDEA has a built-in Diff viewers for code, jar files, revisions and even images. To invoke it, select any pair of files and press `Ctrl+D`.

If you have selected a single file, the IDE will prompt you to select the one to compare to. To quickly compare active editor with Clipboard, choose `View | Compare with Clipboard`.

### Paste from history

Speaking of Clipboard, IntelliJ IDEA keeps track of everything you put there. Anytime you want to paste one of the previously copied items, press `Ctrl+Shift+V`.

### Multiple selections

[Multiple selection](#) is a relatively new, very powerful editor feature, which lets you quickly select and edit multiple (adjacent or not) pieces of code at once.

In a nutshell, here's what happens. You either start with pressing `Alt+J` (and then IntelliJ IDEA selects a symbol at caret), or you can just select something as you normally would.

Then, press `Alt+J` and IntelliJ IDEA will search the current file forward until it finds a matching piece of text, which it adds to the selection. You can press `Alt+J` again to go forward, or `Shift+Alt+J` to go back, but note that when search reaches the end of file, it will start over from the beginning of the file.

```
<procedure title="To select multiple words" alternative-title="Using #
  <step...>
</procedure>
<anchor name="column_selection"/>
<procedure title="To toggle between the line and the column selection
<anchor name="altdrag"/>
<procedure title="To make selection in the Column Selection Mode"
```

After selection is complete, you can start editing all the fragments as if they were one.

**Hot tip**: One more way to clone caret is to press `Ctrl` (`Alt` for macOS) twice, and then move the caret up or down with arrows or simply with mouse.

### Emmet

In case you didn't know, [Emmet](#) is a great way to write HTML, XML and CSS code. IntelliJ IDEA supports it [out of the box](#): simply write an Emmet expression and press `Tab` to expand it.

Use the Emmet preview action (which is available via Find Action or Search Everywhere - so make sure to assign it to a handy shortcut) to see a preview of the resulting code.



```

html | body
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <title>Title</title>
</head>
<body>
  <table>
    <tr>
      <td>
        <table id="users">
          <tr class="user">
            <td></td>
          </tr>
        </table>
      </td>
    </tr>
  </table>
</body>
</html>

```

## Regex

Regular expressions are powerful and widely used, but sometimes it's just too hard to write them properly. IntelliJ IDEA will help you check any Regex in your code: just place caret in it and press `Alt+Enter` to use the [Check Regex](#) intention:

```

public class RegexpExample {
    Pattern PATTERN = Pattern.compile(
        "[A-Za-z0-9._%+-]+@[A-Za-z0-9.-]+\\.[A-Za-z]{3,4}");
}

```

## Find and replace with Regex groups

Another place where IntelliJ IDEA helps with Regex is the [Find and Replace](#) feature. It's worth knowing that it supports captured groups in replacement expressions.

```

<code>title="Multiline search and replace in the current file" /&gt;
</code>

```

Find and replace also lets you exclude comments and literals from search: to do that, use the Gear icon .

## Bytecode viewer

Sometimes seeing the actual bytecode your program generates is very [insightful](#).

In IntelliJ IDEA you can always do that via `View | Show Bytecode`.

## Version control

### Amend changes

In the [Commit Changes](#) dialog IntelliJ IDEA offers to perform a variety of operations. One of them is Amend commit, which is useful when you want to change your last commit and join your current change to it.

### Shelves and patches

[Shelves](#) is an IDE feature similar to [Git Stash](#), but that works for all VCS: it helps when you need to pause your current work and pull something from the repository to fix it asap, and then resume working on whatever it was you were working on. This feature takes care of locally changed files without committing them, so no more lost changes or hastily made merge commits.

Refer to the page [Git Stash](#) and to the section [Stashing and Unstashing](#) for more detail.

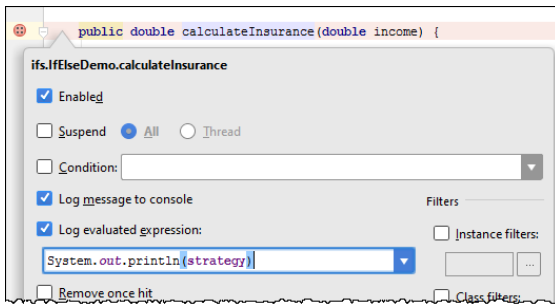
[Patches](#) allow you to save a set of changes to a text file that can be transferred via email (or any other ancient medium), and then applied to the code. It's super helpful when you really need to commit something after your plane crash landed on a desert island, or you somehow else got yourself in a situation without reliable broadband connection.

Refer to the section [Using Patches](#) for more detail.

## Debugging

### Action, or method breakpoints

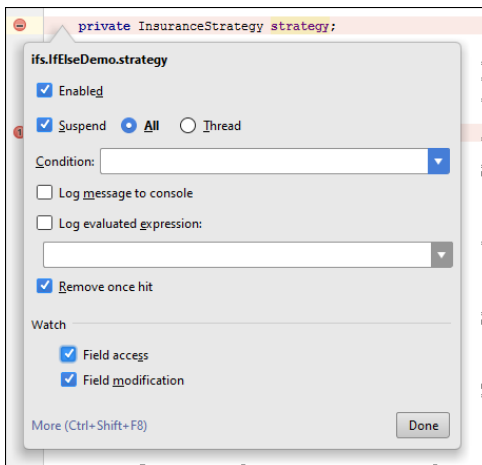
Sometimes you may want to evaluate something at a particular line of code without actually making a stop. You can do that by using a [Method breakpoint](#). To create one, just click the gutter holding `Shift`.



This way you can print any expression to the output without changing the code. This is especially useful when you debug libraries or a remote application.

## Field breakpoints or field watchpoints

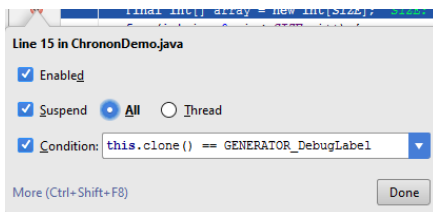
In addition to the action breakpoints mentioned above, you can also use [Field watchpoints](#). This breakpoint will stop execution when a field associated with it is accessed. To create field watchpoints, just click the gutter holding `Alt` (`Ctrl+Cmd` for macOS).



## Object markers

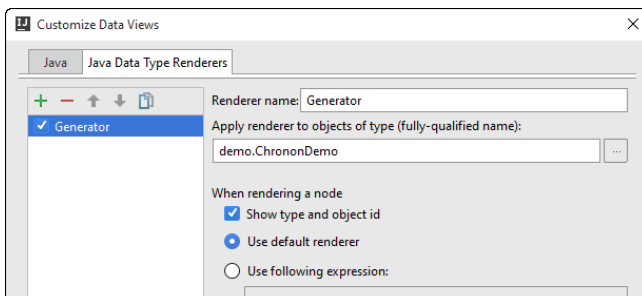
When you're debugging an application, IntelliJ IDEA lets you mark particular instances of arbitrary objects with colored labels for easier identification via the [Mark Object](#) action (available in the [Evaluate Expression](#), [Variables](#) or [Watches](#) views.)

And if you have any instance marked with a label, you can use it in the condition expression as well:



## Custom data renderers

[Evaluate Expression](#), [Variables](#), [Watches](#) and [inline debugger](#) all use a standard way to render variable values, mostly based on `toString` implementation of classes. Not everyone knows that you can define your own custom renderers for any class. For that, select [Customize Data Views](#) from the context menu in the [Debug](#) tool window.



This is especially useful when some of the classes in the libraries you're using do not provide a meaningful `toString` implementation—so you can define it yourself outside of the library.

## Drop frame

In case you want to "go back in time" while debugging you can do it via the [Drop Frame](#) action. This is a great help if you mistakenly stepped too far. This will not revert the global state of your application but at least will get you back by stack of

frames.

## Force return

The way around, if you want to jump to the future, and force the return from the current method without executing any more instructions from it, use the Force Return action (to invoke it, press `Ctrl+Shift+A` and type the action name). If the method returns a value, you'll have to specify it.

## DCEVM

Sometimes when you're making quick changes to code, you want to immediately see how they will behave in a working application. Unfortunately, the Java HotSwap VM has lots of limitations: you can't, say, add a new method or a field to a class and perform the hot swapping; the only thing you can actually change during the hot swapping is the method bodies.

Refer to the sections [Reloading Classes](#) and [HotSwap](#) for details.

Luckily, there is a way to amend this situation with the new open-source project Dynamic Code Evolution VM, a modification of Java HotSwap VM with unlimited support for reloading classes at runtime.

Using it in IntelliJ IDEA is easy with the dedicated [plugin](#). When you enable the plugin, the IDE will offer you to download DCEVM JRE for your environment. Then you'll have to choose it in the list of alternative JREs.

## Update application

If you are running your application on an application server (e.g. Tomcat, JBoss, etc), can you reload changed classes and resources using the Update application action via `Ctrl+F10`.

Refer to the section [Updating Applications on Application Servers](#) for details.

## Tools

### External tools

IntelliJ IDEA has many developer tools integrated and working out of the box. If a tool you need is not integrated, but you'd like to use it via a shortcut, go to Settings/Preferences | Tools | [External Tools](#), and configure how to run this tool. Then you'll be able to run this tool via the Tools | External Tools main menu.

Refer to the section [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#).

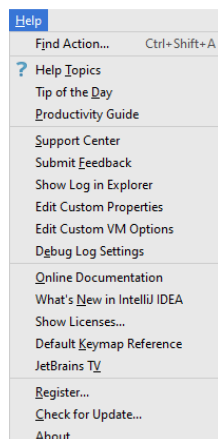
There are a lot of ways to obtain information about IntelliJ IDEA and its features, report issues and get support.

In this section:

- Getting Help
  - [Overview](#)
  - [Menu commands](#)
- [Using Help Topics](#)
- [Using Tips of the Day](#)
- [Using Online Resources](#)
- [Using Productivity Guide](#)
- [Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback](#)
- [Keymap Reference](#)

## Overview

Use the Help menu commands:



## Menu commands

**Menu**  
**Keyboard**  
**Description**

**item** **shortcut**


Menu item	Keyboard shortcut	Description
Find Action	Ctrl+Shift+A	Choose this command to invoke an action by its name .
Keymap Reference		Choose this command to see the IntelliJ IDEA shortcuts map in PDF format.
Demos and Screencasts		Choose this command to see the IntelliJ IDEA demo <a href="#">videos and screencasts on YouTube</a> .
Help		Choose this command to visit IntelliJ IDEA online Help topics.
Tip of the Day		Choose this command to show an arbitrary tip. Refer to the section <a href="#">Using Tips of the Day</a> .
Productivity Guide		Choose this command to <a href="#">show productivity guide</a> .
Support Center		Choose this command to open <a href="#">JetBrains Support</a> page.
Submit Feedback		Choose this command to report your overall impression of IntelliJ IDEA to the support service. Refer to the section <a href="#">Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback</a> .
Show Log in Explorer/Finder		Choose this command to find IntelliJ IDEA's log. Refer to the section <a href="#">Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback</a> for details.
Edit Custom Properties		Choose this command to open the custom file <code>idea.properties</code> , located under the user home. If this file does not exist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create it. Refer to the section <a href="#">Tuning IntelliJ IDEA</a> for details.
Edit Custom VM Options		Choose this command to open the custom file <code>*.vmoptions</code> , located under the user home. If this file does not exist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create it. Refer to the section <a href="#">Tuning IntelliJ IDEA</a> for details.
Debug Log Settings		Choose this command to change logging level for a category. Choosing this command leads to opening the Custom Debug Log Configuration dialog box, where you have to type the log categories names, separated with new lines. Refer to the section <a href="#">Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback</a> .
What's New in IntelliJ IDEA		Choose this command to open the <a href="#">What's New page</a> .
Licences		Choose this command to show the legal information.
Register...		Choose this command to <a href="#">register</a> IntelliJ IDEA.

Check for Updates...

Choose this command to obtain information about the current version, and the availability of newer versions of IntelliJ IDEA. Refer to [Updates](#) page. This command is available on Windows/Linux. On Mac OS it appears on the IntelliJ IDEA menu.

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About

Choose this command to obtain information about the current version of IntelliJ IDEA, current build, etc. Press  to close the popup window. This command is available on Windows/Linux. On Mac OS it appears on the IntelliJ IDEA menu.

In this section:

- [Documentation structure](#)
- [Built-in documentation](#)

This type of documentation is available for Ultimate edition only.

- [Online documentation](#)

This type of documentation is available for both Ultimate and Community editions.

## Documentation structure

IntelliJ IDEA documentation has the following structure:

Meet IntelliJ IDEA

This part contains system requirements and installation information, quick start guide that helps you get a grip of IntelliJ IDEA, the section [Discover IntelliJ IDEA](#) that outlines the main features of IntelliJ IDEA, the section [Java SE](#) with the tutorials that help you perform the most basic actions - create and run your first application.

Migration Guides

[This part](#) is intended for Eclipse and NetBeans users, who are about to move to IntelliJ IDEA.

How to

This contains information related to the platform features (such as, for example, [using the IntelliJ IDEA editor](#) , [tool windows](#) , or [version control](#) ) and [language- and framework-specific guidelines](#) .

Reference

This part contains the miscellaneous information, which includes the [basic concepts, or essentials](#) , [dialogs reference](#) , [icons reference](#) , and more.

## Using built-in documentation

Built-in documentation enables you to browse through the topics using the table of contents, find occurrences in the Search tab, or use the detailed Index that contains all keywords from all topics.

### To bring up help contents, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose Help | Help Topics .
- Press [F1](#) .
- Click ? button, if it is available.

### To find a particular piece of information

1. Click the Search tab of the help viewer.
2. In the search field, type the search string and press [Enter](#) .
3. In the list of topics that contain occurrences of the search string, select the desired one. Occurrences are highlighted in the right pane of the help viewer.

### To find a keyword in the Index tab

1. Click the Index tab of the help viewer.
2. In the search field, type the desired keyword and press [Enter](#) . The caret rests at the first occurrence of the keyword. Every time you press [Enter](#) , the caret moves to the next occurrence of the keyword. To see the information about a keyword, select one of its sub-entries.

## Online documentation


On the IntelliJ IDEA site, find online documentation:

[IntelliJ IDEA web help](#)

The online version makes it possible to find entries in the table of contents, browse documentation with the table of contents, rate topics and express your opinion. The layout of online documentation consists of:

Table of contents pane

This pane shows the table of contents.

- Use this pane to browse through the topics.
- Click  button to show or hide this pane.
- If for some reason your browser fails to show actual table of contents, refresh the page.

Topics pane

This pane shows the topic that is currently selected in the table of contents.

- In the Keymap drop-down list, choose the platform you want to view keyboard shortcuts in (Windows/Linux, macOS)

etc.)

## Finding a piece of information in the table of contents

1. Switch to the Table of contents pane.
2. In the Search IntelliJ IDEA help field, type your query.
3. Press **Enter**.

The table contents shrinks to show the search results. Click the desired entry to show the corresponding page in the Topic pane.

Tips of the Day provide a collection of useful and interesting hints. They show up every time you start IntelliJ IDEA.

### **To show Tips of the Day**

- Choose Help | Tip of the Day on the main menu.

### **To navigate through the collection of tips**

- Use the Previous and Next buttons.

### **To suppress Tips of the Day**

- In the Tips of the Day window, clear the checkbox Show Tips on Startup .



If built-in documentation fails to answer your questions, you can find more information on the web. The following resources are available:

- [Official JetBrains home page](#)
- [IntelliJ IDEA community](#)
- [Blog](#)
- [Online version of documentation](#) contains the latest updates.
- Collection of [articles, white papers etc.](#)

Finally, do not miss the JetBrains TV ( [Help | JetBrains TV](#) ). On the [JetBrains TV](#) page, choose the IntelliJ IDEA channel, and watch screencasts.

IntelliJ IDEA smartly analyzes features you use during your development sessions and reminds you of the features you might have missed.

The [Productivity Guide](#) dialog, available in [Help | Productivity Guide](#), displays the list of features with usage statistics and tips.

Besides analysing your personal usage of features, you can discover similar features that you've never used. One of the ways to do so is to sort features by Group, and look for unused features that are next to the frequently used ones. You can quickly check how to use the feature by selecting it and studying the corresponding tip that opens.

IntelliJ IDEA provides various means to report problems and seek for assistance. In this section:

- [Locating IntelliJ IDEA log](#)
- [Configuring IntelliJ IDEA log settings](#)
- [Reporting issues](#)
- [Sharing feedback](#)
- [Seeking assistance](#)

## Locating IntelliJ IDEA log

On certain occasions, you will be required to attach the IntelliJ IDEA log to an email to the support service. You can easily locate the log file as described below.

- On the main menu, choose Help | Show Log in Explorer (Windows and Linux), or Help | Show Log in Finder (macOS). The Explorer/Finder opens, with the log file selected.

## Configuring IntelliJ IDEA log settings

To avoid editing the `log.xml` file itself, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a handy dialog box to change logging level for a category. This file resides under the `bin` directory of IntelliJ IDEA installation.

1. On the main menu, choose Help | Debug Log Settings... .
2. In the dialog box that opens, type the log categories names, separated with new lines.

While editing `log.xml` , keep in mind the following:

- It is not recommended to change `log.xml` , because from time to time it causes problems with patches.
- Editing `log.xml` should be done in tight contact with the support service. The reason is that the users might be unaware of the modules names to be specified, while the support service can suggest modules for the better diagnostics.

## Reporting issues

1. Open the IntelliJ IDEA tracking system at <https://youtrack.jetbrains.com/> .  
If you are not yet registered, do it.
2. Click Create issue .
3. On the page that opens, choose IntelliJ IDEA from the Project drop-down list.
4. Describe your problem and provide a brief summary of it in the Description and Summary fields respectively.
5. If necessary, attach a screenshot that illustrates your problem.
6. Click Create issue when ready.

## Sharing feedback

To share your feedback, do one of the following:

- Choose Help | Submit Feedback , which redirects you to the online feedback form.  
This form enables you to create a IntelliJ IDEA-specific [YouTrack](#) issue.

## Seeking assistance

To find assistance, do one of the following:

- Apply to the [JetBrains Support](#)
- Write to the support service. Use the following address:
  - [intellij-support@jetbrains.com](mailto:intellij-support@jetbrains.com)
  - [idea-support@jetbrains.com](mailto:idea-support@jetbrains.com)

If necessary, attach the source code and the [IntelliJ IDEA log](#) .

- Ask the [IntelliJ IDEA Community](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA provides the default keymap reference for Windows/Linux and for macOS in the [pdf](#) format.

To view the built-in keymap reference, choose Help | Keymap Reference from the main menu.

Alternatively, see the [web-version](#).

Project settings refer to a set of preferences related to resources, file colors, version control options, code styles, etc.  
Project settings are stored with each specific project as a set of `xml` files under the `.idea` folder.

You can configure project settings on the two possible levels:

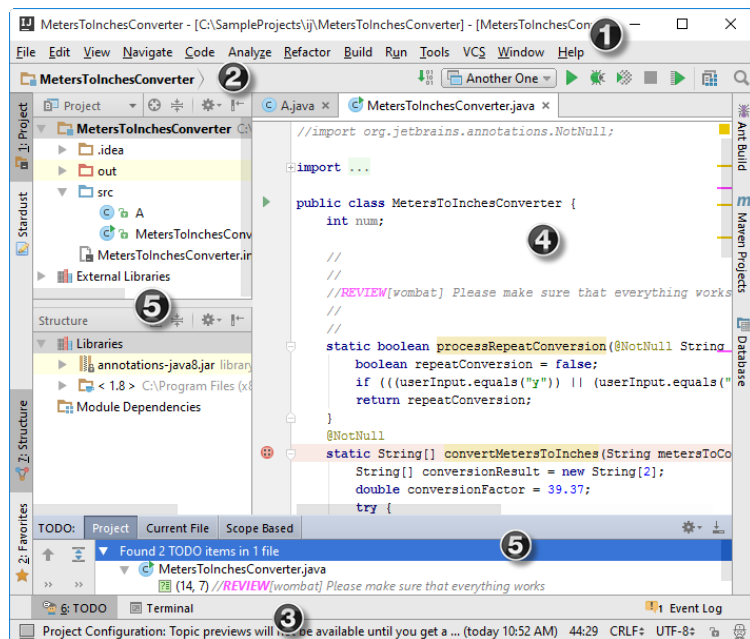
- The level of a template project . The settings defined for a template project, apply to any project you create.
- The project level . The settings defined on this level apply to the current project only.

Here you can learn how IntelliJ IDEA user interface is organized to help you find your way through your working environment.

**Tip** This page outlines the default (out-of-the-box) IDE interface layout. Note that [plugins](#) you are installing may change the way your IDE looks and behaves, for example there can be extra command buttons or menu items.

When you first run IntelliJ IDEA, or have no open project, IntelliJ IDEA displays the [Welcome screen](#) which enables quick access to the major entry points. When a project is opened, IntelliJ IDEA displays the main window.

IntelliJ IDEA's main window consists of logical areas, which are shown on the picture below, marked with numeric labels.



1. Main menu and toolbar — contain commands that affect the entire project or large portions of it, such as opening, creating project, refactoring the code, running and debugging applications, keeping files under version control and more.

The main toolbar duplicates the main menu's essential commands for quicker access. By default, the main toolbar is hidden. To show it, select View | Toolbar from the main menu.

2. Navigation bar — a quick alternative to the [Project view](#) . Use it to [navigate](#) your project and [open files for editing](#) .

Use View | Navigation Bar to hide or show the navigation bar; press `Alt+Home` to bring the application focus to the navigation bar.

3. **Status bar** — indicates the status of your project, the entire IDE, and shows various warning and information messages.

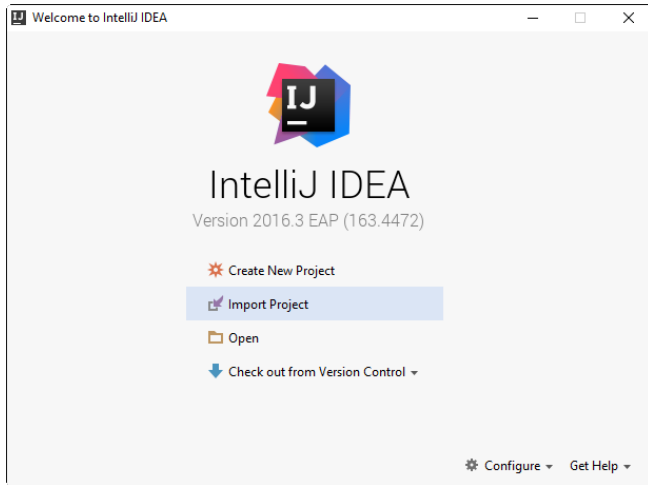
4. **Editor** — here you can read, create, and modify your code.

5. **Tool windows** — secondary windows that provide access to various specific tasks (project management, search, running and debugging, integration with version control systems, etc.).

## Overview

IntelliJ IDEA displays the Welcome screen when no project is open. From this screen, you can quickly access the major starting points of IntelliJ IDEA. The Welcome screen appears when you close the current project in the only instance of IntelliJ IDEA. If you are working with multiple projects, usually closing a project results in closing the IntelliJ IDEA window in which it was running, except for the last project, closing this will show the Welcome screen.

The Welcome screen is divided into the following sections: Quick Start and Recent Projects (if any).



**Tip** Use the **Tab** key to navigate through the Welcome screen.

## Quick start

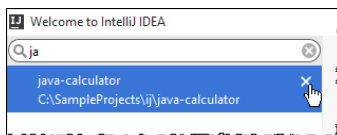
Use the links of this section to [create a new project](#) , [open](#) or [check out](#) a project from version control.

Also, use the drop-down arrows (▾) Configure to [configure your working environment](#) and [default project](#) , and Get Help to open help topics, tips of the day, and default keymap document.

## Recent projects

If appropriate, the left-hand pane shows a list of projects you've recently been working with. Click a project to reopen it.

To find a project of interest, start typing its name.



To delete a recent project from the list, follow these steps:

1. Use the **Tab** key to move focus into the list of Recent projects.
2. Use arrows keys to select the project you'd like to remove, or find it, as shows above.
3. Do one of the following:
  - Press Delete on your keyboard and confirm deletion in the Remove Recent Project dialog box that opens.
  - To remove the selected recent project silently, click **X** or choose Remove Selected from Welcome Screen on the context menu of the selection.

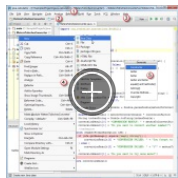
On this page:

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## Overview

IntelliJ IDEA menus and toolbars let you carry out various commands. The main menu and toolbar contain commands that affect the entire project or large portions of it. Additionally, context-sensitive pop-up menus let you perform the commands, which are specific to a part of a project, like source file, class, etc. Almost each of the commands has an associated keyboard shortcut to enable quicker access to it.

Use the check commands of the View menu to show or hide the main elements of the IntelliJ IDEA window. For example, if you want to show the main toolbar, make sure that the check command `Toolbar` is selected.



## Main elements of IntelliJ IDEA window

### 1. Main menu

The main menu contains commands for opening, creating projects, refactoring the code, running and debugging applications, keeping files under version control and more.

### 2. Main toolbar

The main toolbar contains buttons that duplicate the essential commands for quicker access. You can hide the main toolbar, using the checked command on the toolbar context menu.

By default, the main toolbar is hidden. To show it, select the check command `View | Toolbar` on the main menu.

### 3. Navigation bar

[Navigation bar](#) is a quick alternative to the Project tool window.

By default, the Navigation bar is shown. To hide it, clear the check command `View | Toolbar` on the main menu.

### 4. Context menus

These menus, available with right-click, contain commands applicable to the current context.

### 5. Pop-up menus

These menus, available with `Alt+Insert`, contain commands applicable to the current context.

## Tips and tricks

- Show or hide the main elements of IntelliJ IDEA UI using the View menu.
- Descriptions of the actions from all the menus and toolbar buttons are displayed in the left side of the Status bar.
- If you know which action you want to perform, but do not know where to find the appropriate command, just press `Ctrl+Shift+A`, type some part of the name of action you want to perform, and select the desired action from the suggestion list.

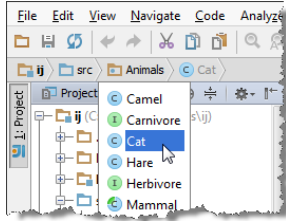


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## Introduction

Navigation Bar is a quick alternative to the [Project view](#) . Use this tool to [navigate](#) through the project and [open files for editing](#) .



## Toggling the Navigation Bar

### To show the Navigation Bar, do one of the following





- On the View menu, select the check command Navigation Bar .
- Press `Alt+Home` .

### To hide the Navigation Bar

- On the View menu, clear the check command Navigation Bar .

## Tips and tricks

Please note the following:

- When the [main toolbar](#) is hidden, the Navigation Bar shows the run/debug configuration selector, run  and debug  , project structure  , version control buttons (if version control integration is enabled) and [search everywhere](#) magnifying glass  .
- When the Navigation bar is hidden, press `Alt+Home` to open it floating.
- Pressing `Escape` returns focus to the editor.

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA Status Bar indicates the current IDE state and lets you carry out certain environment maintenance tasks.



## Status Bar icons

### IconDescription

	Click to toggle showing or hiding tool window bars. Also double press and hold  (for macOS) or  (for Windows or *NIX) to show hidden tool window bars. Refer to the <a href="#">procedure description</a> .
	This section of the Status bar shows description of a command, currently selected on the main menu, context menu, or a toolbar.
	Click this icon to invoke the <a href="#">Background Tasks manager</a> . Visibility of this icon in the Status bar depends on a launched background task.
	The first two numbers denote the current caret position in the editor(line and column). If a selection is made in the editor, IntelliJ IDEA shows the length of the current selection after slash.
	This Lock icon indicates the <a href="#">read-only</a> or <a href="#">writable</a> attribute of the current file in the editor. To toggle the file attribute, click the Lock icon or use the File   Make File Writable/Read-only command on the main menu.
	View and change <a href="#">line endings</a> of the current file in the editor.
	View and change <a href="#">encoding</a> of the current file in the editor.
	Click this icon to navigate to the pending source control changelists in the <a href="#">Incoming tab</a> of the Version Control tool window.
	Hovering your mouse pointer over the icon shows the current <a href="#">code inspection</a> profile at the tooltip.  Clicking the Hector icon results in showing a dialog box with the following functions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <a href="#">Highlighting level</a> . Use the slider to <a href="#">change highlighting level</a> for the current file , or <a href="#">configure inspection profile</a> . Depending on the highlighting level selected by the slider, Hector keeps an eye on the code  (Inspection level), turns half face  (Syntax), or averts his face from the code  (None).</li><li>– <a href="#">Power Save Mode</a> . Select this checkbox to minimize power consumption of your computer on account of eliminating the background operations. To indicate that the mode is on, Hector fades  . When Power Save Mode is on, IntelliJ IDEA reduces its functionality to the one of a text editor, by not executing expensive background activities that drain laptop battery. These activities include error highlighting and on-the-fly inspections, autopup code completion , and automatic incremental background compilation .  You can also toggle Power Save Mode through the File   Power Save Mode command on the main menu.</li><li>– <a href="#">Import popup</a> . Use this checkbox to enable or disable <a href="#">auto-import</a> for the current file. You can turn auto-import off for the whole product in the <a href="#">Auto Import</a> page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.</li></ul>
	Indicates that there are unattended notifications. Click this icon to see the notification descriptions in the Event Log tool window.
	Alternatively, when the icon is empty, there are no new notifications.
	This blinking icon indicates that internal IDE errors have occurred. Click to view the error descriptions and submit reports.
	Shows the current heap level and memory usage. Visibility of this section in the Status bar is defined by the Show memory indicator check box in the <a href="#">Appearance</a> page of the Settings/Preferences dialog. It is not shown by default. Click the memory indicator to run the garbage collector.

**Note** More icons appear in the Status Bar as you download and install plugins.

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA provides special view modes:

- **Full Screen mode** allows you to use the entire screen for coding. This removes all menus from view, as well as the operating system controls. However, you can use context menus and keyboard shortcuts. The main menu is also available when you hover the mouse pointer over the top of the screen.
- **Presentation mode** is similar to the **Full Screen mode**, but it is designed for making presentations that involve coding with IntelliJ IDEA. In this mode, IntelliJ IDEA increases the font size and hides everything except the editor. If necessary, tool windows can also be displayed in this view using the corresponding items in the View | Tool Windows menu.
- **Distraction-free mode** shows no toolbars, no tool windows, no editor tabs; the code is center-aligned, etc.

These actions are available only through the View menu. By default they are not mapped to any shortcuts but you can create your own shortcuts as described in [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#).

### Toggling the full screen mode

Besides [manipulating the tool windows](#) (show/hide or resize them), IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to maximize the entire product window, hiding the main menu.

- To switch to the full screen mode, choose View | Enter Full Screen on the main menu.
- To exit the full screen mode, choose View | Exit Full Screen on the main menu.

### Toggling the presentation mode

In the presentation mode, the editor occupies the entire screen, while all the other IntelliJ IDEA components are hidden.

Besides that, the font size in this mode is larger than usual. You can define the font size for the presentation mode in the [Appearance page](#) of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

- To switch to the presentation mode, choose View | Enter Presentation Mode on the main menu.
- To exit the presentation mode, choose View | Exit Presentation Mode on the main menu.

### Toggling the distraction-free mode

In the distraction-free mode, the editor occupies the entire IntelliJ IDEA frame, without any editor tabs and tool-window buttons. The code is center-aligned.

- To switch to the distraction-free mode, choose View | Enter Distraction-Free Mode on the main menu.
- To exit the distraction-free mode, choose View | Exit Distraction-Free Mode.

### Toggling the viewing modes in the Switch pop-up list

1. Press `Ctrl+Back Quote` or choose View | Quick Switch Scheme on the main menu.
2. In the Switch pop-up list that opens, choose View mode.
3. On the context menu, choose the required mode. The contents of the menu depend on your current mode:
  - Enter Presentation Mode / Exit Presentation Mode
  - Enter Distraction Free Mode / Exit Distraction Free Mode
  - Enter Full Screen / Exit Full Screen

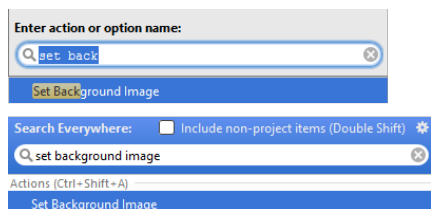
IntelliJ IDEA allows you to define any image as a background. So doing, you can set a background image for the current project only, or for any project you open or create anew.

This feature has no keyboard shortcut (you can easily create a shortcut as described in the section [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#) ).

## To set a background image

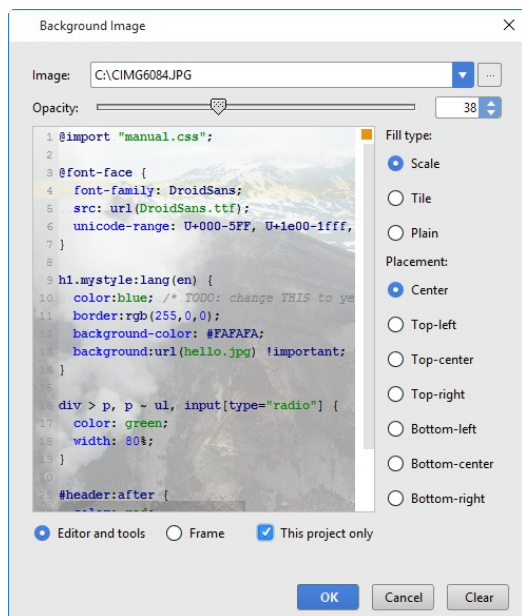
1. Do one of the following:

- Press **Shift** twice (see [Searching Everywhere](#) ).
- Press **Ctrl+Shift+A** (see [Navigating to Action](#) ).

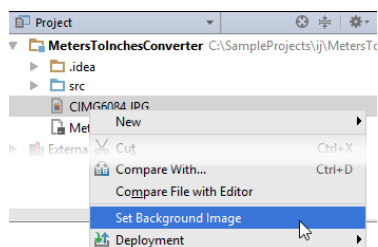


2. In the dialog box that opens, specify the image you want to use as the background, its opacity, filling and placement options. Besides that, you can choose to show background in the editor and tool windows, or in the IntelliJ IDEA frame.

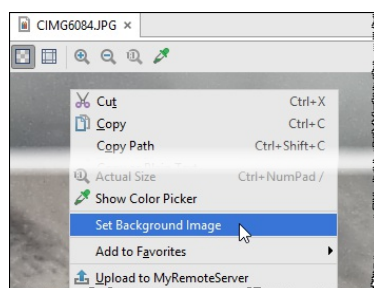
Also, select the checkbox **This project only** to show background in the current project, and ignore this background in the other projects.



If an image is already selected in a IntelliJ IDEA project, this action is also available from the context menu of the Project tool window:



and in the image editor



IntelliJ IDEA helps define settings and structure of a default project. These settings are used as defaults every time you create a new project.

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- [Accessing the default project structure](#)

### **To access default project settings**

1. On the main menu, choose File | Other Settings | Default Settings .
2. Define the desired settings in the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog box that opens.

### **To access the default project structure**

- On the main menu, choose File | Other Settings | Default Project Structure .
- Define the desired settings in the [Project Structure](#) dialog box that opens.

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## Introduction

This section describes simple steps required to access the Settings/Preferences dialog. Note that the settings that pertain to the current project, are marked with  icon.

## Opening the Settings / Preferences dialog

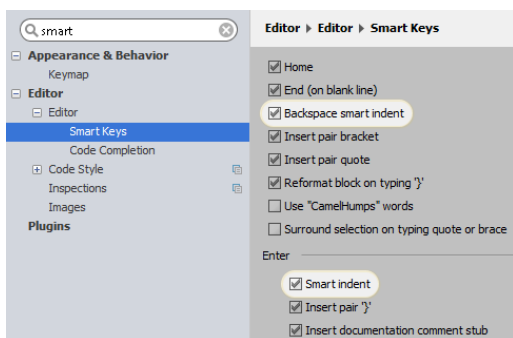
Do one of the following:

- Press `Ctrl+Alt+S`.
- On the main toolbar, click .
- On the main menu, choose File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+A`, type `settings` and press `Enter`. See [Navigating to Action](#).
- Click  in the upper-right corner of the IntelliJ IDEA window, and type `#`.

Refer to [Finding an option or setting](#) using Search Everywhere or Find Action below.

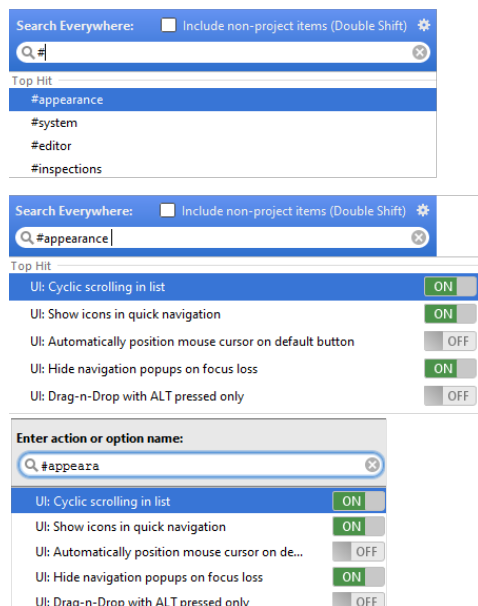
## Finding an option or setting

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences dialog](#).
2. In the search field, start typing the text that you expect to find in the name of the setting. As soon as the specified text is found, the matching element is highlighted and the corresponding page is displayed.



## Finding an option or setting using Search Everywhere or Find Action

You can also use [Searching Everywhere](#) or [Find Action](#). To find an option or setting, first type `#` character, and then choose one of the suggested categories:



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## Basics and definitions

If certain coding guidelines exist in a company, one has to follow these guidelines when creating source code. IntelliJ IDEA helps maintain the required code style.

Code styles are defined at the project level and at the IDE level (global).

- At the **Project** level, settings are grouped under the Project scheme, which is predefined and is marked in bold. The **Project** style scheme is applied to the current project only.  
You can copy the Project scheme to the IDE level, using the Copy to IDE... command.
- At the **IDE** level, settings are grouped under the predefined Default scheme (marked in bold), and any other scheme created by the user by the Duplicate command (marked as plain text). Global settings are used when the user doesn't want to keep code style settings with the project and share them.  
You can copy the IDE scheme to the current project, using the Copy to Project... command.

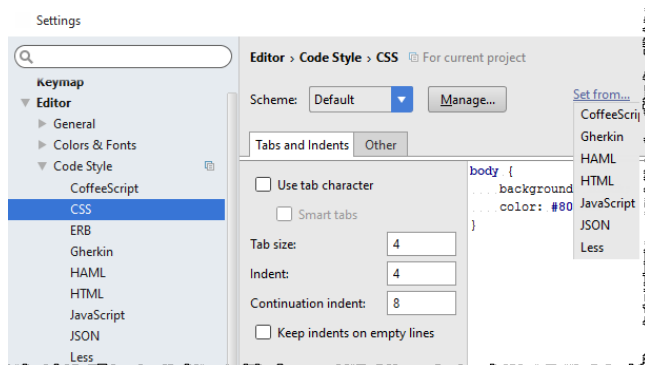
## Configuring code style for a language

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog, click [Code Style](#), and then click the language in question.
2. Choose the code style scheme to be used as the base for your custom coding style for the selected language.
3. Browse through the tabs of the selected language page, and configure code style preferences for it.

## Copying code style settings from other languages

For most of the supported languages, you can copy code style settings from other languages or frameworks.

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog, click [Code Style](#), and then click the language in question.
2. Click the link Set From in the upper-right corner. This link appears for those languages only, where defining settings on the base of the other languages is applicable.
3. In the drop-down list that appears, click the language to copy the code style from:



## Applying framework-specific pre-configured coding standards

For PHP files, you can have framework-specific pre-configured coding standards applied.

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog, click [Code Style](#), and then click the language in question.
2. Click the Set from link, choose Predefined, then choose the relevant pre-configured standard.

## Configuring the code style for a project using EditorConfig

Before you start working with EditorConfig, make sure that the EditorConfig plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Make sure that the checkbox Enable EditorConfig Support is selected in Editor | Code Style.

For more information, see [EditorConfig Website](#).

To configure the code style for a project using EditorConfig:

1. In the project tree, right-click a directory where you want to create the EditorConfig settings file and select New | File.
2. In the dialog that opens, enter `.editorconfig` and click OK.  
IntelliJ IDEA creates an EditorConfig settings file and displays a [notification](#) in the pop-up window.

Every time you open a file, the EditorConfig plugin looks for a file named `.editorconfig` in the directory of the opened file and in every parent directory. A search for `.editorconfig` files will stop if the root file path is reached or an EditorConfig file with `root = true` is found. Therefore, if you want to use the IDE settings instead of the EditorConfig settings, clear the Enable EditorConfig Support checkbox in Editor | Code Style that is selected by default.

3. Start defining your code style settings. Save( Ctrl+S ) your file. Every time you modify the `.editorconfig` file, save the file to apply changes to your project.

The EditorConfig code style configuration overrides the code style configuration in the IDE settings.



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## Introduction

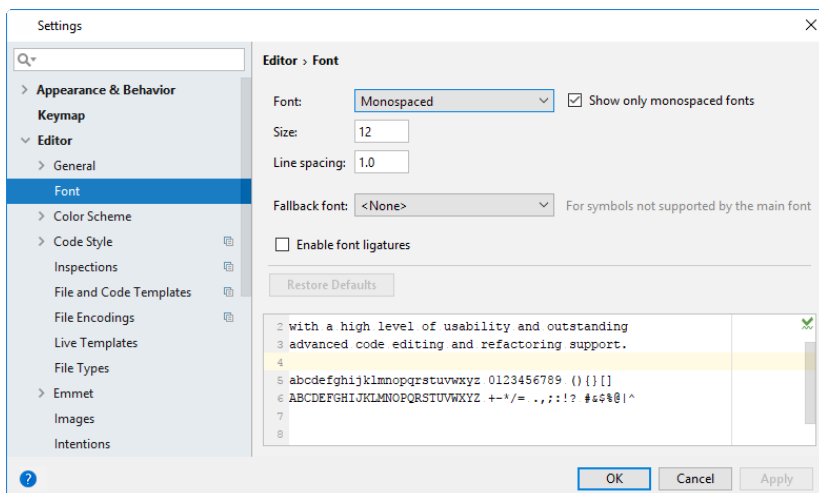
With IntelliJ IDEA, you can maintain your preferable colors and fonts layout for syntax and error highlighting in the editor, search results, Debugger and consoles via font and color schemes.

IntelliJ IDEA comes with a number of pre-defined color schemes. You can select one of them, or create your own one, and configure its settings to your taste.

It's important to mention the node Language Defaults - it contains the settings that are common for all the supported languages. It's enough to change one of the settings there, and then inherit this setting from the defaults.

## Configuring colors and fonts

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click Fonts under the Editor node.
2. Select the desired scheme from the Scheme name drop-down list.
3. Under the **Color Scheme** node, define the **font families** used in the editor and in the console. When you open the Font page, or Console Fonts under the **Color Scheme** node, IntelliJ IDEA displays the Editor Font area where you can configure the primary and secondary fonts, their size and line spacing.



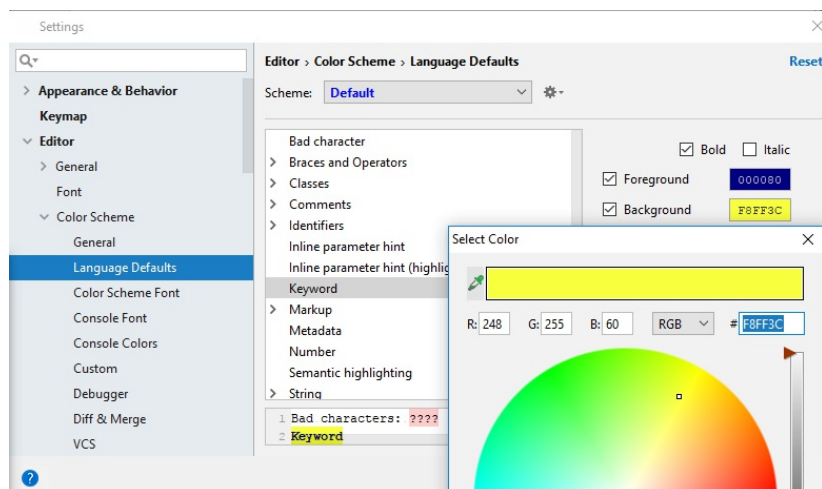
4. Under the **Color Scheme** node, open the corresponding pages to configure specific **color preferences** for the supported languages and IntelliJ IDEA components.

## Changing the language defaults

The node Language Defaults is actually language-agnostic. It contains the settings that are common to the majority of the supported languages (keywords, dots, commas, parenthesis etc.)

Select the node Language Defaults, and in the list of textual components, select the component Keyword. The background of the keywords is white; let's make it yellow.

To do that, select the checkbox to the left of the field name Background, and then click the white swatch. The **Color Picker** opens — all you need to do is to select the desired color and click OK:



So far, the changes to the language defaults are made; now let's look how they can be inherited.

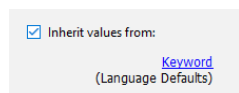
## Changing font for JavaScript

Click JavaScript node.

In the list of language components select Keyword , and see that the keywords now have the yellow background:



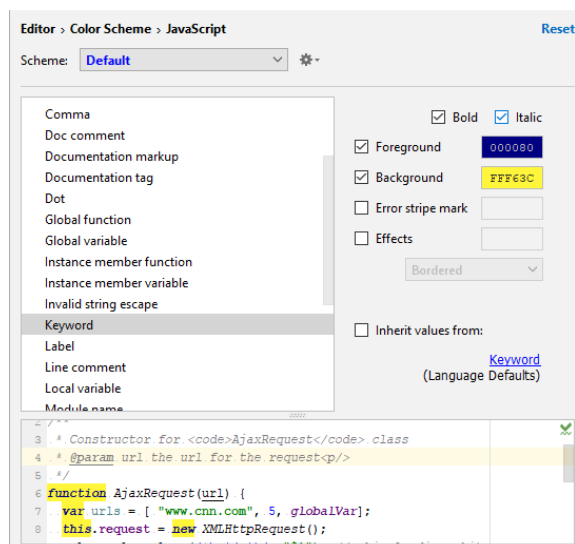
It's important to note that the checkbox Inherit values from is selected!



Clicking the link below this checkbox leads you to the respective page under Colors Scheme node, in this case to Language Defaults .

Next, clear the checkbox Inherit values from , and define the desired font type using the Bold and Italic checkboxes. In this case, these textual components will change for the selected language only!

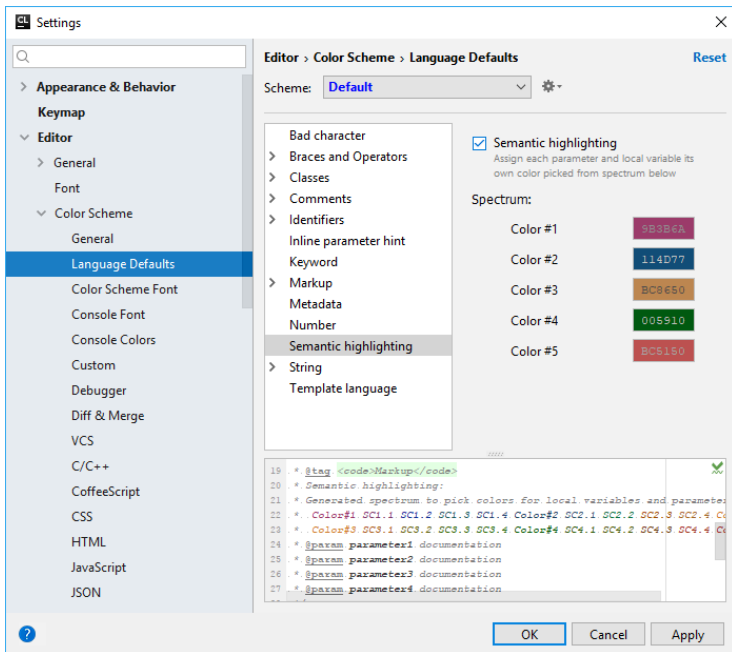
Observe results in the preview pane.



## Semantic highlighting

What happens if there is a function/method with a long list of uniformly highlighted parameters? One can easily make IntelliJ IDEA distinguish each parameter from the others using the semantic highlighting .

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click [Color Scheme](#) , and then click the Language Defaults page.
2. In the list of the supported Java components, choose Semantic highlighting .
3. In the right-hand pane, select the Semantic highlighting checkbox:



After that, all the parameters in a lengthy list will get the colors from the suggested swatches. If one is not happy with the suggested colors, [click on a swatch](#) to choose the suitable color.

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IntelliJ IDEA is a keyboard-centric IDE. Most of its actions (navigation, refactoring, debugging, etc.) can be carried out without using a mouse, which lets dramatically increase coding speed.

**Tip** Even if you do not know the shortcut for specific action, you can still use the keyboard—the only shortcut you have to remember is `Ctrl+Shift+A`. After pressing it, start typing the name of the desired action and then press `Enter` to invoke it.

## Predefined keymaps

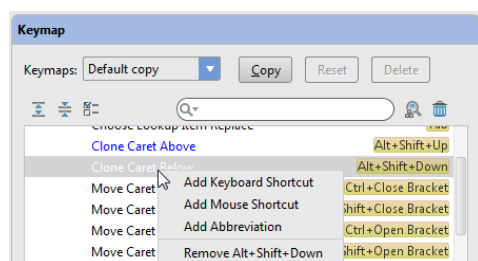
If you have used another IDE for a while and memorized your favorite keyboard shortcuts, you can choose one of the IntelliJ IDEA's predefined keymaps that matches key bindings of that IDE.

You can choose the keymap either on the first start of IntelliJ IDEA or anytime later on the Keymap page of IntelliJ IDEA settings (`Ctrl+Alt+S`).

If you are starting from scratch, without experience in other IDEs, we recommend using the Default keymap.

## Configuring keyboard shortcuts and mouse shortcuts

Predefined keymaps are not editable. When you add or modify any shortcut, a copy of the currently selected predefined keymap is created automatically.



### To configure keyboard shortcuts and mouse shortcuts

1. Select one of the pre-configured Keymaps, which you want to use as the base for the new one, and click `Copy`. Accept the default name, or change it as required.
2. In the content pane of actions, select the desired action.

To find an action by name, type the name in the search field `in`. As you type, the content pane shows actions with the matching names.

To find an action by shortcut, click `Find Shortcut`, then, when the Find Shortcut dialog opens, start pressing keys. The content pane will show only the actions with the matching shortcuts. Click your mouse somewhere outside the Find Shortcut dialog to close it.

3. Configure keyboard shortcuts. To do that, follow these steps:
  1. Right-click the selected action, and choose `Add Keyboard Shortcut`.
  2. In the dialog that opens, press the keys to be used as shortcuts. The keystrokes are immediately reflected in the First Stroke field. Optionally, select the checkbox next to Second Stroke and press keys to be used as alternative keyboard shortcuts.

As you press the keys, the Preview field displays the suggested combination of keystrokes, and the Conflicts field displays warnings, if some of the keystrokes are already assigned to the other actions.

3. Click `OK` with the mouse pointer to create a shortcut and bind it with an action.

It is important to use the mouse pointer, because when you press any keystroke while this dialog is open, the keystroke is interpreted as the shortcut.

4. Configure mouse shortcuts. To do that, follow these steps:
  1. Right-click the selected action, and choose `Add Mouse Shortcut` on the context menu. Enter Mouse Shortcut dialog box opens.
  2. In the Click Count section, click a radio button to choose a Single Click or Double Click.
  3. Hover your mouse pointer over the section Click Pad and click the desired mouse button. Use `Alt`, `Ctrl`, and `Shift` modifiers for diversity. As you click, the Shortcut Preview field displays the suggested shortcut, and the Conflicts field displays warnings, if some of the shortcuts are already assigned to the other actions.
  4. Click `OK` or Press `Enter` to create a shortcut and bind it with an action.





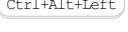
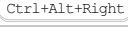


If a conflict is reported, a warning message appears. You can choose one of the following options:

- Remove to remove all other bindings and preserve the new one.
- Leave to preserve all bindings including the new one.
- Cancel to return to the keymap definition.

Although you can ignore conflict and bind a shortcut with several actions, it is strictly recommended to avoid binding two actions with the same shortcut, because the order of performing such actions is not defined.

## Avoiding conflicts with global OS shortcuts

Predefined keymaps do not cover every possible platform, version, and configuration. Try out the key combinations that you use and make necessary adjustments. Also, make sure that function keys are enabled on your system and check the following:

OS	Shortcut	System action	IntelliJ IDEA action
macOS		Show Spotlight search	Basic code completion
		Select the previous input source	
Ubuntu		Shade window	Settings
		Lock screen	Reformat Code
		Launch Terminal	Surround With
		Switch between Workspaces	Undo/redo navigation operations
			
		Move window	Find Usages
		Resize window	Evaluate Expression

## Location of user-defined keymaps

All user-defined keymaps are stored in separate configuration files under the `config/keymaps` subdirectory in the IntelliJ IDEA profile directory:

- Windows and \*NIX systems: `<User home>/IntelliJ IDEA<xx>/config/keymaps`
- macOS: `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJ IDEA<xx>/keymaps/`

Each keymap file contains only differences between the current and the parent keymaps.

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to set up line separators (line endings) for the newly created files, and change line separator style for the existing files.

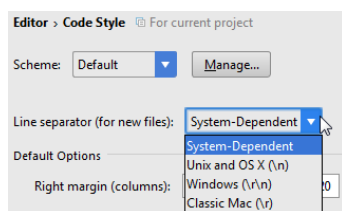
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## Setting up line separators for newly created files

### To set up line separators for new files

1. In Settings, click [Code Style](#).
2. From the Line separator (for new files) drop-down list, select the desired line separator style:



3. Apply changes and close the dialog.

## Viewing line ending style for the current file

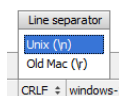
### To view line ending style for the current file

1. Open the desired file in the editor, as described in the section [Opening and Reopening Files](#).
2. View the [Status bar](#): the current line endings style is denoted by the dedicated icon with the specified style, for example, CRLF = .

## Changing line separator for a file

### To change line separator for a file, currently opened in the editor

1. Open the desired file in the editor, as described in the section [Opening and Reopening Files](#).
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click the line separator spin box in the [Status bar](#), and choose the desired line ending style from the pop-up menu:



- Choose File | Line Separators on the main menu, and then choose the desired line ending style from the sub-menu.

## Changing line separator for a selection in the Project view

### To change line separator for a file or directory, selected in the Project view

1. Select a file or directory in the [Project Tool Window](#).  
Note that if a directory is selected, the line ending style applies to all nested files recursively.
2. Choose File | Line Separators on the main menu, and then select the desired line ending style from the sub-menu.



## Tips and tricks

- Use multiple selection in the Project view.
- Changing line separator is reflected in the [Local history](#) of a file.
- [Run the inspection 'Inconsistent line separators'](#) to find out, which files use line separator different from project's default.

You can customize menu and toolbar command lists to regroup features or make your favorites easier to access.


## To customize menus and toolbars

1. Open Settings/Preferences dialog, and click [Menus and Toolbars](#) . Alternatively, right-click the main toolbar, and choose Customize Menus and Toolbars on the context menu.


2. In the list of available menus and bars, expand the node you want to customize and select the desired item.

3. Customize the list of items in the selected menu or bar using the buttons on the right from the list:

- To add a new command, select the desired location in the list and click the Add After button. In the [Choose Action To Add](#) dialog box that opens, select the desired action.

Optionally associate the action with an icon using the Icon Path text box. In this text box, specify the location of the file with the icon you want to assign to the selected action. If necessary, use the Browse button  to select the file in the [corresponding dialog](#) .

**Tip** The image file should have [.png](#) extension.  
– The size of the toolbar icons should be 16x16.

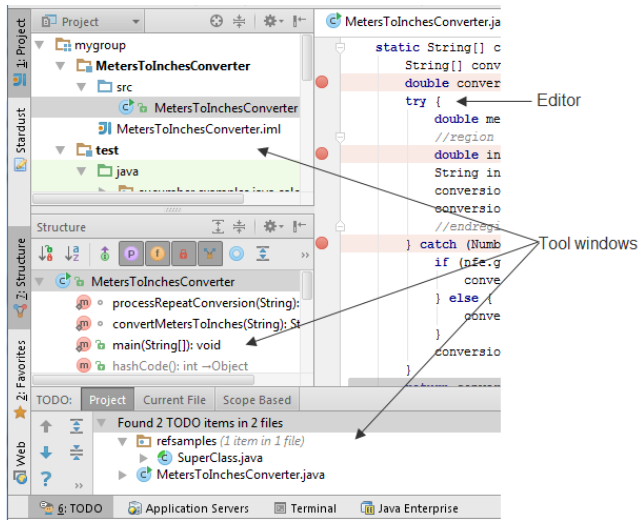
- To change the icon associated with a command, select the desired command in the list and click the Edit Action Icon button. In the Choose Actions Icon Path dialog box that opens, specify the location of the desired image. If necessary, use the Browse button  to select the image in the [Select Path Dialog](#) .
- To delete an item from the list, select it and click the Remove button.
- To have logical groups of commands separated from each other by a separator, select the desired location in the list and click the Add Separator button.
- To change the order in which commands appear in the selected menu or on the selected bar, use the Move Up and Move Down buttons.

4. To abandon the changes and return to the default settings, click the Restore Default button.



## Overview

Attached to the bottom and sides of the workspace are IntelliJ IDEA tool windows. These secondary windows let you look at your project from different perspectives and provide access to typical development tasks. These include project management, source code search and navigation, running and debugging, integration with version control systems, and many other specific tasks.

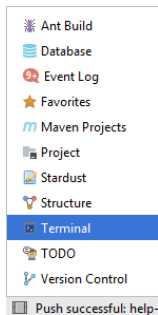



Certain tool windows are available always, that is, in any project irrespective of the project nature, contents, and configuration. Other tool windows are available only if the corresponding plugins and/or facets are enabled. There are also tool windows that only appear when certain actions are performed. For example, to invoke Find tool window you need to initialize a search.

## Tool window quick access

In the lower left corner of the workspace, there is a button which initially looks like this .

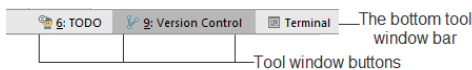
If you hover the mouse cursor over this button, a menu opens that provides quick access to tool windows:



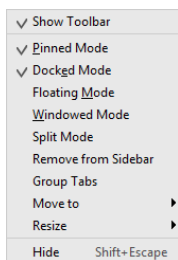
If you click this button, tool window bars and buttons are shown. At the same time the button appearance toggles to . If you click the button again, the tool window bars and buttons are hidden again.

## Tool window bars and buttons


When visible, the tool window button bars (or just tool window bars) are around the tool windows (or the editor area if the tool windows are hidden). These bars contain the buttons for showing or hiding the tool windows (tool window buttons).



The tool window buttons also provide access to tool window context menus displayed if you right-click a tool window button:



The context menus let you control the tool window viewing modes and other aspects of the tool window appearance.

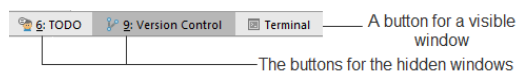
Initially, there are three button bars, two at the sides of the main window and one at the bottom. You can show or hide all button bars at once by clicking  in the bottom-left corner of the workspace.

Each tool window button has the name of the corresponding tool window on it. On certain buttons, the window name may be preceded by a number, for example, 1: Project. This means that the keyboard shortcut `Alt+<number>`

$\text{⌘}+\langle\text{number}\rangle$  is available for showing or hiding the window. You can, for example, show or hide the Project tool window by pressing  $\text{Alt}+1$   $\text{⌘}+1$ .

You can turn showing the window access numbers on the buttons on and off in the [Appearance settings](#).

The buttons for visible tool windows and for hidden ones are shown differently.

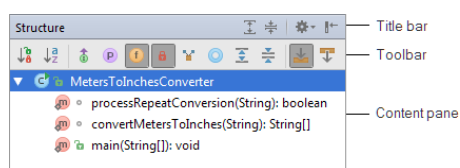


You can rearrange the tool windows by dragging-and-dropping the tool window buttons onto a different tool window bar (or to a different corner of the same bar). As a result, the tool window becomes attached to the bar you've moved the window button to.

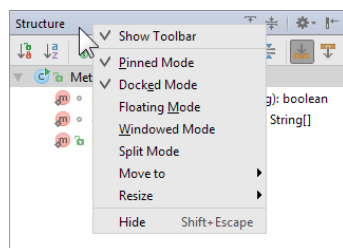


## General tool window layout

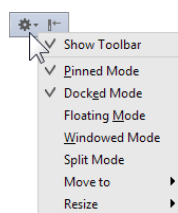
Generally, all tool windows are organized in a similar way.



At the top of the window is a title bar. When you right-click the title bar, a menu for managing the window appearance and contents is shown.



The title bar contains two buttons in its right-hand part. The first of these buttons ( $\text{⚙}$ ) opens a menu for managing the tool window [viewing modes](#). Note that the menu options are a subset of the title bar context menu.



The second of the buttons ( $\text{⌵}$ ) is for hiding the tool window. When used in combination with the  $\text{Alt}+\text{⌵}$  key, clicking this button hides all the windows attached to the same tool window bar.

Underneath the title bar are the toolbar and content pane. Depending on the window, the toolbar may be above or to the left of the content pane.

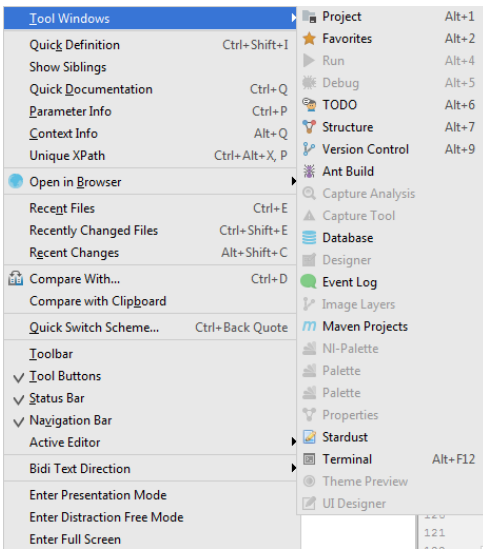
The toolbar buttons, generally, are window-specific. However, the windows with similar purposes may contain similar controls on their toolbars.

In most cases, a function associated with a toolbar button may also be accessed from the main or context menu, or may have a keyboard equivalent.

The content panes may be plain or contain two or more "layers" (views) represented, for example, by tabs. There are also tool windows with the content pane part shown on a separate tab in the editor area.

## Accessing tool window menus

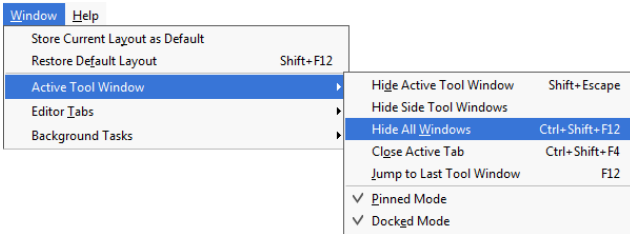
– Use the [View | Tool Windows](#) menu to show or hide the tool windows.



**Note** Some of the tool windows (for example, **Find** or **Hierarchy** tool window) appear in the View menu **ONLY** when an action has been performed for the first time. So, unless you do something, say, find, or build a hierarchy, these tool windows are not visible in the View menu.

Same happens with the **Messages** and **Problems** tool windows. For example, the **Messages** tool window shows warnings from the compiler or the status after finishing a task, etc. Similarly, the **Problems** tool window appears only if auto make option is enabled and your code contains a compilation error.

- Use the Window | Active Tool Window menu to perform operations related to an active tool window. These include hiding the active and other windows, changing the **viewing modes** for the active tool window, and more.








You can manipulate the [tool windows](#) in various ways to adjust IntelliJ IDEA workspace to your needs.

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## Showing a tool window

Do one of the following:

- In the lower left corner of the workspace, point to  and select the tool window in the menu that is shown.
- Click the corresponding tool window button on the [tool window bar](#).
- Choose View | Tool Windows | <tool window> in the main menu.
- If the tool window has an associated quick access number, press  (for Windows and Linux users) or  (for macOS users) key (for example, for the Project tool window, press  (for Windows or Linux users), or  (for macOS users)).




## Hiding an individual tool window

Do one of the following:

- Click the corresponding tool window button on the [tool window bar](#).
- Click  on the tool window title bar.
- Right-click the corresponding tool window button and select Hide from the context menu.
- Right-click the tool window title bar and select Hide from the context menu.
- Choose View | Tool Windows | <tool window> in the main menu.
- If the tool window has an associated quick access number, press  (for Windows and Linux users) or  (for macOS users) key (for example, for the Project tool window, press  (for Windows or Linux users), or  (for macOS users)).
- If the tool window you are going to hide is currently active, press .

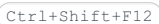
## Hiding all tool windows attached to the same tool window bar

Do one of the following:

- Press and hold the  (for Windows and Linux users) or  (for macOS users) key, and click  on the title bar of any of the tool windows attached to the corresponding tool window bar.
- Choose Window | Active Tool Window | Hide Side Tool Windows in the main menu. This command hides all the tool windows attached to same tool window bar as the active tool window or the last of the active tool windows.


## Hiding all tool windows

Do one of the following:

- Choose Window | Active Tool Window | Hide All Windows in the main menu.
- Press .

## Switching to the last active tool window


Do one of the following:

- Choose Window | Active Tool Window | Jump to Last Tool Window in the main menu.
- Press .




If all the tool windows are currently hidden, the last active tool window will be shown and made active.

## Hiding or showing the tool window bars

You can hide all the tool window bars if you need more space in the IntelliJ IDEA window:

- In the lower left corner of the workspace, click .

If the tool window bars are hidden, you can bring them back onto the screen either permanently or for a short period of time:

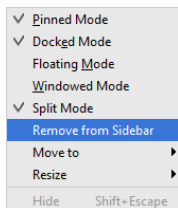
- To restore the tool window bars, click  in the lower left corner of the workspace.
- To see the tool window bars for a short period of time, double-press and hold the  (for Windows and Linux users) or  (for macOS users) key. The tool window bars appear on the screen making the tool window buttons accessible. The tool window bars are hidden again when you release the key.

## Hiding tool window buttons

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to hide individual tool window buttons, without actually uninstalling the corresponding plugins.

To remove a tool window button from view:

1. Make sure that the [tool window bars are visible](#) .
2. Right-click the tool window button you want to hide.
3. Choose Remove from Sidebar



To restore the hidden tool window button, choose View | Tool Windows on the main menu, and then click the window with the hidden toolbar button.

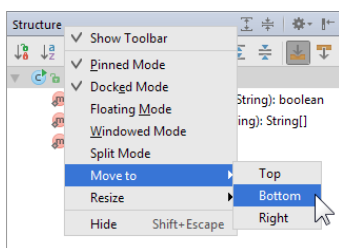
## Attaching a tool window to a different tool window bar

Do one of the following:

- Drag the corresponding tool window button onto the desired tool window bar (top, left, bottom or right).

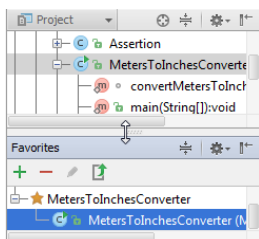


- Right-click the corresponding tool window button or the tool window title bar to open the context menu. Choose Move to and then select the destination tool window bar ( Top , Left , Bottom or Right ).



## Resizing a tool window

- Hover the mouse pointer over the tool window border. When the pointer becomes a double-headed arrow, drag the border in the required direction.



- You can also resize a tool window by moving its border to left or right, or up or down in steps. The following alternatives are available for doing that:

- Right-click the corresponding tool window button or title bar and select **Resize** . Then select one of the available **Stretch** to options.
- Make the tool window of interest active and do one of the following:
  - Choose **Window | Active Tool Window | Resize** , and then select the necessary **Stretch** to option.
  - Press **Ctrl+Shift** in combination with the corresponding arrow key.

## Increasing the number of tool windows shown at a time

To increase the number of tool windows to be shown at a time, you should appropriately set the [viewing modes](#) for different tool windows. Consider the following:

- Generally, for a tool window to be visible always (i.e. even when inactive), the tool window should be [pinned](#) .
- There are no limiting factors for the number of visible [floating](#) windows and ones in the windowed mode. Note that the [windowed](#) mode is not available if you are using macOS.
- To be able to see two windows [docked](#) to the same tool window bar at a time (rather than one), one of the windows should have the [split mode](#) off and the other one on.
- Initially, three (out of four) tool window bars are used. You can "activate" the fourth tool window bar (the top one) by [moving](#) certain tool windows to it.

## Saving and restoring the arrangement of the tool windows

You can save the way the tool windows are currently arranged by choosing Window | Store Current Layout as Default in the main menu.

At a later time, you can return to the saved workspace layout by choosing Window | Restore Default Layout ( `Shift+F12` ).

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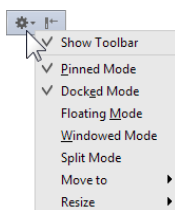
IntelliJ IDEA provides various viewing modes that let you control the way the tool windows are shown and behave. These modes help you keep a proper balance between quick, easy access to tool windows and maximum screen space for editing your code.

The viewing modes are set separately for each of the tool windows.

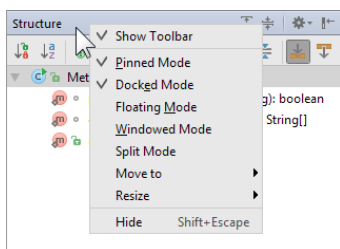
## Ways to control the viewing modes

The viewing modes are set by turning the corresponding viewing options on or off. To access these options, you can use:

-  on the title bar of a tool window.



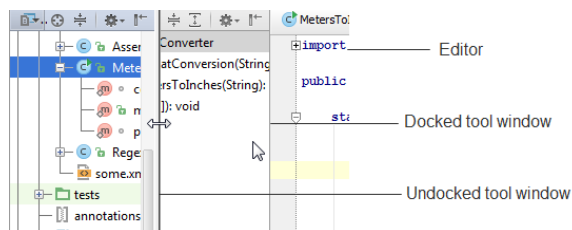
- Context menus. The context menus are accessed by right-clicking the tool window buttons or the tool window title bars.



- For an active tool window: the Window | Active Tool Window menu.

## Docked / undocked mode

A tool window in the **fixed mode** may be docked or undocked .



In the docked mode, all the sides of a tool window are attached to surrounding elements (the editor, other tool windows, etc.) Thus, the tool window and the adjacent elements share the space available in the main window.

When a docked tool window becomes inactive, it stays visible or is hidden depending on whether the window is **pinned** or **unpinned** .

Initially, all the tool windows are in the docked mode (i.e. the docked mode is on).

When undocked, all the sides of a tool window (except the one at the tool window bar) are detached from surrounding elements. The window moves to the "upper layer" covering the elements it used to share the space with. In one of the directions (along the tool window bar), the window stretches and takes all the available space. In the other direction, one of the window borders becomes loose and can be moved without affecting the sizes of other, underlying elements.

When an undocked tool window becomes inactive, it is automatically hidden.

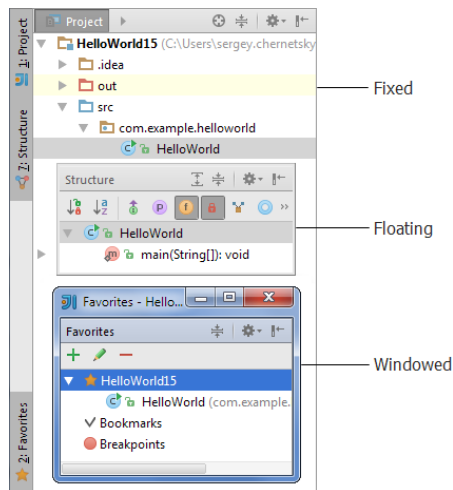
To switch between the docked and undocked mode, turn the Docked Mode option on or off. See [Ways to control the viewing modes](#) .

## Fixed / floating / windowed mode

A tool window may be **fixed** . In that case, it stays within the main window.

Alternatively, a tool window may be in the **floating** or in the **windowed** mode. Note that the **windowed** mode is not available if

you are using macOS.



When in the fixed mode, one side of the tool window is attached to one of the tool window bars. The behavior of the opposite side depends on whether the window is [docked or undocked](#) .

Initially, all the tool windows are in the fixed mode (i.e. the floating and windowed modes are off).

In the floating and in the windowed modes, a tool window may be moved around the screen to any place.

To switch to the floating or the windowed mode, turn on the Floating Mode or the Windowed Mode option. To bring a tool window back to the fixed mode, turn the Floating Mode and the Windowed Mode options off. See [Ways to control the viewing modes](#) .

Note that for the tool windows in the windowed mode, the Window menu command Hide Active Tool Window is disabled.

## Pinned / unpinned mode

Pinned tool windows, generally, stay visible when becoming inactive. Unpinned tool windows in such cases are automatically hidden.

Initially, all the tool windows are pinned (i.e. the pinned mode is on).

There may be slight differences in behavior depending on the other viewing modes:

- [Undocked](#) tool windows are always hidden when inactive. (In the undocked mode, the tool windows are effectively unpinned.)
- [Floating](#) pinned tool windows, when inactive, may become semi-transparent.

To switch between the pinned and unpinned mode, turn the Pinned Mode option on or off. See [Ways to control the viewing modes](#) .

## Split mode

This mode has to do with how many windows [docked](#) to the same tool window bar may be shown at a time (one or two).

Generally, the space along a tool window bar is shared between two groups of docked tool windows.

In one of the groups are the tool windows for which the split mode is off; in the other group are the ones with this mode on.

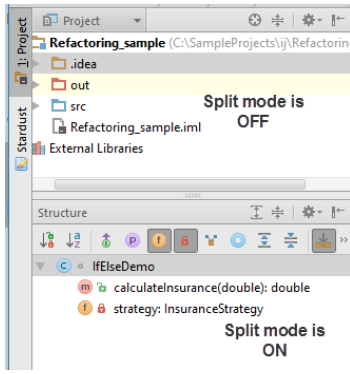
At each moment of time, only one window from each of the groups may be visible.

Thus, if all the tool windows docked to a tool window bar have the split mode off, only one tool window may be shown at a time. In this case, the tool window which is visible takes all the space available along the tool window bar. So when you make a certain window visible, the previous visible window is automatically hidden.

The same behavior is observed if the split mode is on for all the windows docked to the same tool window bar.

To be able to see two windows simultaneously, the corresponding windows should belong to different groups, that is, one of the windows should have the split mode off and the other one on.



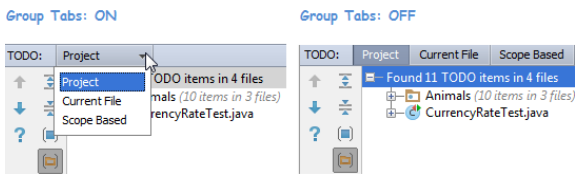


The tool window buttons for the tool windows with different settings of the split mode are grouped and shown at different corners of the corresponding tool window bar. For vertical window bars, the windows with the split mode off have the buttons at the top corner; for the horizontal bars, the buttons for such windows are at the left corner.

To turn the split mode on or off see [Ways to control the viewing modes](#) .

## Group Tabs option

If more than one view is available in a tool window, the corresponding views may be shown on separate tabs if the Group Tabs option is off. If this option is on, the views are selected from a list.



## Wide screen support

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible for the tool windows to use the full width and height of the screen. In the Settings dialog, expand the node Appearance and Behaviour , and in the [Appearance](#) page, use the checkboxes Wide screen tool window layout and Side by side layout on the left/right to optimize placement of the tool windows.

Note also that you can turn side-by-side layout on or off by `Ctrl+MouseClicked` on splitter between the tool windows.

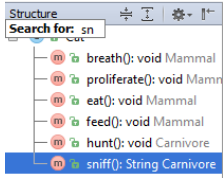
Refer to [Appearance](#) for details.

Speed search in the tool windows helps you find and navigate to a file or folder in the Project tool window, a member in the Structure tool window, a changelist in the Version Control tool window, an item in the TODO list, and more.

Note that speed search is performed only on expanded nodes, if a node is folded the matching items under it are not detected.

To search through a tool window, follow these steps:

1. Select the desired tool window.
2. Start typing the item name (for instance, file, class, field, etc.). As you type, the Search for field appears over the tool window toolbar showing the entered characters, and the element selection moves to the first item that matches the specified string. The matching part of the string is highlighted.



3. If several neighboring items match the pattern, use the Up and Down keys on the keyboard to navigate among them.
4. Press `Enter` when ready. As a result, the matching item is selected in the tool window. Pressing `Escape` hides the Search for field.

You can change certain tool window appearance properties by specifying the corresponding Appearance settings.

### **To change the appearance properties for tool windows**

1. In the Settings dialog, expand the Appearance&Behaviour node, and click [Appearance](#) .
2. If necessary, change the settings related to tool window appearance. These are mainly in the Transparency and the Window Options sections. For more information, see descriptions of the pages under [Appearance and Behavior](#) .

## Basics

You can arrange the most frequently used project items (files, folders, packages, instance and class members, etc.), [bookmarks](#) , and [breakpoints](#) in the lists of favorite items (favorites). In IntelliJ IDEA, there is a dedicated [tool window](#) for managing your favorites (the [Favorites tool window](#) ).

Initially, there is one (empty) favorites list which has the same name as the project.

You can create more favorites lists and manage their contents as necessary.

## Using the Project tool window to add items to favorites

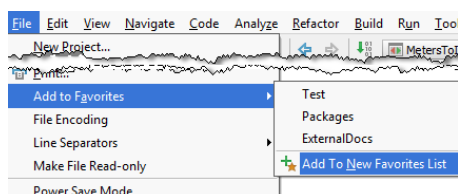
1. In the [Project](#) , select the item or items you want to add to favorites .

2. Do one of the following:

- Press `Shift+Alt+F` .
- On the main menu, point to File | Add To Favorites .
- On the context menu of the selection, point to Add To Favorites .

3. To add the selected item or items to an existing favorites list, select the name of the list.

To create a new favorites list and add the selected item or items to it, select [Add To New Favorites List](#) . In the Add New Favorites List dialog, specify the name of the new list and click OK .



**Tip** Add items to favorites using drag-and-drop: drag the item of interest from the Project tool window, or an external file from Explorer or Finder , and drop it onto the desired favorites list in the Favorites tool window.

## Using the editor to add files to favorites

In the editor, you can add to favorites one file (`Shift+Alt+F` ), or all the currently opened files.

1. Right-click the editor tab of interest and select one of the following options:

- If you want to add the current file to favorites, select [Add To Favorites](#) . (For the current file, File | [Add To Favorites](#) is also available as an alternative.)
- If you want to add all the files open in the editor to favorites, select [Add All To Favorites](#) .

2. To add the item or items to an existing favorites list, select the name of the list.

To create a new favorites list and add the item or items to it, select [Add To New Favorites List](#) . In the Add New Favorites List dialog, specify the name of the new list and click OK .


## Creating a new favorites list

You have an option of creating a new favorites list when [adding items to favorites](#) or when [moving](#) a favorites list item to a different list.

You can also create a new (empty) favorites list just on its own, as a separate task:

1. Open the [Favorites tool window](#) (`Alt+2` ).

2. Do one of the following:


- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Alt+Insert` .

3. In the Add New Favorites List dialog, specify the name of the new list and click OK .

## Renaming a favorites list

1. Open the [Favorites tool window](#) (`Alt+2` ).

2. Do one of the following:

- Right-click the list whose name you want to change and select [Rename Favorites List](#) .
- In the toolbar of the Favorites tool window, click .

3. In the New Name for Favorites List dialog box, change the name of the list as required, and click OK .

## Moving an item to a different list

1. Open the [Favorites tool window](#) (`Alt+2` ).

2. Right-click the list item that you are going to move and select [Send To Favorites](#) .


3. To move the selected item to an existing favorites list, select the name of the destination list.

To create a new favorites list and move the item there, select [Send To New Favorites List](#) . In the Add New Favorites List dialog, specify the name of the new list and click OK .

**Tip** To move an item from one favorites list to another, use drag-and-drop.

## Removing items from favorites

To remove items from favorites, you can delete the corresponding favorites list items and/or the whole favorites lists.

1. Open the [Favorites tool window](#) (**Alt+2**).
2. Select the item or items that you want to remove from favorites. Note that you can select separate list items and the whole lists at the same time.
3. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select Remove From Favorites in the context menu. (If a single favorites list is currently selected, note that there are also the following options: Delete Favorites List <list\_name> and Delete All Favorites Lists Except <list\_name> .)
  - Press **Delete** .

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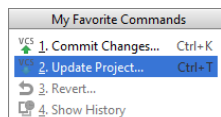
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A Quick List is a pop-up menu of IntelliJ IDEA commands, configured by the user and associated with a keyboard or mouse shortcut. You can create as many quick lists as necessary. Each command, included in a quick list, is identified by a sequential number. Numbering starts from the numerals (0 to 9), and then proceeds with the letters in alphabetical order.

## Using a quick list

### To invoke a command from a quick list

1. Invoke quick list by its keyboard shortcut.
2. Select the desired command, using its number, the mouse cursor, or navigation keys and the `Enter` key:



## Configuring a quick list

### To configure a quick list

1. Open Settings/Preferences dialog, and click [Quick Lists](#) page.
2. Click `+` to create a new quick list.
3. In the Display name field, specify the name of the quick list. Optionally, provide the quick list description.
4. Configure the quick list. Use:
  - Add to add actions to the list. Select the actions in the Add Actions to Quick List dialog that opens.
  - Add Separator to add a separator at the end of the list.
  - Move Up and Move Down to move the selected item one line up or down in the list.
  - Remove to remove the selected item from the list.
5. Apply the changes.
6. Bind the new quick list with one or more shortcuts:
  - In the [Keymaps](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog, expand the Quick Lists node and select the new quick list.
  - Perform the [key binding procedure](#) . Note that you can only modify a custom keymap.
7. Apply the changes and close the dialog.

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## Introduction


You can define the code styles that differ from the pre-defined ones. These code style schemes are stored in XML files, in the `config/codestyles` folder under the user home directory.

You can use the created copy for modifying code styles, and for export.

If you select a code style scheme other than Project, then this code style will be saved for a project. Thus you can assign a global (IDE) code style for each project.

## Creating a copy of a code style scheme


### To create a copy of code style settings

1. In the [Code Style page](#), select the desired scheme from the drop-down list, and click  .
2. From the drop-down list, select one of the following options:
  - Copy to IDE - select this option to store the selected scheme in a global level.  
IntelliJ IDEA saves the new code style with the specified name in the `config/codestyles/<code_style_name>.xml` file under the IntelliJ IDEA home directory.
  - Copy to Project - select this option to store the selected scheme in a project level.  
The selected code style is saved in the `.idea` directory in the file `codeStyleSettings.xml` .
  - Duplicate - select this option to simply make a copy of the selected scheme and store it in the same level.
3. In the Scheme field, type the name of the new scheme and press  to save the changes.
4. Apply changes.

## Managing code style schemes

IntelliJ IDEA lets you modify existing names of code style schemes, export or import code style settings.

### To manage a code style scheme

1. In the [Code Style page](#), select the desired scheme from the drop-down list, and click  .
2. From the drop-down list, select one of the following options:
  - Rename - select this option to change the name of the selected scheme.
  - Export - select this option to export your code style settings to the desired location.
  - Import - select this option to import IntelliJ IDEA XML code style settings, JSCS config file, or Eclipse XML Profile.
3. In the Scheme field, type the name of the new scheme and press  to save the changes.
4. Apply changes.

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## Introduction

You can [create custom file types](#) to enable parsing these files in the editor by defining highlighting schemes for keywords, comments, numbers, etc. To enable IntelliJ IDEA decide how to treat a file, you need to [associate each file type with relevant extensions](#).

## Creating a file type


### To create a new file type

1. Open the Settings/Preferences dialog by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Then select Editor | File Types. Find more on page [Accessing Settings](#).
2. On the [File Types](#) page that opens, click **+**.
3. In the [New File Type](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the new type and optionally provide a description.
4. In the Syntax Highlighting section, specify the characters for line and block comments, hex prefixes, and number postfixes.
5. In the Keywords section, specify sets of keywords using the tabs from 1 to 4. To do so, select the desired tab, click **+** (`Alt+Insert`), and enter the keyword name in the Add New Keyword dialog box that opens.

**Tip** Each set of keywords has its own highlighting. You can change the highlighting color scheme for each set, on the [Color Scheme](#) page. Click the Custom tab and edit the Keyword1, Keyword2, Keyword3, and Keyword4 properties.

## Registering a file type

### To associate a file type with extensions

1. Open the [File Types](#) settings page.
2. From the Recognized File Types list, select the desired type.
3. In the Registered Patterns area, complete the list of patterns that define the file extensions to indicate that the corresponding files belong to the selected type. Do one of the following:
  - To register a new pattern, click **+** (`Alt+Insert`) and enter the desired extension pattern in the Add Wildcard dialog box that opens.
  - To update a pattern, select it in the list, click the Edit button  and make the necessary changes in the Edit Wildcard dialog box that opens.
  - To remove a pattern from the list, select it and click **-** (`Alt+Delete`).



This section describes how to configure [scopes](#) and coloring of the files belonging to these scopes:

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## Creating a new custom scope

Project scopes are configured in the [Scopes](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog box.

### To create a new custom scope

1. In the [Scopes](#) settings page, click Add scope **+**.
2. Select Local Changes or Shared from the drop-down list. Shared scopes are defined for the current project and accessible for the team members via VCS, while Local scopes are intended for personal use only and are stored in your workspace.

**Tip** You can change the sharing state later using the Share scope checkbox in the bottom of the page.

3. Specify the name for the new scope.
4. Apply changes.

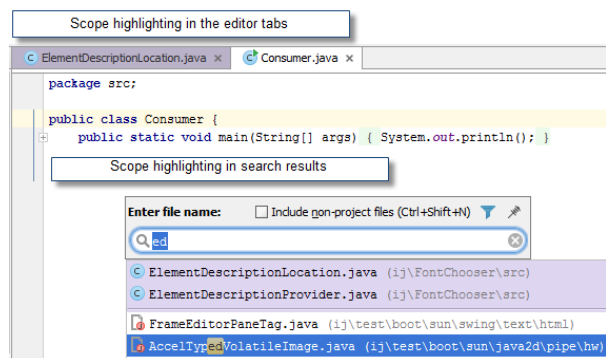
## Configuring the list of items in a custom scope

### To configure the list of items in a custom scope

1. In the [Scopes](#) settings page, select the scope that you want to configure.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Choose files and folders to be included in the scope and use buttons on the right. Based on the inclusion/exclusion, IntelliJ IDEA creates an expression and displays it in the Pattern field.
  - Specify pattern in the Pattern field manually, using the [scope language syntax](#).
3. Apply changes.

## Associating file color with a scope

Files belonging to different scopes can be highlighted in different colors throughout the IntelliJ IDEA's user interface: in [navigation lists](#), in the editor tabs, in the [Project Tool Window](#). This allows much faster and easier navigation in large projects.



### To associate file color with a scope



1. Open the [File Colors](#) settings page.
2. Decide whether you want the scope-color association to be only available to you or to be shared with the team. Depending on that, select or clear the checkbox Share colors section of the page.
3. Click Add **+**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, select a scope and pick a color for it.
5. If necessary, use the checkboxes on top of the page to define where in the user interface files belonging to the scopes are highlighted.
6. Apply changes.

## Arranging the order of scopes

If some file is included into several scopes, the order of the scopes becomes important: IntelliJ IDEA uses the color of the uppermost scope (shown in the [Scopes](#) settings page) to highlight such file. Of course, you can change the order of the

scopes, and thus the resulted highlighting.

### **To arrange the order of scopes**

1. Open the [Scopes](#) settings page.
2. Select a scope whose position in the order you want to change.
3. Click Move Up  / Move Down .
4. Apply the changes.

You can define third-party standalone applications (code generators and analyzers, pre- and post- processors, database utilities, etc.) as external tools and then run them from IntelliJ IDEA.

You can pass contextual information (like the currently selected file, or your project source path) to the external tools, view the tool output, and more.

The tools are defined on the [External Tools page](#) in the [Settings dialog](#) and appear as commands in the Tools menu and in various context menus. They can also be assigned keyboard shortcuts (see the [Configuring Keyboards and Mouse Shortcuts](#) section).

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## Basics

There are two modes of dealing with file encoding:

- **Converting** : the contents of the editor are stored in a different encoding. So doing, the contents of the underlying file change, but the contents of the editor stay unchanged.
- **Reloading** : the underlying file, opened in the editor, is shown in an encoding that differs from its original one. So doing, the contents of the editor can change, but the underlying files does not.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following major ways to change encoding:

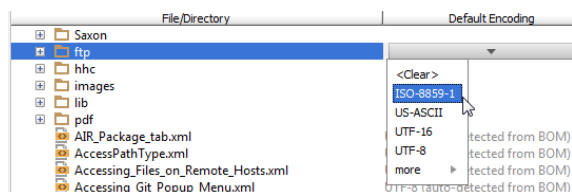
- [Using the File Encodings](#) page of the Settings dialog, for directories and for the files that do not contain encoding information.
- [Using the Status bar or menu command](#) , for individual files that do not contain encoding information.
- [Using the editor](#) , for individual files that contain encoding information.

IntelliJ IDEA also supports configuring [encoding for properties files](#) .

## Configuring encoding for a directory or file without embedded encoding information

### To configure encoding for a directory or file without embedded encoding information

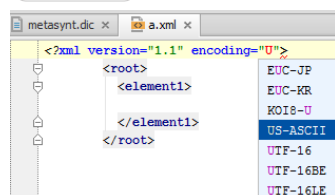
1. In Settings, expand the Editor node and select [File Encodings](#) .
2. The File/Directory column shows the tree view of your project. The Default Encoding column shows encoding for directories or files. Click the Default encoding column for a directory or file you want to define encoding for, and then choose the desired encoding from the drop-down list:



## Changing encoding of a file with explicit encoding

### To change encoding of a file that contains explicit encoding

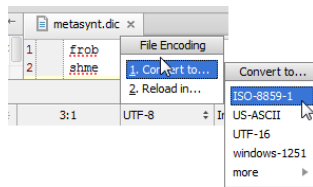
1. [Open the desired file](#) in the editor.
2. Change explicit encoding information. Use error highlighting to recognize wrong encoding and press `Ctrl+Space` to have a list of available encodings displayed:



## Changing encoding of a file without explicit encoding

### To change encoding of a single file that doesn't contain explicit encoding

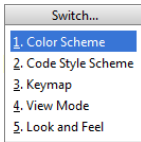
1. [Open the desired file](#) for editing.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, point to File | File encoding .
  - Click file encoding on the [Status bar](#) .
3. Select the desired encoding from the pop-up window.



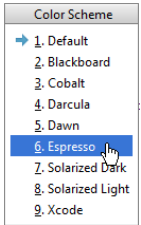
4. If the selected encoding will change the file contents, IntelliJ IDEA shows a dialog box, where you can choose to Reload file from disk, or Convert it to a different encoding.

You can quickly switch between various color schemes, keyboard layouts, and look-and-feels without actually invoking the corresponding page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.

1. Choose View | Quick Switch Scheme on the main menu or press `Ctrl+Back Quote`.
2. In the pop-up window that opens select the desired scheme (Colors and Fonts, Code Style, etc.).



3. In the suggestion list, click the desired option.



**Warning!** Regardless of your choice, the selected version of JDK shall be not lower than 1.8.

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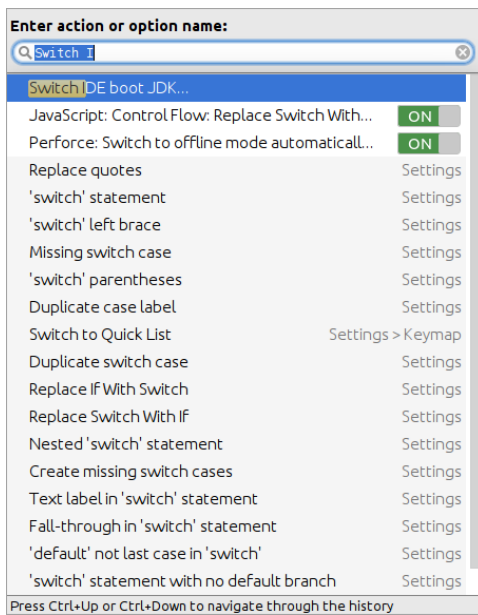
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In case when you prefer JDK other than bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, you can choose between the latter and another kit, installed on your system.

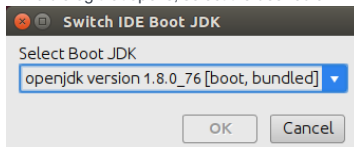
## Switching the IDE boot JDK

### To switch the IDE boot JDK, do the following:

1. On the main menu, choose Help | Find Action or press `Ctrl+Shift+A`.
2. In the list of actions that appears, find Switch IDE boot JDK action and select it. Simplify your search by typing the first letters:



3. In the dialog that opens, select the desired JDK:



4. Click OK to apply changes.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you share your IDE settings between different instances of IntelliJ IDEA (or other IntelliJ-platform-based IDEs). This helps you recreate a comfy working environment if you are working from different computers and spare the annoyance of things looking or behaving differently from what you are used to.

You can share your settings in one of the following ways:

- By configuring a [settings repository](#) . This allows you to sync any configurable components (except for the list of enabled and disabled plugins), but requires setting up a Git repository with the settings you want to share.  
This option is useful if you want to implement the same settings among your team-members.
- By using the [IDE Settings Sync plugin](#) . It utilizes the JetBrains server, so no additional configuration is required. Synced settings are linked to your [JetBrains Account](#) , so they will not be available to other users.  
The settings you can sync include: IDE themes, keymaps, color schemes, system settings, UI settings, menus and toolbars settings, project view settings, editor settings, code completion settings, parameter name hints, live templates, code styles, and the list of enabled and disabled plugins.

## Share settings through a settings repository

**Warning!** Before you start configuring a settings repository, make sure that the Settings Repository plugin is enabled in the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) under Plugins .

1. Create a Git repository on any hosting service, such as [Bitbucket](#) or [GitHub](#) .
2. On the computer where the IntelliJ IDEA instance whose settings you want to share is installed, select File | Settings Repository from the main menu. Specify the URL of the repository you've created and click Overwrite Remote .
3. On each computer where you want your settings to be applied, in the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), expand the Tools node and choose Settings Repository . Specify the URL of the repository you've created, and click Overwrite Local .

You can click Merge if you want the repository to keep a combination of the remote settings and your local settings. If any conflicts are detected, a dialog will be displayed where you can resolve these conflicts.

If you want to overwrite the remote settings with your local settings, click Overwrite Remote .

**Tip** If you select to use [Bitbucket](#) to host your repository, the use of [App passwords](#) is recommended for authentication. You need to set the read/write permissions for your repositories.

Your local settings will be automatically synchronized with the settings stored in the repository each time you perform an Update Project or a Push operation, or when you close your project or exit IntelliJ IDEA.

On the first sync, you will be prompted to specify a username and password. It is recommended to use an [access token](#) for GitHub authentication. If, for some reason, you want to use a username and password instead of an access token, or your Git hosting provider doesn't support it, it is recommended to configure the [Git credentials helper](#) .

**Note** The [macOS Keychain](#) is supported, which means you can share your credentials between all IntelliJ Platform-based products (you will be prompted to grant access if the original IDE is different from the requestor IDE).


If you want to disable automatic settings synchronization, from the main menu select File | Settings | Tools | Settings Repository and disable the Auto Sync option. You will be able to update your settings manually by choosing VCS | Sync Settings from the main menu.

## Share more settings through additional read-only repositories

Apart from the Settings Repository , you can configure any number of additional repositories containing any types of settings you want to share, including live templates, file templates, schemes, deployment options, etc.

These repositories are referred to as read-only sources , as they cannot be overwritten or merged, just used as a source of settings as is.



To configure such repositories:

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), expand the Tools node and choose Settings Repository .
2. Click  and add the URL of the GitHub repository that contains the settings you want to share.

Synchronization with the settings from read-only sources is performed in the same way as for the Settings Repository .

## Share your settings with the Settings Sync plugin

**Warning!** Make sure that the Settings Sync plugin is enabled in the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) under Plugins .

1. Sign in to either of the following:
  - Your IDE: from the main menu choose Help | Register , choose to activate your license with the [JetBrains Account](#) and enter your credentials.
  - [Toolbox App](#) : click the gear icon  in the top right corner of the application, select Settings and click the Log in button. Note that by signing in to Toolbox App, you automatically sign in to all JetBrains products that you run.
2. In the bottom-right corner of the IntelliJ IDEA window, click the gear icon  and select Enable Settings Sync . Your local settings will be exported to the JetBrains repository linked to your account.
3. If you want to automatically sync the list of all enabled and disabled plugins, select the Sync plugins silently option. For



instructions on how to sync plugins manually if it is disabled, refer to [Sync plugins](#) .

4. On a different computer where you want these settings to be applied, click the gear button, and select Enable Sync . In the dialog that opens, click Get Settings from Account to import the settings from the repository.

If you want to override the repository with your local settings, click Keep and Sync Local Settings .


Your local settings will be automatically synchronized with the settings stored in the repository each time you run a different IDE instance (or activate it after more than one hour of inactivity), or when any of these settings has been modified and this change has been applied.

## Sync plugins

When you install or uninstall plugins, or change their state (enabled/disabled), you can apply these changes to all your IDE installations.

If you want to automatically sync plugins across IDE instances, select the Sync plugins silently option when you enable settings synchronization.

To sync plugins manually:

1. In the bottom-right corner of the IntelliJ IDEA window, click the gear icon  and select Sync Plugins .
2. A dialog opens showing a list of all plugins that were modified since the last sync. Click the arrow button next to each plugin and choose either to modify the plugin's state, apply the repository state to all installations, skip this change locally, or skip it across all IDE instances.
3. After you've selected which action to take for each plugin, click Apply Changes .


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## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to preserve and share your working environment. You can archive and store your preferred IDE settings, put the settings file under version control and thus make it available to your colleagues. On the other hand, you can use the settings, defined by the other team members, or your own ones intended for a different usage.

## Exporting settings to a JAR archive

1. On the main menu, choose File | Export Settings .
2. In the Export Settings dialog box that opens specify the settings to export by selecting the checkboxes next to them. By default, all settings are selected.
3. In the Export settings to text box, specify the fully qualified name of the target archive. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and specify the target file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

## Importing settings from a JAR archive

1. On the main menu, choose File | Import Settings .
2. In the Import File Location dialog box that opens select the desired archive.
3. In the Select Components to Import dialog box that opens specify the settings to be imported, and click OK . By default, all settings are selected.

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## Integrating browser installations with IntelliJ IDEA

To make it possible to launch a Web browser from IntelliJ IDEA, you need to integrate installations of Web browsers with IntelliJ IDEA, activate or deactivate launching Web browsers from IntelliJ IDEA and specify whether a browser will be launched by running its executable file or through the default system command .

IntelliJ IDEA is shipped with a predefined list of most popular browsers which you may like to install and use. The items are added to the list in advanced and are not based on the information on actually installed browsers. IntelliJ IDEA presumes that you install browsers according to a standard procedure. Based on this assumption, each browser in this predefined list is assigned an **alias** which stands for the path to its executable file, as IntelliJ IDEA supposes it to be. If in your actual browser installation the path to the executable file is different, you need to specify it explicitly as described below.

In addition to the predefined browsers, you can configure as many custom browser installations as you need using the controls on the toolbar. To create a list of Web browser that can be launched from IntelliJ IDEA:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Web Browsers under Tools .
2. The [Web Browsers](#) page that opens shows a **predefined list of browsers** , possibly extended with previously configured **custom browser installations** . Each browser is presented as a separate table row. The fields in each row show the name of the browser, the family to which the browser belongs, and the path to the browser's executable file or the predefined **alias** that stands for this path.
  - To activate an actually installed browser, select the Active checkbox next to its name. The browser will be added to the context menu of the Open in Browse menu item and its icon will be displayed in the Browsers pop-up toolbar. If the browser was installed according to a standard installation procedure, most likely the **alias** shown in the Path field points at the right location of the executable file. To specify the path explicitly, click `⋮` in the Path field and choose the actual location of the executable file in the dialog box that opens.
  - To configure a custom browser installation, click `+` on the toolbar. In the new row that is added to list, specify the browser name, family and the path to its executable.
  - To change the order of browsers in the list, use the `↑` and `↓` buttons. The order of browsers in the list affect the order in which they will be shown on the context menu of the Open in Browse menu item.
  - To specify a custom profile for **Firefox** or a browser of the **Chrome** family, select the browser in question, click `👉` on the toolbar. Depending on the family of the selected browser, the Firefox Settings or Chrome Settings dialog box opens.
    - For **Firefox** , specify the path to the required `profiles.ini` file and choose the profile to use from the drop-down list. Learn more at [Firefox browser profile](#) .
    - For **Chrome** , select the Use custom profile directory checkbox and specify the location of the `chrome-user-data` folder where users' profiles are stored. Learn more about **Chrome** profiles at [Multi-profiles](#) .
  - To launch a browser of the **Chrome** with additional options, click `👉` on the toolbar and type the required keys in the Command Line Options text box of the Chrome Settings dialog box that opens. Learn more about Chrome command line options by opening `chrome://flags` in **Chrome** .
  - To remove a browser from the list, select the browser and click `–` on the toolbar. Note that only custom browser can be removed.

## Choosing the default IntelliJ IDEA browser

When you want to preview your application output in the browser by choosing View | Open in Browser on the main menu or Open in Browser on the context menu of a file, you need to choose the browser to open the preview in. You can use a specific browser from the context menu or choose Default Browser . Tell IntelliJ IDEA which browser you want to be used by default. This browser is called **IntelliJ IDEA default browser** .

IntelliJ IDEA also opens the **IntelliJ IDEA default browser** to render external resources.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Web Browsers under Tools . The [Web Browsers](#) page opens.
2. From the Default Browser drop-down list, choose the browser to use by default for previewing pages.
  - To use the default operating system browser, choose System default .
  - To use the browser on top of the list, choose First listed . Change the order of browsers using the `↑` and `↓` icons on the toolbar.
  - To use another browser as default, choose Custom path and specify the location of the executable file of the required browser. Type the path manually or use the Browse button `⋮` , if necessary.
3. Specify the way to have the browsers launched.
  - To have a popup window with the enabled browsers appear in the HTML or JSP files, select the Show browser popup in the editor checkbox.
  - If the Show browser popup in the editor checkbox is cleared, previewing HTML or JSP files is available only through the View | Open in Browser command on the main menu or the Open in Browser command on the context menu of a file.

Plugins are extensions to IntelliJ IDEA core functionality. They provide the IDE integration with version control systems (VCS) and application servers, add support for various development technologies, frameworks and programming languages, and so on.

The more plugins are installed and enabled, the more features you have available. On the other hand, disabling unnecessary plugins may increase the IDE performance, especially on "less powerful" computers.

Certain plugins are independent, certain are not. Dependent plugins require other plugins to be enabled.

## Categories of plugins

In relation to IntelliJ IDEA, plugins may be attributed to one of the following categories:

- Plugins bundled with the IDE. These plugins are installed and enabled by default. You can disable unnecessary bundled plugins, but you cannot uninstall them. See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
- Repository plugins, that is, plugins stored in [plugin repositories](#) (e.g., the JetBrains Plugin Repository). To be able to use the repository plugins, you should download and install them. See [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) .

## Plugin repositories

IntelliJ IDEA provides access to IntelliJ IDEA Plugin Repository at <http://plugins.jetbrains.com/idea> . You can also set up your own, [enterprise plugin repositories](#) , for example, to store plugins that you want to reserve for your company's internal use only. (A plugin repository corresponds to one or more Web servers.)

## Plugin development

IntelliJ IDEA provides an open API that enables you to extend the IntelliJ IDEA functionality: add new [intention actions](#) , code [inspections](#) and refactorings, facilities for integrating the IDE with various external systems, and more.

For plugin development, IntelliJ IDEA provides dedicated [SDK](#) , [module](#) and [run/debug configuration](#) types.

For more information, refer to:

- [Plugin Development Guidelines](#) .
- [Information for Plugin Developers](#) .

1. Open the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEA settings ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. On the [Plugins page](#) that opens in the right-hand part of the dialog, do one of the following:
  - To enable a plugin, select the checkbox to the right of its name.
  - To disable a plugin, clear the corresponding checkbox.
3. If the plugin of interest is not present in the list (which may be the case for a [repository plugin](#) ), [download and install](#) the plugin.
4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA for the changes to take effect.

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## Introduction

To be able to use [repository plugins](#) , you have to download and install such plugins first. After that, you get the ability to update these plugins when appropriate.

When a repository plugin becomes unnecessary, you can disable or uninstall it.

## Downloading and installing repository plugins

### To download and install a repository plugin

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Plugins .
2. Click the Install JetBrains plugin or the Browse repositories button.
3. In the dialog that opens (the [Browse Repositories dialog](#) ), right-click the required plugin and select Download and Install .  
Note that when looking for the plugin of interest, you can filter the plugin list and also to perform a search.
4. Confirm your intention to download and install the selected plugin.
5. Click Close .
6. Click OK in the Settings dialog and restart IntelliJ IDEA for the changes to take effect.

Note that the plugin you have installed is automatically enabled. When necessary, you can disable it as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Updating repository plugins

### To update a repository plugin

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Plugins .
2. Right-click any of the plugins and select Reload List of Plugins .  
The names of repository plugins that have newer versions available are shown blue.
3. Right-click the necessary plugin and select Update Plugin .
4. Click OK in the Settings dialog and restart IntelliJ IDEA for the changes to take effect.

## Uninstalling repository plugins

### To uninstall a repository plugin

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Plugins .
2. Right-click the repository plugin to be uninstalled and select Uninstall .
3. Confirm your intention to uninstall the selected plugin.
4. Click OK in the Settings dialog and restart IntelliJ IDEA for the changes to take effect.

To be able to use [plugin repositories](#) other than the JetBrains Plugin Repository (e.g., your enterprise plugin repositories), you should specify their [URLs](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.

## Adding repositories

1. In the left-hand pane of the Settings / Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click Plugins .
2. Click Browse repositories .
3. In the [Browse Repositories dialog](#) , click Manage repositories .
4. In the [Custom Plugin Repositories dialog](#) , click `+` and specify the repository URL. Click Check Now to make sure that the URL is correct.

Alternatively, you can add the repositories by editing the IntelliJ IDEA custom `.properties` , or custom `.vmoptions` file:

1. Open the file for editing: Help | Edit Custom Properties or Help | Edit Custom VM Options .
2. Depending on the file, add the following line:
  - `idea.plugin.hosts=<URL1>;<URL2>;...<URLn>` for the `.properties` file.
  - `-Didea.plugin.hosts=<URL1>;<URL2>;...<URLn>` for the `.vmoptions` file.

## Replacing JetBrains repositories with your own ones

If you want to access your corporate plugin repositories instead of the JetBrains repositories from the IntelliJ IDEA UI:

1. Open the IntelliJ IDEA custom `.properties` , or custom `.vmoptions` file for editing: Help | Edit Custom Properties or Help | Edit Custom VM Options .
2. Depending on the file, add the following line:
  - `idea.plugins.host=<yourRepositoryURL>` for the `.properties` file.
  - `-Didea.plugins.host=<yourRepositoryURL>` for the `.vmoptions` file.
3. Make sure that there is no option that points to `http://plugins.jetbrains.com` or `https://plugins.jetbrains.com` .
4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA.

As a result, the specified repository becomes your main plugin repository. You can now add repositories as described in [Adding repositories](#) .

**Note** A plugin file is an archive file: a ZIP or a JAR. You don't need to decompress it prior to installation. You should use it as is.

If you have a plugin file available on your computer, you can install it like this:

1. Open the Settings / Preferences dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand pane, select Plugins .
3. In the right-hand part, on the Plugins page, click Install plugin from disk .
4. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the plugin archive file, and click OK .
5. In the Settings / Preferences dialog, click Apply or OK .
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.



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## Introduction

To be available to IntelliJ IDEA users, all [enterprise repository plugins](#) must be listed in the file `updatePlugins.xml` along with their URLs and version numbers. This file must be available at the URL specified for the corresponding repository (see [Managing Enterprise Plugin Repositories](#)).

The plugins themselves are identified by their individual URLs and thus may be located on different Web servers.

## Adding a plugin to an enterprise plugin repository

### To add a plugin to an enterprise plugin repository

1. Upload your plugin JAR onto a Web server.
2. Add the plugin definition to `updatePlugins.xml`. If this file doesn't yet exist, create it at the location corresponding to the repository URL.

The plugin definition in `updatePlugins.xml` may look similar to this:

```
<plugins>
  ...
  <plugin id="MyPlugin" url="http://plugins.example.com:8080/myPlugin.jar" version="1.0"/>
  ...
</plugins>
```

3. To publish a new version of the same plugin, upload the corresponding plugin JAR to the repository, and change the value of the `version` attribute in the plugin definition.

## DTD for updatePlugins.xml

The file `updatePlugins.xml` must correspond to the following [Document Type Definition](#) (DTD):

```
<!DOCTYPE plugins [
  <!ELEMENT
    plugins(plugin)*>
  <!ELEMENT
    plugin (#PCDATA)>
  <!ATTLIST
    plugin id CDATA #REQUIRED url DATA #REQUIRED version CDATA #REQUIRED]>
```

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to use interactive consoles, thus making it possible to stay within the IDE, without the necessity to switch to the shell.

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## Introduction

The consoles built in IntelliJ IDEA completely correspond to the shell consoles.

Besides the standard functionality, these consoles feature:

- Code completion.
- Syntax check with inspections.
- Automated insertion of paired brackets, quotes and braces.
- Scrolling through the history of commands using the arrow keys.
- Quick documentation lookup `Ctrl+Q`

## Launching console

### **To launch an interactive console**

- On the main menu, choose any console-related command from the Tools menu .

IntelliJ IDEA creates files using the IDE encoding defined in the [File Encodings](#) page of the Settings dialog, which can be either system default, or the one selected from list of available encodings. Output in the consoles is also treated in this encoding.

It is possible that encoding used in the console output is different from the IDE default. To have IntelliJ IDEA properly parse text in the console, you have to do some additional editing.

### To set up encoding for the console output, depending on your operating system:

- In Windows and Linux :  
Open for editing

respectively, and add the following line at the bottom:

```
-Dconsole.encoding=<encoding name>
```

For example:

```
-Dconsole.encoding=UTF-8
```

- In macOS : Open `Info.plist` located in `/Applications/RubyMine.app/Contents` , locate the tag `<key>VMOptions</key>` , and modify it as follows:

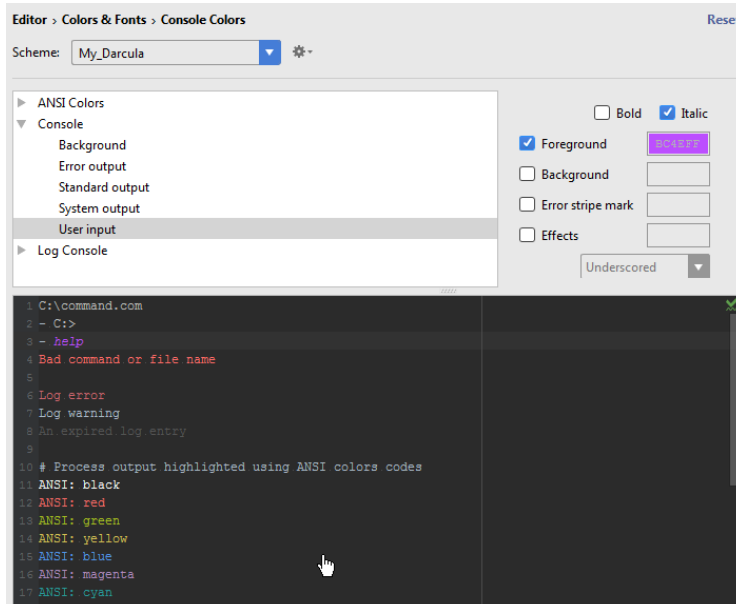
```
<key>VMOptions</key>  
<string>-Xms16m -Xmx512m -XX:MaxPermSize=120m  
-Xbootclasspath/p:../lib/boot.jar -ea  
-Dconsole.encoding=<encoding name>  
</string>
```

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to define your habitual color scheme for the various types of consoles. So doing, you can individually configure all sorts of console output and user input.

Color scheme includes numerous colors for background, user input, system output, and error output.

## To configure color and font scheme for consoles

1. Make sure you are working with an editable scheme.
2. Open the Settings/Preferences dialog, and under **Colors&Fonts** , scroll through the list of components, and select the ones related to consoles:
  - Console Colors
  - Console Font
3. In the right-hand pane, click the desired component in the list, and change color settings and font type:



## Actions available in the Interactive Console

In an interactive console, you can:

- Type commands in the lower pane of the console, and press `Enter` to execute them. Results are displayed in the upper pane.
- Use [basic code completion](#) `Ctrl+Space` .
- Use Up and Down arrow keys to scroll through the history of commands, and execute the required ones.
- Load source code from the editor into console.
- Use context menu of the upper pane to copy all output to the clipboard, compare with the current contents of the clipboard, or remove all output from the console.
- Use the toolbar buttons to control your session in the console.
- Configure color scheme of the console to meet your preferences. Refer to the section [Configuring Color Scheme for Consoles](#) for details.

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**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the terminal functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the Terminal check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEA settings ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ).

## Overview

IntelliJ IDEA features a local terminal that makes it possible to access the command line. Depending on your platform, you can work with command prompt, Far, `powershell`, `bash`, etc. Using the terminal, you can execute any command without leaving the IDE.

## Configuring embedded local terminal

The terminal settings are configurable on several pages of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

### To configure the embedded local terminal options



1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog box, open the [Terminal](#) page, and specify the following:
  - The desired shell that will run by default, the name of a session tab
  - Name of the tab a new session will be opened in, possibility to copy to clipboard etc.
  - Ability to override the IntelliJ IDEA keymap.
2. The following settings are inherited by the embedded local terminal from the IDE settings/preferences:
  - On the [Keymap](#) page, you can configure the `Ctrl+C` and `Ctrl+V` shortcuts.
  - On the editor's [Appearance](#) page - anti-aliasing and caret blinking.

Note that the setting Use block caret is not inherited in the terminal - its caret is always block.

- Under the editor's [Color and Fonts](#) settings, you can change the following options:
  - On the Console Fonts page - line spacing, and console fonts.
  - On the Console Colors page - console colors.
  - On the General page - selection foreground and background colors.


## Running embedded local terminal

To run the console, do one of the following

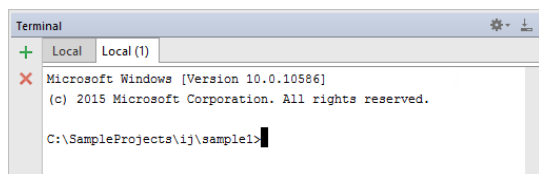
- Press `Alt+F12`.
- Click the Terminal tool window button  [Terminal](#).
- Hover your mouse pointer over  in the lower left corner of the IDE, then choose Terminal from the menu, as described in the section [Tool window quick access](#).


## Actions available in the embedded local terminal

In the embedded local terminal, you can do the following:

- To create a new session:
  - Click  on the toolbar of the terminal.
  - Right-click a session tab, and then choose Create new session on the context menu.

A new session is presented in a separate tab:



- Rename a tab. Right-click a tab, and choose Rename tab on the context menu.
- Close an active session that currently has the focus. This can be done in a number of ways:
  - Click  on the terminal toolbar.
  - Right-click a session tab, and then choose Close session on the context menu.
- Use up and down arrows on your keyboard to browse through the history of entered commands.
- Toggle between the embedded local terminal and editor by pressing `Alt+F12` ( [View | Tool Windows | Terminal](#) ).

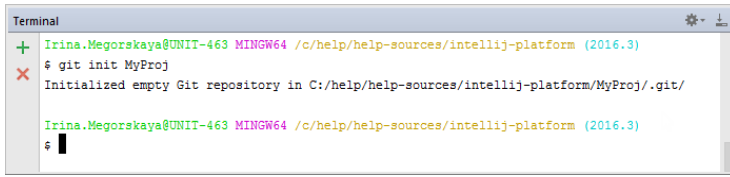
## Example

Open the [Terminal](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog, and configure the Shell path field as follows:

```
"[path to the git installation]\bin\sh.exe" -login -i
```

Do not forget the quotes around the command!

Now, when you open the new terminal in IntelliJ IDEA, it will recognize `git` commands:



```
Terminal
+ Irina.Megorskaya@UNIT-463 MINGW64 /c/help/help-sources/intellij-platform (2016.3)
$ git init MyProj
X Initialized empty Git repository in C:/help/help-sources/intellij-platform/MyProj/.git/

Irina.Megorskaya@UNIT-463 MINGW64 /c/help/help-sources/intellij-platform (2016.3)
$ █
```



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## Changing IntelliJ IDEA properties

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to change the `*.vmoptions` and the `idea.properties` files without editing them in the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder.

To create an empty `idea.properties` file or to copy the `*.vmoptions` file, choose `Help | Edit Custom Properties...` or `Help | Edit Custom VM Options...` from the main menu respectively.

## Managing the \*.vmoptions file

The location of the `*.vmoptions` file depends on your operating system:

- For **Windows**: `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea.exe.vmoptions` or `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea64.exe.vmoptions`
- For **\*NIX**: `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea.vmoptions` or `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea64.vmoptions`
- For **macOS**, you need to make a copy of the `idea.vmoptions` file in the IDE preferences folder and then edit this copy. The reason is that the app bundle is signed and you should not modify any files inside the bundle.

To avoid editing files in the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder, do one of the following:

- From the main menu, choose `Help | Edit Custom VM Options` to create a copy of the `idea.vmoptions` file in the user home directory.
- Copy the existing file from the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder somewhere and save the path to this location in the `IDEA_VM_OPTIONS` environment variable (`IDEA64_VM_OPTIONS` for 64 bit systems).
- Copy the existing `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea.exe.vmoptions` or the `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea64.exe.vmoptions` file from the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder into your user home directory.

Then edit this file in the new location.

If the `IDEA_VM_OPTIONS` (`IDEA64_VM_OPTIONS` for 64 bit systems) environment variable is defined, or the `*.vmoptions` file exists, this file is used instead of the one located in the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder.

## Example: Increasing the heap size

To increase IntelliJ IDEA heap size, you should copy the original `idea.vmoptions` file to the above-mentioned location, and then modify the `-Xmx` setting.

## Managing the IDEA.properties file

The `idea.properties` file located in the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder should not be edited. Instead of editing the original `idea.properties` file, create an `idea.properties` file in the following location, open it for editing and add the required properties:

- For **Windows**: `%USERPROFILE%\IntelliJ\IdeaXX\config` or `%USERPROFILE%\IdeaICXX\config`
- For **\*NIX**: `~/IntelliJ\IdeaXX/config` or `~/IdeaICXX/config`
- For **macOS**: `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJ\IdeaXX/config` or `~/Library/Preferences/IdeaICXX/config`

To open the `idea.properties` file in the editor, choose `Help | Edit Custom Properties`. If the file does not exist yet, IntelliJ IDEA creates it and opens in the editor.

## Example: Changing the case of unicode literals

IntelliJ IDEA allows defining whether non-ascii characters should use literals like `'\u00AB'` or `'\00ab'`.

This behavior is controlled by the `idea.native2ascii.lowercase` system property. By default, upper-case characters are used.

If you wish to use lower-case characters, create the `idea.properties` file in the location specified above, open it for editing and add the following line:

```
idea.native2ascii.lowercase=true
```

## Specifying custom JDK, properties, or vmoptions files across platforms

A custom JDK, as well as `*.properties` and `*.vmoptions` files are specified across platforms in a unified way.

All launchers look at the following environment variables:

- `$<IDE-NAME>_JDK` ( `<IDE-NAME>_JDK_64` )
- `$<IDE-NAME>_PROPERTIES`
- `$<IDE-NAME>_VM_OPTIONS`

## Basics

The `idea.properties` file located in the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder should not be edited. Instead of editing the original `idea.properties` file, create an `idea.properties` file in the following location, open it for editing and add the required properties:

- For **Windows** : `%USERPROFILE%\IntelliJ\config` or `%USERPROFILE%\IdeaIC\config`
- For **\*NX** : `~/.IntelliJ\config` or `~/.IdeaIC\config`
- For **macOS** : `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJ\config` or `~/Library/Preferences/IdeaIC\config`

You can create an empty file `idea.properties` and open it in the editor by choosing the Help | Edit Custom Properties command on the main menu.

## Property settings

### NameDescriptionProperty setting

Name	Description	Property setting
<b>Note</b> The Windows users should use forward slashes, i.e. <code>c:/idea/system</code> .		
<code>idea.home</code> macro	Use <code>idea.home</code> macro to specify location relative to IDE installation home. Also use <code>{xxx}</code> where <code>xxx</code> is any java property (including defined in the previous lines of this file) to refer to its value.	
Path to the IDE config folder	Uncomment this option if you want to customize path to IDE config folder.	<code>idea.config.path=\${user.home}/.IntelliJ IDEA/config</code>
Path to IDE system folder	Uncomment this option if you want to customize path to IDE system folder.	<code>idea.system.path=\${user.home}/.IntelliJ IDEA/system</code>
Path to user installed plugins	Uncomment this option if you want to customize path to user installed plugins folder.	<code>idea.plugins.path=\${user.home}/.IntelliJ IDEA/config/plugins</code>
Path to IDE logs folder	Uncomment this option if you want to customize path to IDE logs folder.	<code>idea.log.path=\${user.home}/.IntelliJ IDEA/system/log</code>
Maximum file size	Maximum file size (kilobytes) IDE should provide code assistance for. The larger file is, the slower its editor works and higher overall system memory requirements are, if code assistance is enabled. Remove this property or set to a very large number, if you need code assistance for any files to be available, regardless of their size.	<code>idea.max.intellisense.filesize=2500</code>
Console cyclic buffer	This option controls console cyclic buffer: keeps the console output size not higher than the specified buffer size (Kb). Older lines are deleted. In order to disable cycle buffer, use <code>idea.cycle.buffer.size=disabled</code>	<code>idea.cycle.buffer.size=1024</code>
Launcher	Configure if a special launcher should be used when running processes from within IDE. Using Launcher enables "soft exit" and "thread dump" features.	<code>idea.no.launcher=false</code>
Classpath	To avoid too long classpath	<code>idea.dynamic.classpath=false</code>

`ProcessCanceledException` Uncomment this property to

	<p>prevent IDE from throwing <code>ProcessCanceledException</code> when user activity detected. This option is only useful for plugin developers, while debugging PSI related activities performed in background error analysis thread. DO NOT UNCOMMENT THIS UNLESS YOU'RE DEBUGGING THE IDE ITSELF. Significant slowdowns and lockups will happen otherwise.</p>	<pre>idea.ProcessCanceledException=disabled</pre>
Pop-up window weight	<p>There are two possible values of <code>idea.popup.weight</code> property: "heavy" and "medium". If you have WM configured as "Focus follows mouse with Auto Raise" then you have to set this property to "medium". It prevents problems with the pop-up menus on some configurations.</p>	<pre>idea.popup.weight=heavy</pre>
System anti-aliasing	<p>Use default anti-aliasing in system, i.e. override value of "Settings Editor Appearance Use anti-aliased font" option. May be useful when using Windows Remote Desktop Connection for instance.</p>	<pre>idea.use.default.antialiasing.in.editor=false</pre>
Repaint	<p>Disabling this property may lead to visual glitches like blinking and fail to repaint on certain display adapter cards.</p>	<pre>sun.java2d.noddraw=true</pre>
Editor performance	<p>Removing this property may lead to editor performance degradation under Windows.</p>	<pre>sun.java2d.d3d=false</pre>
Slow scrolling	<p>Workaround for slow scrolling in JDK6.</p>	<pre>swing.bufferPerWindow=false</pre>
Editor performance under X Window	<p>Removing this property may lead to editor performance degradation under X Window.</p>	<pre>sun.java2d.pmosffscreen=false</pre>
Avoid long hangs	<p>Workaround to avoid long hangs while accessing clipboard under macOS.</p>	<pre>ide.mac.useNativeClipboard=True</pre>
Maximum load size	<p>Maximum size (kilobytes) IDEA will load for showing past file contents - in Show Diff or when calculating Digest Diff</p>	<pre>idea.max.vcs.loaded.size.kb=20480</pre>
Copy library jars	<p>IDE copies library jars to prevent their locking. If copying is not desirable, specify "true"</p>	<pre>idea.jars.nocopy=false</pre>
Start the JVM in debug mode	<p>The VM option value to be used to start the JVM in debug mode. Some JREs define it in a different way (-XXdebug in Oracle VM)</p>	<pre>idea.xdebug.key=-Xdebug</pre>
Switch into JMX 1.0 compatibility mode.	<p>Uncomment this option to be able to run IntelliJ IDEA using J2SDK 1.5+ while working with application servers (like WebLogic) running 1.4.</p>	<pre>jmx.serial.form=1.0</pre>
Fatal errors notifications	<p>Change to 'enabled' if you want to receive instant visual notifications</p>	

about fatal errors that happen to  
an IDE or plugins installed.


```
idea.fatal.error.notification=disabled
```

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## Overview

There are two types of settings that define your preferred environment:

- Project Settings , that apply to a specific project. They are marked with  in the Settings/Preferences dialog.
- IDE Settings , that are common for all projects and refer to the project-independent aspects.

## Project Settings

Project settings are stored with each specific project as a set of `xml` files under the `.idea` folder. If you specify the [default project settings](#) , these settings will be automatically used for each newly created project.

The settings that pertain to a project, are marked with the icon  in the Settings/Preferences dialog.

## IDE Settings

IDE settings are stored in the dedicated directories under IntelliJ IDEA home directory. The IntelliJ IDEA directory name is composed of the product name and version.

For IntelliJ IDEA Community edition the folder name is `.IdeaICXX` .

For example:

### Windows

- `<User home>\.IntelliJIdeaxX\config` that contains user-specific settings.
- `<User home>\.IntelliJIdeaxX\system` that stores IntelliJ IDEA data caches.

`<User home>` in WindowsXP is `C:\Documents and Settings\<User name>\` ; in Windows Vista it is `C:\Users\<User name>\`

### Linux

- `/.IntelliJIdeaxX/config` that contains user-specific settings.
- `~/IntelliJIdeaxX/system` that stores IntelliJ IDEA data caches.

### macOS

- `~/Library/Application Support/IntelliJIdeaxX` contains the catalog with plugins.
- `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJIdeaxX` contains the rest of the configuration settings.
- `~/Library/Caches/IntelliJIdeaxX` contains data caches, logs, local history, etc. These files can be quite significant in size.
- `~/Library/Logs/IntelliJIdeaxX` contains logs.

## Locations of directories

The `config` directory has several subfolders that contain xml files with your personal settings. You can easily share your preferred keymaps, color schemes, etc. by copying these files into the corresponding folders on another IntelliJ IDEA installation. Prior to copying, make sure that IntelliJ IDEA is not running, because it can erase the newly transferred files before shutting down.

The following is the list of some of the subfolders under the `config` folder, and the settings contained therein.

Folder name	User Settings
<code>codestyles</code>	Contains <a href="#">code style schemes</a> .
<code>colors</code>	Contains <a href="#">editor colors and fonts customization schemes</a> .
<code>filetypes</code>	Contains user-defined <a href="#">file types</a> .
<code>inspection</code>	Contains <a href="#">code inspection profiles</a> .
<code>keymaps</code>	Contains IntelliJ IDEA <a href="#">keyboard shortcuts</a> customizations.
<code>options</code>	Contains various options, for example, feature usage statistics and macros.
<code>templates</code>	Contains user-defined <a href="#">live templates</a> .
<code>tools</code>	Contains configuration files for the <a href="#">user-defined external tools</a> .
<code>shelf</code>	Contains <a href="#">shelved changes</a> .

Locations of the `config` , `system` , `plugins` directories [can be modified in](#) `idea.properties` file.

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to change the `*.vmoptions` and the `idea.properties` files without editing them in the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder.

To create an empty `idea.properties` file or to copy the `*.vmoptions` file, choose Help | Edit Custom Properties... or Help | Edit Custom VM Options... from the main menu respectively.

To learn how to change the `idea.properties` file, read the section [File 'idea.properties'](#) .

Location of the IDE files depends on the operating system, and IntelliJ IDEA version.

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## Windows

All the files are located under this directory by default:

### Windows Vista, 7, 8, 10

```
<SYSTEM DRIVE>\Users\<USER ACCOUNT NAME>\.<PRODUCT><VERSION>
```

### Windows XP

```
<SYSTEM DRIVE>\Documents and Settings\<USER ACCOUNT NAME>\.<PRODUCT><VERSION>
```

## Example

– IntelliJ IDEA 2016.1 Ultimate Edition:

```
c:\Users\John\IntelliJIdea2016.1\
```

– IntelliJ IDEA 2016.1 Community Edition

```
c:\Users\John\IdeaIC2016.1\
```

Refer to the page [Project and IDE Settings](#) .

## Linux and the other UNIX systems

Product directory starting with dot can be found in the user home directory. The pattern is:

```
~/.<PRODUCT><VERSION>
```

~ is an alias for the home directory, for example `/home/john` .

## macOS

– Configuration

```
~/Library/Preferences/<PRODUCT><VERSION>
```

– Caches

```
~/Library/Caches/<PRODUCT><VERSION>
```

– Plugins

```
~/Library/Application Support/<PRODUCT><VERSION>
```



- Logs

```
~/Library/Logs/<PRODUCT><VERSION>
```

where <PRODUCT> is IntelliJ IDEA (IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate Edition), IdeaIC (IntelliJ IDEA Community Edition).

IntelliJ IDEA requires Internet connection for a wide variety of tasks. For example:

- Checking for IntelliJ IDEA [updates](#)
- [Code inspections](#) that can verify external resources
- Communication with the [version control](#) servers, [task servers](#)
- Anonymous usage statistics
- Resolving Maven dependencies and updating plugins
- Using the [IDEtalk plugin](#)

Besides that, IntelliJ IDEA provides IPC for commands (for example, open files), and the built-in Web server.

Some of the communication requirements are configurable:

- Checking for updates can be turned off. To disable checking for updates, open the page [Settings | Updates](#) , and clear the checkbox Check for updates in channel .
- To turn off IDEtalk plugin, open the page [Settings | Plugins](#) , and make sure that the checkbox to the left of the plugin name is cleared.
- To use only those Maven resources that are available locally, open the page [Settings| Maven](#) , and select the checkbox Work offline
- To disable code inspection that highlights dead links, open the page [Settings | Inspections](#) , and clear the checkbox to the left of the HTML inspection Non-existent web resources .
- You can control the frequency of sending usage statistics, or even completely disable this function in the page [Settings | Usage statistics](#) .

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## Light editor schemes

To people with red-green color deficiency, green, red and their hues might look the same. In the default color scheme, red is reserved for the errors and green for the strings:

```
@Nonnull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@Nonnull final Project project,
                                   @Nonnull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
                                   @Nonnull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}


```

The simulation below shows how the same code fragment will look for a person with green color deficiency. Strings, annotations and unknown symbols are all the same color. The wavy error underline is lighter and less noticeable:

```
@Nonnull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@Nonnull final Project project,
                                   @Nonnull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
                                   @Nonnull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}


```

The Adjust for color deficiency option changes colors so that they can be differentiated by a person with green or red color deficiency. Strings and annotations are shades of blue, and orange is reserved for the error states:

```
@Nonnull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@Nonnull final Project project,
                                   @Nonnull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
                                   @Nonnull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}


```

Then, with the option Adjust for color deficiency turned on, and green color deficiency is selected, the simulation for the green color deficiency will look like the following:

```
@Nonnull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@Nonnull final Project project,
                                   @Nonnull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
                                   @Nonnull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}


```

Highlight for read/write states of identifiers at caret are well distinguished for the persons without color deficiency:

```
Class callerClass = null;
for (final Object o : element.getChildren()) {
    Element listElement = (Element)o;
    if (ATTR_LIST.equals(listElement.getName())) {
        if (callerClass == null) {
            callerClass = ReflectionUtil.findCallerClass(2);
            assert callerClass != null;
        }
    }
}


```

However, these states become indistinguishable for the persons with color deficiency:

```
Class callerClass = null;
for (final Object o : element.getChildren()) {
    Element listElement = (Element)o;
    if (ATTR_LIST.equals(listElement.getName())) {
        if (callerClass == null) {
            callerClass = ReflectionUtil.findCallerClass(2);
            assert callerClass != null;
        }
    }
}


```

With the Adjust for color deficiency option, the difference between read and write states remains visible. In the example below you see the green color deficiency simulation:

```
Class callerClass = null;
for (final Object o : element.getChildren()) {
    Element listElement = (Element)o;
    if (ATTR_LIST.equals(listElement.getName())) {
        if (callerClass == null) {
            callerClass = ReflectionUtil.findCallerClass(2);
            assert callerClass != null;
        }
    }
}


```

Folded text highlight in the default scheme is easily noticeable for the persons without color deficiency:

```
String ABSTRACTION_GROUP_NAME = InspectionsBundle.message("group.names.abstraction.issues");
String ASSIGNMENT_GROUP_NAME = "Assignment issues";
String BUGS_GROUP_NAME = "Probable bugs";


```

But this is a challenge for the persons with color deficiency - it is too light to notice:

```
String ABSTRACTION_GROUP_NAME = InspectionsBundle.message("group.names.abstraction.issues");
String ASSIGNMENT_GROUP_NAME = "Assignment issues";
String BUGS_GROUP_NAME = "Probable bugs";


```

With the Adjust for color deficiency option it becomes noticeable:

```
String ABSTRACTION_GROUP_NAME = InspectionsBundle.message("group.names.abstraction.issues");
String ASSIGNMENT_GROUP_NAME = "Assignment issues";
String BUGS_GROUP_NAME = "Probable bugs";


```

## Darcula scheme

The non-adjusted Darcula text looks as follows:

```
@NonNull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@NonNull final Project project,
    @NonNull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
    @NonNull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}

}
```

The difference between the various elements of text is not noticeable for the persons with color deficiency:

```
@NonNull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@NonNull final Project project,
    @NonNull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
    @NonNull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}

}
```

Now turn on the option Adjust for color deficiency.

Compare the view of the editor for the persons without color deficiency:

```
@NonNull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@NonNull final Project project,
    @NonNull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
    @NonNull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}

}
```

and that for the persons with color deficiency:

```
@NonNull private static final String PROJECT_DEFAULT_PROFILE_NAME = "Project Default";

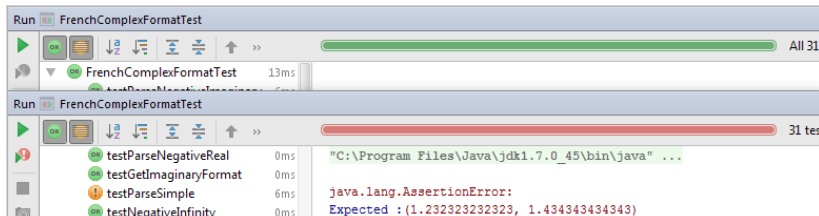
public DefaultProjectProfileManager(@NonNull final Project project,
    @NonNull ApplicationProfileManager applicationProfileManager,
    @NonNull DependencyValidationManager holder) {

    myProject = project;
    myHolder = holder;
    myApplicationProfileManager = applicationProfileManager;
}

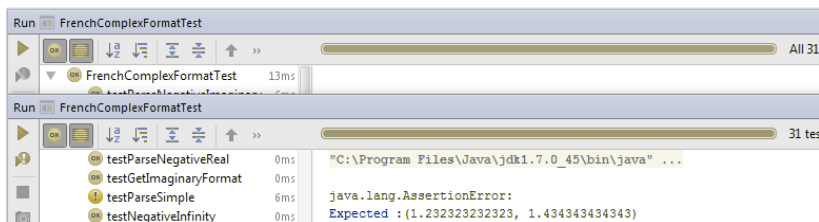
}
```

## Test runner adjustment

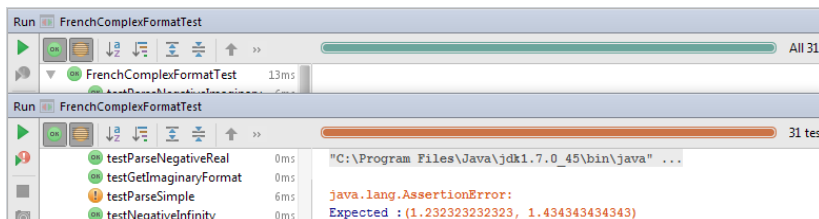
Colors of the test runner progress have also been adjusted. The usual progress bar color is indistinguishable for a person with green or red color deficiency. Compare the view of the test runner for the person without color deficiency:



with that for the persons with color deficiency:



Turn on the option Adjust for color deficiency, and compare the view of the test runner for the person without color deficiency:



with that for a person with color deficiency:

Run FrenchComplexFormatTest

FrenchComplexFormatTest 13ms

Run FrenchComplexFormatTest 31 test

Test Method	Duration	Output
testParseNegativeReal	0ms	"C:\Program Files\Java\jdk1.7.0_45\bin\java" ...
testGetImaginaryFormat	0ms	
testParseSimple	6ms	java.lang.AssertionError:
testNeqativeInfinity	0ms	Expected : (1.232323232323, 1.434343434343)

A project in IntelliJ IDEA is a directory that stores your code, resources you use for developing an application, and configuration files with your personal workspace settings. Projects can be configured — you can configure a name, an SDK, specify a language level and a compiler output.

Projects in IntelliJ IDEA are composed of one or more modules. In a project with multiple modules, each module can have its own configuration, and you can run, test and debug each module without affecting other modules.

If you're developing a framework-specific application, such as Spring, you'll need a facet. Facets come with the IDE, and include libraries, UI controls and other tools you might need to develop an application for a specific framework.

IntelliJ IDEA is integrated with build tools, such as Maven or Gradle, and provides coding assistance for editing the build file, code completion, inspections and quick-fixes, refactorings, and so on.

## Working with projects

When you create a new project, you have to select a project type, configure a JDK, and specify a project name and its location.

If you're creating a Maven or a Gradle project, you can specify the necessary settings right in the **New Project** wizard, so that when you open your project for the first time, it will be pre-configured. For example, tasks will be defined, and dependencies declared.

## Configuring the JDK when creating a project

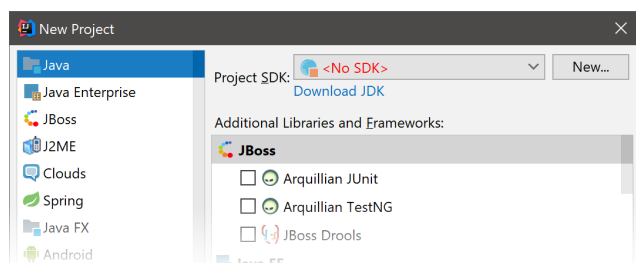
To develop applications in IntelliJ IDEA, you need the Java SDK or the JDK (Java Development Kit).

**Tip** Some frameworks require their own SDKs in addition to the JDK. For example, Android or Grails.

IntelliJ IDEA doesn't come with the JDK, so if you don't have the necessary JDK version, you should download and install it. After that, you need to let the IDE know in which folder the JDK is installed.

1. On the **New Project** wizard, click **Download JDK** below the **Project SDK** list. You will be redirected to the [Oracle official website](#).
2. Select and download the necessary JDK version.
3. Run the Java installation wizard and follow its steps until Java is installed.
4. Once Java is installed, you need to let IntelliJ IDEA know in which folder on your computer it resides. Click **New** next to the **Project SDK** list.
5. Find and select the folder in which you have installed the JDK (the JDK home directory). For example, `jdk1.8.0_144`.

On Windows, Java is usually found in `C:\Program Files\Java`. On macOS, you can find Java in `/System/Library/Java`.



You can specify another JDK

version, configure additional SDKs, and change SDK levels any time as you work with a project. For more information, see [Configuring projects](#).

## Importing a project

To import a project in IntelliJ IDEA, go to `File | New | Project from Existing Sources`.

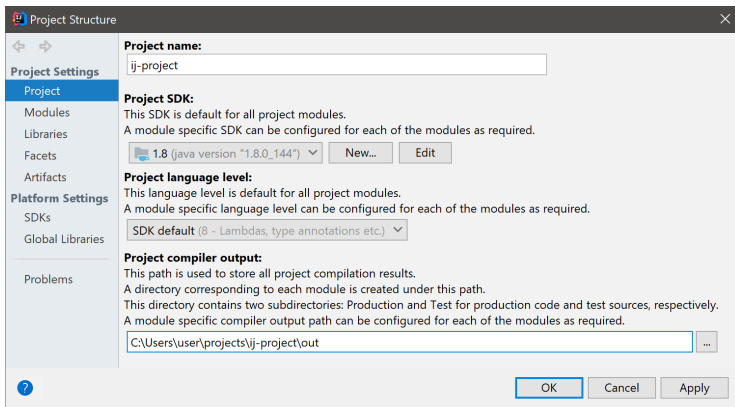
If you want to import a project that uses a build tool such as Maven or Gradle, it's recommended that you import the associated build file (`pom.xml` or `build.gradle`). In this case, IntelliJ IDEA will recognize dependencies and artifacts in the project, and will automatically restore their configuration.

**Note** For more information on how to import a project that uses a build tool, refer to [Maven](#) or [Gradle](#).

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can import a project that come from other external models. For example, **Eclipse**, **Bnd/Bndtools** and **Flash Builder**. You can also import a collection of source files to create a new project from them.

## Project settings

For projects in IntelliJ IDEA, you can configure a name, specify an SDK, set a language level and a compiler output. To change project settings, go to `File | Project Structure` or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`, and select **Project**.



Note the settings you change in this dialog will be applied only to the project you're working with at the moment. If necessary, you configure a global SDK, a language level and a compiler output. It means that these new global settings will be applied to all newly created projects. To change the global project settings, go to [File | Other Settings | Default Project Structure | Project](#).

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can also configure the IDE itself. These settings include code styles, run configurations, compiler settings, plugins, inspections, and much more. For more information, refer to [Configuring Project and IDE Settings](#).

## Project formats

In IntelliJ IDEA, there are two types of projects — the directory-based format and the file-based format.

The file-based format is a legacy format. It requires that you place personal workspace settings under version control. It means that other members of your team may have conflicts on checkout as they are likely to have different workspace configuration.

In the directory-based project (default and recommended), custom settings are stored in a separate file that you do not have to place under version control. Together with a project, IntelliJ IDEA creates a module file ( `.iml` ) that is needed to keep dependencies.

If your project uses Maven or Gradle, consider not to place the `.iml` file under version control. After you make changes in the descriptor file ( `pom.xml` in Maven, and `build.gradle` in Gradle), and the changes will be imported, IntelliJ IDEA will recreate the `.iml` file.

**Tip** If you want to change a project format, you can [reimport the project](#) with the necessary settings.

## Working with modules

In IntelliJ IDEA, a module is an essential part of any project — it is created automatically together with a project. Projects can contain multiple modules — you can add new modules, group them, unload modules you don't need at the moment.

Modules consist of a content root and a module file. A content root is a folder where you store your code. Usually, it contains subfolders for source code, unit tests, resource files, and so on. A module file (an `.iml` file) is used for keeping dependencies between files in a module and dependencies between modules within a project.

## Configuring content roots

The content in IntelliJ IDEA is a group of files that contain your source code, build scripts, unit tests and documentation. These files are usually organized in a hierarchy. The top-level folder is called a **content root folder** or a **content root**.

Modules normally have one content root. You can add more content roots. For example, this might be useful if pieces of your code are stored in different locations on your computer.

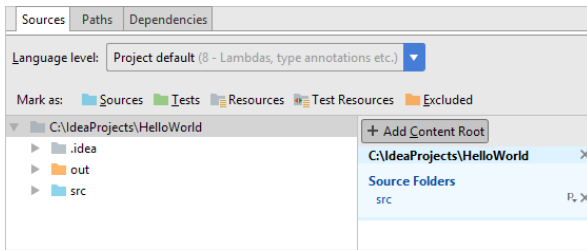
At the same time, modules can exist without content roots. In this case, you can use them as a collection of dependencies for other modules.

The content root folder in IntelliJ IDEA is marked with the  or  icon.

## Adding and removing content roots

To add a new content root:

1. Navigate to [File | Project Structure](#), or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`.
2. Select [Modules](#) under the [Project Settings](#) section.
3. Select the necessary module, and then open the [Sources](#) tab in the right-hand part of the dialog.
4. Click [Add Content Root](#).
5. Specify a folder with source files from which you want to create a new content root, and click [OK](#).



To remove a content root:

1. While on the Sources tab, select the content root that you want to remove, click **X**.
2. Confirm deletion. Note that corresponding folder won't be physically deleted.

## Folder categories

**Tip** Similarly to sources, you can specify that your resources are generated. You can also specify which folder within the output folder your resources should be copied to.

Folders within content roots can be assigned to several categories.

- **Source roots**
  - Production code that should be compiled.
- **Generated source roots** (sometimes marked as [generated])
  - These folders are not suggested as target folders when performing the **Move Class** refactoring and the **Create Class from Usage** quick fix.
- **Test source roots**
  - These folders allow you keep the code related to testing separate from the production code. Compilation results for sources and test sources, normally, are placed into different folders.
- **Generated test source roots** (sometimes marked as [generated])
  - These folders are not suggested as target folders when performing the **Move Class** refactoring and the **Create Class from Usage** quick fix.
- **Resource roots** (available only in Java modules)
  - Resource files used in your application (images, configuration XML and properties files, etc.). During the build process, resource files are copied to the output folder as is.
- **Load path roots** (available only when the Ruby plugin is enabled)
  - The load path is the path where the `require` and `load` statements look for files.
- **Test resource roots** (available only in Java modules)
  - These folders are for resource files associated with your test sources.
- **Excluded roots**
  - Files in excluded folders are ignored by code completion, navigation and inspection. That is why, when you exclude a folder that you don't need at the moment, you can increase the IDE performance.

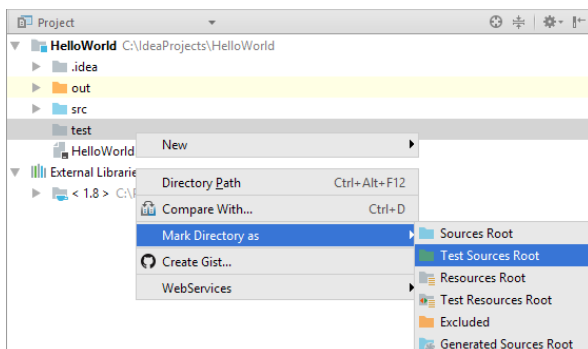
Normally, compilation output folders are marked as excluded.

Apart from excluding the entire folders, you can also [exclude specific files](#).

## Configuring folder categories

To assign a folder to a specific category:

1. Right-click the necessary folder in the directory tree of the Project tool window.
2. Select Mark Directory as from the shortcut menu.
3. Select the necessary category.



This way, you can assign categories to sub-folders as well.

To restore previous category of the folder, right-click this folder again, select Mark Directory as, and then select Unmark as <folder category>. For excluded folders, select Cancel Exclusion.

You can also configure folder categories in Project Structure | Modules | Sources.




## Excluding files

If you don't need specific files, but you don't want to completely remove them, you can temporarily exclude these files from the project. Excluded files are ignored by code completion, navigation and inspections.

**Tip** Java files and binaries cannot be excluded.

To exclude file, you need to mark it as a plain text text file. You can always return excluded files to their original state.

1. Right-click the necessary file in the directory tree of the Project tool window.
2. Select Mark as Plain Text from the menu.

Plain text files are marked with the  icon in the directory tree.

To revert the changes, right-click the file and select Mark as <file type> from the menu.

## Excluding files and folders by name patterns

In some cases, excluding files or folders one by one is not convenient. For example, if your source code files and files that are generated automatically (by a compiler, for instance) are placed in the same directories, and you want to exclude the generated files only. In this case, you can configure one or several name patterns for a specific content root.

If a folder name or a file name located inside the selected content root matches one of the patterns, it will be marked as excluded. Objects outside the selected content root won't be affected.


**Tip** All files within excluded folders will be excluded as well.

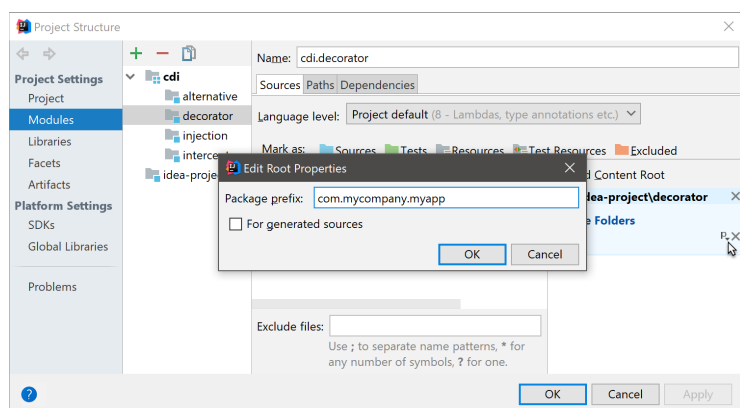
1. Navigate to File | Project Structure , or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` .
2. Click Modules under the Project Settings section, and then select a module. If there're several content roots in the module, select the one that you want to exclude files or folders from.
3. In the Exclude files field located at the bottom of the dialog, enter a pattern. For example, enter `*.aj` to exclude AspectJ files.

You can configure multiple patterns and separate them with the `;` (semicolon) symbol.

## Assigning a package prefix to Java sources


In Java, you can assign a package prefix to a folder instead of configuring a folder structure manually. A package prefix can be assigned to source folders, generated source folders, test source folders and generated test source folders.

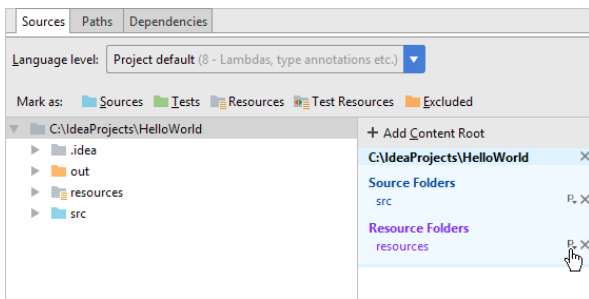
1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` to open the Project Structure dialog, and then select Modules .
2. Select the necessary module, and open the Sources tab.
3. In the right-hand pane, click  next to Source Folders or Test Source Folders .
4. Specify the package prefix and click OK .



## Changing the output path for resources

When you're building a project, the resources are copied into the compilation output folder by default. You can specify a different directory within the output folder to place resources.

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` to open the Project Structure dialog.
2. Select Modules and then select the necessary module.
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, select the Sources tab.
4. In the right-hand pane, under Resource Folders or Test Resource Folders , click  to the right of the necessary folder (folder path).
5. Specify the path relative to the output folder root, and click OK .

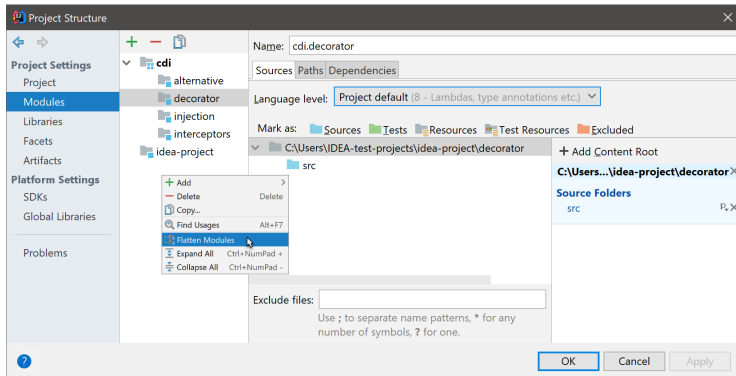


## Grouping modules

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to logically group modules. If you have a large project with multiple modules, grouping will make it easier to navigate through your project.

To sort out modules, you should give them fully qualified names. Support for qualified names is enabled by default in IntelliJ IDEA of version 2017.3 and higher, so no further configuration is required. For example, if you want to group all CDI modules, you can add the `cdi.` prefix to their names.

You can use the **Flatten Modules** shortcut menu option to view modules on the same level.



Note that if you've configured manual module groups in a project in IntelliJ IDEA version 2017.2 or lower, you will be able to continue working with them in version 2017.3, but qualified names won't be available.

To enable qualified names, select all modules in the **Project** tool window, open the shortcut menu and select **Move Module to Group | Outside Any Group**. After that all manually defined modules groups will be disabled, and you will be able to use qualified names to group modules.

## Working with module dependencies

Modules can depend on SDKs, JAR files (libraries) or other modules within a project. When you compile or run your code, the list of module dependencies is used to form the classpath for the compiler or the JVM.

To add a new dependency:

1. Navigate to **File | Project Structure** or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`.
2. Select **Modules | Dependencies**.
3. Click **+** or press `Alt+Insert`, and then select a dependency type:
  - **JARs or directories**.
  - **Library**. You can select an existing library or create a new one and then add it to the list of dependencies.
  - **Module Dependency**.

To remove a dependency, select it and then click **-** or press `Alt+Delete`.

Before removing a dependency you can make sure that it is not used in other modules in the project. To do so, select the necessary dependency and press `Alt+F7`. You can also use the **Find Usages** option of the shortcut menu.

## Specifying dependency scope

Specifying dependency scope allows you control at which step of the build the dependency should be used.

To configure dependency scope:

1. Navigate to **File | Project Structure** or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`.
2. Select **Modules | Dependencies**.
3. Select the necessary scope from the list in the **Scope** column:
  - **Compile** — the default scope. Compile dependencies are needed to build, test, and run a project.
  - **Test** — test dependencies are needed to compile and run unit tests.
  - **Runtime** — runtime dependencies are a part of the classpath to test and run a project.
  - **Provided** — the dependency is used for building and testing a project.



IntelliJ IDEA processes dependencies for test sources differently from other build tools (e.g. Gradle and Maven). If your

module (say, module A) depends on another module (module B), IntelliJ IDEA assumes that the test sources in A depend not only on the sources in B but also on its own test sources. Consequently, the test sources of B are also included in the corresponding classpaths.

## Sorting dependencies


The order of dependencies is important as IntelliJ IDEA will process them in the same order as they are specified in the list.

During compilation, the order of dependencies defines the order in which the compiler (javac) looks for the classes to resolve the corresponding references. At runtime, this list defines the order in which the JVM searches for the classes.

You can sort the dependencies by their names and scopes. You can also use the  and  buttons to move the items up and down in the list.

## Analyzing dependencies

If you want to check whether a dependency still exists in your project, and find its exact usages, you can run dependency analysis:

1. Navigate to File | Project Structure or press  .
2. Select Modules | Dependencies .
3. Right-click the necessary dependency and select **Analyze This Dependency** .

IntelliJ IDEA will show you collected dependency usages in the **Dependency Viewer** tool window. You can analyze several dependencies one by one without closing the dialog. The result of each analysis will be open in a separate tab of the tool window. After you analyze all necessary dependencies, you can close the **Project Structure** dialog and view results of each dependency analysis.

If IntelliJ IDEA finds no dependency usages in the project, you will be prompted to remove this dependency.

## Adding support for frameworks and technologies


For developing framework-specific applications, IntelliJ IDEA features facets.




A facet is a set of tools that are specific for a particular framework or a technology. Facets can include libraries, coding assistance features, artifact configurations, UI controls that are essential for the framework you are working with, and much more. The exact set of features depends on each facet.

## Adding a facet to a module

IntelliJ IDEA can identify a file or a directory that is typical for a certain framework, and add a the necessary facet for you. Once a framework is detected and added, IntelliJ IDEA will inform you about missing configuration and will suggest necessary actions. For example, to configure facet settings.

If a facet is not detected automatically, you can add it manually:



 You can add more than one facet to one module.

1. Navigate to File | Project Structure , or press  , and click Facets .
2. Click  (or press  ) and select a framework from the list.
3. Select a module to which you want to add a facet and configure the facet, if required.

You can also add a facet as you create a new project or a new module.

## Excluding frameworks from auto-detection

By default, auto-detection is enabled for all the supported frameworks. You can disable framework auto-detection completely, or exclude individual frameworks from auto-detection.

1. Open the **Project Structure** dialog, select **Facets** , and then select **Detection** .
2. Click  (or press  ), then select the necessary option. For example, you can disable auto-detection of all frameworks in one directory only.
3. Deselect the **Enable framework detection** checkbox to disable auto-detection of all frameworks in the entire project.

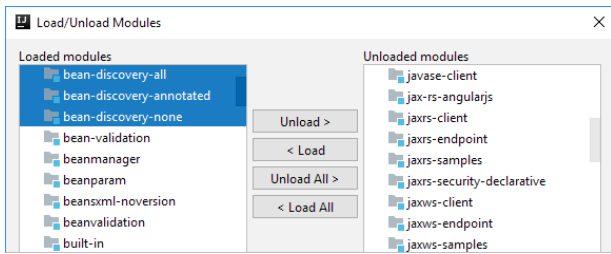
## Unloading modules

To make the IDE work faster, you can temporary set aside or unload modules that you don't need at the moment. IntelliJ IDEA ignores the unloaded modules when you search through or refactor your code, or compile your project.

When you unload modules, you do it locally — the information about unloaded modules is not shared through version control.

To unload or load modules:

1. In the Project tool window, right-click a module, and select Load/Unload Modules .
2. Use the buttons in the middle section of the dialog to manage modules. You can also double-click a module in the dialog to load or unload it.

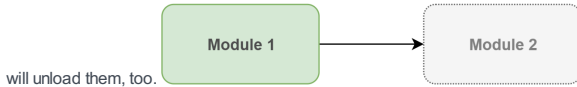


## Troubleshooting

If modules in your project depend on each other, you may face errors when you unload one or more of them.

For example, if Module 1 depends on Module 2, and you unload Module 2, IntelliJ IDEA won't be able to resolve references to classes in Module 2. Moreover, compilation of Module 1 will probably fail.

To avoid such errors, the IDE analyzes dependencies when you load or unload modules. When you load modules, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to load all dependencies as well. When you unload modules, the IDE will find all dependent modules and



If you unload Module 1, you may not see any errors in code in Module 2, and you will also be able to compile Module 2. However, you may accidentally break compilation of dependant code in Module 1 by making changes in code in Module 2. Since Module 1 is unloaded, you won't be able to see any errors until you load it back and compile.

If you invoke Find Usages or refactoring on a class, field, method, etc. contained in Module 2, the result may be incomplete because the contents of Module 1 are not taken into account. IntelliJ IDEA will inform you about that.

Moreover, the IDE will compile unloaded modules every time you commit changes, and will check, that the changes don't affect unloaded modules. See more information in [Configuring projects](#).

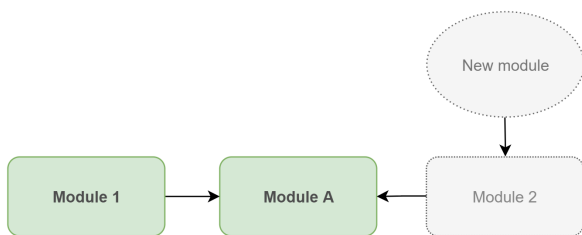


## Automatically loading and unloading new modules

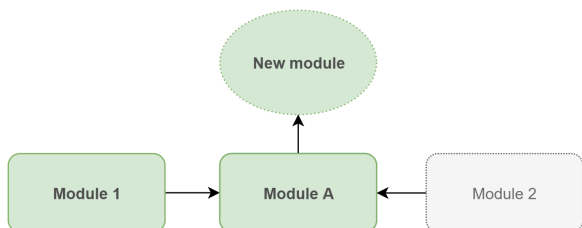
If your teammates add new modules to the project, you will download them to your computer on the project update. After that, the IDE will analyze dependencies between all modules in the updated project.

If you have unloaded modules, IntelliJ IDEA will load or unload new modules according to the results of the dependency analysis.

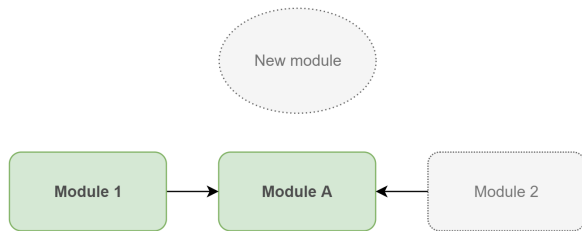
If new modules depend on the existing unloaded modules, the new modules will be marked as unloaded. IntelliJ IDEA will ignore them because otherwise you may face errors when you try to compile them.



If existing loaded modules have direct dependencies on new modules, the new modules will be marked as loaded.



If existing loaded modules have no dependencies on the newly added modules, the new modules will be marked as unloaded. You can manually mark them as loaded as soon as you need them.



## Committing changes with unloaded modules

If you have unloaded modules, and you make changes in files that your unloaded modules depend on, compilation of these modules may fail after you load them back.

To avoid compilation failures of unloaded modules, make sure that the `Compile affected unloaded modules` option is selected in the `Commit Changes` dialog.

Before committing changed files, IntelliJ IDEA will compile unloaded modules to make sure that the changes don't affect these modules. The IDE will inform you about the detected errors, and will suggest resolving them before the commit.

## Working with SDKs

A Software Development Kit, or an SDK, is a collection of tools that you need to develop an application for a specific software framework. For example, for Android applications, you will need the Android SDK.

**Note** To develop applications in IntelliJ IDEA, you need the Java SDK (JDK).

SDKs contain binaries, source code for the binaries, and documentation for the source code. For Java, SDKs also contain annotations.

### Note

- [Java SE Development Kits \(JDKs\)](#)
- [Java Micro Edition \(ME\) SDKs](#)
- [Android SDKs](#)
- [Flex and AIR SDKs](#)
- [Python SDKs](#)
- [Ruby SDKs](#)
- [Google App Engine SDK](#)
- IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDKs (for developing IntelliJ IDEA plugins)

## SDK levels

SDKs can be configured at all three levels:

**Global** — used by multiple projects. Generally, SDKs are global; after you define an SDK for the first IntelliJ IDEA project, it will be suggested as a default SDK for all project that you will create afterwards.

**Project** — used by all modules within a project. For example, this might be useful if you want to compile a project with a specific SDK version.

**Module** — used by a specific module.

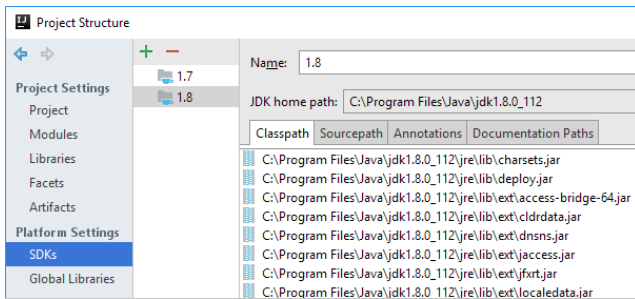
## Defining SDKs

To define an SDK means to let IntelliJ IDEA know in which folder on your computer the necessary SDK version is installed. This folder is called SDK home directory.

## Managing global SDKs

To manage the list of global SDKs available for your projects:

1. Navigate to `File | Project Structure`.
2. Select SDKs under the `Platform Settings` section.
3. To add a new SDK or a new SDK version, click `+` (or press `Alt+Enter`), select an SDK type and specify its installation directory.
4. To remove an SDK, select it in the list and click `-` (or press `Alt+Delete`).



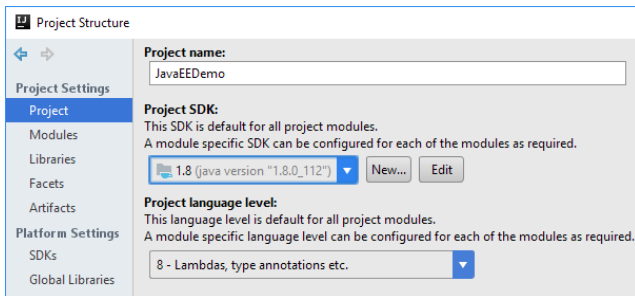
## Changing project SDK

To change the project SDK:

1. Navigate to File | Project Structure .
2. Select Project under the Project Settings section.
3. From the Project SDK list, select another SDK or SDK version.

If the necessary SDK is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, click New and specify its installation folder.

Note that after you change the project SDK, all modules within this project will inherit this new SDK.

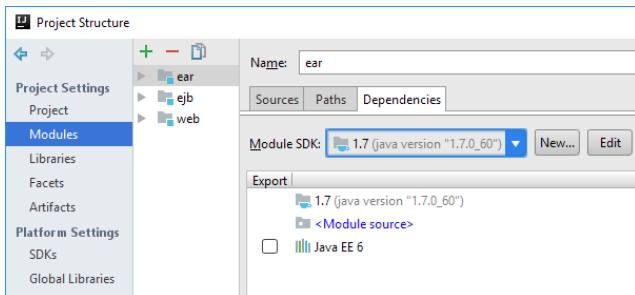


## Changing module SDK

To change the module SDK:

1. Navigate to File | Project Structure .
2. Select Modules under the Project Settings section.
3. Select the necessary module, and click Dependencies .
4. From the Module SDK list, select another SDK or SDK version you want to use.

If the necessary SDK is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, click New and specify its installation folder.



## What is a library?

A library is a collection of compiled code that you use as is. A Java library, for example, can include class files, archives and directories with class files as well as directories with Java native libraries ( `.dll` , `.so` or `.jnlib` ).

Libraries may optionally include the source code for the library classes as well as corresponding API documentation. Including the source files and documentation is optional. It adds the ability to use inline documentation extracted from the source code ( View | Quick Documentation or `Ctrl+Q` ), and also to view the API documentation right from the IDE ( View | External Documentation or `Shift+F1` ).

Libraries let you reuse the code developed by others instead of implementing corresponding functionality yourself.

## Library levels

You can define the libraries at the global (IDE), project, and module levels. The level of a library defines the scope of its potential or actual use:

- Global libraries can be used in any of your [projects](#) . That is, they can be added to [dependencies](#) of any [module](#) in any project.
- Project libraries can be used in any of the modules within the corresponding project. However, they are not available outside of the project in which they are defined.
- Module libraries exist only as dependencies of the corresponding module.

Note that a global or project library is actually unused unless added to dependencies of a module.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you move the libraries to a higher level (e.g. from project to global), create library copies at a lower level (e.g. you can create a copy of a global library at the project level), etc.

## Application server libraries

Application server libraries let you use the classes available in corresponding server distributions.

When you add a definition of an application server (see e.g. [Defining Application Servers in IntelliJ IDEA](#) ), an associated application server library is created.

In terms of the [library levels](#) , the application server libraries are global libraries. They can be added to [dependencies](#) of any [module](#) in any of your projects.

## Excluded library items

You can make library items "excluded". IntelliJ IDEA will ignore such items when you write your code. As a result, the classes from excluded packages won't be present in code completion suggestion lists, references to such classes will be shown in the editor as unresolved, etc. However, when you compile or run your code, a library is still used as a whole, irrespective of whether there are excluded items in that library or not.

You can exclude folders, archives (e.g. JARs) and folders within the archives.

When your code references only a small portion of a big library, making the "unnecessary" items excluded may considerably increase the IDE performance.

## Where do I manage my libraries?

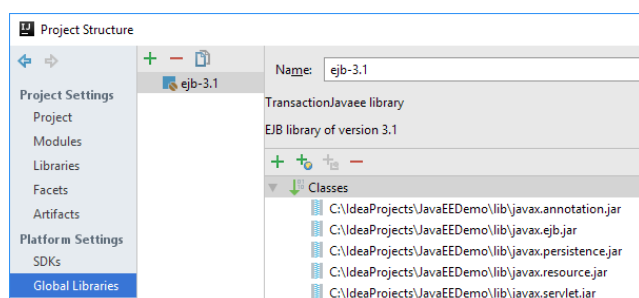
Most of the tasks related to working with [libraries](#) are performed in the Project Structure dialog ( File | Project Structure ).

The exceptions are the [application server libraries](#) and JavaScript libraries. Those are managed in the Settings / Preferences dialog:

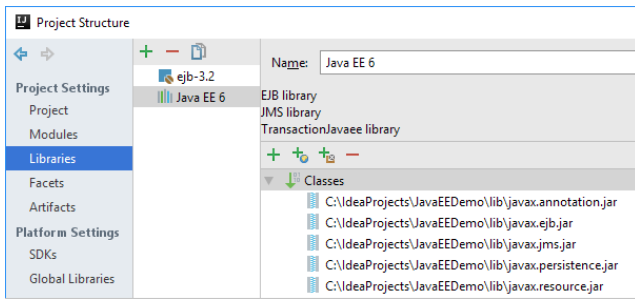
- The application server libraries: `Ctrl+Alt+S` | Build, Execution, Deployment | Application Servers . For more info, see the [Application Servers page description](#) .
- The JavaScript libraries: `Ctrl+Alt+S` | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Libraries . For more info, see [Configuring JavaScript Libraries](#) .

In the Project Structure dialog, depending on the [library level](#) :

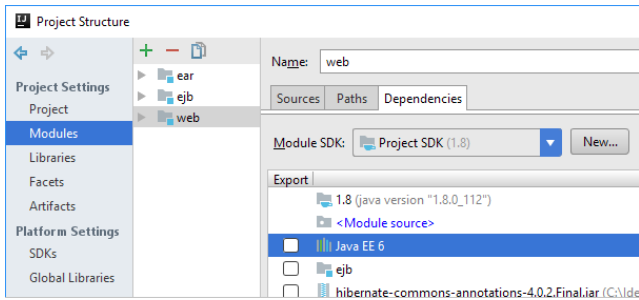
Global (IDE). To see you global libraries, select Global Libraries .



Project. To see your project libraries, select Libraries .



Module. To see the libraries included in the dependencies of a module, select Modules, select the module of interest, and then select Dependencies.



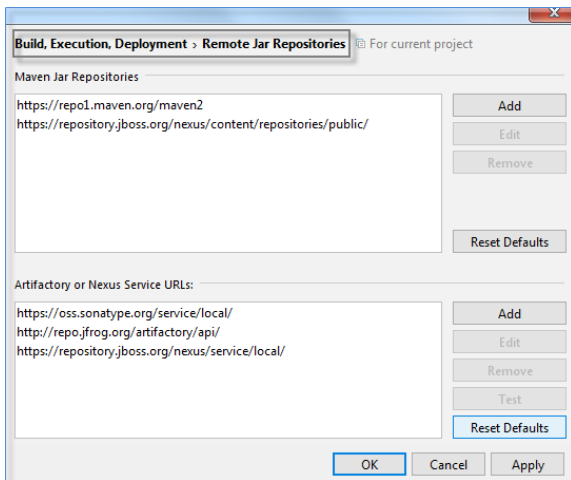
What's not an SDK or module in the list of dependencies, is a library.

The libraries here are not necessarily all module libraries. There may be global and project libraries as well.

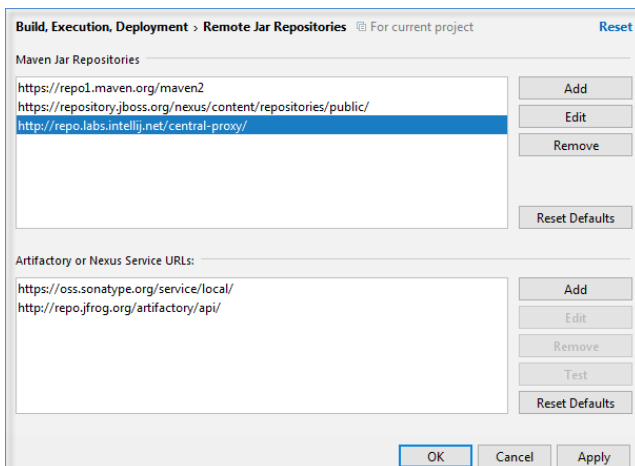
If you want to know the library level, select the library of interest and click . The library level will be reflected in the name of the dialog that will open, e.g. Configure Module Library.

## About downloading libraries from Maven

When you are adding a library ( | From Maven), IntelliJ IDEA downloads a library from Maven or Nexus public repositories. The repositories are configured on the Settings | Build, Execution, Deployment | Remote Jar Repositories page.



You don't have to have the Maven plugin enabled to download your library from [Maven repository](https://repo1.maven.org/maven2). Moreover, you can configure a custom remote repository from which IntelliJ IDEA downloads a library.



It might be helpful if, for example, your company uses some artifact repository manager for the company's remote repository that needs to be accessed. You can add URLs for the services and a repository to access the authorized versions of the



libraries. In this case there is no need to save the libraries for all the projects in VCS since you can always access the specified repository and a version of the library that is stored there.

In all other cases, you compose a library by specifying the files and folders already available on your computer.

## Creating a library

Depending on the level you are currently on:

**Global or project.** Above the list of libraries, click **+** and select the library type (e.g. Java ). Select the files and folders you want to include in your library. Select the modules to whose dependencies you want to add the library.

**Module.** Next to the list of dependencies, click **+**. Now, you can select one of the following routes, both leading to about the same result:

- JARs or directories. In the dialog that opens, select the files and folders to be included in your library. As a result, an unnamed module library is created and added to the dependencies of the module.
- Library. In the dialog that opens, click **New Library** and select the library type (e.g. Java ). Then select the files and folders to be included in the library. In the **Configure Library** dialog, specify the library name and level. To add the new library to the dependencies of the module, click **Add Selected** .

## Creating a library in the Project tool window

If the .jar files that you want to use as a library are within your project **content roots** , you can start creating your library in the Project tool window ( **View | Tool Windows | Project** ).

1. Select the .jar file or files to be included in the library, or a directory that contains the .jar files of interest.
2. Select **Add as Library** from the context menu.
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the library name, level and the module in which this library will be used.

## Adding a global or project library to module dependencies

Depending on the level you are currently on:

**Global or project.** Right-click the library of interest and select **Add to Modules** . Select the modules to whose dependencies you want to add the library.

**Module.** Next to the list of dependencies, click **+** and select **Library** . In the dialog that opens, select one or more libraries and click **Add Selected** .

## Moving a library onto a higher level

You can move a module library to the project or global level. Also, you can move a project library onto the global level.

1. Right-click the library and select **Move to Project Libraries** or **Move to Global Libraries** .
2. In the dialog that opens, specify if and where you want to move the library contents.

## When would I want to move a library onto a higher level?

Say, there's a module library which you want in another module. In that case, you'd:

1. Move the library onto the project level.
2. [Add the library to the dependencies of the corresponding module.](#)

## Creating a copy of a library at a lower level

You can create a copy of a global library at the project level: right-click the library and select **Copy to Project Libraries** . Then, in the dialog that opens, specify if you also want a copy of the library files and where that copy should be created.

For a global or project library included in the dependencies of a module, to start creating a copy at the module level, right-click the corresponding library and select **Copy to Module Libraries** .

## When would I want a copy of a library at a lower level?

Say, there's a project library that is used in a number of modules. And you want more classes in that library but only in one of the modules. In that case, you'd:

1. Create a copy of the library in the dependencies of the corresponding module. (As a result, a new module library is created.)
2. [Add the classes to your new module library.](#)



## Finding usages of a project or global library

You can find out in which modules a project or global library is used: right-click the library and select **Find Usages** ( **Alt+F7** ).

## Adding classes, sources and documentation to a library

Depending on the level you are currently on:


**Global or project.** In the right-hand part of the dialog, where the library name and contents are shown, click **+** ( **Alt+Insert** ), and then select the files and folders that contain the classes, sources and documentation you want to add.

**Module.** Select the library of interest and click . In the dialog that opens, click  ( `Alt+Insert` ). Then select the files and folders that contain the classes, sources and documentation you want to add.

## Making online documentation accessible in IntelliJ IDEA

If online documentation is available for the library that you are using, you can make that documentation accessible when coding. To do that, you should specify the documentation URL. (At a later time, to view the online documentation, use View | External Documentation or `Shift+F1`.)


Depending on the level you are currently on:

**Global or project.** In the right-hand part of the dialog, where the library name and contents are shown, click  and then specify the documentation URL.


**Module.** Select the library of interest and click . In the dialog that opens, click  and then specify the documentation URL.

## Making library items excluded. Cancelling the excluded status



To make library items **excluded**, depending on the level you are currently on:



**Global or project.** In the right-hand part of the dialog, where the library name and contents are shown, click . In the dialog that opens, select the items you want to make excluded. (You can exclude folders, archives (e.g. JARs) and folders within the archives.)

As a result, the items with the excluded status appear. They are shown as .

**Module.** Select the library of interest and click . In the dialog that opens, click  and then select the items you want to make excluded.

To cancel the excluded status of the library items:

**On the global or project level:** select the items whose excluded status you want to cancel () , and then click  ( `Delete` ).

**On the module level:** select the library of interest and click . In the dialog that opens, select the items whose excluded status you want to cancel () , and then click  ( `Delete` ).

## Switching from dependencies to library configuration

To see the library configuration (settings and contents) for a library included in module dependencies, right-click the library and select Navigate ( `F4` ).

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create, edit and modify your source code, save and revert changes.

## Navigate between editor and other tool windows

### Description/Action

Press this shortcut to quickly switch schemes, keymaps, or view modes.

Ctrl+Back Quote

In the Switch menu, select your option and press **Enter** . Use the same shortcut to undo your changes.

You can also find and adjust the color scheme settings in File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | Color Scheme and the keymap settings in File | Settings/Preference | Keymap .

To maximize editor pane, press this shortcut.

Ctrl+Shift+F12

To switch the focus from other windows to an active editor.

Escape

To return to an editor from the command-line terminal, press this shortcut. However, note that in this case IntelliJ IDEA closes the terminal window.

Alt+F12

To keep the terminal window open when you want to switch back to an active editor, press **Ctrl+Tab** .

Press this shortcut to hide all windows. In this case only the editor you currently work in is open.

Ctrl+Shift+F12

Press this shortcut to return to a default layout. In this case IntelliJ IDEA hides the Project tool window. However, you can select Window | Store Current Layout as Default from the main menu to save the current layout you are working in as default and use the same shortcut to restore it.

Shift+F12

To jump to last active window you have used, press this shortcut.

F12

## Navigate inside the editor

**Tip** To find any action in the editor, press **Ctrl+Shift+A** .

## Line numbers

### Description/Action / Access

By default, IntelliJ IDEA shows line numbers in the editor. If you do not want to see line numbers, select File | Settings/Preferences | Appearance and from the options on the right, select this option. You can also assign a shortcut to the Show line numbers action.

Show line numbers

To navigate to a specific line or a column in the editor, press this shortcut. In the dialog that opens, specify the line or column number and click OK .

Ctrl+G

## Cursor position and edit location

### Description/Action / Access

To find **current cursor location** in the editor, press this shortcut. It might be helpful if you have a large project and do not want to scroll through the file.

Ctrl+M

To see on what **element the cursor is currently positioned** , press this shortcut.

Alt+Q

To find a **previous cursor position** , press this shortcut.

Ctrl+Alt+Left

To navigate to the **last edited location** , press this shortcut.

Ctrl+Shift+Backspace

To show the list of **recently edited files** , press this shortcut.

Ctrl+Shift+E

To see **recent files** , press this shortcut.

Ctrl+E

## Lens mode

The lens mode in the editor is available on a mouse hover by default. To disable this option, right-click the code analysis marker located on the right side of the editor and from the context menu clear the Show code lens on the scrollbar hover checkbox.

Alternatively, you can perform the following steps:

1. Press **Ctrl+Alt+S** to open the Settings/Preferences dialog.
2. From the options on the left, select Editor | General | Appearance .
3. From the options on the right, clear the Show code lens on the scrollbar hover checkbox.

## Breadcrumbs

Breadcrumbs let you navigate through the source code, by showing the names of classes, variables, functions, methods and tags in the file with which you are currently working in the editor. By default, breadcrumbs are enabled and displayed at the bottom of the editor.

- To change the location of breadcrumbs, right-click a breadcrumb, from the context menu select Breadcrumbs and the location preference.
- To edit breadcrumbs settings, press **Ctrl+Alt+S** and on the page that opens, select Editor | General | Breadcrumbs . On the Breadcrumbs page, adjust the settings and click OK .

**Note** Clear the Show breadcrumbs option to hide the appearance of breadcrumbs in the editor.

## Manage editor tabs

IntelliJ IDEA lets you manage the open tabs in the editor. You can close, hide, and detach them. Every time you open a file for editing, the tab with its name is added next to the active editor tab.

**Tip** You can select Window | Editor Tabs to see what additional actions you can perform with the editor tabs.

**Tip** To configure settings for editor tabs, use the Editor Tabs page located in Editor | General .

**Tip** You can use a context menu on a tab, to select the appropriate action or to see its shortcut.

#### DescriptionAction / Access

To close all of the opened tabs, select this option on the main menu.	Window   Editor Tabs   Close All
To close all inactive tabs leaving only the active one, press this shortcut and the icon on the active tab.	<b>Alt</b> and click
To close only the active tab , press this shortcut.	<b>Ctrl+F4</b>
To move between tabs , press these shortcuts.	<b>Alt+Right</b> / <b>Alt+Left</b>
To detach a tab , drag the tab you need outside of the main window (drag the tab back to attach it) or press this shortcut.	<b>Shift+F4</b>
To switch focus between tabs , press this shortcut.	<b>Ctrl+Tab</b>
To place editor tabs in a different part of the editor or remove the tabs, from the main menu, select this path and the appropriate placement option.	Window   Editor Tabs   Editor Placement
To sort editor tabs , select this option from the main menu.	Window   Editor Tabs   Sort Tabs by File Name
To split the editor window , right-click the desired editor tab, and from the context menu select how you want to split the editor window (vertically or horizontally). In this case IntelliJ IDEA makes a copy of the file and places it according to your selection. If you want to move the file without copying it first, select the Move Right or Move Down option.	Split Vertically / Split Horizontally

## Tabs limits

IntelliJ IDEA limits number of tabs that you can open in the editor simultaneously (the default tab limit is 10).

To prevent closing editor tabs automatically after the number of editor tabs reaches its limit

1. Press **Ctrl+Alt+S** .
2. From the options on the left, select Editor | General | Editor Tabs .
3. From the options on the right, in the Tab closing policy section, adjust the settings according to your preferences and click OK .

**Note** If the tab limit equals to 1, the tabs in the editor will be disabled. If you want the editor to never close the tabs, type some unreachable number.

You can hide editor tabs if there is no more space:

1. Press **Ctrl+Alt+S** .
2. From the options on the left, select Editor | General | Editor Tabs .
3. From the options on the right, select the Hide tabs if there is no space option. Extra tabs will be placed in the drop-down list located in the upper right part of the editor.

## Edit code

**Tip** The selection extends or shrinks according to capitalization, if the Use "CamelHumps" words checkbox is selected on the Smart Keys page ( File | Settings | Editor | General | Smart Keys ).

If you want to make selection according to capitalization, using double-click, make sure that the Honor CamelHumps words... checkbox is selected on the General page ( File | Settings | Editor | General ).

## Select, move, copy code

#### DescriptionAction

Press this shortcut to extend the selection of your code. For plain text and comments, the selection starts within the whole word then moves to the next word, sentence, etc. For lines of code, the selection starts with argument, extends to a group of arguments then all arguments inside method call.	<b>Ctrl+W</b>
To shrink the code selection , press this shortcut.	<b>Ctrl+Shift+W</b>
Press this shortcut to make the initial selection of your code, press the same key again to find the matching occurrence in the file. Alternatively, to make a multiselection of your code, press <b>Shift+Alt</b> and double-click the left mouse button.	<b>Alt+J</b>
To find all the occurrences in the file, press this shortcut .	<b>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+J</b>
Press these shortcuts to copy / paste a reference of a line or symbol placing a caret on the line or symbol in	<b>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+C</b>

question.

/ **Ctrl+V**

To **paste from history**, press this shortcut. In the dialog that opens, select your entry and click Paste.

**Ctrl+Shift+V**

You can configure the depth of the clipboard stack in the Limits section located in File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | General. When the specified number is exceeded, the oldest entry is removed from the list.

To **undo or redo** your changes, press these shortcuts.

**Ctrl+Z** /

**Ctrl+Shift+Z**

Place the caret immediately after the block closing brace/bracket or before the block opening brace/bracket. **Highlight braces**

**Tip** By default, when you paste anything in the editor, IntelliJ IDEA performs 'smart' paste, for example, pasting multiple lines in comments will automatically add comment markers ( // ) to the lines you are pasting. If you need to paste just plain text, press **Ctrl+Shift+Alt+V**.

## Select, move, copy lines and code blocks

### DescriptionAction / Access

Choose this action to use **multiple cursor**.

**Shift+Alt** and click the left mouse button at the location of the caret.

Alternatively, press **Ctrl** (for Windows or UNIX) / **Alt** (for macOS) twice, and then without releasing it, press up or down arrow keys.

The new carets are added to the specified locations, according to the setting specified in the Virtual Space section located in File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | General.

If you want to delete all existing carets, press **Escape** or press **Shift+Alt** and click the left mouse button on the caret you want to delete.

Choose this action to extend the caret up or down.

**Alt** and drag your mouse vertically.

**Note** If the Allow placement of caret after end of line option in File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | General is selected, you will not be able to clone the caret.

To **add a next line**, press this shortcut. IntelliJ IDEA moves the cursor to the next line.

**Shift+Enter**

To **add a line before the current one**, press this shortcut.

**Ctrl+Alt+Enter**

To **duplicate a line**, press this shortcut.

**Ctrl+D**

To **remove a line**, press this shortcut.

**Ctrl+Y**

To **move a line up or down**, press these shortcuts.

**Shift+Alt+Up** /

**Shift+Alt+Down**

To **move a code element** to the left or to the right, press these shortcuts. Place the caret at the desired code element, or select the elements to be moved and press the appropriate shortcut.

**Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Left** /

**Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Right**

For example, for Java you can use these actions for method invocation or method declaration arguments, enum constants, array initializer expressions. For XML or HTML, use these actions for tag attributes.

To **join lines**, press this shortcut. Place the cursor on the line to which you want to join the other lines and press the shortcut. Keep pressing the shortcut until all the needed elements are joined. You can successfully join string literals, a field or variable declaration, and statement. Note that IntelliJ IDEA checks the syntax and eliminates unwanted spaces and redundant characters.

**Ctrl+Shift+J**

To **split string literals** into two parts, press this shortcut in the string. IntelliJ IDEA splits the string and provides the correct syntax. You can also use the Break string on '\n' intention to split the string literals.

**Enter**

To **toggle between upper and lower case**, press this shortcut.

**Ctrl+Shift+U**

Note that when you apply the toggle case action to the *Came/Case* name format, IntelliJ IDEA converts the name to lower case.

To **comment or uncomment blocks** of code, select your code block and press this shortcut.

**Ctrl+Shift+Slash**

For a line of code, press **Ctrl+Slash**.

**Note** To configure settings for commenting behavior in Java, use options in the Comment Code section, on the Code Generation tab located in File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Style | Java.

To move or copy code fragments using **drag-and-drop** actions in the editor, make sure the this option is selected. This option is located in File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | General and selected by default. If you want to move the item, select the desired fragment of your code and drag the fragment to the target location.

**Enable Drag'n'Drop functionality in editor**

If you want to copy your code selection, keep the **Ctrl** key pressed, drag the selection to the target location.

## Move, remove statements

### DescriptionAction / Access

To **move statement**, select the one you want and press one of these shortcuts. Note that if moving of statement is not allowed in the current context, the commands will be disabled. Also, note that IntelliJ IDEA moves the selected statement performing a syntax check.

**Ctrl+Shift+Up** /

**Ctrl+Shift+Down**

To **unwrap or remove statement**, place the caret on the expression you want to extract or unwrap and

**Ctrl+Shift+Delete**

press this shortcut.

IntelliJ IDEA shows a pop-up window with all the actions that are available in the current context. Statements to be extracted are displayed on the blue background, statements to be removed are displayed on the grey background.

You can select the desired action and press `Enter`.

## Reformat and rearrange code

IntelliJ IDEA lets you reformat your code according to the requirements you've specified in the Code Style settings.

To access the settings, select `File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Style`. You can also rearrange code based on the arrangement rules specified on the Arrangement tab.

### Description / Access

To reformat code in the current file, in the editor, select part of the code you want to reformat / rearrange and use these options respectively.

`Ctrl+Alt+L` / Code  
| Rearrange Code

**Note** If you don't select part of the code, IntelliJ IDEA will reformat the whole file.

To invoke the Reformat File dialog for details, press this shortcut.

`Ctrl+Shift+Alt+L`

To reformat a module or directory, right-click the module or the directory in question and from the context menu, select Reformat Code or press this shortcut.

`Ctrl+Alt+L`

If you need to exclude part of code from reformatting, select this option located in `File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Style`. Then in the editor, at the beginning of a region that you want to exclude, create a line comment (`Ctrl+Slash`) and type `//@formatter:off`, at the end of the region, again create a line comment and type `//@formatter:on`.

Enable formatter  
markers in comments


To quickly reformat line indents based on the specified settings on the Tabs and Indents tab located in `File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Style`, on the language page, press this shortcut.

`Ctrl+Alt+I`

**Note** In some cases, the option Detect and use existing file indents for editing located in the Indent Detection section in `File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Style` can override your settings. In this case IntelliJ IDEA will display the appropriate notification message.

## Use quick pop-ups


### Description / Access


To view quick definition of a symbol (tag, class, method/function, field, etc.), press this shortcut. IntelliJ IDEA displays the information in a pop-up. If you need, click the  icon to open the pop-up in the Documentation tool window.


`Ctrl+Shift+I`

To view quick documentation on a code element, press this shortcut.

`Ctrl+Q`

IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up with the appropriate information. You can press `Ctrl+Q` twice or click the  icon to open the pop-up in the Documentation tool window.

If you need to change the font size of the text displayed in the pop-up window, click the  icon and in the window that opens, change the font size according to your preferences.

You can also view an external documentation while in the quick documentation pop-up. Click  or press `Shift+F1`.

**Note** External documentation becomes available when you properly configure it in the [module structure](#). For example, in the module paths, you can add a path to a JavaDoc file, or a link to documentation; or specify a documentation URL for a library.

If you invoke the quick documentation pop-up when you look for a class (`Ctrl+N`), you can look up the documentation on any class displayed in the list. To switch focus to the pop-up, press the same shortcut.

to view the context information (the action shows the current method or class declaration when it is not visible), press this shortcut.

`Alt+Q`

To view an error description, press this shortcut. This action shows an error or warning description at the caret.

`Ctrl+F1`

`Ctrl+Q`

To see all usages for code element, press this shortcut on the element in question.

`Ctrl+Alt+F7`

To enable/disable import pop-up messages, select or clear this option in the Formatting section located in `Settings/Preferences | Editor | General`.

Show notification after  
optimize imports  
action

## Spellchecking

For spellchecking you can use Typo inspection that highlights the code based on the pre-defined dictionaries.

You can also configure the spellchecker's custom dictionary (a file with the `dic` extension) in the Custom Dictionaries Folder section located on the Dictionaries tab, in `File | Settings/Preferences | Editor | Spelling`.

– To check the spelling of the highlighted word, press `Alt+Enter` to show the available intention actions and choose the appropriate one.

– To configure pre-defined and custom dictionaries, press `Ctrl+Alt+S`, select `Editor | Spelling` and specify the appropriate options.

– To configure Typo inspection settings:

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` and select Editor | Inspections .
2. In the list of inspection types, expand the Spelling node, click Typo and configure spellchecking options.

## Configure file encodings

– You can choose file encoding on the status bar located at the bottom of the screen.

In this case, IntelliJ IDEA opens a dialog where you can decide what you want to do with your file. You can click either Reload or Convert .

(In case of *Reload* , you load the file in the editor from a disk and the encoding changes are applied to editor only. In case of *Convert* , the file on a disk is overwritten with the encoding of your choice.)

– To configure settings for file encodings, press `Ctrl+Alt+S` , select Editor | File Encodings .

**Tip** You can change file encoding explicitly in the editor for `.xml` files by pressing `Alt+Enter` on the `encoding` element and selecting the encoding you need.

## Editor settings

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use settings for configuring different editor options to customize the editor.

### DescriptionAction / Access

To access **settings** , press this shortcut.

`Ctrl+Alt+S`

To navigate inside the Settings dialog, use search field for your queries.

Search field

To configure the settings for the **code formatting** , such as *tabs and indents* , *spaces* , *wrapping and braces* , hard and soft margins, etc., use the Code Style page and the appropriate language.

Editor | Code Style

To configure main settings for **fonts, size, and font ligatures** , use the Font page.

Editor | Font / Editor | Color Scheme | Color Scheme Font / Editor | Color Scheme | Console Font

If you need to override main settings, you can configure the settings on the Color Scheme Fonts page. After you configure your settings, click Apply . The link with the notification will appear on the Font page.

You can also override the color scheme font settings using the Console Font page.

To change font size in the editor, on the General page, select the Change font size (Zoom) with Ctrl+Mouse Wheel option. In the editor, press `Ctrl` , hold it and using the wheel on your mouse, adjust the font.

Editor | General (mouse section)

To configure **color scheme** settings for different languages and frameworks, open the Color Scheme node and select the one you need. You can also use the General option from the list to configure color schemes settings for general items such as code, editor, errors and warnings, popups and hints, search results, etc.

Editor | Color Scheme

To configure **code completion** options, use Code Completion page. You can configure case sensitive completion, configure how to sort your code, configure auto-display options, etc.

Editor | General | Code Completion

To configure **caret placement** options, such as Allow placement of caret after end of line , use the General page. When you select this option, the caret on the next line is placed in the same position as the end of previous line. If this option is cleared the caret on the next line is placed at the end of the actual line.

Editor | General

**Note** If the Allow placement of caret after end of line option is selected, the **up/down extension of a caret** will not work.

You can also select the Allow placement of caret inside tabs option which might be helpful when you scroll your file and want the cursor to remain in the same position.

To configure **editor appearance** options, for example, showing line numbers, or showing hard wrap guide, use the Appearance page.

Editor | General | Appearance

To manage the appearance of **long code lines** , use the Soft Wraps section on the General page.

Editor | General

To configure the certain **behavior** for different **basic editor actions** , use the Smart Keys page.

Editor | General | Smart keys



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## Overview

File templates are specifications of the contents to be generated when creating a new file. They let you create the source files that already contain some initial code.

You can view, edit and create the templates on the [File and Code Templates page](#) of the Settings/ Preferences dialog.

File and code templates are written in the [Velocity Template Language](#) (VTL).

So they may include:

- Fixed text (markup, code, comments, etc.). In a file based on a template, the fixed text is used literally, as-is.
- [File template variables](#) . When creating a file, the variables are replaced with their values.
- [#parse directives](#) to include other templates defined in the Includes tab on the File and Code Templates page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box.
- Other VTL constructs.

Here is a typical template example. (This template is used for creating a Java class.)

```
#if (${PACKAGE_NAME} != "")package ${PACKAGE_NAME};#end
#parse("File Header.java")
public class ${NAME} {
}
```

In this template:

- `${PACKAGE_NAME}` and `${NAME}` are template variables.
- The `#parse` directive is used to include the other template `File Header.java` .
- The first line contains an `#if` VTL directive.

Applying this template leads to generating a file whose contents look similar to this:

```
package demo;

/**
 * Created by IntelliJ IDEA.
 * User: John.Smith
 * Date: 6/1/11
 * Time: 12:54 PM
 * To change this template use File | Settings | File and Code Templates.
 */
public class Demo {
}
```

## Per-project vs default scheme

IntelliJ IDEA suggests using file and code templates on the **project** or **default (global)** level.

If you need a sharable set of file and code templates, then these templates should be per-project; otherwise the templates are global and pertain to the entire workspace.

The file and code templates are stored in the following locations:

- The default (global) templates are stored in the IntelliJ IDEA home directory, in the folder `config | fileTemplates` .
- The per-project file and code templates are stored in the `.idea | fileTemplates` folder. These templates can be shared among the team members.

Refer to the section [Project and IDE Settings](#) to learn where the settings are stored, and to the [File and Code Templates](#) for the description of the Schema field.

## Predefined, internal, and custom templates

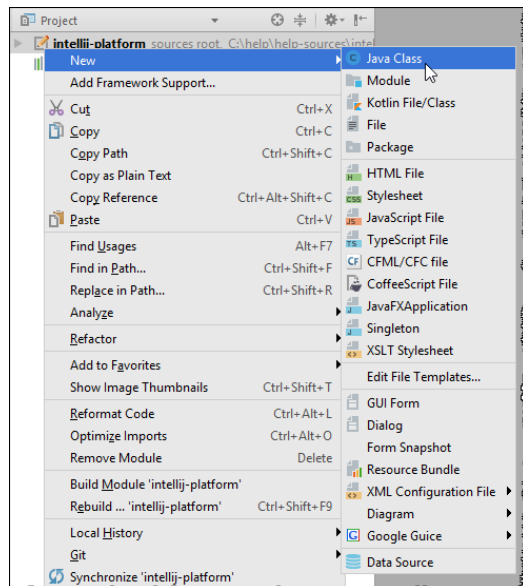
IntelliJ IDEA comes with a set of predefined file and code templates. You can use these templates as-is or modify them as necessary. You can as well create your own templates (custom templates).

Internal file and code templates are a subset of the predefined templates. These templates differ from all the other templates in that they cannot be deleted.

On the [File and Code Templates page](#) of the Settings/Preferences dialog, the names of internal templates are shown in bold. The names of the custom templates and the predefined templates that you have modified are shown in blue.

### When are file and code templates used?

Whenever you create a new file, you can choose to create an empty file (e.g. File | New | File ) or use a file template. In the latter case, the initial contents of the new file will be generated according to the template you have selected. (Basically, all the options in the New menu except File , Package and Directory correspond to using a template.)



### Are the choices of templates context-sensitive?

Generally, the set of the templates you can choose from when creating a new file depends on your [module](#) nature and configuration as well as the properties of your current location in the Project tool window. For example, you are not offered to use a template for an ActionScript class or interface, or an MXML component if your module is not a Flash module. Similarly, you cannot choose to create a Java class, interface, etc. outside of Java source or test directories ([roots](#) ).

However, there are many templates that are available in any context.

## Basics

A [file template](#) can contain template variables. When a template is applied, the variables are replaced with their values.

A file template variable is a string that starts with a dollar sign which is followed by the variable name. The variable name may be enclosed in curly braces. For example: `MyVariable` or `{MyVariable}` .

## Predefined template variables

IntelliJ IDEA comes with a set of predefined template variables.

The available predefined file template variables are:

- `{PACKAGE_NAME}` - the name of the target package where the new class or interface will be created.
- `{PROJECT_NAME}` - the name of the current project.
- `{FILE_NAME}` - the name of the PHP file that will be created.
- `{NAME}` - the name of the new file which you specify in the New File dialog box during the file creation.
- `{USER}` - the login name of the current user.
- `{DATE}` - the current system date.
- `{YEAR}` - the current year.
- `{MONTH}` - the current month.
- `{DAY}` - the current day of the month.
- `{TIME}` - the current system time.
- `{HOUR}` - the current hour.
- `{MINUTE}` - the current minute.
- `{PRODUCT_NAME}` - the name of the IDE in which the file will be created.
- `{MONTH_NAME_SHORT}` - the first 3 letters of the month name. Example: Jan, Feb, etc.
- `{MONTH_NAME_FULL}` - full name of a month. Example: January, February, etc.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a set of additional variables for [PHP include templates](#) . Include templates are used to define reusable pieces of code (namely, file headers and [PHPDoc comments](#) ) to be inserted in file templates via the [#parse directive](#) .

The following variables are available in [PHP include templates](#) :

- `{NAME}` - the name of the class, field, or function (method) for which the PHPDoc comment will be generated.
- `{NAMESPACE}` - the fully qualified name (without a leading slash) of the class or field namespace.
- `{CLASS_NAME}` - the name of the class where the field to generate the PHPDoc comment for is defined.
- `{STATIC}` - gets the value `static` if the function (method) or field to generate the comment for is `static` . Otherwise evaluates to an `empty string` .
- `{TYPE_HINT}` - a prompt for the `return` value of the function (method) to generate the comment for. If the return type cannot be detected through the static analysis of the function (method), evaluates to `void` .
- `{PARAM_DOC}` - a documentation comment for parameters. Evaluates to a set of lines `@param type name` . If the function to generate comments for does not contain any parameters, the variable evaluates to empty content.
- `{THROWS_DOC}` - a documentation comment for exceptions. Evaluates to a set of lines `@throws type` . If the function to generate comments for does not throw any exceptions, the variable evaluates to empty content.
- `{DS}` - a dollar character ( `$` ). The variable evaluates to a plain dollar character ( `$` ) and is used when you need to escape this symbol so it is not treated as a prefix of a variable.
- `{CARET}` - indicated the position of the caret after generating and adding the comment.

This `{CARET}` variable is applied only when a PHPDoc comment is generated and inserted during file creation. When a PHPDoc comment is created through Code | Generate | PHPDoc block , multiple selection of functions or methods is available so documentation comments can be created to several classes, functions, methods, or fields. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA cannot "choose" the block to apply the `{CARET}` variable in, therefore in this case the `{CARET}` variable is ignored.

- `{DATE}` - the current system date.
- `{YEAR}` - the current year.
- `{MONTH}` - the current month.
- `{DAY}` - the current day of the month.

## Custom template variables

In addition to the predefined template variables, it is possible to specify custom variables. If necessary, you can define the values of custom variables right in a template using the `#set` VTL directive.

For example, if you want to use your full name instead of your login name defined through the pre-defined variable `{USER}` , write the following construct:

```
#set( $MyName = "John Smith" )
```

If the value of a variable is not defined in the template, IntelliJ IDEA will ask you to specify it when the template is applied.

You can prevent treating dollar characters ( `$` ) in template variables as prefixes. If you need a dollar character ( `$` ) inserted as is, use the `{DS}` file template variable instead. When the template is applied, this variable evaluates to a plain dollar character ( `$` ).

Using the `#parse` directive, you can include other templates in [file templates](#) . This is useful for inserting reusable contents (e.g. standard headers, copyright statements, etc.) into multiple file templates.


The syntax for the `#parse` directive is:

```
#parse("<template_name.extension>")
```

For example: `#parse("File Header.java")` .

The templates that can be referenced like this in other templates, are shown on the Includes tab of the [File and Code Templates](#) settings page.

## Creating a file template from scratch

1. Open [Settings/Preferences dialog](#) and under the Editor node, select [File and Code Templates page](#) .
2. Switch to the Files tab.
3. Click  on the toolbar and specify the template name, file extension, and the body of the template, which can contain:
  1. Plain text.
  2. [#parse](#) directives to work with [includes](#) .
  3. Predefined variables to be expanded into corresponding values in the format `${<variable_name>}` .

The available predefined file template variables are:

- `${PACKAGE_NAME}` - the name of the target package where the new class or interface will be created.
- `${PROJECT_NAME}` - the name of the current project.
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- `${USER}` - the login name of the current user.
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- `${MONTH}` - the current month.
- `${DAY}` - the current day of the month.
- `${TIME}` - the current system time.
- `${HOUR}` - the current hour.
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- `${DAY}` - the current day of the month.

4. Custom variables. Their names can be defined right in the template through the `#set` directive or will be defined during the file creation.
4. To have the dollar character ( `$` ) in a variable rendered "as is", use the `${DS}` variable instead. This variable evaluates to a plain dollar character ( `$` ).
5. Apply the changes and close the dialog box.

## Creating a file template from an existing one

1. Open the [File Templates](#) settings page and switch to the Files tab.
2. Click  on the toolbar and change the template name, extension, and source code as required.
3. Apply the changes and close the dialog box.

## Creating a file template from a file


1. Open the desired file in the editor.

2. On the main menu, choose Tools | Save File as Template .
3. In the [File and Code Templates](#) dialog box that opens specify the new template name and edit the source code, if necessary.
4. Apply the changes and close the dialog box.

## Creating and referencing include templates

Include templates are used to define reusable pieces of code to be inserted in file templates through the `#parse` directives.

### To create and reference an include template

1. In the [File and Code Templates](#) settings page, switch to the Includes tab.
2. Click  on the toolbar and specify the template name, extension, and the source code. Do one of the following:
  - Use the [predefined file template variables](#) .
  - Create custom template variables and define their values right in the include template using the `#set` VTL directive.

For example, to insert your full name in the file header instead of your login name defined through the `${USER}` variable, write the following construct:

```
#set( $MyName = "John Smith" )
```

If the values of a certain template variable are not known at the point of applying a template, IntelliJ IDEA will ask you to specify them.

You can prevent treating dollar characters ( `$` ) in template variables as prefixes. If you need a dollar character ( `$` ) inserted as is, use the `#{DS}` file template variable instead. When the template is applied, this variable evaluates to a plain dollar character ( `$` ).

3. To use the include template, switch to the Templates tab, select the desired template and click Edit .
4. To include a template, insert the `#parse` directive in the source code.

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA editor is a powerful tool for creating and modifying source code. As any other IDE editor, it supports basic features like [bookmarks](#) , [breakpoints](#) , [syntax highlighting](#) , [code completion](#) , [zooming](#) , [folding code blocks](#) , etc. There are, however, plenty of advanced features like [macros](#) , [highlighted TODO items](#) , [code analysis](#) , [intention actions](#) , [intelligent and fast navigation](#) , and a lot more.

To configure your editing environment, use the [Editor](#) settings page and its child pages. There is also a [Quick Switch Scheme](#) command that lets you change color schemes, themes, keymaps, etc. with a couple of keystrokes.

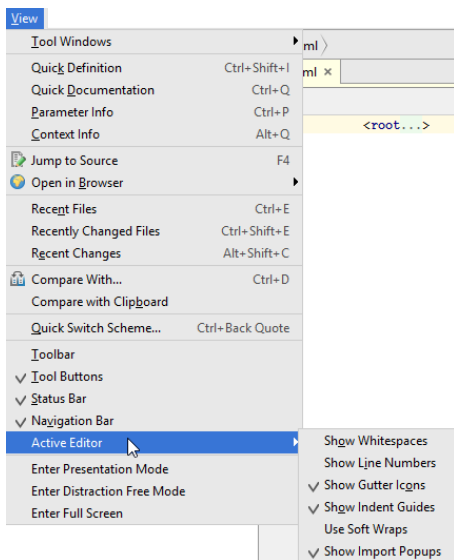
The editor is tab-based. All operations with the editor tabs are available from the context menu of a tab , or from Window | Editor tabs node of the main menu .

## Active editor

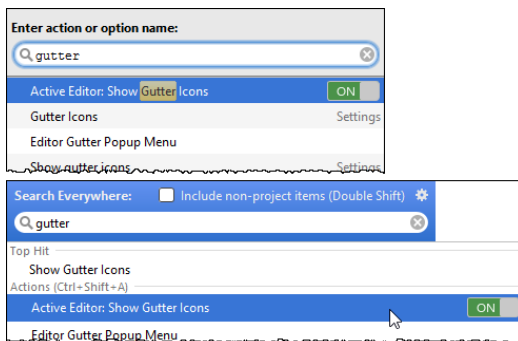
**Tip** You always return the focus to the active editor from any tool window by pressing the [Escape](#) key.

When you [open a file for editing](#) , it opens in its own tab. The editor you are currently working in, is the active editor .

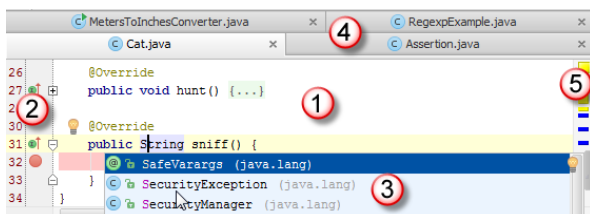
You can change behavior of the active editor using the commands under View | Active Editor node of the main menu:



Alternatively, you can invoke the commands related to the active editor, from [Find Action](#) or [Search Everywhere](#) :



## Editor's areas



### 1. Editor area

Use this area to type and edit your source code. The editor suggests numerous coding assistance facilities. Refer to the sections under this node for details.

### 2. Gutter area

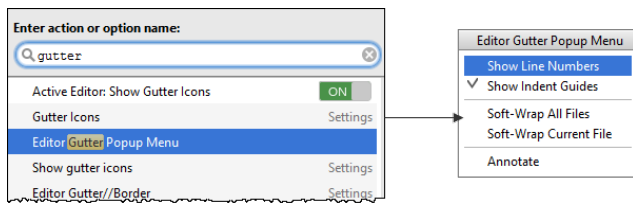
The left gutter provides additional information about your code and displays the various icons that identify the code structure, bookmarks, breakpoints, scope indicators, change markers and the code folding lines that let you hide arbitrary code blocks.

You can change the behavior of the left gutter.

For example, it's possible to make the left gutter thinner by hiding the gutter icons. This is done either for the [active editor](#)

, or for all the [newly created editors](#) .

To change the behavior of the left gutters, use either the [Appearance](#) page of the editor settings, or the Editor Gutter Popup Menu :



By default, this command is not mapped to any keyboard shortcut. You can create your own shortcut as described in the section [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#) .

### 3. Smart completion pop-up

This is one of the key editing assistance features that suggests method names, functions, tags and other keywords you are typing.

### 4. Document tabs

Enable quick navigation across the multiple documents you are working on. Clicking a tab brings its contents to front and makes it available for editing in the active editor.

To navigate between the tabs, use the keyboard shortcuts `Alt+Right` or `Alt+Left` .

Clicking a tab while the `Ctrl` / `⌘` key is pressed, allows navigating to any part of the file path, through opening it in an external browser.

Context menu of a tab provides all commands applicable to a file opened in the editor, for example:

- [Close one or more tabs](#).
- [Pin active tab](#).
- [Split and unsplit tabs](#).
- [Manage groups of tabs](#).
- [Navigate between tabs](#).
- [Add to Favorites](#).
- Move to a changelist.
- [Run](#) , or [debug](#)
- Perform [local history](#) and [version control](#) commands.
- Perform commands of [your own tools](#) .

By default, the tabs appear on top of the editor, but you can change their location as described in the section [Changing Placement of the Editor Tab Headers](#) .

### 5. Validation side bar / marker bar

This is the bar to the right from the editing area, showing the green, red or yellow box on its top depending on whether your code is okay, or contains errors or warnings. This bar also displays active red, yellow, white, green and blue navigation stripes that let you jump exactly to the erroneous code, changed lines, search results, or TODO items.



This section describes how to perform the most common editing tasks:

- [Selecting Text in the Editor](#)
- [Cutting, Copying and Pasting](#)
- [Copy and Paste Between IntelliJ IDEA and Explorer/Finder](#)
- [Commenting and Uncommenting Blocks of Code](#)
- [Undoing and Redoing Changes](#)
- [Opening and Reopening Files in the Editor](#)
- [Closing Files in the Editor](#)
- ['Lens' Mode](#)
- [Multicursor](#)
- [Adding Editors to Favorites](#)
- [Saving and Reverting Changes](#)
- [Zooming in the Editor](#)

In this section:

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- [Selecting with navigation keys](#)
- [Alternative ways to select code](#)
- [Extending selection](#)
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- [Multiselection](#)
- [Toggling between line and column selection modes](#)
- [Sticky selection](#)
- [Tips and tricks](#)

## Basics

The basic way to select a piece of text is to extend the selection with the mouse cursor. IntelliJ IDEA, as a keyboard-centric IDE, suggests to use navigation keys to make selections.

You can opt to select pieces of text, or select rectangular fragments in the column mode, extend and shrink the selection, use multiselection, and sticky selection.

### Selecting all text in the active editor tab

To select the entire text in the current editor tab, do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Select All .
- Press `Ctrl+A` .

### Selecting with navigation keys

To select text from the current caret position to the beginning/end of the current word:

- `Ctrl+Shift+Left` , `Ctrl+Shift+Right` .

To select text from the caret position to the beginning/end of the current line:

- Double-click `Ctrl` and press `Home` / `End`

To select text from the current caret position to the top/bottom of the screen:

- `Ctrl+Shift+Page Up` , `Ctrl+Shift+Page Down` .

### Alternative ways to select code

To make selection of a column of text, do one of the following:

- Keeping the `Alt` key pressed, drag your mouse pointer to select the desired area.
- Keeping the middle mouse button pressed, drag your mouse pointer to select the desired area.
- Press `Shift+Alt` and the middle mouse button. This is specially helpful, if you want to avoid dragging.

### Extending selection

To extend selection from the word at caret to the piece of code the caret is contained in, do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Extend Selection
- Press `Ctrl+W` to select the word where the caret is currently located.
- Press `Ctrl+W` successively to extend selection to the next containing node (for example, an expression, a paired tag, an entire conditional block, a method body, a class, a group of vararg arguments, etc.)

While extending selection, keep in mind that:

- Pressing `Ctrl+W` successively in plain text or comments extends the selection first to the current sentence, then to the current paragraph.
- Pressing `Ctrl+W` successively in a method call that contains vararg arguments, first selects a vararg argument the caret rests at, then the whole group of vararg arguments, and then all arguments in the method call.

### Shrinking selection

To shrink selection in the reverse order (from the outermost container to the word where the caret currently resides), do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Shrink Selection
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+W` .

**Tip** The selection extends or shrinks according to capitalization, if the Use "CamelHumps" words checkbox is selected on the [Smart Keys](#) page of the editor settings.

If you want to make selection according to capitalization, using double-click, make sure that the checkbox Honor CamelHumps words... is selected on the [General](#) page of the editor settings.

### Multiselection

IntelliJ IDEA supports selecting multiple text fragments. So doing, one can select multiple words, lines or rectangles.

## To select multiple words, follow these steps

1. Do one of the following:

- Press `Shift+Alt` and double-click the left mouse button.

```
<procedure title="To select multiple words" alternative-title="Using a
  <step...>
</procedure>
<anchor name="column selection"/>
<procedure title="To toggle between the line and the column selection
<anchor name="altdrag"/>
<procedure title="To make selection in the Column Selection Mode"
```

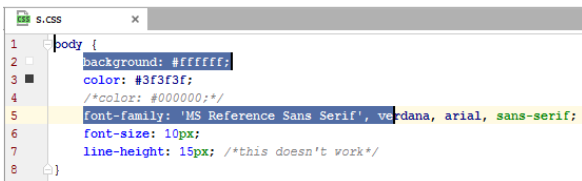
- Press `Alt+J`, or select some text fragment. Then press `Alt+J` again, to find the matching piece of text.

2. After selection is complete, you can start editing all the fragments as if they were one.

## To select multiple fragments of text, follow these steps

1. Press `Shift+Alt`

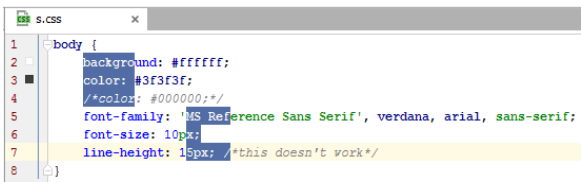
2. Drag the mouse pointer



## To select multiple rectangular fragments of text, follow these steps

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt` (Windows or UNIX) `Shift+Alt+Cmd` (macOS)

2. Drag the mouse pointer



Refer to the section [Multicursor](#) for additional information.

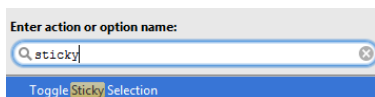
## Toggling between line and column selection modes

To toggle between the line and the column selection modes, do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Column Selection Mode .
- On the context menu of the editor, choose Column Selection Mode .
- Press `Shift+Alt+Insert` .

## Sticky selection

To toggle sticky selection, press `Ctrl+Shift+A`, in the pop-up frame type sticky, and choose Toggle Sticky Selection from the suggestion list:



**TIP** In the Emacs keymap, use keyboard shortcut `N/A` .

## Tips and tricks

- When sticky selection is on, you can turn it off by invoking copy or cut, or by toggling it again.
- To create a large rectangular selection, create a normal selection first, with the given starting and ending points, and then press `Shift+Alt+Insert` to toggle to the column selection mode.

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## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA provides a number of handy Clipboard operations. You can copy, cut, and paste selected text, a path to a file, or a reference to a symbol or a line of code.


Because IntelliJ IDEA uses the system Clipboard, you can copy and paste between applications. So doing, when pasting Clipboard entries, IntelliJ IDEA removes any formatting from the text and any special symbols from the `String` values.

The Paste command smartly understands what is being inserted. If you paste a reference to a symbol, it is analyzed for possible imports, references, etc. So doing, IntelliJ IDEA provides the necessary brackets and places the caret at the appropriate insertion point. The Paste Simple command helps paste any Clipboard entry as a plain text, without any analysis.

IntelliJ IDEA enables Clipboard stacking, which means that you can store multiple Clipboard entries and access them with a single shortcut. The number of entries that can be kept in the Clipboard stack is customizable on the [Editor](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

## Copying a selected fragment of text

Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Copy .
- Press `Ctrl+C` .
- Click the Copy button  on the toolbar.

Note that the `Ctrl+D` keyboard shortcut clones a line at the caret or a selected arbitrary fragment of text.

## Copying the path to a file

When you copy the path to a file, the absolute path to a file is copied to the clipboard.

To copy the path to a file, do one of the following:

- Open the desired file in the editor, then choose Edit | Copy Path on the main menu or press `Ctrl+Shift+C` .
- Select the desired file in the [Project](#) tool window and choose Copy Path on the context menu of the selection.

## Copying the reference to a line or a symbol


1. Open the desired file in the editor.
2. Place the caret at a certain line of code.
3. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Edit | Copy Reference .
  - On the context menu of the line at caret, choose Copy Reference .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+C` .

IntelliJ IDEA creates a string in the format that depends on a symbol at caret. For example:

```
/MetersToInchesConverter.java:14 for a Java class (format <fully qualified path>:<line number> )
```

```
java.io.PrintStream#println(java.lang.String) for a Java method (format <full class name>.  
<method_signature> )
```

## Cutting a selected fragment of text

1. [Select](#) the desired fragment in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Edit | Cut .
  - Press `Ctrl+X` .
  - Click the Cut button  on the toolbar.

## Pasting the last entry from the clipboard

1. Place the caret in the location where you want to paste content.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Edit | Paste .

– Press `Ctrl+V` .

– Click the Paste button  on the toolbar.

If you perform paste in a Java file, the further behavior depends on the settings in the [Auto Import](#) page of the Editor options. If the Ask option has been selected, select the necessary imports from the list of missing imports. In all other cases, the last clipboard entry is pasted silently.

## Pasting the last entry from the clipboard as plain text

Do one of the following:


– On the main menu, choose Edit | Paste Simple .

– Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+V` .

## Pasting the last entry from the clipboard

Depending on the chosen [paste mode](#) , do one of the following:

– To apply the **Paste Simple** mode, place the caret in the location where you want to paste the content and choose Edit | Paste Simple on the main menu or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+V` .

– To apply the **Paste** mode, place the caret in the location where you want to paste the content and choose Edit | Paste on the main menu, or press `Ctrl+V` , or click the Paste button  on the toolbar.

## Pasting a specific entry from the clipboard

1. On the main menu, choose Edit | Paste from History or press `Ctrl+Shift+V` .

2. In the Choose Content to Paste dialog box select the desired entry from the list of recent Clipboard entries.

3. Click Paste to paste the content using the **Paste mode** or hover your mouse over this button to display the available [paste mode](#) options. Depending on the chosen paste mode, do one of the following:

– Paste : select this option to apply the **Paste** mode.

– Paste Simple : select this option to apply the **Paste Simple** mode.

The depth of the Clipboard stack is configured in the Limits section on the [Editor](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog box. When the specified number is exceeded, the oldest entry is removed from the list.

IntelliJ IDEA enables tight interaction with the native file managers (Explorer on Windows, or Finder on Mac), and allows you to exchange files and directories via the system clipboard, using numerous techniques:

- Cut, copy and paste files and directories from the Project tool window of IntelliJ IDEA to a directory in the file manager, and vice versa, using menu commands and keyboard shortcuts:

Keyboard shortcut	Function	Use this shortcut to...
Ctrl+C	Copy	Copy selected text to the Clipboard.
Ctrl+X	Cut	Cut to the Clipboard.
Ctrl+V	Paste	Paste from the Clipboard.

- Move (drag) or copy (Ctrl+drag) a file or directory from the file manager to a directory in the Project tool window.
- Move (drag) or copy (Ctrl+drag) a file from the Project tool window to a directory in the file manager.
- Open any file for editing, by dragging it from a file manager to the editor.

## Basics

You can comment or uncomment the current line or selected block of source code.

Commenting feature extends to all supported file types. For the custom file types, you can define line and block comments characters, as described in the section [Creating and Registering File Types](#).

## Configuring commenting behavior

It is possible to force IntelliJ IDEA to place Java comments strictly at the left margin. To do that, in the Settings dialog, open [Code Style | Java](#), and click [Code Generation tab](#).

In the section Comment Code select the required checkboxes:



If the checkboxes are cleared, the comments characters are placed at the current caret position.

## Commenting and uncommenting lines of code

Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose [Code | Comment with Line Comment](#).

- Press [Ctrl+Slash](#).

```
// {  
//     user = em.merge(user);  
//     facesMessages.add("Password updated");  
//     changed = true;  
// }
```

## Commenting and uncommenting blocks of code

To add or remove a block comment, do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose [Code | Comment with Block Comment](#).

- Press [Ctrl+Shift+Slash](#).

```
/* {  
    user = em.merge(user);  
    facesMessages.add("Password updated");  
    changed = true;  
}*/
```

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## Basics

The Undo command discards the last changes to the file in the editor. The Redo command discards the results of the last Undo command.

You can undo or redo your changes as many times as required. However, when you exit IntelliJ IDEA, the undo history is lost.

IntelliJ IDEA smartly defines the logical steps that can be undone and redone. The following events signal about the end of a logical step:

- Pressing `Enter` .
- Repositioning the mouse cursor.
- Using navigation keyboard shortcuts.
- Cutting or pasting.
- Pressing `Tab` .

IntelliJ IDEA expands the undo and redo mechanism to complex operations, such as reformatting or refactoring source code, creating or deleting files. When you undo or redo a complex operation, IntelliJ IDEA requests for your confirmation.

## How it works?

IntelliJ IDEA moves the caret before each step of undo/redo, and then performs the **Undo/Redo** actions.

## Undoing and redoing changes

### To undo an action, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Undo .
- Press `Ctrl+Z` .

### To redo an action, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Redo .
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+Z` .



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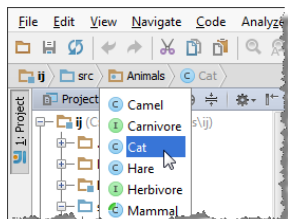
- [Opening files for editing](#)
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## Opening files for editing

### To open a file for editing

1. Do one of the following:

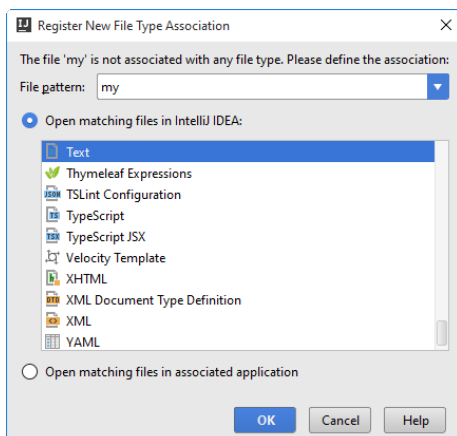
- Double-click the desired file in one of the [Tool Windows](#).
- Select the desired file in one of the [Tool Windows](#) and press `F4`.
- Select the desired file in one of the [Tool Windows](#) and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.
- Use the [Navigate](#) command for a Class, File, or Symbol.
- Click the desired directory in the [Navigation bar](#), and select file from the drop-down list:



2. If the file type is registered, the file opens silently in IntelliJ IDEA's editor.

If the file type is registered under the category Files opened in associated applications, it will be opened in its associated application, rather than in the IntelliJ IDEA editor. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a number of such file types, for example `.doc`, `.chm`, or `.pdf`.

If the file type is unknown, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to choose whether you want to register a new file type, or open such file in its associated application. Specify your choice in the [Register New File Type Association](#) dialog box:



You can register the required file types on the [File Types](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

The maximum size of files parsed by IntelliJ IDEA is controlled by the `idea.max.intellisense.filesize` setting in `idea.properties` file.

The `idea.properties` file located in the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder should not be edited. Instead of editing the original `idea.properties` file, create an `idea.properties` file in the following location, open it for editing and add the required properties:

- For **Windows**: `%USERPROFILE%\IntelliJ\config` or `%USERPROFILE%\IdeaIC\config`
- For **\*NIX**: `~/IntelliJ\config` or `~/IdeaIC\config`
- For **macOS**: `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJ\config` or `~/Library/Preferences/IdeaIC\config`

Note that the larger the file is, the slower its editor works and the higher overall system memory requirements are.

## Opening external files

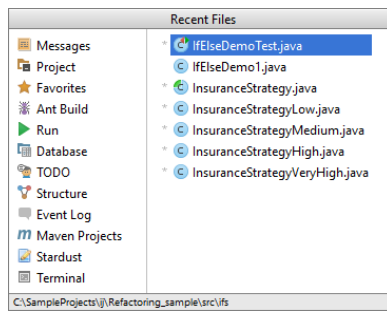
Do one of the following:

- Choose File | Open on the main menu and select the desired file in the dialog box that opens.
- **Drag** the required file from the Explorer (Windows), File Browser (Linux), or Finder and **drop** it to the editor. The file opens for editing in a new tab.

## Reopening files

### To reopen a file

- To open a recently opened file, choose View | Recent Files on the main menu or press `Ctrl+E`. Then select the desired file from the Recent Files pop-up window, that opens.



- To open a recently updated file, on the main menu, choose View | Recently Changed Files or press `Ctrl+Shift+E`. Then select the desired file from the Recently Edited Files pop-up window, that opens.

**Tip** Use Recent files limit text box in the [Editor](#) settings page to define the maximum number of recent files.

## Opening files in a separate window

### To open a file in a separate IntelliJ IDEA window

Do one of the following:

- Drag and drop an editor tab outside of the current IntelliJ IDEA window.
- Press `Shift+F4` for a file selected in the Project tool window.
- `Shift+mouse double click` on a file name in the Project tool window.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests several ways to close editor tabs.

## To close a file in the editor, do one of the following

- On the main menu point to Window | Editor Tabs , choose one of the appropriate closing commands.

Close

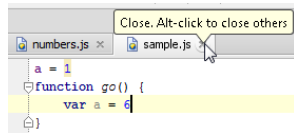
Closes the file in the active tab.

Close All

Closes all editor tabs.

Close Others

Closes all tabs except the current one. The alternative way to close all other tabs lays with clicking the **x** button, while holding the **Alt** key pressed:



Close Unmodified

Closes all files that were not changed. This command is only available, when version control integration is enabled in project.

Close All But Pinned

Closes all files that were not pinned. This command appears, if there are pinned editor tabs.

- Right-click any editor tab, and choose same commands on the context menu.

- Point with your mouse cursor to a tab and click the middle mouse button.

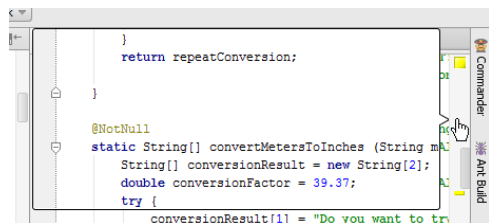
- Point with your mouse cursor to a tab and click **x** .

- Press **Ctrl+F4** .

**Tip** When you close modified files, IntelliJ IDEA preserves all changes in the current editing session. After reopening such files, the results of editing are restored.

Hover the mouse pointer over a warning, error stripe or just some section on the scroll bar outside of the scroll box. IntelliJ IDEA shows the source code fragment annotated with the warning/error messages.

This helps viewing the context a marker applies to, and the source code outside of the editor visible area.



Must-read This topic describes the usage of lens.

This behavior is enabled by default.

## To toggle the lens mode

1. Do one of the following:
  - Open the [Appearance](#) page of the Settings dialog.
  - Right-click the code analysis marker on top of the current editor.
2. Select or clear the checkbox Show code lens on scrollbar hover .

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- [Basics](#)
- [Adding, deleting, and cloning carets](#)
- [Copying and pasting](#)

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA supports multiple carets. The majority of the editor actions, such as keyboard navigation, text insertion and deletion, etc., apply to each caret. Live templates and autocompletion are supported as well.

It is possible to add or delete carets; at least one caret always exists in an editor tab.

The most recently added caret is considered primary. Highlighting of an editor line at caret applies to the primary caret only.

Placement and behavior of the carets depend on:

- Enabled or disabled [column selection mode](#).
- Enabled or disabled [placement of caret after the end of line](#).

Refer to the section [Selecting Text in the Editor](#) for additional information.

## Adding, deleting, and cloning carets

### To add carets, do one of the following

- Press `Shift+Alt` and click the left mouse button at the location of the caret.
- Press `Ctrl` (Windows or UNIX)/`Alt` (macOS) twice, and then without releasing it, press up or down arrow keys.

The new carets are added to the specified locations, according to setting of the Allow placement of caret after end of line checkbox:

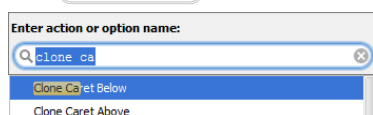


### To delete carets, do one of the following

- Press `Esc` to delete all the existing carets, except the primary one.
- Press `Shift+Alt` and click the left mouse button on a caret to be deleted.

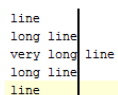
### To clone an existing caret upward or downward, do one of the following:

- Press `Ctrl+Shift+A`, type `Clone caret`, and choose the desired action from the suggestion list:



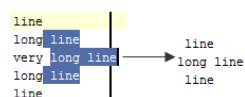
Note that by default these actions are not bound to the keyboard shortcuts. You can do it yourself, as described in the section [Configuring keyboard shortcuts](#).

The primary caret is propagated upwards or downwards:



## Copying and pasting

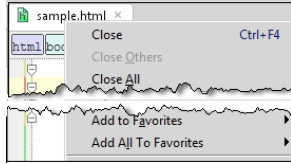
When a text with multiple cursors is copied (`Ctrl+C`) or cut (`Ctrl+X`), selections for each caret are placed to the clipboard. On paste (`Ctrl+V`), text from the clipboard is split into lines.



You can group most needed items into Favorite lists and get quick access to them through the [Favorites](#) tool window.

## To add one or more items to Favorites

1. Do one of the following:
  - Open the desired files in the Editor.
  - Select one or more items in the [Project](#) tool window.
2. Right-click the editor tab or the selection in the Project tool window, and choose Add to Favorites on the context menu.



3. On the submenu, specify the Favorites list to add the selected items to. Do one of the following:
  - To add the items to an existing list, select the desired list in the submenu.
  - To create a new list, choose Add to New Favorites List . In the Add New Favorites List dialog box that opens enter the desired group name or accept default settings.

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## Introduction

When working with IntelliJ IDEA, you don't need to worry about saving changed files: all changes are auto saved.

Unwanted changes can be undone at any stage of your development workflow. Any file or directory can be reverted to any of the previous states.

## When does IntelliJ IDEA auto save changed files?

Autosave is initiated by:

- Compiling a project, a module or a class
- Starting a run/debug configuration
- Performing a version control operation such as pull, commit, push, etc.
- Closing a file in the editor
- Closing a project
- Quitting the IDE

In fact, there is a lot more autosave triggers, and only the most important ones are mentioned above.

## Tuning the autosave behavior

The following options are available for tuning the autosave behavior ( File | Settings | Appearance and Behavior | System Settings / ( IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Appearance and Behavior | System Settings ):

- Save files on frame deactivation (i.e. on switching from IntelliJ IDEA to a different application).
- Save files automatically if application is idle for N seconds.

Note that those are optional autosave triggers, and you cannot turn off autosave completely.

## Using the Save All command

If necessary, you can initiate saving all changed files yourself. There is the Save All command for that:

- File | Save All

- 


## Marking files with unsaved changes in the editor

Changed but yet unsaved files can be marked. For this purpose, there is the Mark modified tabs with asterisk option ( File | Settings | Editor | General | Editor Tabs / IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | General | Editor Tabs ).


When this option is on, the files with unsaved changes have an asterisk  on their editor tabs.

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## Saving a file under a different name

There is no File | Save As command in IntelliJ IDEA. To save a file under a different name or in a different directory, use Refactor | Copy or .

## Reverting changes

You can undo changes by using Edit | Undo or . To revert files to their previous states, use [Local History](#) and corresponding [version control functionality](#).

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to change font size (zoom) in the active editor, and reset font size to the default value. These operations apply to the active editor only. In the other editor tabs, font size is not affected.

### To enable changing font size in the editor

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Editor | General .
2. Make sure that the setting Change font size (Zoom) with Ctrl+MouseWheel is enabled.

### To change font size using the mouse wheel

1. Place the caret in the editor.
2. While keeping the `Ctrl` / `⌘` key pressed, rotate the mouse wheel. As you rotate the mouse wheel forward, font size grows larger; as you rotate the mouse wheel backwards, font size decreases.  
The macOS users can use the trackpad "Pinch-to-Zoom" gesture to change the size of the font and the whole editing area.

### To change the font size using the keyboard

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` .
2. In the popup frame, start typing Increase font size or Decrease font size , and press `Enter` as soon as the corresponding command gets the focus.
3. The font will grow larger or smaller.

### To reset the font size

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` .
2. In the popup frame, start typing Reset font size and press `Enter` as soon as the corresponding command gets the focus.
3. The default font size will be restored.

**Tip** There are no default keyboard shortcuts associated with the actions Increase font size , Decrease font size , and Reset font size actions. However, you can [assign your own shortcuts to these actions](#) .



This part describes more sophisticated editing techniques provided by IntelliJ IDEA:

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## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA lets you reformat source code to meet the requirements of your code style. IntelliJ IDEA will lay out spacing, indents, keywords etc. Reformatting can apply to the selected text, entire file, or entire project.

It is also possible to apply reformatting to the parts of the source code only, using the [formatting markers](#).

## Reformatting the code of a module or directory

To reformat code for a module or directory, follow these steps:

1. In the Project tool window, select the module or directory you want to apply your reformatting to.
2. Choose Code | Reformat Code on the main menu or press `Ctrl+Alt+L`.  
Alternatively, in the [Project Tool Window](#), right-click the directory and from the context menu, select Reformat Code.
3. In the Reformat Code dialog box, specify the necessary options and filters for your reformatting and click Run.

## Reformatting the code of the current file

To reformat code for the current file, follow these steps:

1. In the editor of the currently opened file, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+L`.  
Note that if you select Code | Reformat Code from the main menu or press `Ctrl+Alt+L`, IntelliJ IDEA will try to reformat the source code automatically without opening the [Reformat File](#) dialog.
2. In the [Reformat File](#) dialog, specify options for the reformatting and click Run.

## Skipping a region when reformatting source code

To enable formatter markers, make sure to select the checkbox Enable formatter markers in comments in the [Code Style](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog, and type the markers in the Formatter off/on fields.

To skip a certain region on reformatting, follow these steps:

1. At the beginning of the region, create a line comment (`Ctrl+Slash`), and then manually type the marker specified in the Formatter off field of [Code Style](#) page.
2. At the end of the region, create a line comment (`Ctrl+Slash`), and then manually type the marker specified in the Formatter on field of [Code Style](#) page.
3. Perform code reformatting, as described above.

Alternatively, create a [live template](#) to surround a block of code with formatter off/on markers, see [Creating and Editing Live Templates](#).

## Example of using formatting markers

The original source code

The code after reformatting

```
/**@formatter:off
 * "scripts": {
 *   "post-install-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan optimize"
 *   ],
 *   "post-update-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan clear-compiled",
 *     "php artisan optimize"
 *   ],
 *   "post-create-project-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan key:generate"
 *   ]
 * },
 */
/**@formatter:on
```

When the formatting markers are disabled, the original formatting is broken:

```
/**@formatter:off
 * "scripts": {
 *   "post-install-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan optimize"
 *   ],
 *   "post-update-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan clear-compiled",
 *     "php artisan optimize"
 *   ],
 *   "post-create-project-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan key:generate"
 *   ]
 * },
 */
/**@formatter:on
```

When the formatting markers are enabled, the original formatting is preserved:

```
/**@formatter:off
 * "scripts": {
 *   "post-install-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan optimize"
 *   ],
 *   "post-update-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan clear-compiled",
 *     "php artisan optimize"
 *   ],
 *   "post-create-project-cmd": [
 *     "php artisan key:generate"
 *   ]
 * },
 */
/**@formatter:on
```

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to:

- [Indent or unindent](#) text. This action applies to a selection, or to a line at caret.
- [Fix wrong indentation](#) according to the code style.
- Choose [tabs or spaces](#) for indentation. This action applies to a selection, or the whole current file in the active editor.

### **To change indentation of a text fragment, do one of the following**

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Indent Selection / Edit | Unindent Selection .
- Press `Tab` / `Shift+Tab` .

### **To fix indentation**

Sometimes it is necessary to change indentation of a line at caret.

1. Place the caret at a line with wrong indentation.

2. Press `Ctrl+Alt+I` .

### **To toggle between tabs and spaces**

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Convert Indents , and then choose To Spaces or To Tabs respectively.

## Basics

You can collapse (fold) code fragments reducing them to a single visible line. In this way, you can hide the details that, at the moment, seem unimportant. If and when necessary, the folded code fragments can be expanded (unfolded).

Folded code fragments, normally, are shown as shaded ellipses (...).



## Code folding means

You can collapse and expand code fragments by using:

- Code folding toggles (⌵, ⌴ or ⌶). These toggles are shown in the editor to the left of the corresponding folding regions. If a region is unfolded, ⌵ indicates the beginning of the region while ⌴ is located at its end. For folded regions, the toggle is shown as ⌶.
- If you hold the **Alt** key and click ⌵, ⌴ or ⌶, the region is collapsed or expanded recursively, i.e. along with all its subordinate regions.
- Commands of the Folding menu and associated keyboard shortcuts. The Folding menu can be accessed from the main menu bar (Code | Folding), or as a context menu in the editor. The shortcuts are shown right in the menu. See [Commands of the Folding menu and associated shortcuts](#).
- Folded fragments themselves: click ... to expand the corresponding fragment. See also, [Viewing folded code fragments](#).

## Folding predefined and custom regions

You can fold and unfold:

- Code blocks, i.e. code fragments surrounded by a matched pair of curly braces `{ }`.  
To collapse a code block, place the cursor within that block and then select Code | Folding | Fold Code Block or press **Ctrl+Shift+Period**.
- As a result, a custom folding region is formed, and the folding toggles for it appear. After that, the region can be collapsed and expanded as any other folding region.  
To remove a custom folding region, use the Fold Selection / Remove Region command for that region (**Ctrl+Period**).
- Predefined regions that correspond to such elements as import declarations, method bodies, anonymous and inner classes, documentation comments, etc. The predefined regions, roughly, correspond to the ones listed under Collapse by default on the Editor | General | Code Folding page in the Settings/Preferences dialog.  
For the predefined regions, the folding toggles are available right away, without the need to perform any additional actions.
- Any selected code fragment. A custom folding region for a selection is created and removed by means of the Fold Selection / Remove Region command (**Ctrl+Period**).
- Regions surrounded by corresponding commented folding markers (e.g. `//<editor-fold desc="Description">...//</editor-fold`). See [Using code folding comments](#).

**Note** Code folding works for the keywords `if` / `while` / `else` / `for` / `try` / `except` / `finally` / `with` in case of at least two statements.

## Commands of the Folding menu and associated shortcuts

The Folding menu can be accessed from the main menu bar (Code | Folding), or as a context menu in the editor.

### CommandShortcutDescription

Command	Shortcut	Description
Expand	<b>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</b>	Expand the current collapsed fragment
Collapse	<b>Ctrl+NumPad -</b>	Collapse the current folding region
Expand Recursively	<b>Ctrl+Alt+NumPad Plus</b>	Expand the current folded fragment and all the subordinate collapsed folding regions within that fragment
Collapse Recursively	<b>Ctrl+Alt+NumPad -</b>	Collapse the current folding region and all the subordinate folding regions within it
Expand All	<b>Ctrl+Shift+NumPad Plus</b>	Expand all collapsed fragments within the selection, or, if nothing is selected, expand all the collapsed fragments in the current file
Collapse All	<b>Ctrl+Shift+NumPad -</b>	Collapse all folding regions within the selection, or, if nothing is selected, collapse all the folding regions in the current file
Expand to level   1, 2, 3, 4 or 5	<b>Ctrl+NumPad *, 1</b> <b>Ctrl+NumPad *, 2</b> <b>Ctrl+NumPad *, 3</b>	Expand the current fragment and all the nested fragments up to the specified level

Ctrl+NumPad \*, 4

Expand all to level | 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5

Ctrl+NumPad \*, 5

Ctrl+Shift+NumPad \*, 1 Expand all the collapsed fragments in the file up to the specified nesting level

Ctrl+Shift+NumPad \*, 2

Ctrl+Shift+NumPad \*, 3

Ctrl+Shift+NumPad \*, 4

Ctrl+Shift+NumPad \*, 5

Expand doc comments	Expand all documentation comments in the current file
Collapse doc comments	Collapse all documentation comments in the current file
Fold Selection / Remove region	Ctrl+Period Collapse the selected fragment and create a custom folding region for it to make it "foldable" / Expand the current fragment and remove the corresponding custom folding region to make the fragment "unfoldable"
Fold Code Block	Ctrl+Shift+Period Collapse the code fragment between the matched pair of curly braces {} and create a custom folding region for that fragment to make it "foldable"

## Specifying code folding preferences

You can specify:

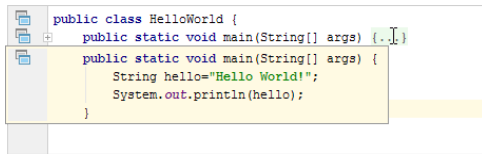
- Whether the code folding toggles should be shown.
- Which folding regions should be collapsed by default.

The corresponding settings are in the Settings dialog ( Ctrl+Alt+S ) on the Editor | General | Code Folding page.

For more information, see [Code Folding page](#) .

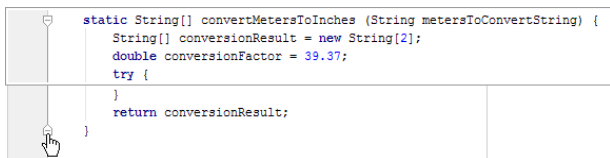
## Viewing folded code fragments

To see the contents of a folded fragment, point to the ellipsis ... that indicates that fragment.



## Viewing the beginning of a folding region

To see the beginning of a folding region - if it's not currently visible - point to the folding toggle at the end of that region.



## Using code folding comments

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## Supported folding comments

You can create custom folding regions by surrounding code fragments with the commented lines. So doing, the comments can be either NetBeans style, or Visual Studio style.

### NetBeans style

```
//<editor-fold desc="Description">  
...  
//</editor-fold>
```

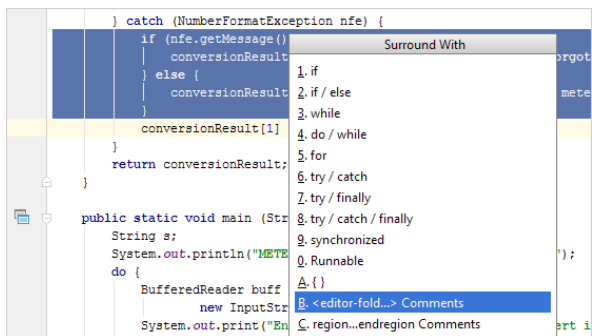
### Visual Studio style

```
//region Description  
...  
//endregion
```

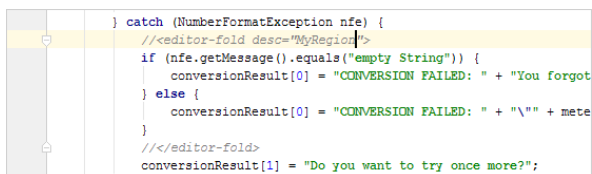
Once you have chosen the style for a file, don't use the other style in that file.

## Surrounding a fragment with folding comments

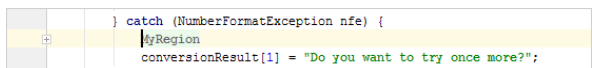
1. Select the code fragment of interest.
2. Select Code | Surround With or press `Ctrl+Alt+T`.
3. Select the folding comments to be used.



4. Specify the fragment description.



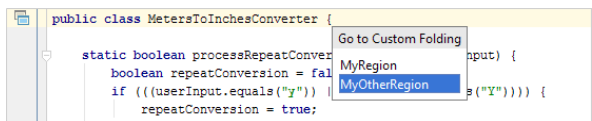
Now if you collapse the fragment, the description you have specified is shown in place of the code.



## Navigating to folding regions

You can navigate to custom folding regions that were formed by surrounding code fragments with the corresponding commented folding markers:

1. Select Navigate | Custom Folding or press `Ctrl+Alt+Period`.
2. Select the target folding region. (The regions in the list are identified by their descriptions.)

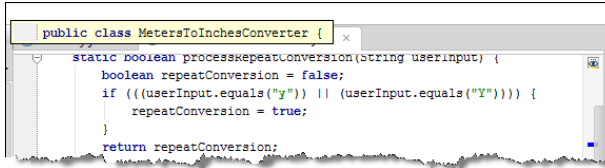


If in course of editing, searching, or navigating through a file, the cursor position runs out of the visible editor area, above the upper editor edge, you don't need to scroll through the file to obtain instant information about the current caret location.

### To view the current caret position, do one of the following



- On the main menu, choose View | Context Info
- Press `Alt+Q`.

The pop-up frame appears on top of the editor, showing the name of the class or method where the caret currently resides:



The screenshot shows a code editor window with a pop-up window overlaid on top. The pop-up window displays the name of the class or method where the caret currently resides. The code in the editor is as follows:

```
public class MetersToInchesConverter {  
    static boolean processRepeatConversion(String userInput) {  
        boolean repeatConversion = false;  
        if (((userInput.equals("y")) || (userInput.equals("Y")))) {  
            repeatConversion = true;  
        }  
        return repeatConversion;  
    }  
}
```

If a file is read-only, it is marked with the closed lock icon  in the [Status bar](#) , in its editor tab, or in the Project tool window. If a file is writable, then it is marked with the open lock icon  in the Status bar. This section describes how to change read-only attribute of a file.

**Tip** If a read-only status is set by a version control system, it's suggested that you use IntelliJ IDEA version control integration features. For more information, see [Version control with IntelliJ IDEA](#).

## To toggle read-only attribute of a file

1. Open file in the editor, or select it in the [Project Tool Window](#) .
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose File | Make File Read-Only , or File | Make File Writable .
  - Click the lock icon in the [Status bar](#) .



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## Toggling between upper and lower cases

### To toggle between upper case and lower case

1. Select text fragment, or just place the caret at the line you want to change case in.
2. On the main menu, choose Edit | Toggle Case , or press `Ctrl+Shift+U` .

### Tips and tricks

Did you know that

- Applying Toggle Case to CamelCase name format converts the name format to lower case?
- The lowercase names are converted to the uppercase format?
- Applying Toggle Case to the uppercase name format converts the name format to lower case?

This editor feature significantly improves readability of the code, and simplifies search for unclosed blocks or tags.

## To highlight block borders

- Place the caret immediately after the block closing brace/bracket or before block opening brace/bracket.

If the editor can find the block border, its braces, brackets or tags are highlighted with blue and a blue outline appears in the gutter area.

If the opening brace, bracket or tag is currently out of sight, you don't need to scroll to the beginning of the block. The editor shows a pop-up window on top that displays the beginning of the block.

```
22 static Connection getConnection(int aInt1, HashMap mPool, String name){
23     aInt1 = 2;
24     return (Connection) mPool.get(name);
25 }
```

If the editor cannot find the pair brace, bracket or tag, the unmatched one is highlighted with pink when the caret is placed next to it, and is underlined with a red curly line.

```
43 }
44
45 }
```

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## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA helps you make sure that all your source code, including textual strings, comments, and literals, and commit messages, is spelt correctly. For this purpose, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a dedicated **Typo** inspection, which is supported by the corresponding bundled plugin and is enabled by default.

Correctness of spelling is checked against pre-defined dictionaries (as of now, `jetbrains.dic` and `english.dic`), and any number of user-defined custom dictionaries.

A **user dictionary** is a textual file with the `dic` extension, containing the words you want to be accepted by the **Typo** inspection as correct. The words in such dictionaries are delimited with the newline.

Besides that, you can define your own list of words that will be skipped by the inspection. You can add words to this list "on-the-fly", or intentionally while setting up your spellchecker options.

With the **Typo** inspection enabled, IntelliJ IDEA detects and highlights words not included in dictionaries and user's words list. It up to the user to provide correct spelling, accept word as is, or disable inspection.

If a word is accepted, it will be added to the user's words list, and skipped by the spellchecker in future. If inspection is disabled, all typos will be ignored.

In the textual strings and comments, spelling of a word at caret can be changed to a correct one. In the contexts that enable **Rename** refactoring, the inspection suggests to rename all occurrences of a symbol.

## Checking the spelling of a word

1. Place the caret on a word highlighted by the **Typo** inspection.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` to show the available intention actions.
3. Choose one of the following actions:
  - Change to : select the desired spelling of a textual string or comment from the suggestion list.
  - Save to dictionary : add word to the user's list and skip it in future.

## Configuring the dictionaries to use

1. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Spelling under Editor .
2. Define the set of dictionaries to be used for spellchecking.
  1. Switch to the Dictionaries tab.
  2. The Dictionaries area in the bottom of the page shows a list of the dictionaries that can be used in spellchecking. The list contains the dictionaries that come bundled with IntelliJ IDEA by default and user-defined dictionaries detected in the folders from the Custom Dictionaries Folder area above.
    - To have a default dictionary applied in the current project, select the check box next to it.
    - To exclude a default dictionary from spellchecking within the scope of the current project, clear the check box next to it.
  3. In the Custom Dictionaries Folder area, configure your custom dictionaries to use. This area displays a list of directories that contain user-defined dictionary files (text files with the `dic` extension, containing words separated with a newline).
    - To add a new folder to the list, click `+` and choose the required folder in the **Select Path Dialog** dialog that opens . The full path to the folder is added to the Custom Dictionaries Folder list, and all the `*.dic` files found in this folder are added to the Dictionaries list.
    - To remove a folder from the list, select it and click `-` .
3. Besides configuring a custom dictionary, you can create your own **Word List** with the words that you want to be skipped during spell checking without being included in a custom dictionary.
  1. Switch to the Accepted Words tab.
  2. Create a **Word List** :
    - Click the `+` icon to open the Add New Word dialog box and specify a new entry there. **CamelCase** or **snake\_case** are not supported. If you try to add a word that is already included in one of the spelling dictionaries, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message **The word <just typed word> is already in the dictionary** .
    - To remove an item from the list, select it and click `-` .

## Configuring spellchecking options

1. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Inspections under Editor .
2. On the **Inspections** page, that opens showing a list of inspection types, expand the Spelling node and click Typo in the

central pane.

3. In the right-hand pane, configure the **Typo** inspection:

- In the Options area, define the type of contents to be inspected by selecting or clearing the Process Code , Process Literals , and Process Comments checkboxes.
- In the Severity area, choose the [inspection severity level](#) and the **scope** to apply this level in.

## Changing the language

The spellchecking feature doesn't allow you to change the language per se, but allows you to add your own dictionaries to a directory. This is how it's done.

### **To add a dictionary, follow these steps:**

1. Create a directory in your file system, and in it a text file with the `.dic` extension.
2. Under the node Editor of the Settings/Preferences dialog, click [Spelling](#) .
3. In the Dictionaries tab, click [+](#) in the section Custom Dictionaries Folder .
4. In the [Select Path](#) dialog that opens, point to the directory you've created.

Thus IntelliJ IDEA will not report a typo for a word in the language you've created a dictionary for.

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## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA provides a temporary editor. You can create a text or a piece of code for search or exploration purposes. IntelliJ IDEA suggests two types of temporary files:

### Scratch files

The scratch files are fully functional, runnable, debuggable, etc. They require a language to be specified and have an extension. The scratch files are created via `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Insert`.

### Scratch buffers

The scratch buffers are only intended for pure editing, and as such they do not require specifying a language and do not have an extension. The scratch buffers belong to `.txt` type by default.

This action has no dedicated shortcut, but you can configure one as described in the section [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#) `Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts-->`.

Buffer files are reused after creating 5 files. So doing, after reuse, the content and language are reset.

## Creating scratch files

To create a scratch file

1. Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose `File | New | Scratch File`.
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Insert`.
- Right-click anywhere in the [Project Tool Window](#) and choose `New | New Scratch File` from the context menu.
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+A`, start typing `scratch file..`, and choose the corresponding action.

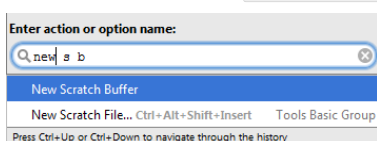
2. Select the language of the future scratch from the list that IntelliJ IDEA suggests. IntelliJ IDEA creates a temporary editor tab with the name `scratch.<extension>`. In the future, the default names will be `scratch_<number>.<extension>`.

3. Type the desired code.

## Creating scratch buffers

To create a scratch buffer, follow these steps:

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` or [search everywhere](#).
2. Start typing the command name `New Scratch Buffer`:



IntelliJ IDEA creates a temporary editor tab with the name `buffer1`. In the future, the default names will be `buffer<number>`.

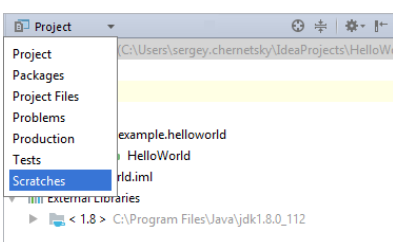
3. Type the desired code.

Note that though this action has no keyboard shortcut, you can still configure one as described in the section [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#). You can also switch from scratch files to scratch buffers by reassigning the shortcut to avoid garbage buildup.

## Observing the available scratches

To observe the available scratch files and buffers, do one of the following:

- Choose `Scratches` view in the [Project Tool Window](#).



- Press `Alt+F1` and choose `Scratches` ([Navigating Between IDE Components](#)).

## Closing scratches

To close a scratch file or buffer, just click  $\times$  on the editor tab. Refer to the section [Closing Files in the Editor](#) for details.

## Deleting scratches

To delete a scratch file or buffer, follow these steps:

1. Switch to the Scratches view of the [Project Tool Window](#).
2. Under the `Scratches` pseudo-folder, right-click the scratch to be deleted, and choose Delete on the context menu.
3. Confirm deletion.

## Changing the language of a scratch

If you want to change the scratch's language when a scratch is already created, you can do so with the aid of the editor's context menu. This is how it's done:

1. Switch to the Scratches view of the [Project Tool Window](#), and open for editing the scratch file or buffer you want to change language for.
2. Right-click the editor background, and choose Change Language (<current language>) on the context menu.
3. Select the desired language.

Note the following:

- Four latest items appear on top of the list before a separator.
- You can narrow down the list by typing the language name.
- You can assign a shortcut to this action as described in the section [Configuring keyboard shortcuts](#).
- Change Language action keeps extension in sync, if it exists.

## Renaming, copying and moving scratches

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to perform [rename refactoring](#) of the scratches. To rename a scratch, follow these steps:

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#), switch to the Scratches view and select the scratch to be renamed.
2. Press `Shift+F6`.

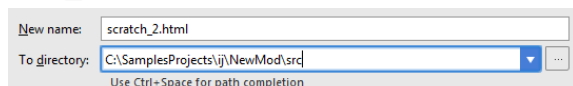
You can also perform renaming in the other ways:

- In [NavBar](#): Jump to NavBar (`Alt+Home`) -> Rename (`Shift+F6`).
- In the [Project tool window | Scratches view](#): Select In | Project | Scratches (`Alt+F1`) -> Rename (`Shift+F6`).
- Right from the editor: Refactor | Rename File.

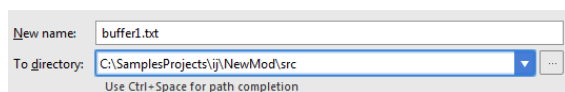
Copy and Move file actions are available the same way. Refer to the sections [Copy](#) and [Move Refactorings](#) for details.

Note that when copying a scratch, IntelliJ IDEA includes the respective extension that corresponds to the file type. This is how it's done:

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#), switch to the Scratches view and select the scratch to be copied.
2. Press `F5`. IntelliJ IDEA shows the following dialog box:



This dialog box shows the scratch name with the corresponding extension. Note that when you copy a [scratch buffer](#), the extension is `..txt`:



## Important notes about scratches

Note the following:

- The scratch code in scripting languages is executable: you can [run](#) and [debug](#) it.
- [Local history](#) for scratches is supported.
- It is possible to perform [clipboard operations](#) with scratches.
- The scratches are stored, depending on your operating system,
  - Under IntelliJ IDEA home, in the directory `config/scratches` (on Windows/\*NIX)
  - `~ Library->Preferences-><IntelliJ IDEA>XX->scratches` (on macOS)
- You can [undo or redo changes](#) in scratches.

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## Adding lines

### To add a line

- Press `Shift+Enter` to add a new line after the one where the caret is currently located and move the caret to the beginning of this new line.

For instance, you have typed some text:

```
94 public static void main(String[] args) {
95     System.out.println("Hello, world!");
96 }
```

- Press `Shift+Enter` to start the next line immediately:

```
94 public static void main(String[] args) {
95     System.out.println("Hello, world!");
96     |
97 }
```

- To add a line before the current one, press `Ctrl+Alt+Enter`.

**Tip** Make sure that keyboard shortcuts are not in conflict. You can do that in the [Keymap](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences dialog](#).

## Duplicating lines

### To duplicate a line or fragment

1. Place the caret at the line to be duplicated, or [select](#) the desired fragment of text.
2. Press `Ctrl+D`.

## Deleting lines

### To remove a line

- Press `Ctrl+Y` to delete the line at caret.

## Moving lines

### To move a line

1. Place the caret at the line to be moved.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Move Line Up or Code | Move Line Down.
  - Press `Shift+Alt+Up` or `Shift+Alt+Down`.

IntelliJ IDEA moves the selected line one line up or down, performing the syntax check. For example:

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println("HW!!!");
}
```

After moving line at caret:

```
System.out.println("HW!!!");
public static void main(String[] args) {
}
```

## Moving statements

### To move a statement up or down

1. [Select](#) a statement to be moved, or just place the caret at the first or last lines of a multi-line statement. Note that if moving a statement is not allowed in the current context, the commands will be disabled.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Move Statement Up/Move Statement Down.

– Press `Ctrl+Shift+Up` or `Ctrl+Shift+Down` .

If you apply the same commands to a line at caret, or a to a selection, it will be moved one line up or down.

IntelliJ IDEA moves the selected statement above the previous one, or directly underneath the next one, performing the syntax check. For example, place the caret at the method declaration:

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println("HW!!!");
}
public int foo(int a,int b){
    return a + b;
}
```

After moving the statement:

```
public int foo(int a,int b){
    return a + b;
}
public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println("HW!!!");
}
```

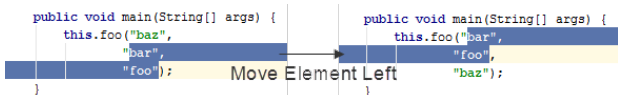
## Moving code element left or right

### To move code element to the left or to the right

1. Place the caret at the desired code element, or select the elements to be moved.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose the commands Code | Move Element Left or Code | Move Element Right
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Left` or `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Right`

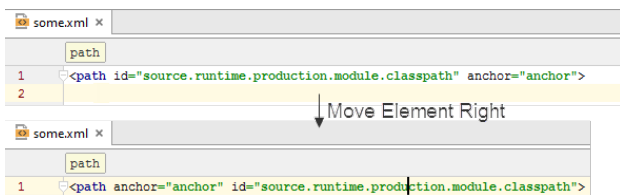
Examples of code elements for which this functionality is currently implemented:

– **Java** : method invocation arguments, method declaration arguments, enum constants, array initializer expressions.



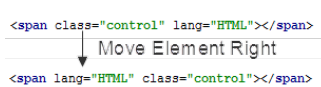
```
public void main(String[] args) {
    this.foo("bar",
            "foo");
}
public void main(String[] args) {
    this.foo("bar",
            "baz");
}
```

– **XML** : tag attributes.



```
some.xml x
path
1 <path id="source.runtime.production.module.classpath" anchor="anchor">
2
Move Element Right
some.xml x
path
1 <path anchor="anchor" id="source.runtime.production.module.classpath">
```

– **HTML** : tag attributes.



```
<span class="control" lang="HTML"></span>
Move Element Right
<span lang="HTML" class="control"></span>
```



## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to concatenate two unselected or several selected lines into one, removing the extra spaces, and providing the proper syntax. This operation smartly analyzes the lines being joined and treats them accordingly. For example, you can join lines of code, lines of comments, field declaration and initialization.

### Joining lines

1. Place the caret on the line, to which the other lines should be added.

```
141     foo(a,  
142         b,  
143         c,  
144         str);
```

2. Sequentially press `Ctrl+Shift+J` keyboard shortcut, until all fragments are joined in a single line.

```
141     foo(a, b, c,  
142         str);  
  
141     foo(a, b, c, |str);
```

**Tip** You can select the lines and press `Ctrl+Shift+J` to obtain the same result.

### Joining string literals

1. Select the lines with string literals that should be joined.

```
153     String theBest = new String("IntelliJ IDEA is " +  
154         "the most intelligent " +  
155         "IDE around");
```

2. Press `Ctrl+Shift+J` keyboard shortcut. All redundant characters (spaces, quotes, and plus signs) are gone.

```
153     String theBest = new String("IntelliJ IDEA is the most intelligent IDE around");
```

## Examples

Joining a field or variable declaration and assignment:

```
140     int myInt;  
141     myInt = 1;
```

Pressing `Ctrl+Shift+J` produces the following result, with the unwanted spaces and variable name in the second line removed:

```
140     int myInt | = 1;
```

Consider the following pair of statements:

```
46     int intVar_1 = START_RATE;  
47     intVar_1 -= END_RATE;
```

Press `Ctrl+Shift+J` to join these lines into a correct single-line statement.

```
46     int intVar_1 = START_RATE - END_RATE;
```

This feature is designed to correctly split string literals, providing the necessary quotation marks and plus signs.

To split a string literal into two parts:

1. Set the caret in the string literal to be split.

```
31 |  
32 | System.out.println("Hello,|world!");  
33 |
```

2. Press  .

```
32 | System.out.println("Hello," +  
33 |     "world!");
```


You can split a string literal on newline symbols ( `\n` ) by using the Break string on '\n' [intention action](#) . That is, a string literal in a code fragment like this:

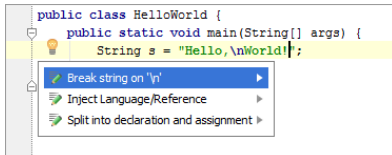
```
String s = "Hello,\nWorld!";
```

can be easily transformed into corresponding concatenation:

```
String s = "Hello,\n" +  
    "World!";
```

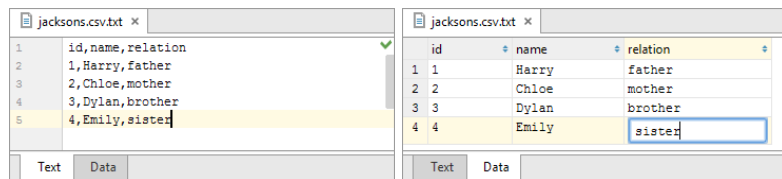
To do that:

1. Place the cursor within the literal of interest.
2. Click the yellow light bulb icon  or press `Alt+Enter` , and select Break string on '\n' .

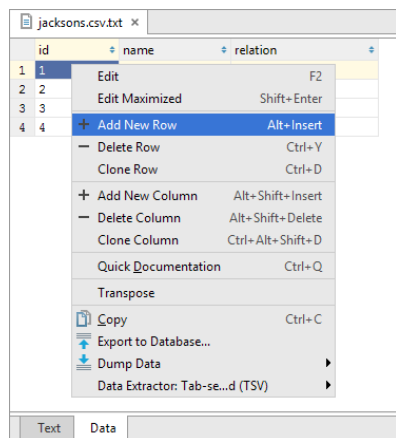


This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

For text files containing [delimiter-separated values](#) (e.g. CSV, TSV), IntelliJ IDEA provides a table editor, which you can open in a dialog or right in the editor (See [Opening the table editor](#) .)



Most of the functions in the table editor are accessed as context menu commands. Many of the commands have dedicated [keyboard shortcuts](#) .



Note that the context menus for the header row and the rest of the table are different.

## Prerequisites

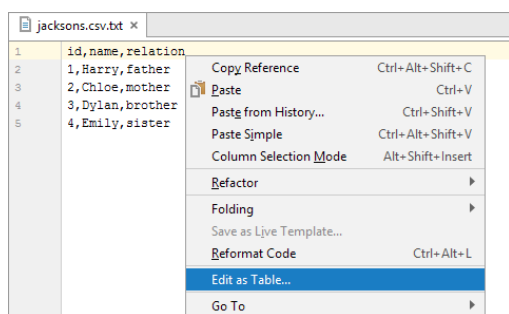
For the table editor and associated features to be available:

- You should be using the Ultimate Edition of IntelliJ IDEA. (The corresponding functionality is not available in the Community Edition.)
- The Database Tools and SQL [plugin](#) must be enabled. (This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)
- The file name extension must be associated with the text file type. See e.g. [File Types](#) .

## Opening the table editor

You can open the table editor for a whole file or for its fragment.



1. Open the file of interest in the editor.
2. If you want to open the table editor for a fragment, select that fragment.
3. Select Edit as Table from the context menu.







4. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify conversion setting and click OK .

## Sorting data

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.

Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this:  name  . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.

If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance:  name  1 . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)

When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order:  name  1 .

Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is resorted. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is

canceled:  .

## Hiding and showing columns

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column .

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:

- Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List .
- Press **Ctrl+F12** .

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.

	member_id	/ name
1	5	Alice
2	1	Chloe
3	3	Dylan
4	4	Emily
5	2	Harry
6	6	Jack

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press **Space** .
3. Press **Enter** or **Escape** to close the list.

## Transposing the table

The transposed table view is available. In this view, the rows and columns are interchanged.

To turn this view on or off, click on the toolbar and select Transpose . Alternatively, use the Transpose context menu command.

## Enabling coding assistance for a column

You can assign a column one of the supported languages (e.g. SQL, HTML or XML): right-click the corresponding header cell, select Edit As and select the language. As a result, you get coding assistance for the selected language in all the cells of the corresponding column.

You can also assign a language to an [individual cell](#) .

## Modifying cell contents

1. To start editing a value, do one of the following:

- Double-click the corresponding table cell.
- Right-click the cell and select Edit or Edit Maximized from the context menu.
- Select the cell and press **F2** or **Shift+Enter** . In the latter case, the cell will be maximized.
- Select the cell and start typing. Note that in this case the initial cell contents are deleted right away and is replaced with the typed value.

2. When in the editing mode, you can:

- Modify the value right in the cell. To start a new line, use **Ctrl+Enter** . To enter the value, press **Enter** . To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press **Escape** .

Oxygen	O	Highly reactive nonmetallic element
Fluorine	F	Lightest halogen Extremely reactive Highly toxic pale yellow diatom
Neon	Ne	Colorless, odorless, inert monatomic g...

- Use value completion. Press **Ctrl+Space** to open the suggestion list. The list contains the values from the current column that match your input.
- Maximize the cell if you need more room for editing. To do that, press **Ctrl+Shift+Alt+M** , or right-click the cell and select Maximize .

When working in a maximized cell, use **Enter** to start a new line and **Ctrl+Enter** to enter the value. To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press **Escape** .

Highly reactive nonmetallic element
Lightest halogen
Extremely reactive
Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas

- Insert the contents of a text file into the cell. To do that, right-click the cell and select Load File . Then select the necessary file in the dialog that opens.
- Edit a value in the cell as a fragment in one of the supported languages (e.g. SQL, HTML or XML). To do that, right-click the cell, select Edit As and select the language. As a result, you get coding assistance for the language you have selected.

Highly reactive nonmetallic element
<ul>
<li>Lightest halogen</li>
<li>Extremely reactive</li>
<li>Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas</li>
</ul>
locator http://www.w3.org/1999/html
simple http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml

## Adding and deleting rows and columns

Use the following context menu commands and shortcuts:

- Add New Row ( [Alt+Insert](#) ).
- Delete Row ( [Ctrl+Y](#) ). To delete more than one row at once, first, select the corresponding rows or cells in the corresponding rows.
- Clone Row ( [Ctrl+D](#) ). This command creates a copy of the current row.
- Add New Column ( [Shift+Alt+Insert](#) ).
- Delete Column ( [Shift+Alt+Delete](#) ). To delete more than one column at once, first, select the cells in the corresponding columns.
- Clone Column ( [Ctrl+Shift+Alt+D](#) ). This command creates a copy of the current column.

## Copying data to the clipboard or saving them in a file

1. Use one of the following context menu commands:

- Copy ( [Ctrl+C](#) ). This command copies the data for the selected cells to the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To Clipboard. This command copies the data for the whole table to the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To File. This command saves the data for the whole table in a file. Before actually saving the data, the dialog is shown which lets you select the output format and see how your data will look in a file.

2. If you are saving the data in a file, specify the file name and location.

See also, [Specifying data output format and options](#) .

## Specifying data output format and options

To specify the output format and options for the Copy and Dump Data commands (see [Copying data to the clipboard or saving them in a file](#) ), right-click the table and point to Data Extractor: <current\_format> .

In the menu that opens, the output formats are in the upper part: SQL Inserts , SQL Updates , etc. (The options that look like file names are also the output formats or, to be more exact, the scripts that implement corresponding data converters.)

The output option are:

- Allow Transposition. This option affects only delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV). If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. [Ctrl+C](#) ), the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.
- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). This is the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, auto-increment fields are not included.
- Add Table Definition (SQL). This is also the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, the table definition (CREATE TABLE) is added.

Additionally:

- Configure CSV Formats. This command opens the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- Go to Scripts Directory. This command lets you switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.

## Exporting the data to a database

You can export the data to a database (your database must be defined as a [data source](#) ):

1. Select Export to Database from the context menu.
2. Select the target schema (a new table will be created) or table (the data will be added to the selected table).
3. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the data mapping info and the settings for the target table.

IntelliJ IDEA allows copying and moving code fragments within the active editor tab, by means of drag-and-drop.

## To move or copy code fragment

1. Make sure that using drag-and-drop is enabled in the [Editor](#) page of the IDE Settings.
2. [Select](#) the desired fragment in the editor.
3. Move or copy selection:
  - Move: Drag the selected fragment to the target location.
  - Copy: Keeping the `Ctrl` key pressed, drag selection to the target location.

Macros provide a convenient way to automate repetitive procedures you do frequently while writing code. You can record, edit and playback macros, assign them a shortcut, and share them. Generally speaking, macros are designed for rather simple operations, and as such have the following limitations:

- Macros can be used for editor-related actions within a file.
- You cannot record such actions as button clicks, navigating to pop-up dialog boxes, and accessing tool windows or menus.

If a macro is intended for temporary use only, it is unnamed; permanent macros have unique names.

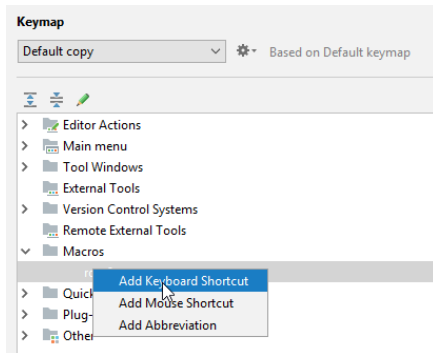
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## To bind a macro with a keyboard shortcut

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Keymap .
2. [Create a new keymap](#) or select a keymap from the list of keymaps.
3. Expand the Macros node and select the macro for which a keyboard shortcut should be created.
4. Right-click the macro and choose Add Keyboard Shortcut in the context menu:



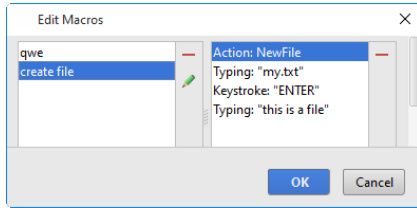
5. In the [Enter Keyboard Shortcut](#) dialog, press the keys to be used as a shortcut. The keystrokes are immediately reflected in the First Stroke field. Optionally, select the Second stroke checkbox and specify the second stroke. As you press the keys, the Preview field displays the keystrokes you pressed, and the Conflicts field displays warnings, if the keystrokes are already in use.
6. Click OK using the mouse pointer to create a shortcut and bind it with the macro.
7. Apply changes.

**Tip** It is important that you use the mouse pointer, because any keystroke is interpreted as a shortcut.

After recording, you can remove or rename any or all of the macros from the list of available macros. The actions list of each macro is also editable - you can remove unnecessary actions.

## To edit macros

1. On the main menu, choose Edit | Macros | Edit macros .
2. In left-hand pane of the Edit Macros dialog, select the macro to be edited or deleted:



3. To delete a macro, click — . To change the macro name, click ✎ , and specify the new name in the Rename Macro dialog.
4. To change the list of actions for a macro, select an action in the action list, and click — .

You can play back the recorded macros using the Edit | Macros menu commands, or [custom shortcuts](#) .

### **To play back a temporary macro**

– On the main menu, choose Edit | Macros | Play Back Last Macro .

### **To play back a named macro**

– On the main menu, choose Edit | Macros | <Macro name> .

### **To play back a macro with a keyboard shortcut**

1. Select a keymap with the [macro bindings](#) on the [Keymap](#) settings page.
2. Press keyboard shortcut that corresponds to the desired macro.

## To record a macro

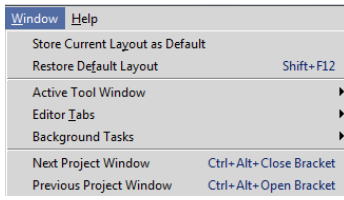
1. On the main menu, choose Edit | Macros | Start Macro Recording . From that moment on, all your recordable actions are recorded.
2. When you are done with the procedure, choose Edit | Macros | Stop Macro Recording .
3. In the Enter Macro Name dialog, specify the name of the new macro, and click OK . If the macro is intended for temporary use only, you can leave the name blank.

Every time you open a file for editing, a dedicated tab is added to the editor window, next to the active editor tab.

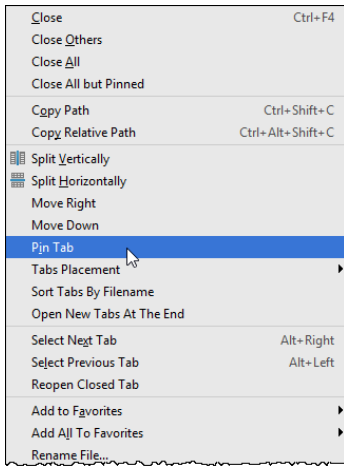
IntelliJ IDEA can limit the number of tabs opened in the editor simultaneously. When the number of tabs reaches its limit, the editor closes the tabs according to the tab closing policy, that is defined in the [Editor Tabs](#) settings page. By default, the tab limit is 10, but you can change it if necessary.

All commands, related to managing editor tabs, are available from:

– Window | Editor Tabs menu.



– Context menu of a tab.




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## Changing the number of editor tabs

### To change the maximum allowed number of tabs


1. Open the Editor settings. To do that, click  on the main toolbar, then click the Editor node in the [Setting/Preferences](#) dialog box that opens.
2. In the [Editor Tabs](#) page of the Editor settings ( Settings/Preferences - Editor - General - Editor Tabs ), type the desired maximum allowed number of the editor tabs to be opened at a time in the Tab limit field.

## Disabling editor tabs

### To disable editor tabs

- In the [Editor Tabs](#) page of the Editor settings, select None from the Tab placement drop-down list.

## Tips and tricks

- If the tab limit equals to 1, the tabs will be disabled. If you want the editor to never close the tabs, type some unreachable number.
- With the disabled tabs, use the View | Recent files (  ) command to quickly switch between files.

## Navigating between editor tabs


### To navigate from the current tab to the next or previous tab

- Right-click the current editor tab and choose Select Next/Previous Tab on the context menu.
- Press `Alt+Right` or `Alt+Left` . So doing, the focus moves to the editor tab located next to the right or to the left from the active editor tab.
- Press `Ctrl+Tab` to use the [Switcher](#) .

This approach allows jumping from one tab to another as your editing session requires. While you move between the editor tabs, IntelliJ IDEA remembers the caret position within each opened file.

## Navigating through the previously visited tabs

### To go back and forth through the history of visited tabs

- On the main toolbar, click  .
- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Back / Forward` .
- Press `Ctrl+Alt+Left` or `Ctrl+Alt+Right` .


This approach enables you to move back and forth through the history of your navigation, same way as it is done in a Web browser. As you move from file to file during your editing session, IntelliJ IDEA keeps track of the visited locations and enables you to go back, using the `Navigate | Back / Forward` commands.

**Note** On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger right-to-left and left-to-right swipe gestures.

## Viewing all opened editor tabs and choosing the active editor

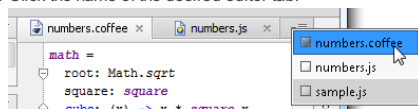
### To view all editor tabs and select the active editor

If all opened tabs are shown in a single row, some of the tabs may become invisible. IntelliJ IDEA helps display the list of the opened editor tabs that did not fit in the editor window and have become invisible whereupon you can choose the tab to activate.


1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose `Window | Editor Tabs | Show Hidden Tabs`
  - Click 

The list of all the tabs that are opened but invisible appears. So doing the names of the tabs, which are currently visible, are displayed on the light background; the names of the tabs outside of the main window are shown on the darker background.

2. Click the name of the desired editor tab:



The selected editor tab becomes active and gets the focus.

The command `Show All Tabs` and the icon  are only available when:

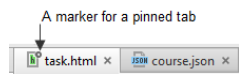
- The `Show tabs in single row` checkbox is selected in the [Editor tabs](#) page of the Editor settings.
- Some of the opened tabs are not visible because they do not fit in the editor window.

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA can limit the number of tabs opened in the editor simultaneously. When the number of tabs reaches its limit, the editor closes the tabs according to the tab closing policy, that is defined in the [Editor Tabs](#) settings page. By default, the tab limit is 10, but you can change it if necessary.

To prevent a tab from being closed automatically, you can pin this tab. Besides, when you close the editor tabs, you have an option to preserve pinned tabs opened and close only the unpinned tabs.

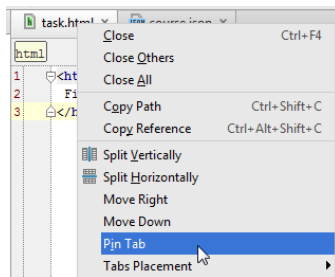
When a tab is pinned, there is a special marker on it.



**Tip** The pinned status of a tab is helpful when you open a file for reference, rather than for editing.

## Pinning an editor tab

1. Switch to the desired editor tab.
2. Right-click the editor tab, and choose Pin Tab on the context menu:



## Unpinning a tab

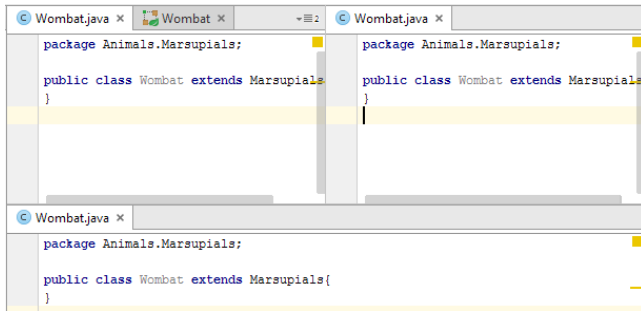
1. Switch to the desired editor tab.
2. Right-click the editor tab, and choose Unpin Tab on the context menu.



## Basics

Splitting the editor window divides it into independent panes. You can split the editor window into as many panes as required, each one containing multiple tabs.

Each pane can be allocated vertically or horizontally. Thus, splitting helps create different editor layouts, organize tabs into groups, and [edit multiple files simultaneously](#) . For example, you can scroll through a part of a file, having at the same time the possibility to view the lines in its other part.



## Splitting editor tab

### To split an editor tab creating a file copy

1. Switch to the desired tab.
2. Right-click the tab header and choose Split Vertically or Split Horizontally on the context menu.

### To split an editor tab without copying a file

1. Switch to the desired tab.
2. Right-click the tab header and choose Move Right or Move Down on the context menu.

## Changing splitter orientation

### To change splitter orientation

1. Switch to the desired tab.
2. Right-click the tab header and choose Change Splitter Orientation on the context menu.

## Removing a splitter

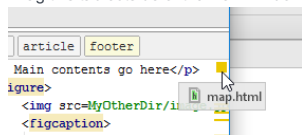
### To remove splitter

1. Switch to the desired tab.
2. Right-click the tab header and choose one of the following commands on the context menu:
  - To remove splitting in the active tab, choose Unsplit .
  - To remove splitting in all the open editor tabs, choose Unsplit All .

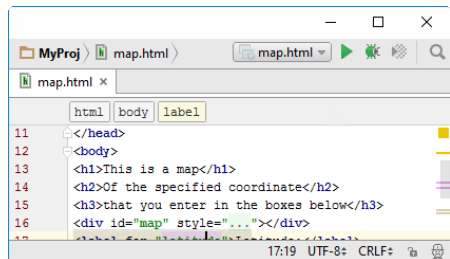
IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to detach editor tabs, and move them to separate frames.

### To detach an editor tab, do one of the following

- Drag this tab outside of the main window. A preview thumbnail appears:



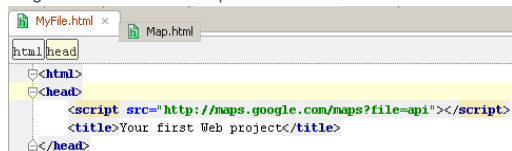
- Press **Shift+F4**.



The content of the editor tab opens in a separate frame.

### To attach an editor tab

- drag it from its frame and drop to the main IntelliJ IDEA frame until tab name appears:



**Tip** The detached editor tabs can be [split](#) or [unsplit](#).

- You can move editor tabs between split panes.

You can arrange tabs into groups to facilitate working with multiple files at a time. IntelliJ IDEA allows you to have an unlimited number of tab groups, thus enabling you to view several files or several places within the same file.

### **To create a new group of tabs**

- Just [split](#) the desired editor tab.

### **To move a tab from one group to another**

1. Switch to the desired tab.
2. Right-click the desired editor tab and choose Move Tab to Opposite Tab Group on the context menu.

By default, the tab headers appear on top of the editor, but you can change their location as required, and have the headers at the bottom, left, or right sides of the editor. Note that the tab header placement is a global setting that applies to all projects.

**To change location of the editor tab headers, do one of the following**

- In the [Editor Tabs](#) settings page, select editor tab headers position from the Placement drop-down list.
- Right-click an editor tab, point to the menu item Tabs Placement , and then select the desired placement in the sub-menu.

## Overview

The alphabetical sorting of the editor tabs is available regardless of the tabs position. However, alphabetical order for top and bottom placement becomes available, when the Show tabs in single row check command is selected on the Window | Editor Tabs | Tabs Placement menu.

## Enabling alphabetical sorting

To enable alphabetical sorting:

1. On the main menu, choose Window menu.
2. Point to Editor Tabs | Tabs Placement .
3. Select the check command Show Tabs in Single Row .

## Sorting editor tabs alphabetically

To sort editor tabs alphabetically:

1. Right-click an editor tab.
2. Select the check command Sort Tabs by Filename .

If this check command is selected, the tabs headers are presented in alphabetical order. Otherwise, the editor tab headers appear in the opening order of the corresponding files.

Working on a large project, you often need to create the lists of tasks, and keep your team mates informed about the issues that require their attention. Such issues can include the questions that should be answered, certain changes that should be done later, areas of optimization and improvement etc.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests to use special TODO comments in the source code. Such comments can be used in all supported file types, and should match a certain TODO pattern . IntelliJ IDEA comes with one pre-defined pattern, but you can define as many TODO patterns as required. When a matching occurrence is encountered, it is interpreted as a TODO item. IntelliJ IDEA highlights such comments in accordance with the [Color Scheme](#) settings.

## To create TODO items

1. Open the desired file in the editor and position the caret at the place where a TODO item should be created.
2. [Create a comment](#) . For example, you can use the `Ctrl+Slash` keyboard shortcut.
3. In the comment, type the string that matches one of your TODO patterns. By default, any string that starts with `TODO` (regardless of the case) is interpreted as a TODO item and is highlighted accordingly.
4. View the list of TODO items in the TODO tool window.

On this page:

- [Basics](#)
- [Defining TODO patterns](#)
- [Defining filters](#)

## Basics

TODO items in the source code are defined by a certain pattern.

Whenever a pattern is changed, or a new pattern is added, IntelliJ IDEA scans the whole project and rebuilds the index of TODO items. Results display in the [TODO tool window](#), as described in the section [Viewing TODO Items](#).

By default, IntelliJ IDEA provides two patterns:



- `\btodo\b.*`
- `\bfixme\b.*`

A generic pattern looks like `todo.*`

You might want to view the TODO comments of certain a type, and hide the others. For this purpose, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to use filters. This way you can show those items that match certain patterns only.



## Defining TODO patterns

### To define a TODO pattern, follow these general steps

1. Open the [TODO page](#) of the Settings dialog.
2. In the Patterns section, click the Add button  to create a new pattern, or the Edit button  to update an existing one. The [Add/Edit Pattern dialog](#) opens.
3. In the Pattern field, enter the regular expression that describes the desired pattern.
4. In the Icon list, select the desired icon that will mark the matching TODO items in the [TODO tool window](#).
5. Specify the color and font properties, which IntelliJ IDEA will use to highlight the matching comments in the source code.
6. Select the Case sensitive checkbox, if you want the pattern to be case-sensitive.

## Defining filters

### To define a filter that will be used to show specific types of TODO items, follow these general steps

1. Open the [TODO page](#) of the Settings dialog.
2. In the Filters section, click the Add button  to create a new filter, or the Edit button  to update an existing one.
3. In the [Add/Edit Filter](#) dialog, specify the filter name, and select the patterns to be included in the filter.



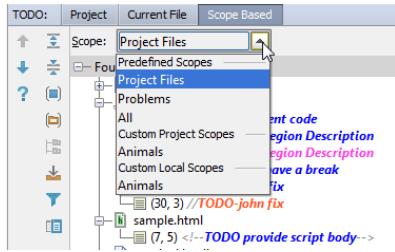
## To view TODO items in project, follow these general steps

1. Open TODO tool window, as described in the procedure [Showing a tool window](#) .

The tool window displays the encountered TODO items in several tabs:

- All over the project ( Project tab)
- In the file currently active in the editor( Current File tab)
- In one of the already defined scopes ( Scope Based tab), which is quite useful for large projects.
- In the current changelist, if version control support is enabled.

2. Click the desired tab (view), and explore the list of encountered TODO items. For example, with the Scope Based view selected, one has to choose scope from the drop-down list.



3. Narrow down the list of search results by choosing scope, and applying filters.

In this part:

- Live Templates
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- [Sharing Live Templates](#)

## Overview

**Live templates** let you insert frequently-used or custom code constructs into your source code file quickly, efficiently, and accurately.

Live templates are stored in the following location:

- **Windows**: `<your_user_home_directory>\.IntelliJ IDEA<version_number>\config\templates`
- **Linux**: `~IntelliJ IDEA<version>/config/templates`
- **macOS**: `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJ IDEA<version>/templates`

## Important notes

- To create or edit the **Live templates**, use the [Live Templates](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.
- Having [created a custom live template](#), you can export all the **live templates** together with the other settings, and import them. Refer to the section [Exporting and Importing Settings](#) for details.

## Simple live templates

**Simple templates** contain some fixed code that expands into plain text. When invoked and expanded in the editor, the code specified in the template is automatically inserted into your source code, replacing the abbreviation.

## Parameterized live templates

**Parameterized templates** contain plain text and **variables** that enable user input.

**Tip** If you need a dollar sign (\$) in the template text, escape it by duplicating this character (\$\$).

After a template is expanded, variables appear in the editor as input fields whose values can be either filled in by the user or calculated by IntelliJ IDEA automatically.

When a parameterized live template is invoked and expanded in the Editor, IntelliJ IDEA can suggest some predefined values at the input positions of the variables. For example, if a parameterized template contains code for an iteration, then, on expanding the template, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest:

- A name for the index variable (`i`, `j`, etc.).
- A list of all suitable variables in the current scope (e.g. Arrays) as an expression for the iterated container.
- A name for the assigned variable that holds the current container element.
- Type of the elements in the iterated container.

## Surround live templates

**Surround templates** work only with blocks of selected text. Such templates place code before and after the selected block.

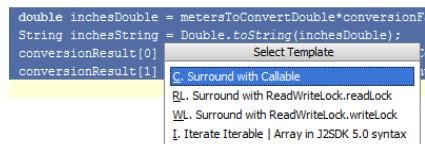
## Examples

**Insert parameterized live template** (`Ctrl+J`):

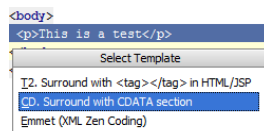
```
for (int i = 0; i < .; i++) {  
}
```

Refer also to the page [Iterating over an Array. Example of Applying Parameterized Live Templates](#).

**Surround with live template** (`Ctrl+Alt+J`):



```
double inchesDouble = metersToConvertDouble*conversionF;  
String inchesString = Double.toString(inchesDouble);  
conversionResult[0]  
conversionResult[1]
```



```
<body>  
<p>This is a test</p>
```

Refer also to the page [Wrapping a Tag. Example of Applying Surround Live Templates](#).

Each live template is identified by a template abbreviation .

The template abbreviations work like shortcuts and are expanded into fragments of source code, depending on the surrounding context . So doing, IntelliJ IDEA can format the generated code fragments according to the code style settings.

An abbreviation may contain alphanumeric characters, dots, and hyphens, and must be unique within its [group](#) . However, you can use the same abbreviation for different templates provided that they are in different groups.

Whole code constructs can be created using the template abbreviations. To do that, type the template abbreviation, and press expansion key (for example, `Tab` ). Refer to the section [Creating Code Constructs by Live Templates](#) for details.

## What are template variables

Template variables in live templates enable user input. After a template is expanded, variables appear in the editor as **input fields**.

## Declaring template variables

Variables within templates are declared in the following format:

```
<code>$<variable_name>$</code>
```

## Creating and editing template variables

Variables are defined by expressions, and can accept some default values.

This expression may contain constructs of the following basic types:

- String constants in double quotes.
- The name of another variable defined in a live template.
- Predefined functions with possible arguments.

Template variables are editable in the [Edit Template Variables Dialog](#), which contains a complete list of available functions.

See the [list of predefined functions](#) below on this page.

## Predefined template variables

IntelliJ IDEA supports two predefined live template variables: `$END$` and `$SELECTION$`.

You cannot edit the predefined live template variables `$END$` and `$SELECTION$`.

- `$END$` indicates the position of the cursor after the template is expanded. For example, the template `return $END$;` will be expanded into

```
<code>return ;</code>
```

with the cursor positioned **right before** the semicolon.

- `$SELECTION$` is used in surround templates and stands for the code fragment to be wrapped. After the template is expanded, the selected text is wrapped as specified in the template.

For example, if you select `EXAMPLE` in your code and invoke the `"$SELECTION$"` template via the assigned abbreviation or by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+T` and selecting the desired template from the list, IntelliJ IDEA will wrap the selection in double quotes as follows:

```
<code>"EXAMPLE"</code>
```

## Predefined functions to use in live template variables

### ItemDescription

<code>annotated("annotation qname")</code>	Creates a symbol of type with an annotation that resides at the specified location. For an example, see Live Templates in the iterations group.
<code>arrayVariable()</code>	Suggests all array variables applicable in the current scope. For an example, see Live Templates in the iterations group.
<code>anonymousSuper()</code>	Suggests a supertype for a Kotlin object expression.
<code>camelCase(String)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter, converted to camel case. For example, <code>my-text-file / my_text_file / my_text_file</code> will be converted to <code>myTextFile</code> .
<code>capitalize(String)</code>	Capitalizes the first letter of the name passed as a parameter.
<code>capitalizeAndUnderscore(sCamelCaseName)</code>	Capitalizes the all letters of a CamelCase name passed as a parameter, and inserts an underscore between the parts. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>FooBar</code> , then the function returns <code>FOO_BAR</code> .
<code>castToLeftSideType()</code>	Casts the right-side expression to the left-side expression type. It is used in the iterations group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>className(sClassName)</code>	Returns the name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).
<code>classNameComplete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the <a href="#">class name completion</a> at the variable position.

<code>clipboard()</code>	Returns the contents of the system clipboard.
<code>snakeCase(String)</code>	Returns CamelCase string out of snake_case string. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> , then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>complete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the code completion invocation at the variable position.
<code>completeSmart()</code>	This expression substitutes for the smart type completion invocation at the variable position.
<code>&lt;componentTypeOf (&lt;array variable or array type&gt;)</code>	Returns component type of an array. For example, see the <a href="#">Live Templates</a> in the iterations group in the other group.
<code>currentPackage()</code>	Returns the current package name.
<code>date(sDate)</code>	Returns the current system date in the specified format. By default, the current date is returned in the default system format. However, if you specify date format in double quotes, the date will be presented in this format:
	
<code>decapitalize(sName)</code>	Replaces the first letter of the name passed as a parameter with the corresponding lowercase letter.
<code>descendantClassEnum(&lt;String&gt;)</code>	Shows the children of the class entered as a string parameter.
<code>enum(sCompletionString1,sCompletionString2,...)</code>	List of comma-delimited strings suggested for completion at the template invocation.
<code>escapeString(sEscapeString)</code>	Escapes the specified string.
<code>expectedType()</code>	Returns the type which is expected as a result of the whole template. Makes sense if the template is expanded in the right part of an assignment, after return, etc.
<code>fileName(sFileName)</code>	Returns file name with extension.
<code>fileNameWithoutExtension()</code>	Returns file name without extension.
<code>firstWord(sFirstWord)</code>	Returns the first word of the string passed as a parameter.
<code>groovyScript("groovy code")</code>	Returns Groovy script with the specified code.  You can use <code>groovyScript</code> macro with multiple arguments. The first argument is a script text that is executed or a path to the file that contains a script. The next arguments are bound to <code>_1</code> , <code>_2</code> , <code>_3</code> , ... <code>_n</code> variables that are available inside your script.  Also, <code>_editor</code> variable is available inside the script. This variable is bound to the current editor.
<code>guessElementType (&lt;container&gt;)</code>	Makes a guess on the type of elements stored in a <code>java.util.Collection</code> . To make a guess, IntelliJ IDEA tries to find the places where the elements were added to or extracted from the container.
<code>iterableComponentType(&lt;ArrayOrIterable&gt;)</code>	Returns the type of an iterable component, such as an array or a collection.
<code>iterableVariable()</code>	Returns the name of a variable that can be iterated.
<code>lineNumber()</code>	Returns the current line number.
<code>lowercaseAndDash(String)</code>	Returns lower case separated by dashes, of the string passed as a parameter. For example, the string <code>MyExampleName</code> is converted to <code>my-example-name</code> .
<code>methodName()</code>	Returns the name of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodParameters()</code>	Returns the list of parameters of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodReturnType()</code>	Returns the type of the value returned by the current method (the method within which the template is expanded).
<code>qualifiedClassName()</code>	Returns the fully qualified name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).  <b>Tip</b> Clear the Shorten FQ names check box.
<code>rightSideType()</code>	Declares the left-side variable with a type of the right-side expression. It is used in the iterations group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>snakeCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns snake_case string out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter.
<code>spaceSeparated(String)</code>	Returns string separated with spaces out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>fooBar</code> , then the function returns <code>foo bar</code> .
<code>subtypes(sType)</code>	Returns the subtypes of the type passed as a parameter.

<code>suggestIndexName()</code>	Suggests the name of an index variable. Returns <code>i</code> if there is no such variable in scope, otherwise returns <code>j</code> if there is no such variable in scope, etc.
<code>suggestVariableName()</code>	<p>Suggests the name for a variable based on the variable type and its initializer expression, according to your code style settings that refer to the variable naming rules.</p> <p>For example, if it is a variable that holds an element within iteration, IntelliJ IDEA makes a guess on the most reasonable names, also taking into account the name of the container being iterated.</p>
<code>suggestFirstVariableName(sFirstVariableName)</code>	Doesn't suggest <code>true</code> , <code>false</code> , <code>this</code> , <code>super</code> .
<code>time(sSystemTime)</code>	Returns the current system time.
<code>typeOfVariable(VAR)</code>	Returns the type of the variable passed as a parameter.
<code>underscoresToCamelCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with CamelHump letters substituting for underscores. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> , then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>underscoresToSpaces(sParameterWithSpaces)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with spaces substituting for underscores.
<code>user()</code>	Returns the name of the current user.
<code>variableOfType(&lt;type&gt;)</code>	Suggests all variables that may be assigned to the type passed as a parameter, for example <code>variableOfType("java.util.Vector")</code> . If you pass an empty string ("") as a parameter, suggests all variables regardless of their types.
<code>JsArrayVariable</code>	Returns JavaScript array name.
<code>jsClassName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsComponentType</code>	Returns the JavaScript component type.
<code>jsMethodName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript method.
<code>jsQualifiedClassName</code>	Returns the complete name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsSuggestIndexName</code>	Returns a suggested name for an index.
<code>jsSuggestVariableName</code>	Returns a suggested name for a variable.

## Overview

**Live Templates** are managed on the [Live Templates](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) . For your convenience, templates are arranged in **groups** , most often in accordance with the **context** they are sensitive to.

IntelliJ IDEA comes with a set of **predefined** groups of templates. In addition to them, you can define your own **custom** groups and templates. It is strongly recommended that you avoid storing custom templates in predefined IntelliJ IDEA groups. For this purpose, use the **user** group, or a new group.

IntelliJ IDEA stores definitions of custom live template groups and templates added to predefined template groups in automatically generated configuration files `<group_name>.xml` .

- For a custom group, the file contains definitions of all the templates the group includes.
- For a customized predefined group, the file contains definitions of the added templates only.

Depending on the operating system you are using, the `<group_name>.xml` files are stored at the following locations:

- **Windows** : `<your_user_home_directory>\.IntelliJ IDEA<version_number>\config\templates`
- **Linux** : `~IntelliJ IDEA<version>/config/templates`
- **macOS** : `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJ IDEA<version>/templates`

## Managing groups of live templates

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Live Templates under Editor . The [Live Templates](#) page that opens shows all the groups of live templates that are currently configured in IntelliJ IDEA.
2. Do one of the following:
  - To create a new custom group, click `+` on the toolbar and choose Template Group on the context menu. Then specify the name for the group in the Create New Group dialog box that opens.
  - To remove a group, select it in the list and click `-` on the toolbar.
  - To add a template to a group, select the group, click `+` , and choose Live Template on the context menu. In the [Template editing area](#) , specify the settings for the new template as described in [Creating and Editing Live Templates](#) .



## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA comes with a set of the predefined [Live Templates](#) . You can use them as is, or modify them to suit your needs. If you want to create a new live template, you can do it from scratch, on the base of the copy of an existing template, or from a fragment of source code.

If a template has been changed, it is always possible to restore its default settings.

## Modifying existing templates

### To modify an existing template

1. In the Settings/Prefereces dialog, open the [Live Templates](#) page.
2. Expand the desired template group, and select the template you want to change.
3. In the [Template Text](#) area, change the [template abbreviation](#) as required.
4. In the Template Text field, edit the template body which may contain plain text and variables in the format `<variable name>$` .

When editing the live template variables, mind the following helpful hints:

- If you need a dollar sign ( \$ ) in the template text, escape it by duplicating this character ( \$\$ ) .
- To change the variables in a template, click the Edit Variables button and [configure the variables](#) .

The Edit Variables button is enabled only if the template body contains at least one user-defined variable, that is, a variable different from `$END$` or `$SELECTION$` .

### Side note about predefined template variables

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- `$END$` indicates the position of the cursor after the template is expanded. For example, the template `return $END$;` will be expanded into

```
return ;
```

with the cursor positioned **right before** the semicolon.

- `$SELECTION$` is used in surround templates and stands for the code fragment to be wrapped. After the template is expanded, the selected text is wrapped as specified in the template. For example, if you select `EXAMPLE` in your code and invoke the `"$SELECTION$"` template via the assigned abbreviation or by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+T` and selecting the desired template from the list, IntelliJ IDEA will wrap the selection in double quotes as follows:

```
"EXAMPLE"
```

5. In the Options section, specify how the template will be expanded and reformatted.
6. In the Available in section, specify the languages and places of code where the editor should be sensitive to the template abbreviation.
7. Click OK when ready.

## Creating a new live template from scratch

### To create a new template from scratch

1. In the Settings dialog, open the [Live Templates](#) page, and expand the template group where you want to create a new template.
2. Click **+** . A new template item is added to the group and the focus moves to the [Template Text](#) area.
3. Specify the new template abbreviation, type the template body, define the variables and the template group, configure the options, as described in the [template modification](#) procedure.
4. Click OK when ready.

## Creating a new live template from a text fragment

### To create a live template from a text fragment

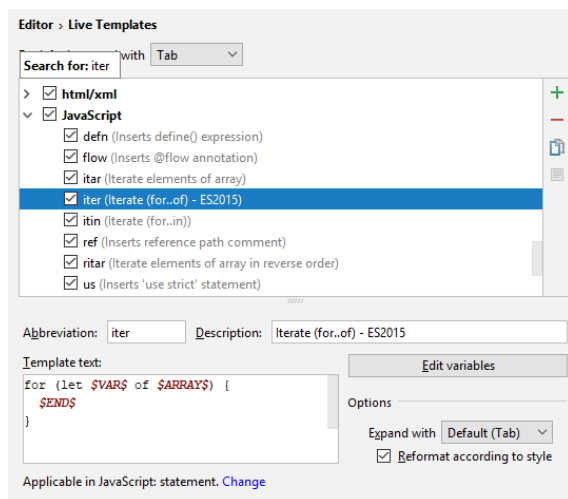
1. In the editor, select the text fragment to create a live template from.
2. On the main menu, choose Tools | Save as Live Template . The [Live Templates](#) page opens, with the [Template Text](#) area in focus.
3. In the Abbreviation field, type abbreviation to identify your new live template.
4. Specify the new template abbreviation, type the template body, define the variables and the template group, configure the options, as described in the [template modification](#) procedure.
5. Click OK when ready.

## Searching through the list of live templates

### To search through the list of live templates

- In the [Live Templates](#) page, start typing any string, which you expect to exist in the template abbreviation, body, or description.

IntelliJ IDEA shows all matching templates:



## Restoring defaults

### To restore default settings of a template

Note that a modified template is color-coded - it is shown blue.

1. In the [Live Templates](#) page, right-click a modified template to reveal its context menu.
2. Choose Restore defaults on the context menu of the modified template.

## Basics

After a [template](#) is expanded, its variables are presented in the editor as input fields. The values of these fields can be either filled in by the user or calculated by IntelliJ IDEA.

To have it done automatically, for each variable you need to specify the following:

- Expression to be calculated in association with the variable.
- Default value to be entered in the input field if the calculation fails.

The order in which IntelliJ IDEA will process input fields after the template expansion, is determined by the order of variables in the list.

## Configuring variables used in a template

### To configure variables used in a template

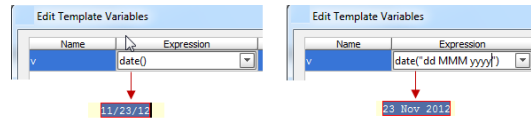
1. [Open the template settings](#), and in the [Template Text](#) area click the Edit Variables button.  
The Edit Variables button is enabled only if the template body contains at least one user-defined variable, that is, a variable different from `$END$` or `$SELECTION$`.
- The [Edit Template Variables](#) dialog box opens, where you can define how the variables will be processed when the template is used.
2. In the Name text box, specify the variable name to be used in the template body.
3. In the Expression drop-down list, specify the expression to be calculated by IntelliJ IDEA when the template is expanded. Do one of the following:
  - Type a string constant in double quotes.
  - Type a predefined function with possible arguments or select one from the drop-down list.  
An argument of a function can be either a line constant or another predefined function. See the [list of predefined functions](#) below on this page.
4. To enable IntelliJ IDEA to proceed with the next input field, if an input field associated with the current variable is already defined, select the Skip if defined checkbox.
5. To arrange variables in the order you want IntelliJ IDEA to switch between associated input fields, use the Move Up and Move Down buttons.

## Predefined functions to use in live template variables

### ItemDescription

<code>annotated("annotation qname")</code>	Creates a symbol of type with an annotation that resides at the specified location. For an example, see <a href="#">Live Templates in the iterations group</a> .
<code>arrayVariable()</code>	Suggests all array variables applicable in the current scope. For an example, see <a href="#">Live Templates in the iterations group</a> .
<code>anonymousSuper()</code>	Suggests a supertype for a Kotlin object expression.
<code>camelCase(String)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter, converted to camel case. For example, <code>my-text-file / my text file / my_text_file</code> will be converted to <code>myTextFile</code> .
<code>capitalize(String)</code>	Capitalizes the first letter of the name passed as a parameter.
<code>capitalizeAndUnderscore(sCamelCaseName)</code>	Capitalizes the all letters of a CamelCase name passed as a parameter, and inserts an underscore between the parts. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>FOOBAR</code> , then the function returns <code>FOO_BAR</code> .
<code>castToLeftSideType()</code>	Casts the right-side expression to the left-side expression type. It is used in the iterations group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>className(sClassName)</code>	Returns the name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).
<code>classNameComplete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the <a href="#">class name completion</a> at the variable position.
<code>clipboard()</code>	Returns the contents of the system clipboard.
<code>snakeCase(String)</code>	Returns CamelCase string out of snake_case string. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> , then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>complete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the code completion invocation at the variable position.
<code>completeSmart()</code>	This expression substitutes for the smart type completion invocation at the variable position.
<code>componentTypeOf (&lt;array variable or array type&gt;)</code>	Returns component type of an array. For example, see the <a href="#">Live Templates in the iterations group in the other group</a> .
<code>currentPackage()</code>	Returns the current package name.
<code>date(sDate)</code>	Returns the current system date in the specified format. By default, the current date is returned in the default system format. However, if

you specify date format in double quotes, the date will be presented in this format:



<code>decapitalize(sName)</code>	Replaces the first letter of the name passed as a parameter with the corresponding lowercase letter.
<code>descendantClassEnum(&lt;String&gt;)</code>	Shows the children of the class entered as a string parameter.
<code>enum(sCompletionString1,sCompletionString2,...)</code>	List of comma-delimited strings suggested for completion at the template invocation.
<code>escapeString(sEscapeString)</code>	Escapes the specified string.
<code>expectedType()</code>	Returns the type which is expected as a result of the whole template. Makes sense if the template is expanded in the right part of an assignment, after return, etc.
<code>fileName(sFileName)</code>	Returns file name with extension.
<code>fileNameWithoutExtension()</code>	Returns file name without extension.
<code>firstWord(sFirstWord)</code>	Returns the first word of the string passed as a parameter.
<code>groovyScript("groovy code")</code>	Returns Groovy script with the specified code.  You can use <code>groovyScript</code> macro with multiple arguments. The first argument is a script text that is executed or a path to the file that contains a script. The next arguments are bound to <code>_1, _2, _3, ..._n</code> variables that are available inside your script.  Also, <code>_editor</code> variable is available inside the script. This variable is bound to the current editor.
<code>guessElementType (&lt;container&gt;)</code>	Makes a guess on the type of elements stored in a <code>java.util.Collection</code> . To make a guess, IntelliJ IDEA tries to find the places where the elements were added to or extracted from the container.
<code>iterableComponentType(&lt;ArrayOrIterable&gt;)</code>	Returns the type of an iterable component, such as an array or a collection.
<code>iterableVariable()</code>	Returns the name of a variable that can be iterated.
<code>lineNumber()</code>	Returns the current line number.
<code>lowercaseAndDash(String)</code>	Returns lower case separated by dashes, of the string passed as a parameter. For example, the string <code>MyExampleName</code> is converted to <code>my-example-name</code> .
<code>methodName()</code>	Returns the name of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodParameters()</code>	Returns the list of parameters of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodReturnType()</code>	Returns the type of the value returned by the current method (the method within which the template is expanded).
<code>qualifiedClassName()</code>	Returns the fully qualified name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).  <b>Tip</b> Clear the Shorten FQ names check box.
<code>rightSideType()</code>	Declares the left-side variable with a type of the right-side expression. It is used in the iterations group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>snakeCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns snake_case string out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter.
<code>spaceSeparated(String)</code>	Returns string separated with spaces out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>fooBar</code> , then the function returns <code>foo bar</code> .
<code>subtypes(sType)</code>	Returns the subtypes of the type passed as a parameter.
<code>suggestIndexName()</code>	Suggests the name of an index variable. Returns <code>i</code> if there is no such variable in scope, otherwise returns <code>j</code> if there is no such variable in scope, etc.
<code>suggestVariableName()</code>	Suggests the name for a variable based on the variable type and its initializer expression, according to your code style settings that refer to the variable naming rules.  For example, if it is a variable that holds an element within iteration, IntelliJ IDEA makes a guess on the most reasonable names, also taking into account the name of the container being iterated.
<code>suggestFirstVariableName(sFirstVariableName)</code>	Doesn't suggest <code>true</code> , <code>false</code> , <code>this</code> , <code>super</code> .
<code>time(sSystemTime)</code>	Returns the current system time.
<code>typeOfVariable(VAR)</code>	Returns the type of the variable passed as a parameter.
<code>underscoresToCamelCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with CamelHump letters substituting for underscores. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> ,

	then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>underscoresToSpaces(sParameterWithSpaces)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with spaces substituting for underscores.
<code>user()</code>	Returns the name of the current user.
<code>variableOfType(&lt;type&gt;)</code>	Suggests all variables that may be assigned to the type passed as a parameter, for example <code>variableOfType("java.util.Vector")</code> . If you pass an empty string ("") as a parameter, suggests all variables regardless of their types.
<code>JsArrayVariable</code>	Returns JavaScript array name.
<code>jsClassName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsComponentType</code>	Returns the JavaScript component type.
<code>jsMethodName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript method.
<code>jsQualifiedClassName</code>	Returns the complete name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsSuggestIndexName</code>	Returns a suggested name for an index.
<code>jsSuggestVariableName</code>	Returns a suggested name for a variable.

## Configuration files with definitions of custom live templates

IntelliJ IDEA stores definitions of custom live template groups and templates added to predefined template groups in automatically generated configuration files `<group_name>.xml` .

- For a custom group, the file contains definitions of all the templates the group includes.
- For a customized predefined group, the file contains definitions of the added templates only.

Depending on the operating system you are using, the `<group_name>.xml` files are stored at the following locations:

- **Windows** : `<your_user_home_directory>\.IntelliJ IDEA<version_number>\config\templates`
- **Linux** : `~IntelliJ IDEA<version>/config/templates`
- **macOS** : `~/Library/Preferences/IntelliJ IDEA<version>/templates`

## Sharing live templates manually through configuration files

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Live Templates under Editor .
2. Create the required custom template groups and update the relevant predefined groups as necessary and click OK .  
Based on these changes, IntelliJ IDEA generates the `<group_name>.xml` files, see [Location of Custom Live Templates Definitions](#) above.
3. Locate the generated `<group_name>.xml` files and do one of the following:
  - To share the templates among your teammates, send the relevant files to them with the instruction to save the files in the `templates` folder.
  - To use the templates in another IntelliJ IDEA installation on your computer, copy the relevant files to the `templates` folder under the relevant `IntelliJ IDEA<version>` folder.

## Sharing live templates through export/import

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to easily share live templates among your team members, numerous IntelliJ IDEA installations, and even different IDE by using the standard **Export/Import** functionality. You can share custom template groups and updates to predefined groups.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Live Templates under Editor .
2. Create the required custom template groups and update the relevant predefined groups as necessary and click OK .  
Based on these changes, IntelliJ IDEA generates the `<group_name>.xml` files, see [Location of Custom Live Templates Definitions](#) above.
3. On the main menu, choose File | export Settings .
4. In the Export Settings dialog box that opens, select the Live Template checkbox and specify the name of the `.jar` file where the exported settings will be stored. When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA generates a file with the specified name based on the `.xml` configuration files stored in the `templates` folder.
5. Do one of the following:
  - To share the templates among your teammates, pass the generated `.jar` file to them with the following instructions:
    1. Save the received `.jar` file on your computer.
    2. Choose File | Import Settings on the main menu and and specify the location of the received `.jar` file.
    3. In the Select Components to Import dialog box that opens, select the Live Templates checkbox and click OK .

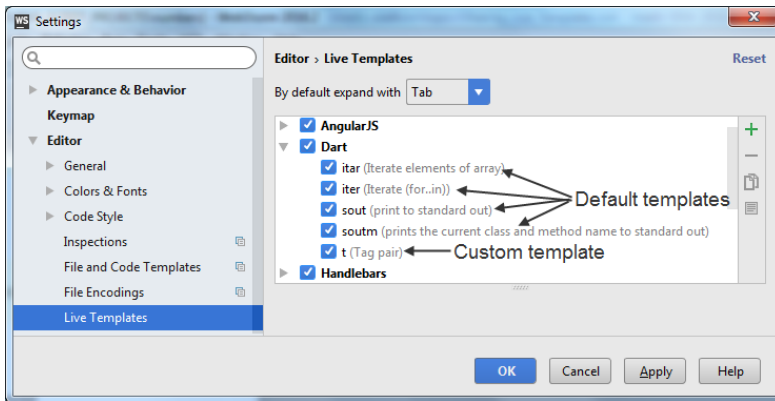
IntelliJ IDEA restarts whereupon the imported templates are displayed on the Live Templates page.

- To use the templates in another IntelliJ IDEA installation or in another IDE on your computer, open the required installation, choose File | Import Settings on the main menu, and specify the location of the generated `.jar` file.

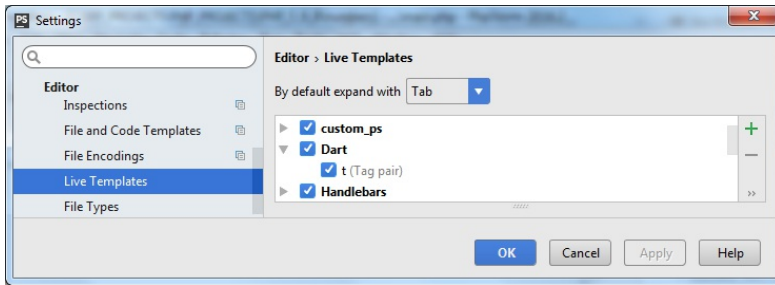
## Example of sharing templates among different IDE

Be careful when sharing templates among different IDE. If you import custom templates (updates) from a group which is predefined in the source IDE but is not predefined in the target IDE, such group will be created but will contain only the custom templates. The example below shows what happens if we add a template to a predefined group in **WebStorm** and then reuse it in **PhpStorm** .

In **WebStorm** , the **Dart** template group is predefined. If we add the `t (tag pair)` template to it, this update will be saved in the `Dart.xml` file:



In **PhpStorm**, there is no predefined template group **Dart**. So when we export the live templates from **WebStorm** and then import them into **PhpStorm**, a **Dart** group is created but it contains only one template `t (tag pair)`, which we added to the group in **WebStorm** before export:



## Sharing live templates among template groups

You can copy and move templates from one group to another.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing `File | Settings for Windows` and `Linux` or `IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS`, and click `Live Templates` under `Editor`.
2. Do one of the following:
  - To copy a template to another group:
    1. Select the template in interest. Use `Ctrl` and `Shift` keys for multiple selection.
    2. Choose `Copy` on the context menu of the selection.
    3. Select the group to copy the template to and choose `Paste` on the context menu of the selection.
  - To move a template to another group, select the required template, choose `Move` on the context menu of the selection and choose the group to move the template to.

This section describes how to quickly and accurately populate your source code with the complicated code constructs.

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## Introduction

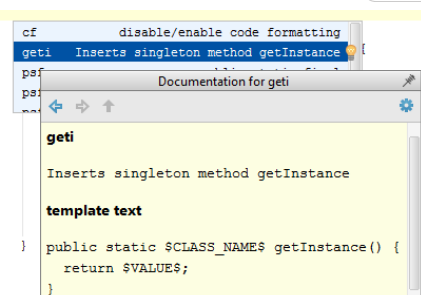
This page describes how to generate source code using [live templates](#).

Using Live Templates enables you to create such code constructs as the [main\(\) method](#), [iteration over an array](#), , typical variable declarations, output statements, Emmet, etc.

To explore the list of available live templates, in the Settings/Preferences dialog, open the [Live Templates](#) page.

## Inserting a live template

1. Place the caret at the desired position, where the new construct should be added.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Insert Live Template .
  - Press `Ctrl+J` .
  - Type some initial letters of the [template abbreviation](#) to get the matching abbreviations in the suggestion list. Note that the suggestion list may contain same abbreviations for different templates.
3. From the [suggestion list](#), select the desired template. While the suggestion list is displayed, it is possible to view Quick Documentation for the items at caret, by pressing `Ctrl+Q` .



4. Press the template invocation key (this may be `Space`, `Tab` or `Enter`, depending on the template definition). The new code construct is inserted in the specified position.
5. If the selected template is [parametrized and requires user input](#), the editor enters the template editing mode and displays the first input field highlighted with the red frame. Type your value in this frame and press `Enter` or `Tab` to complete input and pass to the next input field. After completing the last input field, the caret moves to the end of the construct, and the editor returns to the regular mode of operation.

It is also possible to type a template abbreviation, and then press `Ctrl+J` .

## Using live templates for smart completion of parameters in function calls

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In the PHP context, you can use an "automatic" live template that provides completion lists for the parameters passed into functions, methods, or class constructors.

- To activate this functionality:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click Smart Keys under General .
  2. On the [Smart Keys](#) page that opens, select the Enable smart function parameters completion checkbox in the PHP area.
- To invoke the magic live template, type the `params` keyword as the first parameter in the call of the function, method, or class:

```
$result = foo(params).  
params (smart function parameters completion) [Tab]  
pg_parameter_status([connection : null|resource ... string
```

IntelliJ IDEA displays a live template where the parameters are automatically completed with the variable names defined in the function declaration. To move to the next parameter, press `Enter` or `Tab`. To move to the previous parameter, press `Shift+Tab`.

The completion list contains variables from a local scope in the next order: with the same type, with a similar name, defined nearby. You can always switch to the usual completion mode by pressing `Ctrl+Space` or just typing anything which is not in the list. Variables with similar names are inserted automatically.

This section describes how to wrap fragments of code according to [surround templates](#) .

## To surround a block of code with a live template

1. In the editor, select the piece of code to be surrounded.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Surround With Live Template... .
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+J` .
3. Select the desired template from the suggestion list.

This section contains examples demonstrating how to populate your source code with the complicated code constructs using [live templates](#) .

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As an example of applying a simple live template, let us create a main() method.

## To create main() method

1. [Open](#) the desired class for editing.

2. Type the abbreviation of the main() method template:

```
psvm|
```

3. Press the template invocation key. By default, it is `Tab`. The abbreviation expands to the `main()` method:

```
public static void main(String args[]) {  
|  
}
```

As an example of applying a parameterized template, let us create a construct that iterates over an array.

## To iterate over an array

1. Open the desired class for editing.

2. Type the `itar` abbreviation:

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[] {7,9,3,17,11,23,37};
char[] arrayOfChars = new char[] {'a', 'b', 'c'};
itar
```

3. Press the template invocation key. The abbreviation expands into a code construct, with the suggested values for the template's variables already inserted:

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[] {7,9,3,17,11,23,37};
char[] arrayOfChars = new char[] {'a', 'b', 'c'};
for (int i = 0; i < arrayOfChars.length; i++) {
    char aChar = arrayOfChars[i];
}
```

4. The Editor is now in its special template editing mode. The cue is the red border around the index variable, which is the first input position in this template.

IntelliJ IDEA automatically suggests `i` as the value for the index variable. If you want to change the suggested name, type a new one. All references to the variable within the expanded template will be automatically changed as you type the new name.

In figure below, `i` is changed to `idx` :

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[] {7,9,3,17,11,23,37};
char[] arrayOfChars = new char[] {'a', 'b', 'c'};
for (int idx = 0; idx < arrayOfChars.length; idx++) {
    char aChar = arrayOfChars[idx];
}
```

5. Press `Tab` or `Enter` to move to the next input position defined by the template:

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[] {7,9,3,17,11,23,37};
char[] arrayOfChars = new char[] {'a', 'b', 'c'};
for (int idx = 0; idx < arrayOfChars.length; idx++) {
    char aChar = arr(arrayOfChars, char[])
    arrayOfInts int[]
}
```

As you can see on the image above, IntelliJ IDEA automatically detects all array elements in the scope, and suggests selecting the correct one. If there is only one array element in the scope, IntelliJ IDEA inserts its name automatically without displaying a pop-up list.

6. IntelliJ IDEA detects whether the type of the array elements changes. It automatically updates the type of the variable that holds the current array element, and suggests a list of reasonable names for it:

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[] {7,9,3,17,11,23,37};
char[] arrayOfChars = new char[] {'a', 'b', 'c'};
for (int idx = 0; idx < arrayOfInts.length; idx++) {
    int anInt = arrayOfInts[idx];
    anInt
    arrayOfInt
    i
    ofInt
}
```

7. Press `Tab` or `Enter` to apply the selected/specified variant. This will move you to the next input position which in our case is the END position of the template:

```
int[] arrayOfInts = new int[] {7,9,3,17,11,23,37};
char[] arrayOfChars = new char[] {'a', 'b', 'c'};
for (int idx = 0; idx < arrayOfInts.length; idx++) {
    int anInt = arrayOfInts[idx];
    |
}
```

As an example of applying a surround template, let's wrap a piece of XML code with tags.

## To surround a code fragment

1. [Open](#) the desired file for editing.
2. Select a code fragment.

```
<company>
  <name>Peter</name>
  <name>John</name>
  <name>Sarah</name>
</company>
```

3. Press invocation shortcut `Ctrl+Alt+J`. IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following surround templates:

```
<company>
  <name>Peter</name>
  <name>John</name>
  <name>Sarah</name>
</company>
Select Template
T Surround with <tag></tag>
```

4. Select the tag template from the suggestion list. The code fragment is surrounded with empty tags:

```
<company>
  < >
  <name>Peter</name>
  <name>John</name>
  <name>Sarah</name>
  </ >
</company>
```

5. The caret rests within the opening one. On typing the tag name in the opening tag, the name is automatically reproduced in the closing tag:

```
<company>
  <staff>
  <name>Peter</name>
  <name>John</name>
  <name>Sarah</name>
  </staff>
</company>
```

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## Introduction

Constructor generator makes it possible to create constructors with arguments. The value of these arguments are assigned to the field variables.

The generated constructors are inserted at the points defined in the [Order of Members](#) section of the Code Style settings. By default, the code generator places constructors after the fields.

## Generating a constructor

### To generate a constructor

1. On the main menu, choose Code | Generate . Alternatively, right-click the editor and choose Generate on the context menu, or use `Alt+Insert` keyboard shortcut.
2. In the pop-up list that is displayed in the editor, select Constructor option.
3. If the class in question contains fields, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to select the fields to be initialized by constructor. In the Choose Fields to Initialize by Constructor dialog, select the desired fields.

**Tip** Use `Ctrl` and `Shift` keys for multiple selection.

4. Click OK .

## Example

```
public class MyClass {
    int aInteger;
    double bDouble;

    public MyClass(int myAIntegerParam, double myBDoubleParam) {
        aInteger = myAIntegerParam;
        bDouble = myBDoubleParam;
    }
}
```

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## Introduction

You can create methods that delegate behavior to the fields or methods of your class. This approach makes it possible to give access to the information of a field or method without direct exposing this field or method.

## Creating delegation methods

### To create a delegation method

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Generate .
  - Right-click the editor and choose Generate on the context menu
  - Press `Alt+Insert` .
2. In the pop-up list that is displayed in the editor, select Delegate Methods . Select Target To Generate Delegates For dialog appears, displaying the list of objects to be delegated to.
3. Select the target field or method, and click OK . The Select Method To Generate Delegation For dialog appears, displaying the list of methods to delegate.
4. Select the desired methods. For multiple selection, use `Ctrl` and `Shift` keys. Click OK .

## Example

`Currency` class has a field `calendar` of the type `Calendar` . To gain access to certain functionality of the `Calendar` class from the `Currency` class, we need to create a new method that will delegate the request to `calendar` .

```
Calendar calendar;  
public int get(int i) {  
    return calendar.get(i);  
}
```



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## Basics

```
public boolean equals(Object obj)
```

This method returns `true` , if an object passed to it as an argument is equal to the object on which this method is invoked.

```
public int hashCode()
```

This method returns the integer hash code value for the object on which this method is invoked.

## Generating equals() and hashCode() methods

**Tip** If `equals()` and `hashCode()` methods already exist in a class, you will be prompted to delete them before proceeding.

To generate `equals()` and `hashCode()` methods, follow these steps:

1. Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Code | Generate .
- Right-click the editor and choose Generate on the context menu.
- Press `Alt+Insert` .

2. From the pop-up list that opens in the editor, select `equals()` and `hashCode()` option to open the [Generate equals\(\) and hashCode\(\) wizard](#) .

3. Follow the steps of the wizard:

- On the first page of the wizard, select or clear the checkboxes to accept subclasses, and use getters during code generation. You can also select a [velocity template](#) from the Template drop-down list to generate the code or create a custom template.
- On the second page of the wizard, select the fields that should be used to determine equality, and click Next .
- On the third page, select the fields to generate hash code.  
Note that only the fields that were included in the `equals()` method, can participate in creating hash code. All these fields are selected by default, but you can unselect them, if necessary.

Click Next .

- On the fourth page of the wizard, select the fields that contain non-null values. This optional li help the generated code avoid check for null and thus improves performance. Click Finish .

## Example

```
public boolean equals(Object o) {
    if (this == o) return true;
    if (o == null
        || getClass() != o.getClass()) return false;
    FixedRateCurrencyExchangeService that = (FixedRateCurrencyExchangeService) o;
    if (Double.compare(that.rate, rate) != 0) return false;
    return true;
}

public int hashCode() {
    long temp = rate != +0.0d ? Double.doubleToLongBits(rate) : 0L;
    return int (temp ^ (temp >>> 32));
}
```

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## Introduction

You can generate accessor and mutator methods (getters and setters) for the fields of in your classes. IntelliJ IDEA generates getters and setters with only one argument, as required by the JavaBeans API.

The getter and setter method names are generated by IntelliJ IDEA according your [code generation naming preferences](#) .

## Generating accessor and mutator methods

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Generate .
  - Right-click the editor and choose Generate on the context menu.
  - Press `Alt+Insert` .
2. In the pop-up list that is displayed in the editor, select one of the following options:
  - Getter: Accessor methods for getting the current values of the fields that will be selected in the Choose Fields to Generate Getters and Setters dialog box.
  - Setter: Mutator methods for setting specified values to the fields.
  - Getter and Setter: Both methods.
3. In the Choose Fields to Generate Getters and Setters dialog box, select the fields to generate getters or setters for. You can add a custom setter or getter by clicking  and accessing [Getter/Setter Templates](#) dialog. If getters and setters for a field already exist, this field is not included in the list.
4. Click OK when ready.

## Example 1

Consider the following code:

```
public class MyClass {
    int aInteger;
}
```

In the Naming section of the [Code Generation](#) page, parameter prefix is set to `my` , and parameter suffix to `Param` .

After generating the getter and setter the following code will be produced:

```
public class MyClass {
    int aInteger;
    public int getAInteger() {
        return aInteger;
    }
    public void setAInteger (int myAIntegerParam) {
        aInteger = myAIntegerParam;
    }
}
```

## Example 2

However, if `a` is specified as a field prefix in the [Code Generation](#) page, then it will not take part in the generation of the method and parameter names:

```
public class MyClass {
    int aInteger;
    public int getInteger() {
        return Integer;
    }
    public void setInteger (int myIntegerParam) {
        aInteger = myIntegerParam;
    }
}
```

## Note for PHP

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In the **PHP** context, getters and setters are generated using the **PHP getter/setter** file template. By default, as specified in these templates, setters are generated with the `set` prefix and getters with the `set` or `get` prefix according to the inferred field type `boolean` or `con-boolean`. The prefix is the value of the `#{GET_OR_IS}` variable in the default getter template. The default template is configured in the Code tab on the [File and Code Templates](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#).

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## Introduction

The action Generate toString() enables creating or updating `toString()` method.

The beans usually needs to dump their field values for debug purposes, and it's rather tedious to write the dump code for it. The Generate toString() action generates the `toString()` method, dumping all the fields in a simple manner.

## Generating toString() method

### To generate toString() method

1. Open the desired class for editing and do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Generate .
  - Right-click the editor and choose Generate on the context menu
  - Press `Alt+Insert` .
2. From the pop-up list that shows up, select toString() option. Generate toString() wizard displays the list of fields in the class.
3. In the wizard, specify the following:
  - Select the fields to be used to generate a `toString()` method.  
By default, all the available fields are selected. Clicking the button Select None results in adding a `toString()` method consisting of method declaration and return statement only.
  - Select the desired way of generating a `toString()` method from the Templates drop-down list.
  - Select the checkbox Insert @Override if necessary.  
Refer to the section [Generate toString\(\) Dialog](#) for details.
  - If you are not happy with the settings, click the Settings button. This results in showing the toString() Generation Settings dialog box, where one can tune the function's behavior. Refer to the section [Generate toString\(\) Settings Dialog](#) for details.

When ready, click OK .

**Tip** If `toString()` method already exists in a class, you will be prompted to delete this method before proceeding, depending on the value of When method already exists setting ([Generate toString\(\) Settings Dialog](#)).

## Inspections

There are two related [code inspections](#) under the node toString() issues :

- Class does not override 'toString()' method
- Field not used in 'toString()' method

The inspection Class does not override toString() method can be used to identify any classes where you might have forgotten to add a `toString()` method.

This inspection uses the [exclude settings](#) to ignore classes with the fields not supposed to be dumped. An additional settings is to exclude certain classes by using a regular expression matching their classname. As default, this is used to exclude any Exception classes.

The inspection Field not used in 'toString()' method : This inspection can be used to identify out-of-synchronization situations, where you have an existing `toString()` method that dumps the fields. However, some fields have been added to the class later, and these new fields are not dumped in the `toString()` method.

[Change the severity of this inspection](#) by enabling it to show errors as warnings. This will highlight any unused fields on-the-fly in the editor; the right gutter will indicate the location of the errors using a yellow marker.

## Logging

Log4j is used for logging. To enable logging, open for editing the file `log.xml` used by IntelliJ IDEA. This file resides in the `bin` folder of IntelliJ IDEA installation. Add the following lines to this file:

```
<category name="org.jetbrains.generate.toString">
  <priority value="DEBUG"/>
  <appender-ref ref="FILE"/>
</category>
```

## Examples

### Basic code

Consider the following code:

```
public class MyServerConfigBean {
    private String name;
    private String url;
    private int port;
    private String[] validIPs;
    ...
}
```

Place the caret somewhere within the class, press `Alt+Insert`, and choose `toString()` from the pop-up list. The following method is now added to the bean:

```
public String toString() {
    return "MyServerConfigBean{" +
        "name='" + name + '\'' +
        ", url='" + url + '\'' +
        ", port=" + port +
        ", validIps=" + Arrays.toString(validIps) +
        '\'';
}
```

### Getter is enabled

Consider the following code:

```
public class MyServerConfigBean {
    private String name;
    private String url;
    private int port;
    private String[] validIPs;
    ...
    public String getServerAddress() {
        return url + ":" + port;
    }
    ...
}
```

Place the caret somewhere within the class, press `Alt+Insert`, and choose `toString()` from the pop-up list. After invoking the action `Generate toString()`, the result is:

```
public String toString() {
    return "MyServerConfigBean{" +
        "name='" + name + '\'' +
        ", url='" + url + '\'' +
        ", port=" + port +
        ", serverAddress='" + getServerAddress() + "'" +
        ", validIps=" + Arrays.toString(validIps) +
        '\'';
}
```

### Excluding fields and methods

Refer to the [Exclude section](#) of the Settings dialog.

Usually you don't want to add constant fields as the debug information in your `toString()` method. So you select the checkbox `Exclude constant fields`, and prevent constant fields in the output.

Besides that, it is possible to filter by the field's name, to exclude, say, an internal debug field. So, type `^debug` in the text field `Exclude fields by name (reg exp)`, to prevent debug fields.

The example below shows the results with excluded fields. The original code is:

```

public class MyServerConfigBean {
    private final static String USERNAME = "scott";
    private final static String PASSWORD = "tiger";
    private String name;
    private String url;
    private int port;
    private String[] validIPs;
    ...
    public String getServerAddress() {
        return url + ":" + port;
    }
    private boolean debug = true;
}
...
}

```

After generating a `toString()` method, the code looks like the following:

```

public String toString() {
    return "MyServerConfigBean{" +
        "name='" + name + '\'' +
        ", url='" + url + '\'' +
        ", port=" + port +
        ", validIps=" + Arrays.toString(validIps) +
        '\'' +
    }
}

```

As you see, the constant fields (USERNAME, PASSWORD) are not used in the generated code. The regular expression excludes the debug field. The excluded fields do not appear in the [Generate toString\(\) Dialog](#).

To exclude a method, select the checkbox Exclude methods by name (reg exp) field. For example, if you type `^getCausedBy.*` in the text field Exclude methods by name (reg exp), you will thus prevent outputting methods whose names start with `getCausedBy`.

## JavaDoc

It is possible to add JavaDoc comments to the generated `toString()` method. This is done by inserting the JavaDoc comments in a [Velocity template](#). See the following template example:

```

/**
 * Insert your JavaDoc comments here
 *
 * @return a string representation of the object.
 */
return "${classname}";

```

## Introduction

If a class is declared as implementing a certain interface or extending a class with abstract methods, it has to implement the methods of such interface or class. IntelliJ IDEA creates stubs of the implemented methods, with the default return values for the primitive types, and null values for the objects.

## Implementing methods

To implement method of an interface or abstract class, follow these steps:

1. Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Code | Implement methods... .
- Press `Ctrl+I`
- Right-click the editor, choose Generate on the context menu, or press `Alt+Insert`, and choose Implement methods... .

The Select methods to implement dialog appears, displaying the list of classes and interfaces with the methods that can be implemented.

2. Select one or more methods to implement. For multiple selection, use `Ctrl` and `Shift` keys.
3. If necessary, select the checkbox Copy JavaDoc to insert JavaDoc comments from the implemented interface of abstract methods (if any).
4. Click OK .

## Changing method body

File template responsible for implementing a method ( Implemented method body ) accepts predefined template variables from "File Header" File | Settings/IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences - Editor - File and Code Templates - Code - File Header e.g. `${USER}`, `${DATE}`, etc.

For example, consider the following file template:

```
#if ( $RETURN_TYPE != "void" )return $DEFAULT_RETURN_VALUE;#end
// TODO ($USER, $DATE):To change the body of an implemented method, use File | Settings - Editor - File
```

Provided that an implemented interface contains two methods, this template expands into the following code:

```
@Override
public void hunt() {
// TODO (wombat, 9/21/12): To change the body of an implemented method, use File | Settings - Editor -
}
@Override
public String sniff() {
return null; // TODO (wombat, 9/21/12): To change body of implemented methods use File | Settings - Edi
}
```

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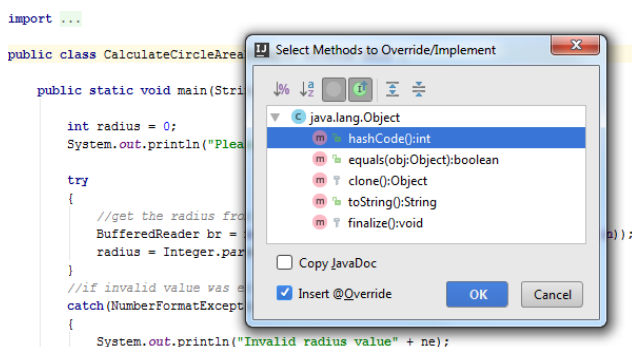
## Overview


You can override any method of a parent class, using the code generation facility. IntelliJ IDEA creates a stub that contains a call to the method of the superclass, leaving the developer with the task of providing some meaningful source code.

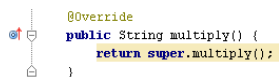
## Overriding methods

To override methods, follow these steps:

1. With the class in question having the focus, invoke the Override method command in one of the following ways:
  - Press `Ctrl+O`.
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Override method.
  - Right-click the editor, choose Generate on the context menu, or press `Alt+Insert`, and choose Override methods.
2. Select methods that can be overridden from the Select methods to override dialog box. The list of methods does not include the methods that are already overridden, or cannot be accessed from the current subclass.



3. Select one or more methods to override.
4. If necessary, select the following options:
  - Insert @Override to add the @Override annotation.
  - Copy JavaDoc to insert JavaDoc comments from the overridden methods (if any).
5. Having generated the overriding method, create the required source code. Note the  icon that marks the overriding method in the left gutter. Use this icon to view the name of the base class, and [navigate to the overridden method](#).



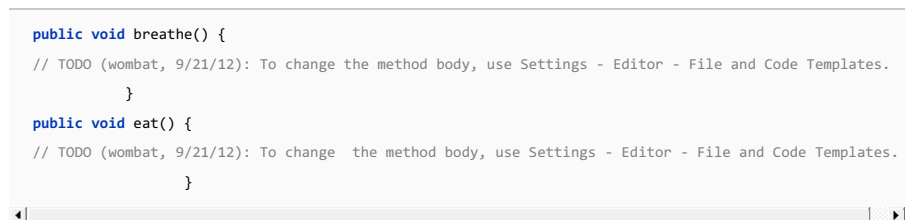
## Changing method body

File template responsible for overriding a method ( Overridden method body ) accepts predefined template variables from "File Header" ( File | Settings - Editor - File and Code Templates - Code - File Header ), e.g. `${USER}` , `${DATE}` , etc.

For example, consider the following file template:



Provided that an overridden class contains two methods, this template expands into the following code:





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## Defining arrangement rules

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Code Style under Editor .
2. Under the Code Style node, select the appropriate language.
3. On the Arrangement tab of the language settings, specify [rules](#) for your code rearrangement and click OK .

## Rearranging code

You can rearrange your code according to your [arrangement rules preferences](#) .

1. In the editor select a part of the code that you want to rearrange.
2. On the main menu, choose Code | Rearrange Code .

Alternatively, in the project tool window, right-click the file where you want to perform the code rearranging, select Code | Reformat Code .

3. In the dialog that opens, select Rearrange entries checkbox and click OK .

## Example

Consider the following code that lets you test an arrangement rule that puts fields before methods:

### BeforeAfter

```
class Test {
public void test(){
}
private int i;
}
class Test2 {
public void test(){
}
private int i;
private int j;
}
```

```
class Test {
private int i;
public void test() {
}
}
class Test2 {
private int i;
private int j;
public void test() {
}
}
```

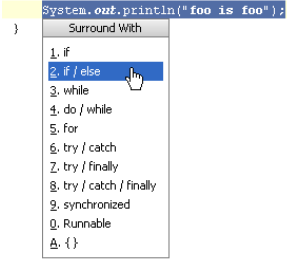
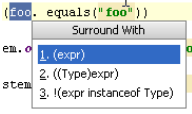
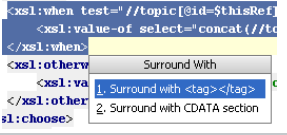
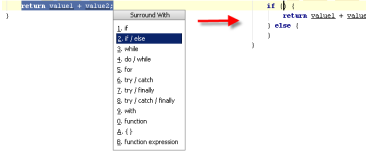
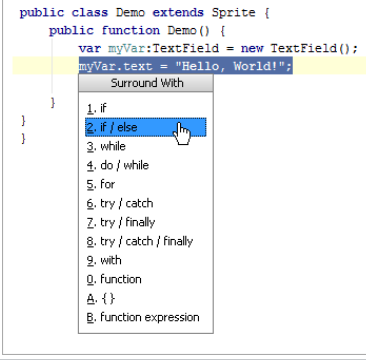
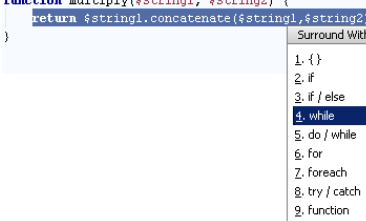
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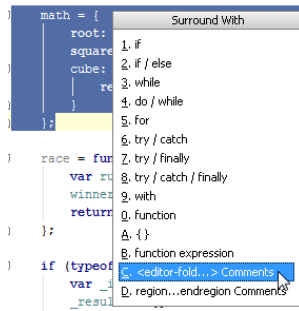
## Applicable contexts

The Surround with feature ( Code | Surround with or `Ctrl+Alt+T` ) lets you put expressions or statements within blocks or language constructs. This feature in IntelliJ IDEA applies to:

### Context Surround with

Context	Example
Java statements	<pre>- if - if/else - while - do/while - for - try/catch - try/finally - try/catch/finally - synchronized - Runnable - {}</pre> 
Java expressions	<pre>- (expr) - ((Type)expr) - !(expr instanceof Type)</pre> 
XML/HTML /JSP/JSPX tags	<pre>- Tag - CDATA section - &lt;% ... %&gt; - Emmet</pre> 
JavaScript statements	<pre>- (expr) - !(expr) - if - if / else - while - do / while - for - try / catch - try / finally - try / catch / finally - with - function - { } - function expression</pre> 
ActionScript statements	<pre>- if - if / else - while - do / while - for - try / catch - try / finally - try / catch / finally - with - function - { } - function expression</pre> 
PHP statements	<pre>- if - if / else - while - do / while - for - foreach - try / catch - function</pre> 

Custom folding region comments Any fragment of code, where Surround With is applicable



## Surrounding blocks of code

### To surround a block of code

1. Select the desired code fragment.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Surround With
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+T` .

A pop-up window displays the list of enclosing statements according to the context.

3. Select the desired surround statement from the list. To do that, use the mouse cursor, up and down arrow keys, or a shortcut key displayed next to each element of the list.

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to quickly unwrap or extract expressions from the enclosing statements. This action is available for:

- Java: `for`, `foreach`, `if...elseif...else`, `try...catch...finally`, `while...do`, `do...while`, and lone braces.

- Groovy

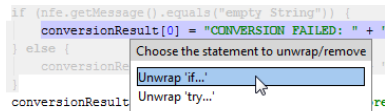
- JavaScript: `if...else`, `for`, `while`, and `do...while` control structures.

- XML, HTML, and JSP.

- PHP: `if`, `else`, `while`, `do...while`, `for`, and `try...catch` control structures

## To unwrap or remove a statement

1. Place the caret on the expression you want to extract or unwrap.
2. Choose Code | Unwrap/Remove on the main menu or press `Ctrl+Shift+Delete`. IntelliJ IDEA shows a pop-up window with all the actions that are available in the current context. Statements to be extracted are displayed on the blue background, statements to be removed are displayed on the grey background.



3. Click the desired action or select it using the up and down arrow keys and press `Enter`.

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## Introduction

In the [Editor](#), you can configure the editor's behavior related to the paired braces. When the option `Insert pair }` is enabled, the closing brace is automatically added with indent on pressing `Enter`. Indentation level is defined in the [Code Style settings](#).

## Configuring paired elements behavior

### To configure insertion of paired elements

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose `File | Settings` (for Windows and Linux) or `IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences` (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to `Editor | General | Smart Keys`.
2. Configure automatic insertion of paired elements by selecting the following checkboxes:
  - `Insert pair bracket`
  - `Insert pair quote`
  - `Auto-close tag on typing '</'`
  - `Insert pair %> in JSP`
3. To have the closing braces inserted upon pressing `Enter`, select the `Insert pair }` checkbox.
4. Apply changes and click `OK`.

This section covers various techniques of context-aware code completion that allow you to speed up the coding process.

## Basic code completion. Completing names and keywords

Basic code completion helps you complete names of classes, methods, fields, and keywords within the visibility scope.

When you invoke code completion, IntelliJ IDEA analyses the context and suggests the choices that are reachable from the current caret position.

Code completion covers supported and custom file types. However, IntelliJ IDEA does not recognize the structure of custom file types and suggests completion options regardless of whether a specific type is appropriate in the current context.

If basic code completion is applied to part of a field, parameter, or a variable declaration, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a list of possible names depending on the item type.

Invoking Basic code completion for the second time shows the names of classes available through module dependencies.

When invoked once more (for the third time in a row), the suggestion list expands to the whole project, regardless of dependencies. This action completes the names of classes and interfaces searching through the entire project. If the desired class is not yet imported, it will be imported automatically.

**Note** Live templates also appear in the basic completion suggestions list.

To use basic code completion:

1. Start typing a name.
2. Press `Ctrl+Space` or choose Code | Completion | Basic from the main menu.

```
} catch (NumberFormatException nfe) {
    if (nfe.getMessage().equals("empty String")) {
        nfe
        conversionFactor
    }
}
```

Press Ctrl+Shift+Space to show only variants that are suitable by type

3. If necessary, press `Ctrl+Space` for the second time (this action produces the same effect as pressing `Ctrl+Alt+Space`).

This shows all classes available through module dependencies. The second completion also shows static fields and methods.

```
} catch (NumberFormatException nfe) {
    if (nfe.getMessage().equals("empty String")) {
        nfe
        new
        null
        notify()
        notifyAll()
    }
}
return Query.not(QueryExp queryExp) (javax.management) QueryExp
Bindings.not(ObservableBooleanValue op) (javaxf.. BooleanBinding
Expression.not(...) (com.sun.javafx.fxml.expre.. UnaryExpression
Collections.nCopies(int n, T o) (java.util) List<T>
Collections.newSetFromMap(Map<E, Boolean> map) (java.ut.. Set<E>
To import a method statically, press Alt+Enter >>
```

When invoked for the third time, basic code completion expands the suggestion list to all classes throughout the project, regardless of the dependencies.

**Tip** You can configure IntelliJ IDEA to automatically invoke the suggestions list, without having to call basic completion explicitly. To do this, in the main menu select File | Settings (or press `Ctrl+Alt+S`), on the left choose Editor | General | Code Completion, and select the Autopopup code completion option.

You can also select the Insert selected variant by typing dot, space, ect. option to use some keys to accept completion. These keys depend on the language, your context, etc.

For Java, such keys include `Space`, `Tab`, `[` and `]`, `(` and `)`, and some more.

Note that while this setting helps you save time, turning it on may result in items being inserted accidentally.

## Smart code completion. Completing code based on type information

Smart code completion filters the suggestions list and shows only the types applicable to the current context.

Smart code completion is useful in situations when it is possible to determine the appropriate type:

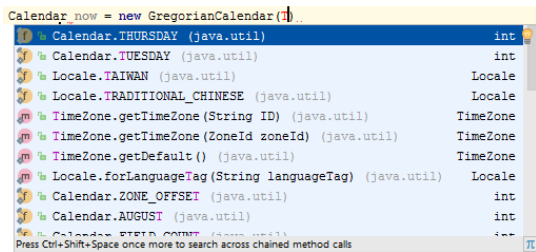
- In the right part of assignment statements
- In variable initializers
- In `return` statements
- In the list of arguments of a method call
- After the `new` keyword in an object declaration
- In chained expressions

To use smart code completion:

1. Start typing. Press `Ctrl+Shift+Space` or choose Code | Completion | SmartType from the main menu.

SmartType code completion automatically highlights the selection in the suggestions list that is most suitable for the current context.

For example, consider smart type code completion after the `new` keyword in Java:



For chained expressions, suggestions are sorted by how frequently they are used in the project. When any of the suggested method calls takes an argument that is not yet available in the context, after you select it the IDE defines a local variable of the required type.

- If necessary, press `Ctrl+Shift+Space` once again. This lets you complete:
  - Collections, lists and arrays. IntelliJ IDEA searches for symbols with the same component type and suggests converting them.
  - Static method calls or constant references. IntelliJ IDEA scans for static methods and fields, and suggests the ones suitable in the current context.

**Note** This is only available for Java and requires the project to be built with the IntelliJ IDEA compiler (not the Gradle compiler).

## Completing statements

Complete statements enables you to create syntactically correct code constructs. This command inserts necessary syntax elements (parentheses, braces, semicolons etc.) and gets you in position where you can start typing the next statement.

To automatically complete a statement, start typing it. The punctuation required in the current context is added and the caret moves to the next editing position.

- Completing a method declaration : start typing a method declaration and press `Ctrl+Shift+Enter` after the opening parenthesis:

```
public void readLineItem(LineItem lineItem) {
```

This will create an entire construct of a method, the caret resting inside the method body:

```
public void readLineItem(LineItem lineItem) {
    |
```

- Completing code constructs : start typing a code construct and press `Ctrl+Shift+Enter` :

```
public void readLineItem(LineItem lineItem) {
    if (
    }
    |
```

IntelliJ IDEA automatically completes the construct, and the caret is placed at the next editing position:

```
public void readLineItem(LineItem lineItem) {
    if ( ) {
    }
    |
```

- Automatic encapsulation : IntelliJ IDEA automatically encapsulates a method call when you directly type a new method call next to it.

For example, type

```
| "test"
```

and then type the method call. When `println` gets the focus in the suggestion list, select it with

`Ctrl+Shift+Enter` :

```
System.out.println("test");
System.out.println()
System.out.print(boolean b)
System.out.print(char c)
System.out.print(char[] s)
```

The resulting code will look like the following:

```
System.out.println("test");
```

## Completing tag names

IntelliJ IDEA automatically completes tags and attributes names and values in the following file types:

- HTML/XHTML
- XML/XSL
- JSP/JSPX

Automatic tag name completion is based on the [DTD or Schema](#) the file is associated with.

If there is no schema association, IntelliJ IDEA will use the file content (tag and attribute names and their values) to complete your input.

In XML/XSL and JSP/JSPX files, completion for taglibs and namespaces is available.

## Completing tag names

1. Press `<` and start typing the tag name. IntelliJ IDEA displays the list of tag names appropriate in the current context.  
Use the `ArrowUp` and `ArrowDown` buttons to scroll through the list.
2. Press `Enter` to accept a selection from the list.  
IntelliJ IDEA automatically inserts the mandatory attributes according to the schema.

## Inserting a taglib declaration

1. Start typing a tag and press `Ctrl+Alt+Space`.
2. Select a tag from the list. The `uri` of the taglib it belongs to is displayed in brackets.

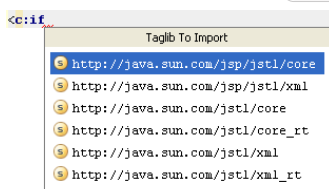


3. Select the desired taglib and press `Enter`. IntelliJ IDEA adds the declaration of the selected taglib:

```
<%@ taglib prefix="h" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/html" %>
<h:inputText|
```

## Importing a taglib declaration

1. Start typing a taglib prefix and press `Alt+Insert`.
2. Select a taglib from the list and press `Enter`.



IntelliJ IDEA imports the selected taglib and adds the import statement automatically.

## Hippie completion. Expanding words based on context

Hippie completion is a completion engine that analyses your text in the visible scope and draws its completion proposals from the current context. It helps you complete a word with a keyword, class name, method or variable.

To expand a string at caret to an existing word, do the following:

1. Type the initial string and do one of the following:
  - Press `Alt+Slash` or choose Code | Completion | Cyclic Expand Word to search for matching words before the caret
  - Press `Shift+Alt+Slash` or choose Code | Completion | Cyclic Expand Word (Backward) to search for matching words after the caret and in other open files.

The first suggested value appears, and the prototype is highlighted in the source code:

```
static String[] convertMetersToInches (String metersToConvertString) {
    String[] conversionResult = new String[2];
    double conversionFactor = 39.37;
    try {
        double metersToConvertDouble = Double.parseDouble(metersToConvertString);
        double
```

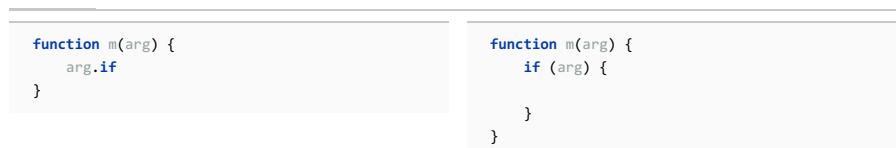
2. Press `Enter` to accept the suggestion, or hold the `Alt` key and keep pressing `Slash` until the desired word is found.

## Postfix code completion

Postfix code completion helps you reduce backward caret jumps as you write code. It allows you to transform an already typed expression to a different one based on a postfix you type after a dot, the type of expression, and its context.

For example, the `.if` postfix applied to an expression wraps it with an `if` statement.

### Before After



To enable/disable the postfix completion feature or separate templates, in the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) dialog, go to Editor | General | Postfix completion. You can also choose which key you want to use to expand postfix templates: `Tab`, `Space`, or `Enter`.



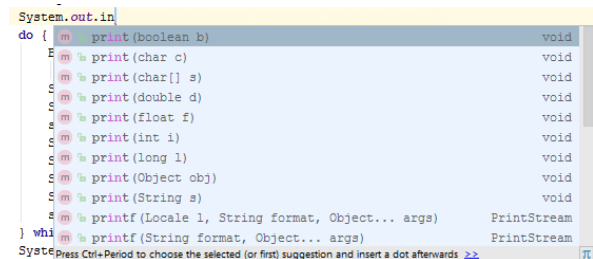
Postfix completion suggestions are shown as part of the basic completion suggestions list. To see a full list of postfix completions applicable in the current context, press `Ctrl+J`.

## Completion tips and tricks

### Narrow down the suggestions list

You can narrow down the suggestions list by typing any part of a word (even characters from somewhere in the middle), or invoking code completion after a dot separator. IntelliJ IDEA will show suggestions that include the characters you've entered in any positions.

This makes the use of wildcards unnecessary:



In case of CamelCase or snake\_case names, type the initial letters only. IntelliJ IDEA automatically recognizes and matches the initial letters.

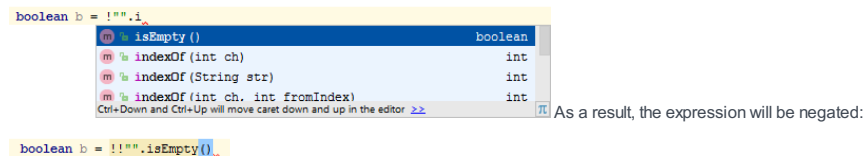
### Accept a suggestion

You can accept a suggestion from the list in one of the following ways:

- Press `Enter` or double-click the desired choice to insert completion to the left from the caret.
- Press `Tab` to replace the characters to the right from the caret.
- Use `Ctrl+Shift+Enter` to make the current code construct syntactically correct (balance parentheses, add missing braces and semicolons, etc.)

### Negate an expression

You can negate an expression in Java by pressing `!` after you have selected it from the suggestions list:



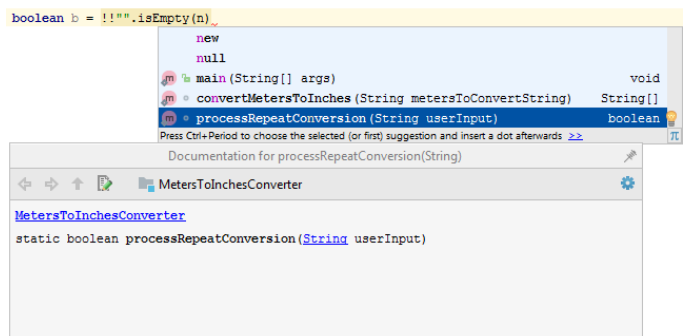
Negating an expression works this way if you have the Insert selected variant by typing dot, space, etc. option enabled in the [Code Completion settings page](#), or invoke code completion explicitly, or change a selection in the suggestions list explicitly.

### View reference information

- You can use the [Quick Definition View](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+I` when you select an entry in the suggestions list:



- You can use the [Quick Information View](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Q` when you select an entry in the suggestions list:



## Sort entries in the suggestions list

You can sort the suggestions list alphabetically or by relevance. To toggle between these modes, click **A** or **z** respectively in the lower-right corner of the list.

**Note** The sorting icons only appear if the list is long and are not displayed for lists containing just a few entries.

IntelliJ IDEA will remember your choice. You can change the default behavior in the [Code Completion settings page](#).

## View code hierarchy

You can view code hierarchy when you've selected an entry from the suggestions list:

- Press **Ctrl+H** to view type hierarchy.
- Press **Ctrl+Alt+H** to view call hierarchy.
- Press **Ctrl+Shift+H** to view method hierarchy.

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## Introduction

When you reference a class that has not been imported, IntelliJ IDEA helps you locate this file and add it to the list of imports. You can import a single class or an entire package, depending on your settings.

The import statement is added to the imports section, but the cursor does not move from the current position, and your current editing session does not suspend. This feature is known as the Import Assistant .

**Tip** To configure the way auto-import works, [open the IntelliJ IDEA settings](#) , and then go to the page [Auto Import](#) .

The same possibility applies to the XML , JSP, and JSPX files. When you [type a tag with an unbound namespace](#) , import assistant suggests to create a namespace and offers a list of appropriate choices.

When you reference a PHP class that is defined outside the current file, IntelliJ IDEA locates the class definition, whereupon you can do one of the following:

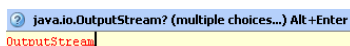
- Have IntelliJ IDEA automatically complete the fully qualified class name, including the namespace the class is defined in. This will result in littering your code.
- Have IntelliJ IDEA automatically complete the short class name and import the namespace the class is defined in.
- Import the namespace manually using a quick fix.


In the PHP context, a namespace is imported by inserting a `use` statement.

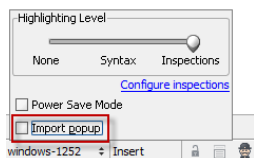
## Importing packages on the fly

To import packages on-the-fly, follow these steps:

1. Start typing a name in the editor. If the name references a class that has not been imported, the following prompt appears:

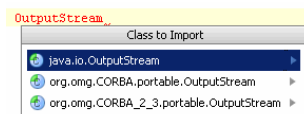


If the pop-up annoys you, change this behavior for the current file. Just click Hector  in the [Status bar](#) , and clear the check box `Import Pop-up` :

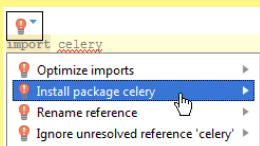


The unresolved references will be underlined, and you will have to [invoke intention action](#) `Add import` explicitly.

2. Press `Alt+Enter` . If there are multiple choices, select the desired import from the list.



**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA provides a quick fix that automatically installs the package you're trying to import; if, after the keyword `import` , you type a name of a package that is not currently available on your machine, a quick fix suggests to either ignore the unresolved reference, or download and install the missing package:



**Tip** If the option `Add unambiguous imports on the fly` is checked, IntelliJ IDEA does not inform you about the needed import, if there is only one choice, and adds the only possible import automatically.

## Completing a short class name and importing a PHP namespace on-the-fly

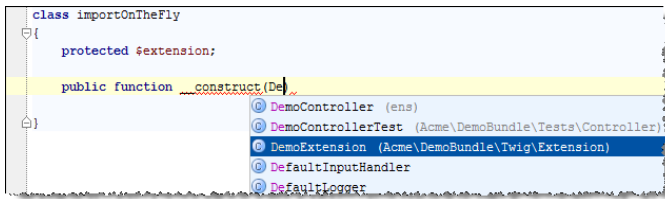
To compile a short class name and import a PHP namespace, follow these steps:

1. To enable on-the-fly namespace import, [open the IntelliJ IDEA settings](#) , and then click `Auto Import` under the `Editor` node. In the `Editor: Auto Import` page that opens, configure automatic namespace import in the `PHP` section.
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically import PHP namespaces, add `use` statements, and complete short class names on the fly when you are typing in a class or file that belongs to a certain namespace, select the `Enable auto-import in`

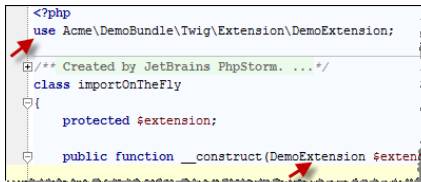
namespace scope check box. This check box is selected by default.

- To have automatic namespace import applied when you are typing in a file that does not belong to any specific namespace, select the Enable auto-import in file scope check box.

2. Open the desired file for editing and start typing the short name of a class.
3. From the suggested variants for completion, select the relevant class name:



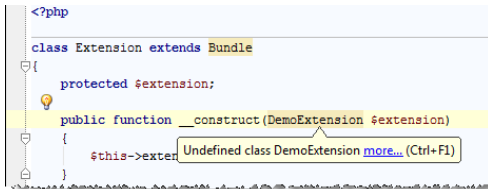
IntelliJ IDEA completes the short class name and inserts a `use` statement with the namespace where the selected class is defined:



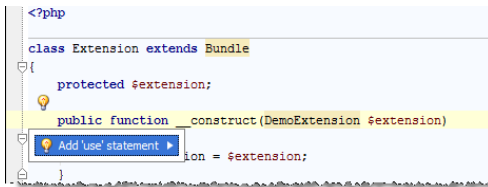
## Importing a PHP namespace using a quick fix

To import a PHP class using a quick fix, follow these steps:

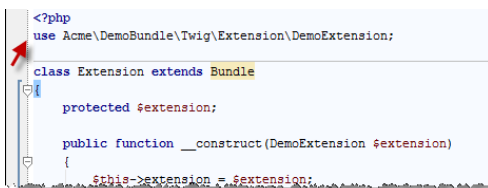
1. Open the desired file for editing and reference a PHP class. If the referenced class is not bound, the following prompt appears:



2. Press `Alt+Enter`. IntelliJ IDEA suggests to import the namespace where it has detected the declaration of the class:



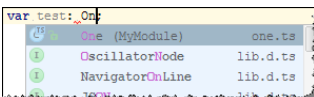
3. Press `Enter`. IntelliJ IDEA inserts a namespace declaration statement (`use` statement):



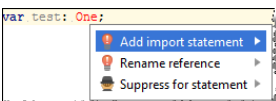
## Importing TypeScript symbols

In the **TypeScript** context, IntelliJ IDEA can generate `import` statements for modules, classes, and any other symbol that can be exported and called as a type. Open the desired file in the editor and do one of the following:

- Start typing the short name of a symbol. From the suggested variants for completion, select the relevant symbol name:



- Position the cursor at the unresolved symbol, which is displayed in red, and press `Alt+Enter`:

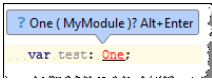


On the context menu, select `Add import statement` and press `Enter`.

- Configure IntelliJ IDEA to show a pop-up every time you hover the mouse pointer over an unresolved reference which required import:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing `File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS`. Expand the `Editor` node, and then click `Auto Import` under `General`.
2. On the [Auto Import](#) page that opens, select the `Show import pop-up` check box in the `TypeScript` area.

Every time you hover the mouse pointer over an unresolved symbol, IntelliJ IDEA will display the following pop-up message:



Press `Alt+Enter` to have an import statement generated and inserted automatically.

In either case, IntelliJ IDEA inserts an `import` statement:

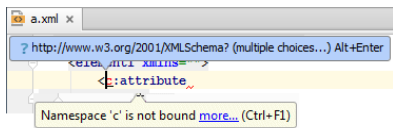
```
import One = MyModule.One;
var test: One;
```

You can configure the quotes style for generated `import` statements on the [Code Style. TypeScript](#) page, tab Punctuation (File | Settings | Editor | Code style | TypeScript | Punctuation for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | Code style | TypeScript | Punctuation for macOS).

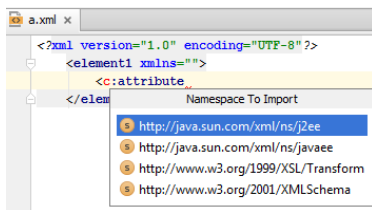
## Importing an XML namespace

To import an XML namespace, follow these steps:

1. Open the desired file for editing, and start typing a tag. If a namespace is not bound, the following prompt appears:



2. Press `Alt+Enter`. If there are multiple choices, select the desired namespace from the list.



Depending on the file type, IntelliJ IDEA creates a namespace declaration, or a taglib:



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## Introduction

The list of imports suggested by IntelliJ IDEA can be sometimes far too wide, and can include the classes you don't actually need. For example, some of the class names in your project can match the names of internal SDK or unrelated library classes.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you configure the classes to be excluded from import assistance and code completion, thus helping avoid unintentional use of the wrong classes. Besides that, IntelliJ IDEA provides an intention action that allows you to exclude unnecessary classes on-the-fly.

These settings apply to code completion as well. The classes and packages specified as the ones to be ignored by the code completion feature, will not be added to the suggestion list.

## Configuring imports

### To configure classes to be excluded from import

1. [Open the Settings/Preferences dialog box](#) , and under the Editor / General node, click Auto-Import .
2. On the [Auto-Import](#) page, click **+** ( `Alt+Insert` ).
3. In the dialog box that opens, type the name of the class or a whole package to be excluded, and click OK . Use **+** ( `Alt+Insert` ) and **-** ( `Alt+Delete` ) to manage the list of classes and packages that IntelliJ IDEA shouldn't place to the suggestion list.
4. Apply changes and close Settings/Preferences dialog.

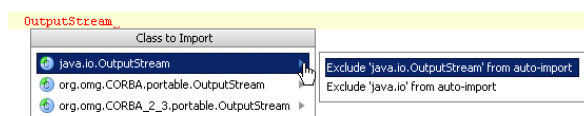
## Excluding classes from imports

### To exclude classes from imports in the fly

1. Start typing a name in the editor, and use intention action as described in the section [Creating Imports](#) :

`java.io.OutputStream? (multiple choices...) Alt+Enter`  
`OutputStream,`

2. In the Class to Import suggestion list, select the class you want to be ignored, and click the right arrow to reveal the nested list of intention actions. IntelliJ IDEA suggests you to exclude specific class or the whole containing package:



3. Click the desired class or package to be excluded.

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Sooner or later, some of the imported classes or packages become redundant to the code.

Typically, you have to stop what you are doing, scroll to the head of the file, find the unused imports, and remove them. It is rather easy to forget to remove imports when you remove usages.

IntelliJ IDEA provides the Optimize Imports feature, which enables you, whenever it is convenient, to remove unused imports from your current file, or from all files in the current directory at once. This helps you avoid unused, excessive and duplicating imports in your project.

One can remove unused import statements in the entire project or in the current file only.

## Optimizing imports in project

To optimize imports in the entire project, follow these steps:

1. Place the caret at the Project tool window and do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Code | Optimize Imports .
  - On the context menus of the Project tool window, choose Optimize Imports .
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+O` .


The [Optimize Imports](#) dialog box opens.

2. If your project is under version control, the option Only VCS changed files is enabled. Select or clear this option as required.
3. Click Run .

## Optimizing imports in the current file

One way of dealing with unused import is to use the quick-fix that appears when you set the caret at the highlighted unused import . However, you can optimize imports in a larger scope as described below.

To optimize imports in the currently opened file, do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Code | Optimize Imports .
- Press `Ctrl+Alt+O` .
- Place the caret at the import statements, click , and choose Remove unused import .
- Open the [Reformat File Dialog](#) (`Ctrl+Shift+Alt+L`) and select the Optimize imports checkbox.



## Code analysis basics




IntelliJ IDEA features robust, fast, and flexible static code analysis. It detects the language and runtime errors, suggests corrections and improvements before you even compile .

IntelliJ IDEA performs code analysis by applying inspections to your code. Numerous code inspections exist for Java and for the other supported languages.

The inspections detect not only compiling errors, but also different code inefficiencies. Whenever you have some unreachable code, unused code, non-localized string, unresolved method, memory leaks or even spelling problems – you'll find it very quickly.

IntelliJ IDEA's code analysis is flexibly configurable. You can [enable/disable](#) each code inspection and [change its severity](#) , create [profiles](#) with custom sets of inspections, apply inspections differently [in different scopes](#) , [suppress](#) inspections in specific pieces of code, and more.

The analysis can be performed in several ways:

- By default, IntelliJ IDEA analyses all open files and highlights all detected code issues right in the editor. On the right side of the editor you can see the analysis status of the whole file (the icon in the top-right corner).  
When an error is detected, this icon is  ; in case of a warning, it is  ; if everything is correct, the icon is  .
- Alternatively, you can run code analysis in a [bulk mode](#) for the specified scope, which can be as large as the whole project.
- If necessary, you can [apply a single code inspection](#) in a specific scope.

For the majority of the detected code issues, IntelliJ IDEA provides [quick fix suggestions](#) . You can quickly review errors in a file by navigating from one highlighted line to another by pressing [F2](#) [Shift+F2](#) .

For more information and procedural descriptions, see [Configuring Inspection Severities](#) .

## Inspection profiles

When you inspect your code, you can tell IntelliJ IDEA which types of problems you would like to search for and get reports about. Such configurations can be preserved as inspection profiles .

An inspection profile defines the types of problems to be sought for, i.e. which code inspections are [enabled/disabled](#) and the [severity](#) of these inspections. Profiles are configurable in the [Inspections](#) settings page.

To set the current inspection profile (the one that is used for the on-the-fly code analysis in the editor), simply select it in the [Inspections](#) settings page and apply changes. When you [perform code analysis](#) or [execute a single inspection](#) , you can specify which profile to use for each run.

Inspection profiles can be applicable for the entire IDE or for a specific project:

- Project profiles are shared and accessible for the team members via VCS. They are stored in the project directory:  
`<project>/idea/inspectionProfiles` .
- IDE profiles are intended for personal use only and are stored locally in XML files under the `USER_HOME/.<IntelliJ IDEA version>/config/inspection` directory.

IntelliJ IDEA comes with the following pre-defined inspection profiles:

- Default : This local (IDE level) profile is intended for personal use, applies to all projects, and is stored locally in the `Default.xml` file under the `USER_HOME/.<IntelliJ IDEA version>/config/inspection` directory.
- Project Default : when a new project is created, the Project Default profile is copied from the [settings of a template project](#) . This profile is shared and applies to the current project.

After a project is created, any modifications to the project default profile will pass unnoticed to any other projects.

When the settings of the Project Default profile are modified in the [Template Project settings](#) , the changed profile will apply to all newly created projects, but the existing projects will not be affected as they already have a copy of this profile.

Project Default profile is stored in the `Project_Default.xml` file located in the `<project>/idea/inspectionProfiles` directory.

One can have as many inspection profiles as required. There are two ways of creating new profiles: you can [add a new profile](#) as a copy of the Project Default profile or [copy](#) the currently selected profile. The newly created profiles are stored in XML files, located depending on the [type of the base profile](#) .

The `<profile_name>.xml` files representing inspection profiles appear whenever some changes to the profiles are done and applied. The files only store differences against the default profile.

In case of the [file-based project format](#) , the shared profiles are stored in the project file `<project name>.ipr` .

Refer to the section [Customizing Profiles](#) for details.

## Synchronizing profiles between computers

If an inspection profile is made project-specific, it is synchronized with your project automatically. Each user, who opens this project after checking it out, will have the same inspection profile enabled.







If an IDE Default inspection profile is used, it can be synchronized between multiple machines via the **Settings Repository plugin**, bundled with IntelliJ IDEA. So doing, the file is stored in `USER_HOME/.<IntelliJ IDEA version>/config/inspection/<profile_name>.xml`.

Note that the Global profile may have a different name. Copy your current project profile to the Global Level (click the button Manage and choose Copy as Global) and call it as you like.

Then, on the main menu, choose File | Other Settings | Default Settings and select this global profile as the default one for all the new projects. Now all the newly-created projects will use this global profile by default and this global profile will be synchronized between the various machines via the **Settings Repository plugin**.

## Inspection severity

Inspection severity indicates how seriously the code issues detected by the inspection impact the project and determines how the detected issues should be highlighted in the editor. By default, each inspection has one of the following severity levels:

- Server problem 
- Typo 
- Info 
- Weak Warning 
- Warning 
- Error 

You can increase or decrease the severity level of each inspection. That is, you can force IntelliJ IDEA to display some warnings as errors or weak warnings. In a similar way, what is initially considered a weak warning can be displayed as a warning or error, or just as info.

You can also configure the color and font style used to highlight each severity level. Besides, you can create custom severity levels and set them for specific inspections.

If necessary, you can set different severity levels for the same inspection [in different scopes](#).

All modifications to inspections mentioned above are saved in the [inspection profile](#) currently selected in the [inspection settings](#) and apply when this profile is used.

## Inspection scope

By default, all enabled code inspections apply to all project files. If necessary, you can configure each code inspection ([enable/disable](#), [change its severity level](#) and options) individually for different [scopes](#). Such configurations, like any other inspection settings, are saved and applied as part of a specific [profile](#).

There may be complicated cases when an inspection has different configurations associated with different scopes. When such inspection is executed in a file belonging to some or all of these scopes, the settings of the highest priority scope-specific configuration are applied. The priorities are defined by the relative position of the inspection's scope-specific configuration in [inspection settings](#): the uppermost configuration has the highest priority. The Everywhere else configuration always has the lowest priority.

For more information and procedural descriptions, see [Configuring Inspection for Different Scopes](#).

## Examples of code inspections

In the [Inspections](#) page, all inspections are grouped into categories. The most common tasks covered by code analysis are:

- Finding probable bugs.
- Locating dead code.
- Detecting performance issues.
- Improving code structure and maintainability.
- Conforming to coding guidelines and standards.
- Conforming to specifications.

## Finding probable bugs

IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the code you are typing and is capable of finding probable bugs as non compilation errors right on-the-fly. Below are the examples of such situations.

For example, potential NPE can be thrown at runtime:

### Before After

```
Method invocation 'fromCurrency.equals("USD")' may produce 'java.lang.NullPointerException'.  
double answer = 0;  
if (fromCurrency.equals("USD") && toCurrency.equals("CNY")) {  
    Assert 'fromCurrency != null'
```

```
double answer = 0;  
assert fromCurrency != null;  
if (fromCurrency.equals("USD") && toCurrency.equals("CNY")) {
```

So, this is exactly what we get from the intention action.

Here the first if condition may lead to a `NullPointerException` exception being thrown in the second if, as not all situations are covered. At this point adding an assertion in order to avoid a `NullPointerException` being thrown during the application runtime would be a good idea.

## Locating dead code

IntelliJ IDEA highlights in the editor pieces of so-called *dead* code. This is the code that is never executed during the application runtime. Perhaps, you don't even need this part of code in your project. Depending on situation, such code may be treated as a bug or as a redundancy. Anyway it decreases the application performance and complicates the maintenance process. Here is an example.

So-called *constant conditions* - conditions that are never met or are always *true*, for example. In this case the responsible code is not reachable and actually is a *dead* code.

```
attribute = parseAttribute(isempty, asp, php);

if (attribute == null) {
    ...
    return;
}
value = parseValue(attribute, false, isempty, delim);

if (attribute != null) {
    ... Condition 'attribute != null' is always 'true'.
}
else {
    av = new AttVal( null, null, null, null,
        0, attribute, value );
    Report.attrError(this, this.token, value,
        Report.BAD_ATTRIBUTE_VALUE);
}
```

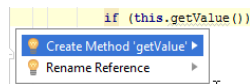
IntelliJ IDEA highlights the if condition as it's always true. So the part of code surrounded with else is actually a dead code because it is never executed.

## Highlighting unused declarations

IntelliJ IDEA is also able to instantly highlight Java classes, methods and fields which are unused across the entire project via Unused declarations inspection. All sorts of Java EE `@Inject` annotations, test code entry points and other implicit dependencies configured in the Unused declarations inspection are deeply respected.

## Unresolved JavaScript function or method

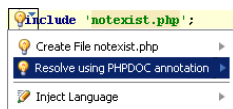
This inspection detects references to undefined JavaScript functions or methods.



## Examples of PHP Code Inspections

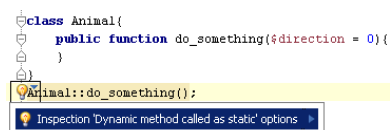
### Unresolved Include

This inspection detects attempts to include not actually existing files and suggests two quick fixes: to create a file with the specified name or use a PHPDOC annotation.



### Dynamic method is called as static

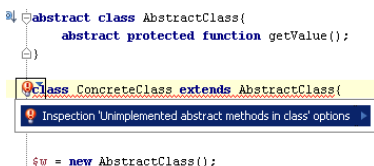
This inspection checks whether a call to a static function is actually applied to a static function.



The function `do_something()` is called as static while actually it is dynamic.

### Unimplemented abstract method in class

This inspection checks whether classes inherited from abstract superclasses are either explicitly declared as abstract or the functions inherited from the superclass are implemented.



The class `ConcreteClass` is inherited from an abstract class `AbstractClass` and has not been explicitly declared as abstract. At the same time, the function `getValue()`, which is inherited from `AbstractClass`, has not been implemented.

### Parameter type

PHP variables do not have types, therefore basically parameter types are not specified in definitions of functions.

However, if the type of a parameter is defined explicitly, the function should be called with parameters of the appropriate type.

```

class Animal{
    public function do_something($direction = 0){
    }
}
$obj = new Animal();
$obj->do_something("run");

```

The function `do_something` has the parameter of the type `integer` but is called with a `string`.

– Undefined class constant

This inspection detects references to constants that are not actually defined in the specified class.

```

class Animal{
    public function do_something($direction = 0){
    }
}
const NotExistingConst = Animal::NotExistingConst;

```

The constant `NotExistingConst` is referenced to as a constant of the class `Animal`, while actually it is not defined in this class.

– Undefined constant inspection

This inspection detects references to constants that are not actually defined anywhere within the inspection scope.

```

const NotExistingConst = UndefinedConst;

```

The referenced constant `UndefinedConst` is not defined anywhere within the inspection scope.

– Undefined class

This inspection detects references to classes that are not actually defined anywhere within the inspection scope.

```

const NotExistingConst = new NotExistingClass();

```

The referenced class `NotExistingClass` is not defined.

– Undefined field

This inspection detects references to fields of a class that are not actually defined in this class.

```

class Animal{
    public function do_something($direction = 0){
    }
}
$obj = new Animal();
$var = $obj->field;

```

The `$obj` variable is an instance of the class `Animal`. The declaration of the `$var` contains a reference to the `field` field of the class `Animal`, which is not defined on this class.

To suppress reporting **Undefined method** errors in such cases, [re-configure the inspection severity](#). To do that, open the **Inspections** page of the Settings dialog box, click the inspection name in the list and select the Downgrade severity if `__magic methods` are present in class checkbox in the Options area. After that undefined properties in such cases will be indicated one step lower than specified for inspections in general, by default, **Info** instead of **Warning**.

To suppress irrelevant reporting of **Undefined field** errors, clear the Notify about access to a field via magic method and Notify about PHP dynamic field declaration checkboxes. When the checkboxes are selected, IntelliJ IDEA reports errors even if the class contains the `__get()` and `__set()` magic methods.

– Call of undefined function

This inspection detects references to functions that are not defined anywhere within the inspection scope.

```

class Animal{
    public function do_something($direction = 0){
    }
}
$obj = new Animal();
$var = undefined_function($obj);

```

The called function `undefined_function()` is not defined anywhere within the inspection scope.

– Undefined variable

This inspection detects references to variables that are not declared and initialized anywhere within the inspection scope. PHP does not require that each variable should be declared and initialized. PHP can initialize such variable on the fly and assign it the zero value. However, this inspection allows you to detect discrepancies of this kind.

The **Undefined variable** inspection can be configured through the checkboxes on the Inspections page of the Settings dialog:

- Enable inspection in global space: select this checkbox to run the inspection against variables outside functions/methods, classes, and namespaces, that is, in the [global space](#).

```

<?php
/** Created by PhpStorm. ... */
$y = $c;

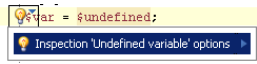
```

- Report that variable might have not been defined: select this checkbox to have a warning displayed even if the definition of a variable is not definitely missing. Such situation may take place when a variable is used in several paths and some of them may never be reached, for example, in `if()` statements:

```
function test($x) {  
    if ($x==0) {  
        $d=5;  
    }  
    return $d;  
}
```


Variable 'd' might have not been defined [more...](#) (Ctrl+F1)

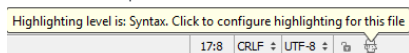
- Ignore 'include' and 'require' statements Suppose the inspection scope contains an `include` or `require` statement. If this checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA treats such variable as defined in the classes referenced through these statements and no error is reported. If this checkbox is selected, an **Undefined variable** error is reported.



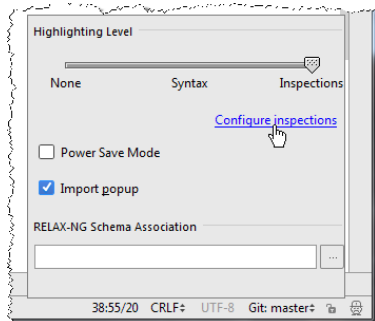
Inspections and [inspection profiles](#) are editable in the [Inspections](#) settings page. IntelliJ IDEA provides several ways to gain access to inspection settings.

## To access inspections and profiles settings, do one of the following

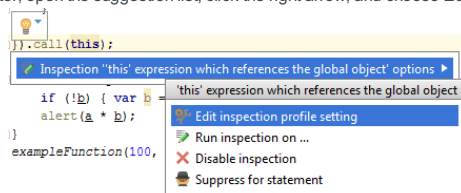
- Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Inspections under Editor .
- On the main toolbar, click , then expand the Editor node, and click [Inspections](#) .
- Click the current profile icon in the Status bar




and then click the Configure inspection link.



- In the editor, open the suggestion list, click the right arrow, and choose Edit inspection profile settings on the



- In the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) , click Edit Settings  on the toolbar or use the corresponding context menu command.

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA lets you configure settings for your code validation analysis and save them as inspection profiles. You can customize the existing inspection profiles (including default profiles), and create new ones. You can also share, import and export inspection profiles.

IntelliJ IDEA distinguishes between IDE and project profiles.

### Stored in IDE

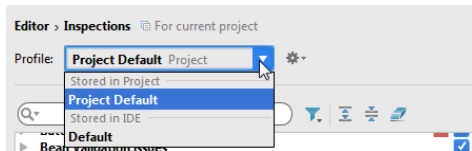
These profiles are saved in an application config directory (for example, `~/.IntelliJ IDEA XXXX/config/inspection` on Linux) and are available for any project.

### Stored in Project

These profiles are saved in a particular project's `.idea` directory (for example, `$PROJECT_DIR/.idea/inspectionProfiles` on Linux).

## Customizing profiles


1. In the [inspection settings](#), select the profile to be changed.



Note that the default profiles are also editable.

2. Customize the desired inspections: [enable or disable](#), [change their severity](#) and the other options, which can be different for the various inspections.  
Note that the selectors of severity and scopes, and the options section (if any) are only available for the enabled inspections.
3. To apply an inspection to a restricted set of files, [associate it with the corresponding scopes](#).  
By default, all inspections apply to all the sources of the current project.
4. Apply changes.

## Managing profiles

1. In the [inspection settings](#), select the profile you want to manage.
2. Click  and from the drop-down list, select one of the following options:
  - Copy to IDE or Copy to Project - to copy the selected profile to either IDE level or the project level.
  - Duplicate - to make a copy of the selected profile. You can change the name of the profile in the Profile field.
  - Rename - to rename the selected profile.
  - Delete - to delete the selected profile.
  - Restore Defaults - to change the selected profile back to its default settings.
  - Add Description or Edit Description - to add a new or edit an existing description for the selected profile.
  - Export - to export the selected profile in a form of XML file. You can select where to export your profile.
  - Import Profile - to import the desired profile (XML file). You can select where to import your profile.
3. Apply changes.

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## Basics

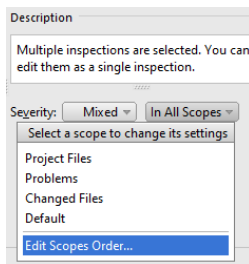
By default, all enabled code inspections apply to all project files. If necessary, you can configure each code inspection ([enable/disable](#) , [change its severity level](#) and options) individually for different [scopes](#) . Such configurations, like any other inspection settings, are saved and applied as part of a specific [profile](#) .


There may be complicated cases when an inspection has different configurations associated with different scopes. When such inspection is executed in a file belonging to some or all of these scopes, the settings of the highest priority scope-specific configuration are applied. The priorities are defined by the relative position of the inspection's scope-specific configuration in [inspection settings](#) : the uppermost configuration has the highest priority. The Everywhere else configuration always has the lowest priority.

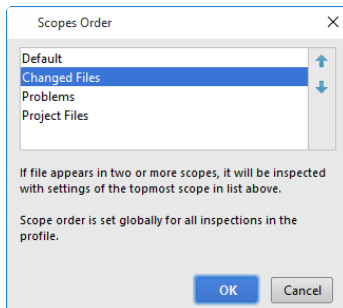
## Defining the order of scopes

### To define the order of scopes, follow these steps

1. In the [Inspections](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog, click the button In All Scopes :









2. Choose Edit Scopes Order... from the scopes drop-down list.
3. In the Scopes Order dialog box that opens, select the desired scope, and click the up and down arrows  :





## Basics

Inspection severity indicates how seriously the code issues detected by the inspection impact the project and determines how the detected issues should be highlighted in the editor. By default, each inspection has one of the following severity levels:

- Server problem 
- Typo 
- Info 
- Weak Warning 
- Warning 
- Error 

You can increase or decrease the severity level of each inspection. That is, you can force IntelliJ IDEA to display some warnings as errors or weak warnings. In a similar way, what is initially considered a weak warning can be displayed as a warning or error, or just as info.

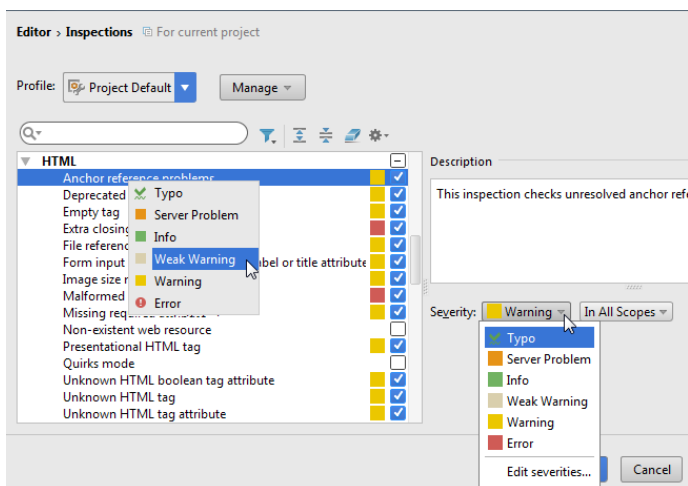
You can also configure the color and font style used to highlight each severity level. Besides, you can create custom severity levels and set them for specific inspections.

If necessary, you can set different severity levels for the same inspection [in different scopes](#).

All modifications to inspections mentioned above are saved in the [inspection profile](#) currently selected in the [inspection settings](#) and apply when this profile is used.

## Changing severity of an inspection

1. In the [inspection settings](#), select the desired [profile](#). The inspections associated with the profile are displayed in the tree view.
2. Select the desired inspection. If this inspection is disabled, select the checkbox next to it.
3. Select the desired severity from the context menu of the inspection or from the Severity selector on the right:

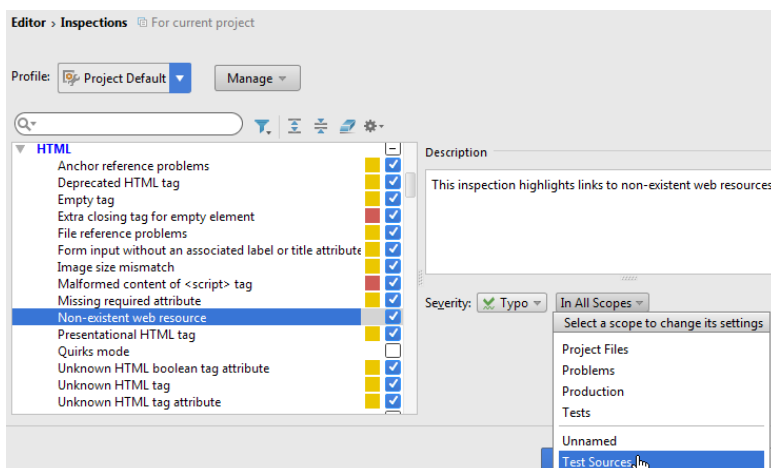


Note that inspections, whose state is changed relative to the default values, and all their grouping nodes are highlighted with blue.

4. Apply the changes. The modified inspection will now have the new severity level when this [profile](#) is used.

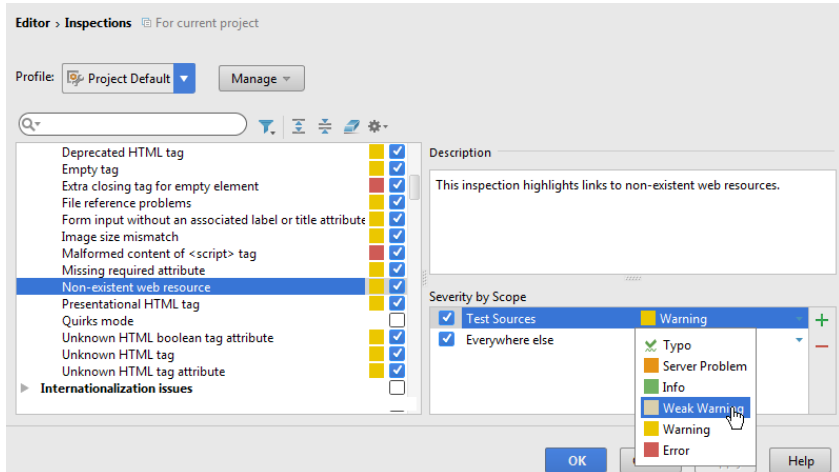
## Changing severity of an inspection for different scopes

1. Choose the desired profile and inspection.
2. Click the drop-down list [In All Scopes](#), and select the scope you want to change inspection severity in:



IntelliJ IDEA shows severities for two scopes: for the selected one and Everywhere else

3. Click severity drop-down list for the selected scope and choose the appropriate severity level from the drop-down list:



### Changing the highlighting style for a specific severity level

1. Do one of the following:

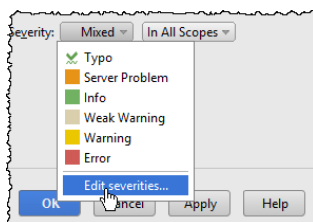
- In the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog, select Editor | Colors & Fonts -> General , and then select the style corresponding to the desired severity level.
- In the [inspection settings](#) , select the desired inspection and choose Edit severities from the Severity selector. Next, in the Severities Editor dialog box that opens, select the desired severity level and click Editor | Colors & Fonts .

Either way you will see the styles associated with this severity in the [Color Scheme](#) settings page.

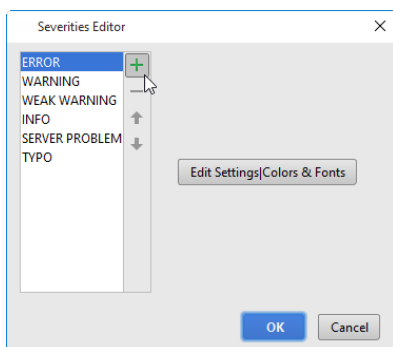
2. Configure the color and font styles as necessary and apply changes. The detected issues with the corresponding severity will now be highlighted in the editor with the modified style when the current [profile](#) is used.

### Defining a custom severity level

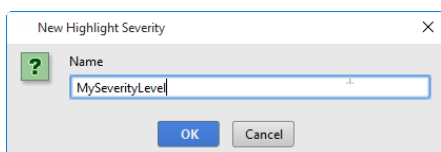
1. In the [inspection settings](#) , select the desired inspection and choose Edit severities from the Severity selector.



2. In the Severities Editor dialog box that opens, click **+** :



3. Type the name for the new severity in the New Highlight Severity dialog box.



The custom severity is added to the list of severities.

4. Specify color and font settings for the new severity using the controls to the right of the list of severities.

5. Use the Up **↑** and Down **↓** buttons to change the priority of the new severity.

6. Apply the changes. The new severity level will now be available for all inspections within the current [profile](#) . You can assign it to specific inspections and get the corresponding code issues highlighted with the specified style in the editor.

If necessary, you can remove the custom severity level later by selecting it in the Severities Editor dialog box and clicking **-** .

You cannot change priorities of the pre-defined severity levels, or remove them.





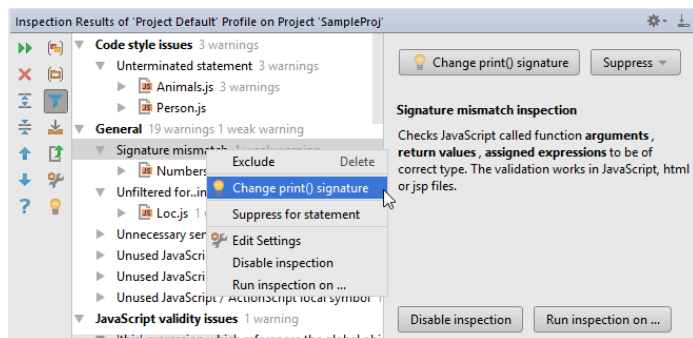
Although code analysis is performed on-the-fly in all open files, you may want to run it for the whole project or a custom scope and examine the results in a friendly view.

**Note** Inspecting code in a large scope, for example, the whole project, can be time consuming. For large projects, it is recommended to [create](#) a number of smaller [scopes](#) and run analysis in each of them separately.

- If you do not want to have some code issues in the analysis report, you can [disable some inspections](#).

## To run a code inspection

1. Open the desired file in the editor. Alternatively select files or directories in the [Project Tool Window](#). For multiple selection, click the items holding down the [Ctrl](#) / [⌘](#) key. The initial inspection scope will be confined to the opened file or the selection.
2. On the main menu, choose Analyze | Inspect Code. The [Specify Inspection Scope](#) dialog box opens.
3. In the Inspection scope area, specify which files should be inspected.
  - To have the source code of the entire project inspected, select the Whole Project option.
  - If you are using [version control integration](#), you can choose to only inspect uncommitted files.
  - To run an inspection for the currently opened file, or the file(s)/folder(s) selected in the Project view, select the File/Module <name> option.
  - To apply inspect code in a specific [scope](#), select the Custom scope option, then choose the desired scope from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  and configure a new scope in the [Scopes](#) dialog box.
4. To have test source files inspected too, select the Include test sources check box.
5. Specify the [inspection profile](#) to apply. Do one of the following:
  - Select one of the existing profiles from the Inspection Profile drop-down list.
  - Click the Browse button  and [configure a new profile](#) in the [Inspections](#) dialog box.
6. Click OK to run code analysis.
7. [Examine results](#) in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#).



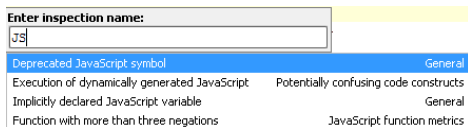
It is also possible to run inspections offline, without starting the IDE. Follow the procedure described in the section [Working with IntelliJ IDEA Features from Command Line](#).

Rather than running all enabled inspections, IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to exactly specify the desired inspection by its name and run it to inspect the code in the specific scope.

## To run a code inspection by name

1. Open the desired file in the editor. Alternatively select files or directories in the [Project Tool Window](#) . For multiple selection, click the items holding down the `Ctrl` / `⌘` key. The initial inspection scope will be confined to the opened file or the selection.
2. On the main menu, choose `Analyze | Run Inspection by Name` , or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+I` .
3. In the pop-up frame that opens, start typing the inspection name. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching inspection only.

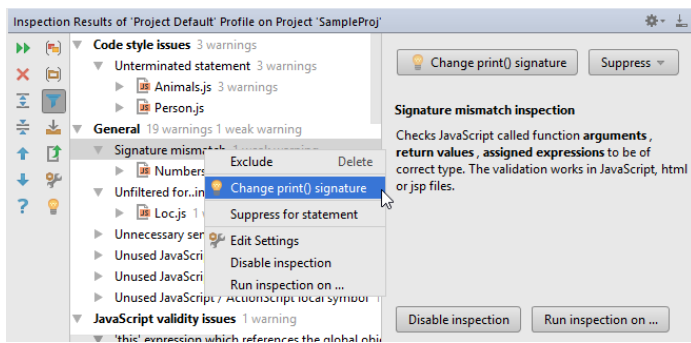
**Tip** Use CamelHumps to match camel case words and white spaces to match initial letters of the words.



The [Specify Inspection Scope](#) dialog box opens.

4. In the Inspection scope area, specify which files should be inspected.
  - To have the source code of the entire project inspected, select the Whole Project option.
  - If you are using [version control integration](#) , you can choose to only inspect uncommitted files.
  - To run an inspection for the currently opened file, or the file(s)/folder(s) selected in the Project view, select the File/Module <name> option.
  - To apply inspect code in a specific [scope](#) , select the Custom scope option, then choose the desired scope from the drop-down list or click the Browse button `⋮` and configure a new scope in the [Scopes](#) dialog box.
5. To have test source files inspected too, select the Include test sources check box.
6. To apply inspection only in files matching the specific mask, select the File Masks(s) and specify the file mask. Use comma to separate multiple file masks.
7. Click OK to run the inspection.
8. [Examine results](#) in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) .

After you [perform code analysis](#) or [execute a single inspection](#), you can examine the results in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#).



Each run of the code analysis or a single inspection is displayed in a new tab in the tool window. The left part of the tab displays detected code issues grouped by inspection groups, inspections and files. If necessary, you can change the default grouping. When you select a specific issue, its report appears in the right part.

In the Inspection Results tool window you can:

- [Resolve issues using quick-fixes](#) where available.
- [Jump to the source of the problem](#) to resolve it manually.
- [Export inspection results](#) to an XML or HTML file.
- [Disable inspections](#) to skip all corresponding issues next time you ran code analysis.
- [Suppress inspections](#) for specific code issues.
- [Access inspection settings](#) to configure inspections.



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When you run an inspection against your code, the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) is displayed showing the results of code analysis. You can then [examine the issues](#) that have been detected and [apply the suggested quickfixes](#) .


However, you may want to streamline this process by automatically applying the quickfixes from your inspection profile to the selected scope, without having to examine the results and implement each separate fix individually.

## Applying quickfixes automatically

### To apply quickfixes automatically

1. From the main menu, select [Analyze | Code Cleanup](#) .
2. In the [Specify Code Cleanup Scope](#) dialog that opens, select the scope to which you want the inspection profile to be applied.
3. Select the inspection profile from the drop-down list, or click the  button to configure a new profile in the [Inspections](#) dialog that opens. You can also click the  button to check which fixes will be applied.
4. Click OK to launch the inspection.

IntelliJ IDEA will perform code analysis and will automatically apply quickfixes from the selected inspection profile to all issues that are detected.

Alternatively, you can place the caret at an error in the source code that corresponds to a quickfix, click the red bulb (quick-fix suggested) icon  that appears on the left, and select Code Cleanup from the drop-down menu. Code cleanup will be performed for the current file with the current inspection profile.

## Applying quickfixes on commit to VCS

### To apply quickfixes when committing changes to a VCS

1. From the main menu, select [VCS | Commit Changes](#) .
2. In the [Commit Changes](#) dialog that opens, select the files that you want to commit, and select the Cleanup code option in the Before Submit area.


Code cleanup will be performed for all selected files before they are committed to your version control system (the current project inspection profile will be applied).

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By default, IntelliJ IDEA analyses the code in all open files and highlights the detected code issues. You can fix most of the issues immediately by [applying quick-fixes](#).


If you [perform code analysis](#) or [execute a single inspection](#) in a larger scope of source files, IntelliJ IDEA displays the detected code issues in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#). When you select a specific issue in this window, its report is shown in the right part of the window.

If there are available fixes to the issue, IntelliJ IDEA notifies it in the following ways:

- The Apply a Quickfix  button becomes available on the toolbar of the Inspection Results tool window.
- The available fixes are shown in the optional Problem resolution field of the report.
- The available fixes are shown in the context menu of the issue.

If there are no available fixes, the only option is to fix the issue manually.

Please note the following:

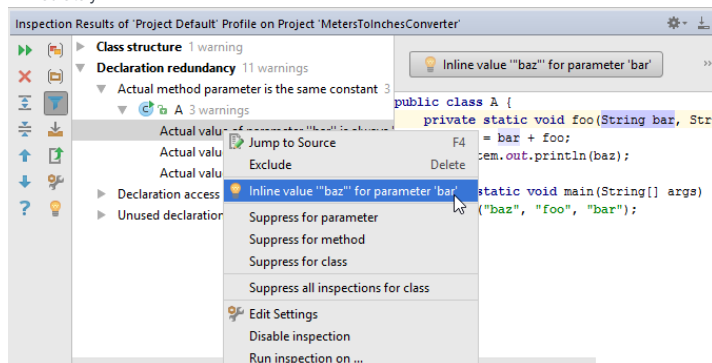
- To display the source code of an issue in the editor, when it is selected in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#), toggle the Autoscroll to Source  button.
- If you find that some of the reported issues are minor or not helpful to you, you can ignore them either by [disabling](#) the corresponding inspection or by [suppressing](#) it in a specific piece of code.

## Fixing problems

### To fix a problem reported by code inspection

In the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#), select the code issue you are interested in and do one of the following:

- If IntelliJ IDEA suggests any fixes to the issue as described above, you can use one of them to fix the problem immediately.



- If no resolutions are suggested, use the Jump to source command in the context menu and fix the problem manually.



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For some reasons, you may want to partly disable a specific inspection, i.e. ignore some code issues while continuing to detect the other issues with this inspection.

For example, IntelliJ IDEA considers some code to be "dead", and you can see that it is true. The inspection is helpful and you do not want to [disable](#) it. However, you may want to use this code later and do not want it to be highlighted in the editor or appear in the issue reports.

To do so, IntelliJ IDEA allows you to **suppress** certain inspections for a specific statement, function/method, tag or file. You can do it either [in the editor](#), using the suggestion list or [in the Inspection Results tool window](#) when analysing inspection results.


Let's summarize the difference between suppressing and [disabling](#) code inspections:

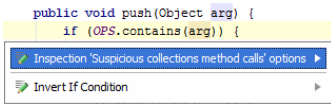
When **suppressing** an inspection, IntelliJ IDEA inserts a special comment that tells the code analysis engine to ignore the issues found by this inspection in the specific piece of code.


When **disabling** an inspection, you just turn it off so the code analysis engine just ignores the code issues found by this inspection.

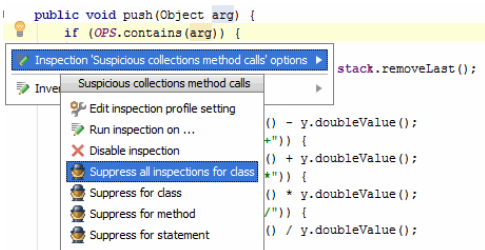
Some code inspections (e.g. those detecting errors) cannot be suppressed.

## Suppressing inspections in the editor

1. Set the cursor to the highlighted code issue in the editor.
2. Press `Alt+Enter`, or click the light bulb icon  to expand the suggestion list.



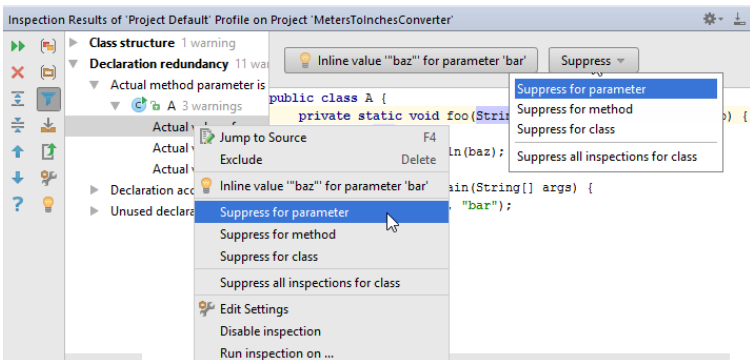
3. Depending on the issue, you will see either quick-fixes related to the inspection or the Inspection "<inspection name>" options item.
4. Use the up/down arrow keys to select this item and then press the right arrow key or just click the right arrow  next to this item.  
Pressing the left arrow key, or `Escape` hides the suggestion list.
5. In the inspection options list, select the desired suppress action:



The inspection will be suppressed with special comments in the corresponding piece of code.

## Suppressing inspections from the Inspection Results tool window

1. After [running code analysis](#), select a code issue, for which you want to suppress the inspection, in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#).
2. Click the button **Suppress** and choose the scope of suspension, or just right-click the selected inspection.
3. Choose the desired suppress action. For example:



The inspection will be suppressed with special comments in the corresponding piece of code.

**Note** The set of suppress actions depends on the language to which inspection applies. For example, for Cucumber, one can suppress inspections for a whole feature, for a scenario, or for a particular step:

Feature: Buying beer cans  
Scenario: Go to a store  
Given I have enough money  
And I see many beers cans  
When I choose sort of beer  
Create All Steps Definition  
Create Step Definition  
Conv  
Undefined step  
Edit inspection profile setting  
Disable inspection  
Suppress for feature  
Suppress for scenario/background  
Suppress for step



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If you think that some inspections report about the problems that you are not interested in, you can disable such inspections. Note that when you disable an inspection, it is disabled in the current [inspection profile](#) ; in all other profiles, it remains enabled.

There are several ways to disable/enable inspections:

- [Using the Inspections page in the Settings/Preferences dialog](#) - this is the main interface for managing inspections; here you can see at once, which inspections are enabled or disabled in all inspection profiles.
- [Using the intention actions](#) - this is the way to disable a highlighted code issues right in the editor.
- [In the Inspection Results tool window](#) - this is a quick way to disable uninteresting issues when [analyzing inspection results](#) . Note that here you can only disable inspections.

**Note** Note the difference between disabling and [suppressing](#) code inspections:

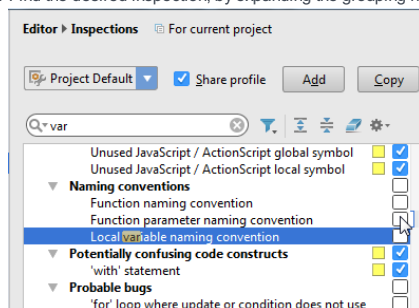
When [suppressing](#) an inspection, IntelliJ IDEA inserts a special comment that tells the code analysis engine to ignore the issues found by this inspection in the specific piece of code.

When [disabling](#) an inspection, you just turn it off so the code analysis engine just ignores the code issues found by this inspection.

## Disabling or enabling inspections

### To disable or enable an inspection in the Settings/Preferences dialog

1. Find the desired inspection, by expanding the grouping nodes or using the search field.



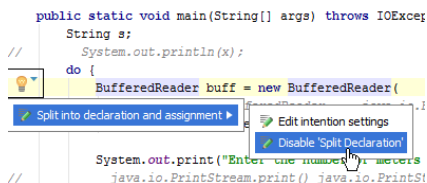
2. Use the checkbox next to the inspection to disable or enable it.
3. Apply the changes and close the dialog box.

### To disable an inspection for highlighted issue in the editor

- When you disable inspections this way, they are disabled for the current [inspection profile](#) .

- To re-enable inspections disabled this way, use the [main procedure](#) described above.

1. Set the caret at a highlighted issue.
2. Click the bulb icon or press `Alt+Enter` to reveal the inspection alert and suggestion list.
3. Select the inspection to be disabled, then click right arrow button or just press the right arrow key.
4. On the submenu, click `Disable <inspection name>` .

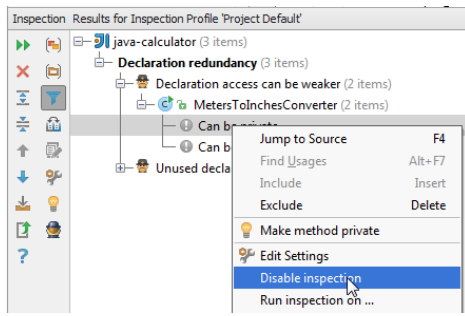



### To disable inspections from the Inspection results report

- When you disable inspections this way, they are disabled for the [inspection profile](#) that was used for [running inspections](#) . You can see it in the header of the Inspection Results window's tab.

- To re-enable inspections disabled this way, use the [main procedure](#) described above.


1. In the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) , right-click the inspection you want to disable.
2. On the context menu, choose `Disable inspection` .



3. Press the filter button  to hide the disabled inspection alerts.

After you [perform code analysis](#) or [execute a single inspection](#) , you can save the inspection results for further examination or for sharing with colleagues. IntelliJ IDEA enables you to export inspection results to the HTML or XML format.

## To export inspection results

1. On the toolbar of the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) , click the Export button  .
2. From the Export To context menu, select the target format. The available options are HTML and XML .
3. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the target directory to store the inspection results in.

## Basics

In addition to running code inspections from the main menu, or from the context menus of the [Project Tool Window](#), you can also launch the inspector from the command line, without actually running IntelliJ IDEA.

This way you can perform regular code inspections as a part of your development process, which is especially important for large projects. Inspection results are stored in the XML format.

## Launching a code inspection from the command line

### To launch a code inspection from the command line

- Specify the following command line arguments:
  - Path to the launcher : specify the **full path** to one of the following launchers (which reside under the `bin` directory of your IntelliJ IDEA installation):
    - For **Windows** : `inspect.bat`
    - For **UNIX** and **macOS** : `inspect.sh`
  - Project file path is the **full path** to the directory that contains the project to be inspected.
  - Inspection profile path is the **full path** to the profile, against which the project should be inspected. The inspection profiles are stored under `USER_HOME\.IntelliJ IDEAXX\config\inspection`
  - Output path is the **full path** to an existing directory where the report will be stored.
  - Options . You can specify:
    - The directory to be inspected `-d <full path to the subdirectory>`
    - The verbosity level of output `-vX`, where X is 0 for quiet, 1 for noisy and 2 for extra noisy.

**Warning!** Please note that you have to specify full paths. Relative paths are not accepted!

**Tip** If SDK is not defined, the inspection will fail. The SDK descriptions should be stored in `config\options\jdk.table.xml`. Learn how to configure SDK [here](#).

## Examples

### Windows

```
"C:\Program Files (x86)\JetBrains\IntelliJ IDEA home\bin\inspect.bat" E:\SampleProjects\MetersToInches
```

Note that your paths should be adjusted to your particular local system.

### macOS

```
/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/bin/inspect.sh ~/IntelliJ IDEAProjects/MyTestProject ~/Library/
```

## Viewing the results of an offline inspection

If you have performed an offline inspection and exported the inspection results to a directory in the XML format you can always download and view these results.

### To view the results of an offline inspection, follow these steps

1. Open the project against which the inspection was performed.
2. On the main menu, choose Analyze | View Offline Inspection Results .
3. In the Select Path dialog box that opens, navigate to the directory that contains inspection results in XML format.
4. Click OK . Inspection results display in the Offline View tab in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) .

**Tip** Alternatively, you can open the relevant XML file in IntelliJ IDEA or in any other text processor without opening the inspected project.

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If you have exported inspection results to a directory in XML format, or [performed offline inspection](#) outside IntelliJ IDEA, as a part of the automated build process, you can always download and view the results.

## Prerequisite

The relevant project should be opened in the IDE, and should contain the classes that have been inspected. Otherwise, you have to review inspection results, opening the reports as XML files in the editor.


## Viewing offline inspection results

### To view inspection results offline

1. On the main menu, choose Analyze | View Offline Inspection Results .
2. In the Select Path dialog, navigate to the directory that contains inspection results in XML format.
3. Click OK . Inspection results display in the Offline View tab in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) .

Use the [Status bar](#) to quickly re-configure highlighting for the file which is currently opened in the editor. With Hector , you can choose to highlight syntax problems, inspection issues, or turn off highlighting.

### To change the highlighting level for the current file

1. Open the Highlighting level pop-up window by doing one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Analyze | Configure Current File Analysis .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+H` .
  - Click the Hector icon  on the Status bar.
  - Right-click the code inspection indicator on top of the scroll bar.
2. Move the slider to one of the three available positions that define the highlighting level:
  - None : turn off problems highlighting in the editor.
  - Syntax : highlight syntax problems only.
  - Inspections : (default) highlight syntax problems and inspection issues.



IntelliJ IDEA allows you to create custom inspections based on [search templates](#) . The inspection list provides a Structural Search Inspection , which is a powerful tool for creating search templates. Based on this inspection, you can create any number of search templates to inspect your source code and any number of replace templates to be used as means to resolve detected problems.

**Tip** Using the Structural Search Inspection is the only way to create custom inspections through the IntelliJ IDEA interface. Alternatively, you can develop an [external plugin](#) to implement a custom inspection.

## To create a custom inspection

1. [Open the Inspections dialog box](#) .
2. Select the desired profile from the drop-down list. The inspections associated with the selected profile are displayed in the tree view.
3. In the list of inspections, expand the General node and select the checkbox next to the Structural Search Inspection item. This enables the controls in the Options area, where you can configure a custom inspection.
4. Click the Add Search Template button. In the [Structural Search](#) dialog box that opens specify the [search options](#) .
5. Click the Add Replace Template button. In the [Structural Replace](#) dialog box that opens specify the replace options.
6. Complete the list of inspection templates:
  - To edit a template, select it in the Selected Templates list, click the Edit button, and edit the template in the Edit Template dialog box that opens.
  - To remove a template, select it in the list and click the Remove button.
7. Specify the [inspection severity](#) using the Severity drop-down list.
8. [Associate the inspection with a scope](#).  
If an inspection is not associated with a scope, it applies to all the sources of the current project.

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## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA helps you handle the situations when you use classes that haven't been imported, or methods that haven't been written etc., which can result in errors. When a possible problem is suspected, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a solution, and in certain cases can implement this solution (properly assign variables, create missing references and more). Besides syntax problems, IntelliJ IDEA recognizes code constructs that can be optimized or improved, and suggests appropriate intention actions, denoted with the special icons.

## Intention action icons

### ItemIconDescription

Intention actions suggested	 A yellow bulb indicates that IntelliJ IDEA just proposes to alter your code. It covers a range of situations from warning correction to suggestions for code improvement (like micro-refactorings).
Specific intention action	 This sign appears in the suggestion list before each specific intention action. If an intention action alert is disabled, the sign turns to  . Disabled intention action is still available and can be enabled again.
Quickfix suggested	 A red bulb with an exclamation mark indicates that IntelliJ IDEA suggests a way to fix an error. It is related to Create from usage intentions and Quick fixes.
Disabled	 Alert is disabled, but the intention action is still available and can be enabled again.

## Intention action types

Find descriptions of specific intention actions on the [Intentions page](#) of the editor settings/preferences, where they are grouped according to the areas of their usage. Generally, intention actions can be divided into several categories, for example:

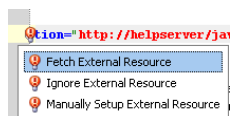
### Create from usage

This type of intention action creates new code items: classes, methods, etc. They are smart enough to analyze your code and provide actions suitable for a particular case. The main concept behind this type is that you can begin using new things without declaring them first. You are not taken away from your current task for mundane minutiae like creating declarations, new files, etc. which IntelliJ IDEA handles while you keep focused.

For example, Create Constant Field is suggested if the reference is uppercase, or Create class appears when a name is typed after the `new` keyword, or when an identifier starts with a capitalized letter, etc.

### Quick fixes

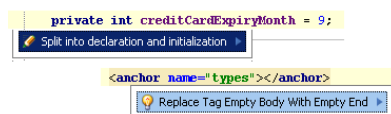
This type of intention action responds to common coding mistakes: using an improper access modifier, or an expression of the wrong type, or missing resources, etc. IntelliJ IDEA catches these kinds of problems as you type, and provides a quick way to fix them using Intentions Actions with appropriate suggestions for the error.



### Micro-refactorings

These intention actions appear for code that is syntactically correct, but can be structurally improved by such things as:

- Converting code constructs.
- Splitting declarations and assignments.
- Splitting or merging statements and tags, etc.



### Edit <Injected Language> Fragment

For string literals that represent [language injections](#), the Edit <Injected Language> Fragment intention action is available. You can use this intention action to open the corresponding code fragment in a separate editor.

```
numbers.js x
if (name == "") {
  heading = ""
  Flip if-else >
  Inject Language/Reference >
  Remove braces from if statement >
  Replace double-quoted string with single-quoted string >
  Run Query in Console >
  Edit <SQL keywords> Fragment >
  Un-inject Language/Reference >
```

IntelliJ IDEA displays an intention action alert, and it is your task to define which action (if any) should be performed.

### To apply an intention action

1. Click the light bulb icon, or use the `Alt+Enter` keyboard shortcut to bring up the suggestion list.
2. Click the desired option, or use the arrow keys to select the option and press `Enter`.

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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to configure intention action settings either in the [Intentions](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog, or "on-the-fly".

By default, all available intention actions that ship with IntelliJ IDEA, are enabled. By changing the Intention settings, you can disable the actions that are not required for your current working environment.

## Configuring intention settings using the Settings/Preferences dialog

### To configure intention settings using the Settings/Preferences dialog


1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Intentions under Editor .
2. In the [Intentions](#) page, clear the checkboxes of the intention actions or action categories that you do not currently need.  
Selecting or clearing a category affects all intention actions in this category.
3. Apply changes and close the dialog.

## Configuring intentions on-the-fly

### To configure intention settings on-the-fly

1. In the editor, press `Alt+Enter` to reveal the inspection alert and suggestion list.
2. Select the action to be disabled, then click right arrow button or just press the right arrow key.
3. On the submenu, choose Disable <intention action name> .

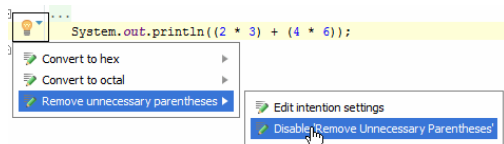
If an intention action is enabled, the alert shows automatically, when the caret rests on the problem-causing piece of code. You can disable alert for any type of intention actions, and show it by explicit invocation only.

Disabled intention actions are marked with the grey light bulb icon . Though disabled, such actions are still available and can be applied to the source code.

You can suppress intention actions related to inspections "on-the-fly", as described in the section [Suppressing Inspections](#) .

## To disable an intention action alert

1. Click `Alt+Enter` , or click the light bulb icon to show the suggestion list.
2. Select the action to be disabled and click the right arrow button.
3. On the submenu, click Disable <intention action name> :



For the disabled intention action, the menu item changes to Enable <intention action name> .

In this section you will find the basics of IntelliJ IDEA's annotations, and the related procedures:

- [Enabling Annotations](#) .
- [@Nullable and @NotNull](#) annotations, which are used, when IntelliJ IDEA supposes that a certain element can become `Null` .
- [@NonNls](#) annotation, which is used to ignore the hardcoded string literals.
- [@Contract](#) annotations, which is a powerful and flexible tool for making the APIs safer.
- [Annotating Source Code Directly](#) , which describes how to add annotations to your source code.
- [Inferring Nullity](#) , which describes how to analyze the source code for the possible `@Nullable` and `@NotNull` annotations.

Besides that, you can also find the following information:

- [External Annotations](#) that are stored outside the source code.
- [Using External Annotations](#)

Bundled IntelliJLang plugin provides three new annotations you may find useful:

- `@Language` : responsible for the Language injection feature.
- `@Pattern` : is used to validate Strings against a certain regular expression pattern
- `@Subst` : is used to substitute non-compile time constant expressions with a fixed value.

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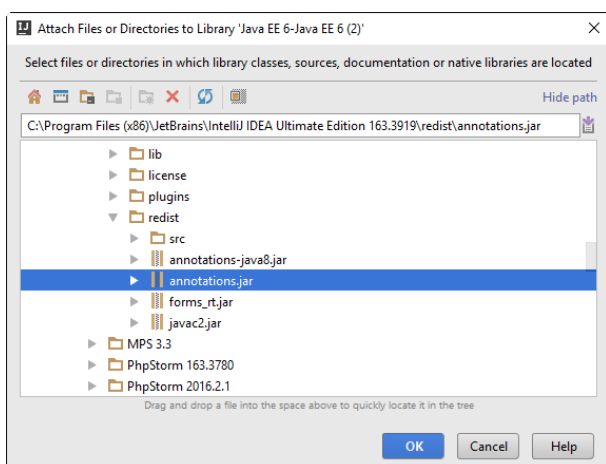
## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA lets you enable annotations in projects locally, through Maven repository for projects imported from Gradle or Maven model and through the editor.

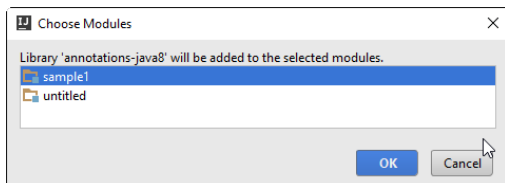
## Enabling annotations in the project

To enable annotations, follow these steps:

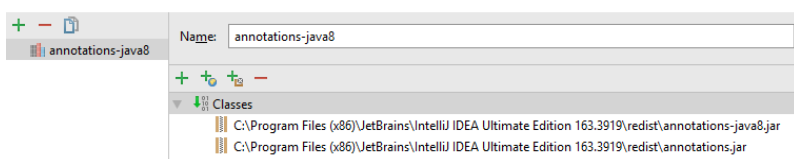
1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click Libraries .
3. Click **+**. **Select Library Files** dialog box opens.
4. Under <IntelliJ IDEA home> directory, select `redist/annotation.jar` / `redist/annotation-java8.jar` , and click OK



5. If your project contains more than one module, choose the desired module to be modified, and click OK :



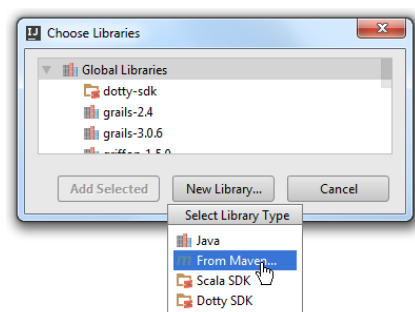
6. The new library is added to the classpath:



## Enabling annotations in Gradle or Maven projects

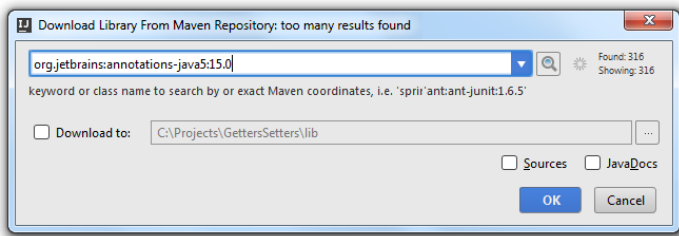
To enable annotations in Gradle or Maven projects, follow these steps:

1. Click **+** to open the project structure dialog.
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, on the Modules page, click the Dependencies tab.
3. On the Dependencies tab, click **+** and from the list that opens, select Library .
4. In the Choose Library dialog, click New Library and from the Select Library Type list, select From Maven .

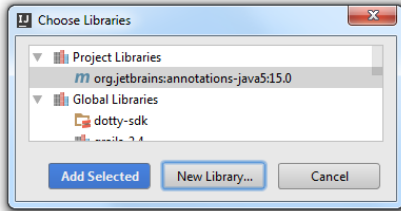


5. In the Download Library From Maven Repository dialog, enter `org.jetbrains:annotations:15.0` that contains annotations for Java 8 or `org.jetbrains:annotations-java5:15.0` that contains annotations compatible with Java 5 and click OK .

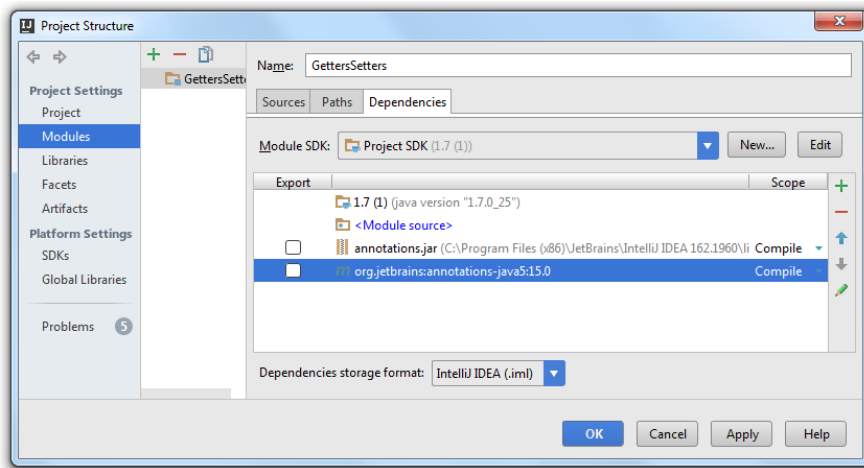




6. In the Choose Libraries dialog box, click Add Selected .



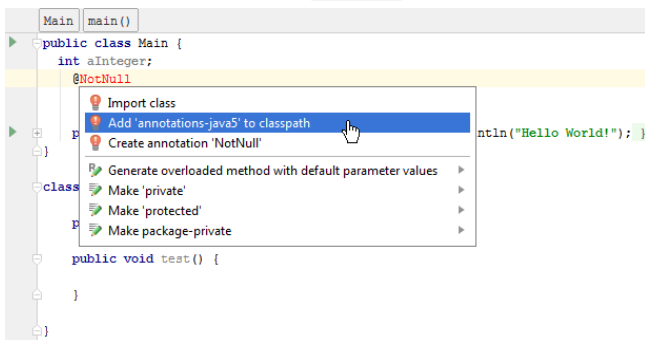
The new library is added to the list of dependencies and to the classpath.



## Enabling annotations using editor

To enable annotations in the editor:

– In the editor, write `@NotNull` and press `Alt+Enter` :



The selected JAR file is added:

```

4
5  import org.jetbrains.annotations.NotNull;
6
7
8
9  public class Main {
10     @NotNull
11
12     public static void main(String[] args) { System.out.println("Hello World!"); }
13
14 }

```

Note that if a project is imported from the Maven model, IntelliJ IDEA will add the dependency to the `pom.xml` .

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## Overview

This section describes [@Nullable](#) and [@NotNull](#) annotations introduced in IntelliJ IDEA for catching NullPointerException's (NPE's) through the Constant Conditions & Exceptions and [@Nullable](#) problem inspections.

These annotations are designed to help you watch contracts throughout method hierarchies to avoid emergence of NPE's. Moreover, IntelliJ IDEA provides another benefit for them: the Code Inspection mechanism informs you on such contracts' discrepancies in places where annotated methods are called and provides automated solutions in some cases.

Two annotations - [@Nullable](#) and [@NotNull](#) - handle method invocations and field dereferences outside methods.

## @Nullable

The [@Nullable](#) Annotation reminds you about the necessity to introduce an NPE check when:

- Calling methods that can return null.
- Dereferencing variables (fields, local variables, parameters) that can be null.

## @NotNull

The [@NotNull](#) Annotation is, actually, an explicit contract declaring the following:

- A method should not return null.
- A variable (like fields, local variables, and parameters) cannot hold null value.

IntelliJ IDEA warns you if these contracts are violated.

**Tip** For more information and code examples, refer to online [how-to](#).

## Formal Semantics

An element annotated with [@Nullable](#) claims null value is perfectly valid to return (for methods), pass to (for parameters) and hold (for local variables and fields).

An element annotated with [@NotNull](#) claims null value is forbidden to return (for methods), pass to (for parameters) and hold (for local variables and fields).

There is a covariance-contravariance relationship between [@Nullable](#) and [@NotNull](#) when overriding/implementing methods with annotated declaration or parameters.

- Overriding/implementing methods with an annotated declaration:
  - The [@NotNull](#) annotation of the parent method requires the [@NotNull](#) annotation for the child class method.
  - Methods with the [@Nullable](#) annotation in the parent method can have either [@Nullable](#) or [@NotNull](#) annotations in the child class method.
- Overriding/implementing methods with annotated parameters:
  - The [@Nullable](#) annotation of the parameter in the parent method requires the [@Nullable](#) annotation for the child class method parameter.
  - Methods with the [@NotNull](#) annotation of the parameter in the parent method can have either [@Nullable](#) or [@NotNull](#) annotations (or none of them) for the child class method parameter.

This section describes formal semantics and usage examples for `@NonNls` annotation introduced in IntelliJ IDEA. This annotation indicates that the annotated code element is not a string requiring internationalization and it does not contain such strings.

## Formal Semantics

When an element is annotated with `@NonNls`, internationalization mechanisms will skip it or strings inside it.

annotated method parameter

A string constant passed as a parameter in the method call is skipped. Also, if the property setter method parameter is annotated, such property values are not highlighted in the GUI Designer forms.

annotated field/variable

String literals in field/variable initializer are skipped.

method is called on an annotated field/parameter/variable

String literals passed as parameters to the method are skipped.

annotated field/parameter/variable passed as a parameter to the `equals()` method invoked on a string literal

The string literal is skipped.

annotated field/parameter/variable at the left part of the assignment expression

All string literals in the right part of the expression are skipped.

annotated method

All string literals returned by the method are skipped.

annotated class

All string literals in the class and all its subclasses are skipped.

annotated package

All string literals in the package and all its subpackages are skipped.

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## Overview

The `@Contract` annotation brings more safety to your code by defining dependencies between method arguments and return values. This information provides smarter control flow analysis for the source code and helps avoid probable errors.

The `@Contract` annotation is a powerful and flexible tool that helps make your APIs safer. Furthermore, it's possible to use it not only for annotating your own code but also for other existing libraries.

Once the annotations are configured for the project libraries, IntelliJ IDEA stores information about the annotations in simple XML files, to share with the team via version control.

To enable the annotations in a project, add `<IntelliJ IDEA Home>/lib/annotations.jar` to the classpath via [Project Structure](#) dialog.

The usage of `@Contract` annotations can be clarified by the following examples:

- `@Contract("_", null -> null")` - method returns `null` if its second argument is `null` .
- `@Contract("_", null -> null; _, !null -> !null")` - method returns `null` if its second argument is `null` , and not-null otherwise.
- `@Contract("true -> fail")` - a typical `assertFalse()` method which throws an exception if `true` is passed to it.

To learn more about `@Contract` annotations, refer to [this page](#) .

## Syntax of the @Contract annotation

The `@Contract` annotation value has the following syntax:

- `contract ::= (clause ';'*) clause`
- `clause ::= args '->' effect`
- `args ::= ((arg ','*) arg )?`
- `arg ::= value-constraint`
- `value-constraint ::= '_' | 'null' | '!null' | 'false' | 'true'`
- `effect ::= value-constraint | 'fail'`

The constraints here are:

- `_` - any value
- `null` - null value
- `!null` - a value statically proved to be not-null
- `true` - true boolean value
- `false` - false boolean value
- `fail` - the method throws an exception, if the arguments satisfy argument constraints

## Attributes of the @Contract annotation

The `@Contract` annotation has two attributes: `value` and `pure` .

The `value` attribute contains the contract clauses describing causal relations between call arguments and the returned value.

The `pure` attribute is intended for the methods that do not change the state of their objects, but just return a new value. This attribute may be used as a hint to the "Result of method call ignored" inspection to indicate that the method's return value should be used when called. It is either `false` (by default), or `true` .

## Example

Consider the following code:

```

private static void printSorted(){
    List<Integer> sorted = Quicksort.sort(null);
    if (sorted != null){
        System.out.println("Sorted array" + sorted);
    }
}

public static <T extends Comparable<T>> List<T> sort(List<T> list){
    if(list != null){
        List<T> copy = new ArrayList<T>(list);
        sort(copy);
        return copy;
    }
    else {
        return null;
    }
}
}

```

IntelliJ IDEA doesn't complain, because it doesn't know that a null input yields a null output.

Let's decorate the `sort()` method with `@Contract` annotation, specifying that null inputs yield null outputs.

```

@Contract("null -> null")
public static <T extends Comparable<T>> List<T> sort(List<T> list)
{
    if (list != null){
        List<T> copy = new ArrayList<T>(list);
        sort(copy);
        return copy;
    }
    else {
        return null;
    }
}

```

IntelliJ IDEA immediately recognizes that `if` statement is extraneous, and reports about the condition that is always false:

```

private static void printSorted() {
    List<Integer> sorted = Quicksort.sort(null);
    if (sorted != null){
        System.out.println("Sorted array" + sorted);
    }
}

```

Condition 'sorted != null' is always 'false' [more...](#) (Ctrl+F1)

## Useful hints

IntelliJ IDEA suggests the two intention actions for the methods of the library classes:

- Add method contract / Edit method contract :

```

DataStructureIterator iterator = this.new EvenIterator();
while (iterator.hasNext()) {
    System.out.println(iterator.next());
}
System.out.println("Even iterator");

```

Intention actions for `while (iterator.hasNext())`:

- Remove braces from 'while' statement
- Add method contract to 'hasNext'
- Annotate method 'hasNext' as @Deprecated

```

// Print out values of even indices of the array
DataStructureIterator iterator = this.new EvenIterator();
while (iterator.hasNext()) {
    System.out.println(iterator.next());
}
System.out.println("Even iterator");

```

Intention actions for `while (iterator.hasNext())`:

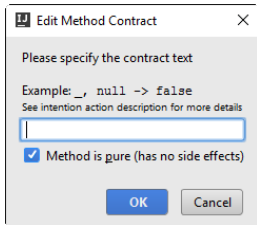
- Remove braces from 'while' statement
- Annotate method 'hasNext' as @Deprecated
- Deannotate org.jetbrains.annotations.Contract
- Edit method contract of 'hasNext'

```

interface DataStructureIterator extends java.util.Iterator<Integer>

```

- Both intentions have the possibility to set `pure = true` :



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## Overview

Annotation `@ParametersAreNonnullByDefault` gives the developer an option to define that for a given class or package all the elements (methods, parameters, fields and variables) have `@NotNull` semantic, unless they are explicitly annotated with the `@Nullable` annotation.

This is done by adding annotation `@javax.annotation.ParametersAreNonnullByDefault` to the entire package, class, or method.

To use `@javax.annotation.ParametersAreNonnullByDefault` annotation, make sure that `jsr305 jars` are added to the module libraries.

## Example

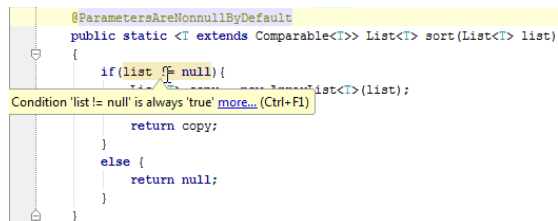
Consider the following code:

```
public static <T extends Comparable<T>> List<T> sort(List<T> list)
{
    if(list != null){
        List<T> copy = new ArrayList<T>(list);
        sort(copy);
        return copy;
    }
    else {
        return null;
    }
}
```

IntelliJ IDEA doesn't complain.

Let's decorate the `sort()` method with `@ParametersAreNonnullByDefault` annotation, which means that all the symbols of this method behave as if they were `@NotNull`.

IntelliJ IDEA immediately recognizes that `if` statement is extraneous, and reports about the condition that is always true:



```
@ParametersAreNonnullByDefault
public static <T extends Comparable<T>> List<T> sort(List<T> list)
{
    if(list != null){
        List<T> copy = new ArrayList<T>(list);
        sort(copy);
        return copy;
    }
    else {
        return null;
    }
}
```

Condition 'list != null' is always 'true' [more...](#) (Ctrl+F1)

However, if you decorate the parameter of the method `sort()` as nullable, you will see no inspection messages:

```
@ParametersAreNonnullByDefault
public static <T extends Comparable<T>> List<T> sort(@Nullable List<T> list)
{
    if(list != null){
        List<T> copy = new ArrayList<T>(list);
        sort(copy);
        return copy;
    }
    else {
        return null;
    }
}
```

Your source code can contain various annotations. For example, `@Nullable` and `@NotNull` annotations are used, when IntelliJ IDEA suggests that a certain element can become `Null`. The `@Nonnull` annotation is used to ignore the hardcoded string literals.

## To use annotations

1. Make sure that `annotations.jar` that can be found in the `lib` folder under the IntelliJ IDEA installation, is added to the module dependencies.

For `@javax.annotation.ParametersAreNonnullByDefault` annotations, `javax` should be added to the module libraries.

**Tip** You can also use annotations from JSR-305 and FindBugs. In this case, make sure they are added to the classpath.

You can configure `@Nullable`, `@NotNull` and `@Contract` annotations in the [Inspections](#) page of the Settings dialog ( Constant conditions and exceptions - Configure annotations ).

2. Introduce the desired annotation before the package/class/field/variable/method/method parameter declaration.

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## Annotating automatically nullable and non-null elements

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to analyse the source code for the elements that can become null, and annotate them, provided that annotations are available in the project sources.

### To automatically annotate nullable and non-null elements

1. Make sure that `annotations.jar` is added to your project. If it is not the case, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to configure the annotations first. This can be done either manually ( `File | Settings | Project Settings - Inspections - Probable bugs - Constant conditions and exceptions` ), or automatically.
2. On the main menu, choose `Analyze | Infer Nullity` .
3. In the `Specify Infer Nullity Scope` dialog box, do the following:
  - Select the scope where you want to infer nullity: the entire project, the current file, etc.
  - If you want to perform nullity analysis for the test sources as well, and annotate local variables, select the corresponding checkboxes.

Click `OK` . IntelliJ IDEA adds import statement for annotations if required, and annotates parameters and variables.

### Example

Consider the following code:

```
public Color myMethod(){
    Color color = null;
    return color;
}
```

Infer nullity for this code, with the checkbox `Annotate local variables` selected. IntelliJ IDEA annotates the method and local variable with the `Nullable` annotation:

```
@Nullable
public Color myMethod(){
    @Nullable Color color = null;
    return color;
}
```

However, if in the initial code the variable is initialized with some value, rather than null, the method and the local variable will be annotated with the `NotNull` annotation:

```
@NotNull
public Color myMethod(){
    @NotNull Color color = new Color(255);
    return color;
}
```



Consider a situation, when one needs to annotate symbols with `@Nullable/@NotNull` or `@NonNls` , but to avoid annotations in the source code. This may be the case when a team works on a project, using different IDEs, for example, IntelliJ IDEA and Eclipse; or when working with library classes.

This section provides brief description of external annotations. To learn how to enable, configure and create external annotations, refer to the section [Using External Annotation](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA suggests using external annotations that are stored outside of the source code. Information about annotated symbols is stored in XML files, rather than in the source code. Each entry maps a method parameter or return value to the desired annotation class.

Such file has the name `annotations.xml` and resides in the path that depends on the origin of the specific annotation. If an annotation pertains to the SDK, configured for your project, the path is to be defined in the SDK settings. If an annotation pertains to a module, the path should be defined in the module settings.

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- [Defining the path to external annotations on the SDK level](#)
- [Defining the path to external annotations for a module](#)
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## Introduction

If you want IntelliJ IDEA to use [external annotations](#), you have to enable this facility, and specify the directories, where the external annotations will be stored.

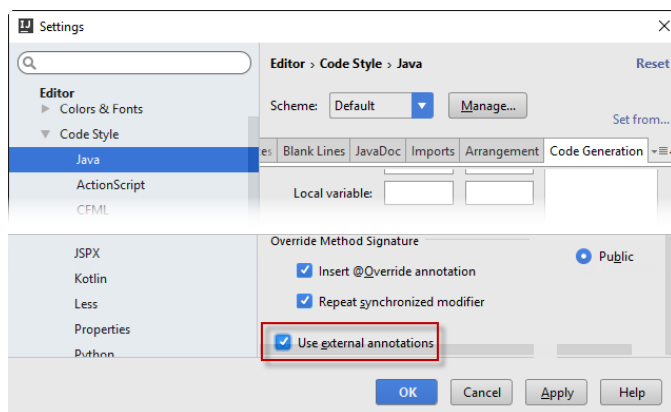
This section describes how to:

- [Enable external annotations](#).
- Configure paths to the external annotations on the [SDK](#) or [module](#) level.
- [Apply](#) external annotations.

## Enabling external annotations

### To enable external annotations

1. In the Code Generation section of the [Java](#) code style page, select the checkbox Use external annotations.



2. Apply changes and close the dialog box.

## Defining the path to external annotations on the SDK level

### To define the path to external annotations on the SDK level

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the Platform Settings section, click SDK.
3. In the SDK page, select Annotations tab.
4. Click Add button and specify the desired path in the Select Path dialog. You can create as many annotation paths as you like.
5. Apply changes and close the dialog box.

## Defining the path to external annotations for a module

### To define the path to external annotations for a module

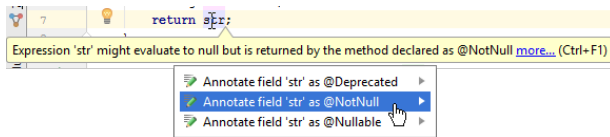
1. On the context menu of a project, choose Module Settings. Project Structure dialog is displayed on the [Modules page](#).
2. Select Paths tab.
3. In the External Annotations section, click Add and specify the desired path in the [Select Path dialog](#). You can create as many annotation paths as required.
4. Apply changes and close the dialog box.

## Annotating a symbol with an external annotation

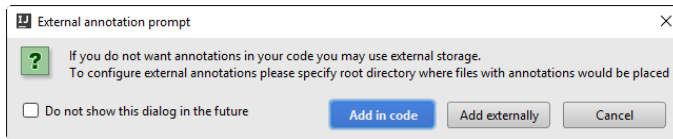
### To annotate a symbol with an external annotation

Follow these general steps:

1. If code inspection alerts you about the necessity to annotate a symbol, press `Alt+Enter` to show the list of intention actions, and select the appropriate Annotate command, for example:



2. In the dialog box that opens, click the Add externally button.



**Note** This dialog appears if external annotations are `enabled`. Otherwise, annotations are added to the source code by default.

In this part you will find:

- [General refactoring procedure](#)
- [Procedures and examples of the available refactorings](#)

## To perform refactoring, follow these general steps

1. Select (or hover caret on) a symbol or code fragment to refactor. The set of available refactorings depends on your selection. You can select symbols in the following IntelliJ IDEA components:
  - Project view
  - Structure tool window
  - Editor
  - UML Class diagram
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main Refactor menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose the desired refactoring or press the corresponding keyboard shortcut (if any).
  - On the main menu, choose Refactor | Refactor This , or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T` , and then select the desired refactoring from the pop-up window.
3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the refactoring options.
4. To apply the changes immediately, depending on the refactoring type, click Refactor or OK .
5. For certain refactorings, there is an option of previewing the changes prior to actually performing the refactoring. In such cases the Preview button is available in the corresponding dialog. To preview the potential changes and make the necessary adjustments, click Preview . IntelliJ IDEA displays the changes that are going to be made on a dedicated tab of the [Find tool window](#) .

One of the possible actions at this step is to exclude certain entries from the refactoring. To do so, select the desired entry in the list and press `Delete` .

If conflicts are expected after the refactoring, IntelliJ IDEA displays a dialog with a brief description of the encountered problems. If this is the case, do one of the following:

- Ignore the conflicts by clicking the Continue button. As a result, the refactoring will be performed, however, this may lead to erroneous results.
  - Preview the conflicts by clicking the Show in View button. IntelliJ IDEA shows all conflicting entries on the Conflicts tab in the [Find tool window](#) , enabling you to navigate to the problematic lines of code and to make the necessary fixes.
  - Cancel the refactoring and return to the editor.
6. When you are satisfied with the proposed results, click Do Refactor to apply the changes.

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following common refactorings:

- [Change Class Signature](#)
- [Change Signature](#)
- [Convert Anonymous to Inner](#)
- [Convert to Instance Method](#)
- [Copy](#)
- [Encapsulate Fields](#)
- [Extract Refactorings](#)
- [Generify Refactoring](#)
- [Inline](#)
- [Invert Boolean](#)
- [Make Class Static](#)
- [Make Method Static](#)
- [Migrate](#)
- [Move Refactorings](#)
- [Pull Members Up](#)
- [Push Members Down](#)
- [Remove Middleman](#)
- [Rename Refactorings](#)
- [Replace Constructor with Builder](#)
- [Replace Constructor with Factory Method](#)
- [Replace Inheritance with Delegation](#)
- [Find and Replace Code Duplicates](#)
- [Replace Temp With Query](#)
- [Safe Delete](#)
- [Type Migration](#)

- Use Interface Where Possible
- Wrap Return Value

The following language-specific refactorings are available:

- Change Class Signature
- Change Signature
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- Copy
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- Replace Constructor with Builder
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- Replace Inheritance with Delegation
- Find and Replace Code Duplicates
- Replace Temp With Query
- Safe Delete
- Type Migration
- Use Interface Where Possible
- Wrap Return Value

The Change Class Signature refactoring lets you turn a class into a generic and manipulate its type parameters. The refactoring automatically corrects all calls, implementations and overridings of the class.

- [Example](#)
- [Use cases](#)
- [Changing a class signature](#)

## Example

### Before After

<pre>// This is the class whose signature will be changed:  public class MyClass {     // some code here }  public class MyOtherClass {      // Here are the references to MyClass:      MyClass myClass;     void myMethod(MyClass myClass) {         // some code here     }     // some code here }  // Now we are going to add two formal type parameters // to MyClass.</pre>	<pre>// Two formal type parameters have been added:  public class MyClass&lt;Param1, Param2&gt; {     // some code here }  public class MyOtherClass {      // The references to MyClass have changed accordingly:      MyClass&lt;String, Integer&gt; myClass;     void myMethod(MyClass&lt;String, Integer&gt; myClass) {         // some code here     }     // some code here }  // When performing the refactoring, String and Integer // were specified as the default values for Param1 and // Param2 respectively.</pre>
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## Use cases

- The type parameters can have bounds extending other constructs including other type parameters from another class. For instance, the code like `public class ClassA<T, E>` can be easily transformed to `public class ClassA<T, E extends T>`. However, if the parameter order was initially `public class ClassA<E, T>`, the Change Class Signature refactoring may be useful for changing the parameter order in the class signature as well as in all its usages.
- IntelliJ IDEA can successfully deal with rather complicated cases and can alter parameters and corresponding usages if one parameter depends on another.

## Changing a class signature

### To change a class signature, follow these steps

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the name of the class whose signature you want to change.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+F6`.
  - Choose Refactor | Change Signature in the main menu.
  - Select Refactor | Change Signature from the context menu.
3. In the [Change Class Signature dialog](#), use the available controls to manage the formal type parameters:
  - To add a new parameter, click `+` or press `Alt+Insert`. Specify the parameter name and default type in the Name and the Default Value fields respectively.
  - To remove a parameter, select the parameter and click `-` (`Alt+Delete`).
  - To move a parameter up or down in the list, select the parameter and then use `↑` (`Alt+Up`) or `↓` (`Alt+Down`).
4. To perform the refactoring right away, click Refactor.  
To see the expected changes and make the necessary adjustments prior to actually performing the refactoring, click Preview.

## Basics

The Change Signature refactoring combines several different modifications that can be applied to a method signature. You can use this refactoring for the following purposes:

- To change the method name.
- To change the method return type.
- To add new parameters and remove the existing ones.
- To assign default values to the parameters.
- To reorder parameters.
- To change parameter names and types.
- To propagate new parameters through the method call hierarchy.

When changing a method signature, IntelliJ IDEA searches for all usages of the method and updates all the calls, implementations, and override replacements of the method that can be safely modified to reflect the change.

**Note** The Change Method Signature refactoring is supported for Java, PHP, JavaScript, and ActionScript.  
- You can access this refactoring from a [UML Class diagram](#).  
- The Change Method Signature refactoring is applicable to a constructor. In this case, however, the name and the return type cannot be changed.

## Examples

### Before/After

```
// The function paint() is declared in
// the IShape interface.

public interface IShape {
    function paint(g: Graphics): void;
}

// This function is then called within the
// paint() function of the Canvas class.

public class Canvas {
    private var shapes: Vector.<IShape>;

    public function paint(g: Graphics): void {
        for each (var shape: IShape in shapes) {
            shape.paint(g);
        }
    }
}

// Now we are going to show an example of the
// Change Signature refactoring for the function
// paint() of the IShape interface.
```

```
// In this refactoring example we have changed the name of the existing parameter
// and introduced two new parameters. Note that the first of the new parameters is
// a required parameter while the second is optional because the default value
// for it is specified in the function definition.

public interface IShape {
    function paint(graphics:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean, offset:Point = null):void;
}


// When performing this refactoring, the new parameters were propagated to
// the paint() function of the Canvas class. As a result, the signature of
// Canvas.paint() has changed. Also note how IShape.paint() within
// Canvas.paint() is called now.

public class Canvas {
    private var shapes: Vector.<IShape>;

    public function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean): void {
        for each (var shape: IShape in shapes) {
            shape.paint(g, wireframe);
        }
    }
}

// Other results for this refactoring are possible.
// For more information, see the discussion that follows.
```

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

<pre># This function will be renamed: def fibonacci( n ): a, b = 0, 1 while b &lt; n: print( b ) a, b = b, a+b  n = int(input("n = "))</pre>		<pre># Function with the new name: def fibonacci_numbers( n ): a, b = 0, 1 while b &lt; n: print( b ) a, b = b, a+b  n = int(input("n = "))</pre>
<pre># New parameters will be added: def fibonacci( n ): a, b = 0, 1 while b &lt; n: print( b ) a, b = b, a+b  n = int(input("n = ")) fibonacci( n )</pre>	<pre># Function with the new parameters. # Do not forget to specify the default values of the parameters, which will be used in the function call. def fibonacci( n,a,b ): a, b = 0, 1 # this should be done manually! while b &lt; n: print( b ) a, b = b, a+b  n = int(input("n = ")) fibonacci( n,0,1 )</pre>	

## Initializer, default value, and propagation of new parameters

For each new parameter added to a method, you can specify:

- A value (or an expression) to be used for initializing the parameter (the Initializer field in IntelliJ IDEA).
- A default value (or an expression) (the Default value field).

You can also propagate the parameters you have introduced to the methods that call the function whose signature you are changing.

The refactoring result depends on whether you specify the default value and whether you use propagation.

Propagation. New parameters can be propagated to any method that calls the method whose signature you are changing. In such case, generally, the signatures of the calling methods change accordingly.

These changes, however, also depend on the combination of the initializer and the default value set for the new parameters.

Initializer. The value specified in the Initializer field is added to the function definition as the default parameter value. This makes the corresponding parameter an optional parameter. (See the discussion of required and optional parameters in [Flex/ActionScript documentation](#).)

If the default value for the new parameter is not specified (in the Default value field), irrespective of whether or not the propagation is used, the method calls and the signatures of the calling methods don't change.

If both, the initializer and the default value are specified, the refactoring result depends on whether or not the propagation is used:

- If the propagation is not used, the initializer value don't affect the function calls and the signatures of the calling functions.
- If the propagation is used, the initializer value is added to the definition of the calling function as the default value for the corresponding parameter (in the same way as in the function whose signature you are changing).

Default value. Generally, this is the value to be added to the method calls.

If the new parameter is not propagated to a calling method, the calls within such method will also use this value.

If propagation is used, this value won't affect the method calls within the calling methods.

## More refactoring examples

To see how different refactoring settings discussed above affect the refactoring result, let us consider the following examples.

All the examples are a simplified version of the refactoring [shown earlier](#). In all cases, a new parameter `wireframe` of the type `Boolean` is added to the function `paint()` defined in the `IShape` interface.

In different examples, different combinations of the initializer and the default value are used, and the new parameter is either propagated to `Canvas.paint()` (which calls `IShape.paint()`) or not.

Initializer	Default	Propagation	Result
value	used		

false	Yes		
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```
public interface IShape {
function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean):void;
}

// The function paint() in the Canvas class:

public function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean): void
{
for each
(
var shape: IShape in shapes) {
shape.paint(g,wireframe);
}
}
```

false No

```
public interface IShape {
function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean):void;
}

// The function paint() in the Canvas class:

public function paint(g:Graphics): void
{
for each
(
var shape: IShape in shapes) {
shape.paint(g,false);
}
}
```

true

Yes

```
public interface IShape {
function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean = true):void;
}

// The function paint() in the Canvas class:

public function paint(g:Graphics):
void
{
for each
(
var shape: IShape in shapes) {
shape.paint(g);
}
}
```

true

No

```
public interface IShape {
function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean = true):void;
}

// The function paint() in the Canvas class:

public function paint(g:Graphics):void
{
for each
(
var shape: IShape in shapes) {
shape.paint(g);
}
}
```

true

false Yes

```
public interface IShape {
function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean = true):void;
}

// The function paint() in the Canvas class:

public function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean = true):
void {
for each
(
var shape: IShape in shapes) {
shape.paint(g,wireframe);
}
}
```

true

false No

## Changing a method signature

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the name of the method whose signature you want to change.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+F6`.
  - Choose Refactor | Change Signature on the main menu or
  - Choose Refactor | Change Signature on the context menu.
3. In the Change Signature dialog, make the necessary changes to the method signature and specify what other, related, changes are required.

You can:

- Change the method name. To do that, edit the text in the Name field.
- Change the method return type by editing the contents of the Return type field.  
Setting the method return type is only possible in PHP language version 7.1 and later. You can specify the PHP language level on the [PHP page](#) (File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | PHP for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | PHP for macOS).
- Manage the method parameters using the table and the buttons in the Parameters area:
  - To add a new parameter, click `+` and specify the properties of the new parameter in the corresponding table row.  
When adding parameters, you may want to [propagate these parameters](#) to the methods that call the current method.

In the PHP context, when the **Change signature** refactoring is invoked from the constructor of a class, the new parameter can be initialized as a class field. To do that, use the Create and initialize class properties check box:

- When this checkbox is selected, the newly added parameter is initialized as a field. IntelliJ IDEA creates a protected field with the same name as this parameter and adds a line with the following assignment:

```
$this-><parameter_name> = <parameter_name>;
```

- When the checkbox is cleared, a parameter is added without initialization.

For example, you have the following constructor:

```
class ChangeSignatureNewParam {
    function __construct() {
        $a = "Constructor in ChangeSignatureNewParam";
        print $a;
    }
}
```

If you invoke the **Change signature** refactoring from the `__construct()` method and add a new `$q` parameter, the result will depend on whether you select or clear the Create and initialize class properties checkbox:

- The Create and initialize class properties checkbox is selected:

```
class ChangeSignatureNewParam {
    private $q;
    function __construct($q) {
        $a = "Constructor in ChangeSignatureNewParam";
        print $a;
        $this->q = $q;
    }
}
```

- The Create and initialize class properties checkbox is cleared:

```
class ChangeSignatureNewParam {
    function __construct($q) {
        $a = "Constructor in ChangeSignatureNewParam";
        print $a;
    }
}
```

- To remove a parameter, click any of the cells in the corresponding row, and then click `-`.
- To reorder the parameters, use the `↑` and `↓` buttons. For example, if you want to put a certain parameter first in the list, click any of the cells in the row corresponding to that parameter, and then click `↑` the required number of times.
- To change the name, type, the initializer, or the default value of a parameter, make the necessary edits in the table of parameters (in the fields Name Type, Initializer and Default value respectively).


```
public interface IShape {
    function paint(g:Graphics,
        wireframe:Boolean = true):void;
}

// The function paint() in the Canvas class:

public function paint(g:Graphics):
void {
    for each
    (
        var shape: IShape in shapes) {
        shape.paint(g,false);
    }
}
```

- Propagate new method parameters (if any) along the hierarchy of the methods that call the current method.  
(There may be methods that call the method whose signature you are changing. These methods, in their turn, may be called by other methods, and so on. You can propagate the changes you are making to the parameters of the current method through the hierarchy of calling methods and also specify which calling methods should be affected and which shouldn't.)

To propagate a new parameter:

1. Click the Propagate Parameters button .
2. In the left-hand pane of the Select Methods to Propagate New Parameters dialog, expand the necessary nodes and select the checkboxes next to the methods you want the new parameters to be propagated to.  
To help you select the necessary methods, the code for the calling method and the method being called is shown in the right-hand part of the dialog (in the Caller Method and Callee Method panes respectively).

As you switch between the methods in the left-hand pane, the code in the right-hand pane changes accordingly.

3. Click OK .
4. To perform the refactoring right away, click Refactor .  
To [see the expected changes](#) and make the necessary adjustments prior to actually performing the refactoring, click Preview .

**Note** Code completion is available in the Default value field of the table in the Parameters area.

In Java, you can use the [Change Method Signature](#) refactoring to:

- Change the method name, return type and visibility scope.
- Add new parameters and remove the existing ones. Note that you can also add a parameter using a dedicated [Extract Parameter](#) refactoring.
- Reorder parameters.
- Change parameter names and types.
- Add and remove exceptions.
- Propagate new parameters and exceptions through the method call hierarchy.

On this page:

- [Examples](#)
- [Changing a method signature](#)

## Examples

The following table shows 4 different ways of performing the same Change Method Signature refactoring.

In all the cases, a new parameter `price` of the type `double` is added to the method `myMethod()`.

The examples show how the method call, the calling method (`myMethodCall()`) and other code fragments may be affected depending on the refactoring settings.

### BeforeAfter

<pre>public class MyClass {      // This is the method whose signature will be changed:      public void myMethod(int value) {         // some code here     } }  public class MyOtherClass {     public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass) {         double d=0.5;          // Here is the method call:          myClass.myMethod(1);     } }  // We'll ask IntelliJ IDEA to update all the method calls. // We'll also specify a default value to be passed to the method.</pre>	<pre>public class MyClass {      // The new parameter price has been added:      public void myMethod(int i, double price) {         // some code here     } }  public class MyOtherClass {     public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass) {         double d=0.5;          // The method call has changed accordingly:          myClass.myMethod(1, 0.0);     } }  // When performing the refactoring, 0.0 was specified as // the default parameter value.</pre>
--	---

```

public class MyClass {

    // This is the method whose signature will be changed:

    public void myMethod(int value) {
        // some code here
    }
}

public class MyOtherClass {
    public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass) {
        double d=0.5;

        // Here is the method call:

        myClass.myMethod(1);
    }
}

// We'll ask IntelliJ IDEA to update all the method calls.
// We'll also ask IntelliJ IDEA to look for a variable
// of the appropriate type near the method call and pass this
// variable to the method.
// In IntelliJ IDEA, this option is called Use Any Var.

```

```

public class MyClass {

    // The new parameter price has been added:

    public void myMethod(int i, double price) {
        // some code here
    }
}

public class MyOtherClass {
    public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass) {
        double d=0.5;

        // The method call has changed accordingly:

        myClass.myMethod(1, d);
    }
}

// Near the method call, IntelliJ IDEA has found the variable d
// which has the same type as the new parameter. As a result,
// this variable was used in the method call.

```

```

public class MyClass {

    // This is the method whose signature will be changed:

    public void myMethod(int value) {
        // some code here
    }
}

public class MyOtherClass {
    public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass) {
        double d=0.5;

        // Here is the method call:

        myClass.myMethod(1);
    }
}

// We'll ask IntelliJ IDEA to keep the method calls unchanged but
// create a new overloading method which will call the method
// with the new signature.
// In IntelliJ IDEA, this way of handling the method calls is
// referred to as Delegate via overloading method.

```

```

public class MyClass {

    // A new overloading method has been created:

    public void myMethod(int i) {
        myMethod(i, 0.0);
    }

    // The new parameter price has been added:

    public void myMethod(int i, double price) {
        // some code here
    }
}

public class MyOtherClass {
    public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass) {
        double d=0.5;

        // The method call has not changed:

        myClass.myMethod(1);
    }
}

// Note that the new overloading method has the old signature.
// However, it calls the method with the new signature.
// 0.0 was specified as the default parameter value
// when performing the refactoring.

```

```

public class MyClass {

    // This is the method whose signature will be changed:

    public void myMethod(int value) {
        // some code here
    }
}

public class MyOtherClass {

    // This method will also change its signature:

    public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass) {
        double d=0.5;

        // Here is the method call:

        myClass.myMethod(1);
    }
}

// This time we'll ask IntelliJ IDEA to propagate the new
// parameter to the method call through the calling method
// myMethodCall().

```

```

public class MyClass {

    // The new parameter price has been added:

    public void myMethod(int i, double price) {
        // some code here
    }
}

public class MyOtherClass {

    // The new parameter price has propagated
    // to the method call through the calling method:

    public void myMethodCall(MyClass myClass, double price) {
        double d=0.5;

        // The method call has changed accordingly:

        myClass.myMethod(1, price);
    }
}

```

## Changing a method signature

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the name of the method whose signature you want to change.

2. Do one of the following:

- Press `Ctrl+F6`.
- Choose Refactor | Change Signature in the main menu.
- Select Refactor | Change Signature from the context menu.


Note that if you refactor a method that overrides another method, IntelliJ IDEA suggests either to modify the method from the base class, or to modify only the selected method.

3. In the [Change Signature dialog](#), make the necessary changes to the method signature and specify which other, related changes are required.

You can:


- Change the method visibility scope (access level modifier) by selecting the necessary option under Visibility.
- Change the method return type by editing the contents of the Return type field.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available in this field, and also in other fields used for specifying the types.
- Change the method name. To do that, edit the text in the Name field.
- Manage the method parameters using the controls on the Parameters tab:
  - To add a new parameter, click `+` (`Alt+Insert`) and specify the properties of the new parameter in the corresponding fields. If necessary, select the [Use Any Var option](#).  
When adding parameters, you may want to [propagate these parameters](#) to the methods that call the current method.
  - To remove a parameter, select this parameter in the table and click `-` (`Alt+Delete`).
  - To reorder the parameters, use `↑` (`Alt+Up`) and `↓` (`Alt+Down`).
  - To change the name, type, or the default value for a parameter, click this parameter in the table and make the necessary edits in the corresponding fields.
- Propagate new method parameters (if any) along the hierarchy of the methods that call the current method. (There may be the methods that call the method whose signature you are changing. These methods, in their turn, may be called by other methods, and so on. You can propagate the changes you are making to the parameters of the current method through the hierarchy of the calling methods and also specify which calling methods should be affected and which shouldn't.)

To propagate the new parameters:

1. Click  ( **Alt+G** ).
2. In the left-hand pane of the Select Methods to Propagate New Parameters dialog, expand the necessary nodes and select the checkboxes next to the methods you want the new parameters to be propagated to.  
To help you select the necessary methods, the code for the calling method and the method being called is shown in the right-hand part of the dialog (in the Caller Method and Callee Method panes respectively).

As you switch between the methods in the left-hand pane, the code in the right-hand part changes accordingly.

3. Click OK .

- Manage the method exceptions using the list of exception types and the buttons on the Exceptions tab. The procedures are similar to those used for [managing the method parameters](#) .
- Propagate new exceptions (if any) along the hierarchy of the methods that call the current method. To initiate this procedure, use  ( **Alt+X** ). In all other respects, the procedure is similar to that used for [propagating new method parameters](#) .
- Specify how the method calls should be handled. To do that, select one of the following Method calls options:
  - If you want the method calls to be **modified** , select Modify .
  - If you want to leave the existing method calls **unchanged** , select Delegate via overloading method .

4. To perform the refactoring right away, click Refactor .

To [see the expected changes](#) and make the necessary adjustments prior to actually performing the refactoring, click Preview .

The Convert Anonymous to Inner refactoring allows you to convert an anonymous class into a named inner class.

– [Example](#)

– [To inline a constructor, follow these steps](#)

## Example

BeforeAfter

<pre>public class Class {     public Interface method() {         final int i = 0;         return new Interface() {             public int publicMethod() {                 return i;}         };     } }</pre>	<pre>public class Class {     public Interface method() {         final int i = 0;         return new MyInterfaceClass(i);     } } public class MyInterfaceClass implements Interface {     private final int         i;     public MyInterfaceClass(int i) {         this.i = i;     }     public int publicMethod() {         return             i;     } }</pre>
---	---

### To inline a constructor, follow these steps

1. Place the cursor within the anonymous class to be refactored.
2. On the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Convert Anonymous To Inner . The [Convert Anonymous To Inner dialog](#) opens.
3. In the Class name field specify the name for the new inner class.
4. In the Constructor parameters area select the variables, that will be used as parameters to the inner class constructor.
5. Click OK to create the inner class.



Convert to Instance Method refactoring is used to convert a static method to a non-static, class instance method, with a class being the type parameter of the initial method.

- [Example](#)
- [Converting a method to an instance method](#)

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#) .

## Example

Consider classes `MyClass` , `ClassA` and `ClassB` residing in the same package. `MyClass` contains the following code:

```
public class MyClass {
    ClassA classA = new ClassA();
    ClassB classB = new ClassB();

    static public void greatMethod(ClassA classA, ClassB classB){
        System.out.println("classA = " + classA);
        System.out.println("classB = " + classB);
    }

    public void myMethod(){
        MyClass.greatMethod(classA, classB);
    }
}
```

After refactoring, `MyClass` and `ClassB` become:

```
public class MyClass {
    ClassA classA = new ClassA();
    ClassB classB = new ClassB();

    public void myMethod(){
        classB.greatMethod(classA);
    }
}

public class ClassB {
    public void greatMethod(ClassA classA){
        System.out.println("classA = " + classA);
        System.out.println("classB = " + this);
    }
}
```

## Converting a method to an instance method

1. In the editor, place the caret on the declaration or usage of a method to be refactored. The method should be static and the types of its parameters should be the classes from the project. In other words, you cannot use such parameters types, as `String` .
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the Refactor menu, choose Convert to Instance Method .
  - Right-click the method and select Refactor | Convert to Instance Method .

**Note** The selected method must be static and must receive at least one of the classes included in the current project as a parameter.

3. The Convert to Instance Method dialog appears.
4. In the Select an instance parameter list select the class you want the method to belong to after the conversion. All the usages of this class inside the method are replaced with this .
5. To change the visibility scope of the converted method, select the new scope in the Visibility area. By default the converted method will have no scope declaration (equivalent to public) .
6. [Preview and apply changes](#) .

## Basics

The Copy refactoring lets you create a copy of a class in a different package. It can also be used to create a copy of a file, directory or package in a different directory or package.

### Performing Copy refactoring

#### To perform the Copy refactoring

1. Select the item of interest in a tool window (e.g. the Project tool window). Alternatively, open the necessary class or file in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Choose Refactor | Copy on the main menu or the context menu.
  - Press **F5** .
  - In the Project tool window, press and hold the **Ctrl** key, and drag the item to the target location.
3. In the [Copy dialog](#) that opens, specify the name and location for the copy that you are creating, and click OK .

Hiding your data and accessing it through an outward interface based on accessor methods is a good idea. Later you can change the data internals, preserving full compatibility with the code relied on the class and its available methods. The Encapsulate Fields refactoring allows you to hide your data and create the necessary accessors.

- [Example](#)
- [Performing the Encapsulate Fields refactoring](#)

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#) .

## Example

### BeforeAfter

```
//File Class.java
public class Class {
    public String aString;
}
```

```
//File Class.java
public class Class {
    private String aString;
    public void setaString(String aString) {
        this.aString = aString;
    }
    public String getaString() {
        return aString;
    }
}
```

```
//File AnotherClass.java
public class AnotherClass {
    public Class aClass;
    public void method() {
        aClass.aString="string";
    }
}
```

```
//File AnotherClass.java
public class AnotherClass {
    public Class aClass;
    public void method() {
        aClass.setaString("string");
    }
}
```

### To perform the Encapsulate Fields refactoring, follow these steps

1. Select a class or a specific field within the class. The way you perform selection depends on the view where you do it.
  - In the editor : position the caret at the desired field or at any place inside the class to be refactored.
  - In the Project view : select the desired class.
  - In the Structure view : select one or more fields.
2. On the main menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Encapsulate Fields . The [Encapsulate Fields](#) dialog box is opened, displaying all fields, detected in the selected scope.
3. In the Fields to encapsulate area check the fields you want to create accessors for.
4. In the Encapsulate area, specify whether you want to create getter or setter methods, or both.
5. To replace all field occurrences with the calls to the appropriate accessor method, in the Options area check the option Use accessor even when field is accessible .
6. In the Encapsulated fields' visibility area specify the new visibility scope for the selected fields.
7. In the Accessors' visibility area select the visibility scope for the created accessor methods.
8. [Preview and apply changes](#) .

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- The way to extract constant, field, and variable refactorings are performed, depends on the setting of the Enable in-place refactoring checkbox in the [Editor](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.
  - Extract refactorings are performed for the various expressions and blocks of code, including strings and substrings. Extract refactoring on substrings is supported for:
    - parts of strings with no formatting
    - parts of strings with concatenation via "+"
    - parts of strings with "%"-style formatting
    - parts of strings with "%()"-style formatting
    - new-style `str.format()` formatted strings

The Extract Delegate refactoring lets you extract some of the fields and methods of a class into a separate, newly created class. This refactoring is useful, when a class has grown too large and "does too many things". In such cases, it might be a good idea to split the class into smaller, more cohesive classes.

- [Example](#)
- [Performing the Extract Delegate refactoring](#)

## Example

### BeforeAfter

<pre>public class Foo {     private String b;     public String getInfo() {         return "(" + b + ")";     }     ... }</pre> <pre>public class Bar {     Foo foo;     String t2 = foo.getInfo();     ... }</pre>	<pre>public class Foo {     private final Info info = new Info();     public String getInfo() {         return info.getInfo();     }     ... }</pre> <pre>public class Info {     private String b;     public Info() {}     public String getInfo() {         return "(" + b + ")";     } }</pre> <pre>public class Bar {     Foo foo;     String t2 = foo.getInfo();     ... }</pre>
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## To perform Extract Delegate refactoring, follow these steps

1. Open the class in the editor, or select it in the Project tool window.
2. Select Refactor | Extract | Delegate from the main or the context menu.
3. In the [Extract Class dialog](#) that opens:
  - Specify the name and package for the class to be created.
  - Selects the fields and methods to be included in the new class.
  - Click Preview to see the usages of the selected fields or methods in the [Find tool window](#) . Select the usages to be included in the refactoring and click Do Refactor .


Note that this refactoring can also be accessed from a [UML Class diagram](#) .

The Extract Include refactoring is used to extract a fragment of HTML, JSP/JSPX, JavaScript, or CSS code into a separate include file.

## To extract an include file

1. In the editor, select the code block to be extracted and choose Refactor | Extract | Extract Include File on the main menu or on the context menu of the selection.
2. In the [Extract Include File](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the target include file in the Name for extracted include file text box.

**Tip** Type the file name without an extension.

3. In the Extract to directory text box, specify the directory to store the include file in. Leave the predefined directory, or redefine it manually, or click the Browse button  and choose the desired folder in the Select Target Directory dialog box that opens.
4. Click OK , when ready. IntelliJ IDEA extracts the selected source code into the specified file in the target directory and generates the corresponding reference in the source file.  
If there are any duplicates for the selected fragment, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to change them for the corresponding reference as well.

With the Extract Interface refactoring you have three options:

- Create an interface based on the methods of a class without applying the new interface immediately.
- Create an interface and apply it to the source code.
- Rename the original class, and it implements the newly created interface. In such case, IntelliJ IDEA changes all usages of the original class to use the interface where possible.

In addition, static final fields, declared in the initial class, can be moved to an interface. As a result, an interface will be created containing the specific methods and fields. Thereby, the specified class methods become implementations of the corresponding interface methods.

- [Examples](#)

- [Extracting an interface](#)

## Examples

Here we have a class, and perform Extract Interface refactoring to create an interface based on the methods of the class.

### BeforeAfter

```
// File AClass.java
class AClass {
    public static final double CONSTANT=3.14;
    public void publicMethod() { //some code here}
    public void secretMethod() { //some code here}
}

// File AClass.java
class AClass implements AnInterface {
    public void publicMethod() { //some code here}
    public void secretMethod() { //some code here}
}

// File AnInterface.java
public interface AnInterface {
    double CONSTANT=3.14;
    void publicMethod();
}
```

Another example of the Extract Interface refactoring, when the Rename original class and use interface where possible option is selected.

### BeforeAfter

```
public class FormerAClass implements AClass {
    public void publicMethod() { //some code here}
    public void secretMethod() { //some code here}
}

public interface AClass {
    double CONSTANT=3.14;
    void publicMethod();
}
```

You can extract an interface from the class that already implements another interface. Let's extract interface from the class that implements `AnInterface`. Depending on whether we want `AnotherInterface` (extracted interface) to extend the `AnInterface` (existing one) or we want source `AClass` to implement them both, we will get the following code:

Extracted Interface extends the existing one:

```
class AClass implements AnotherInterface {
    public void publicMethod() {
        //some code here
    }
    public void secretMethod() {
        //some code here
    }
}
```

Extracted Interface :

```
public interface AnotherInterface extends AnInterface {
}
```

Source class implements both interfaces.

Source class :

```
class AClass implements AnInterface, AnotherInterface {
    public void publicMethod() {
        //some code here
    }
    public void secretMethod() {
        //some code here
    }
}
```

Extracted Interface :

```
public interface AnotherInterface {  
}
```

## Extracting an interface

1. Select a class in the Project view, Structure view, or place the caret anywhere within a class in the editor.
2. On the main menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Extract | Interface . The **Extract Interface** dialog box appears.
3. To extract a new interface, select the Extract Interface option and specify the name for the new interface.

To rename the original class and make it an implementation of the newly created interface, select the Rename original class and use interface where possible option and specify the new name for the original class. IntelliJ IDEA will alter all original class usages to the usages of the implementing only where it is still necessary.

4. Specify the package, where the new interface will be located.
5. Select the class members you want to be listed in the interface in the Members to form interface area. The list shows all the methods of the class, as well as final static fields (constants).
6. In the JavaDoc area, select the action to be applied on the JavaDoc .
  - To leave it where it is, select the As is option.
  - To copy it to the extracted interface, select the Copy option.
  - To move it to the extracted interface, select the Move option.
7. Click Refactor to proceed.
8. Click Refactor when ready. If IntelliJ IDEA shows you a Refactoring Preview in the Find tool window, review the suggested changes. To have the interface extracted and the proposed changes applied, click Do Refactor .

**Note** If the class is used within the open project, IntelliJ IDEA proposes to replace the instances of the class with instances of the new interface. Note that if an instance references a method or field, which are not defined in the interface, it won't be suggested for replacement.



## Basics

When the **Extract Method** refactoring is invoked, IntelliJ IDEA analyses the selected block of code and detects variables that are the input for the selected code fragment and the variables that are output for it.

If there is exactly one output variable, it is used as a return value for the extracted method. In case there are multiple output variables, the Extract Method refactoring may not be applied, and the error message appears.

There are several workarounds to allow Extract Method work in this case. For example, you may introduce a special data-class that contains all output values.

**Warning!** The Extract Method refactoring has the following limitations:

- Refactoring does not work with multiple output values in automatic mode. You have to change your code before applying the refactoring.
- Refactoring does not work for a code fragment which conditionally returns from the containing method and is not placed at the end of it.

## Java example

### Before After

```
public void method() {
    int a=1;
    int b=2;
    int c=a+b;
    int d=a+c;
}
```

```
public void method() {
    int a=1;
    int b=2;
    int c=add(a,b);
    int d=add(a,c);
}
...
private int add(int a, int b) {
    return a+b;
}
```

```
public ArrayList method() {
    String[] strings = {"a","b","c"};
    ArrayList list = new ArrayList();
    for (int i=0; i < strings.length; i++)
        {list.add(strings[i]);}
    return list;
}
```

```
public ArrayList method() {
    String[] strings = {"a","ab","abc"};
    ArrayList list=add(strings);
    return list;
}
...
private ArrayList add(String[] strings) {
    ArrayList list = new ArrayList();
    for (int i=0; i < strings.length; i++)
        {list.add(strings[i]);}
    return list;
}
```

## Extracting a method

### To extract a method, follow these steps

1. In the editor, select a block of code to be transformed into a method or a function.

**Tip** The code fragment to form the method does not necessarily have to be a set of statements. It may also be an expression used somewhere in the code.

2. On the main menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Extract | Method or press

`Ctrl+Alt+M`.

3. In the Extract Method dialog box that opens, specify the name of the new function.

4. To create a static method, select the Declare Static check box.

5. In the Parameters area, do the following:

- Specify the variables to be passed as method parameters, by selecting/clearing the corresponding checkboxes.

If a parameter is disabled, a local variable of the corresponding type, with the initial value ... will be created in the extracted method, so that you will have to enter the initializer with an appropriate value manually.

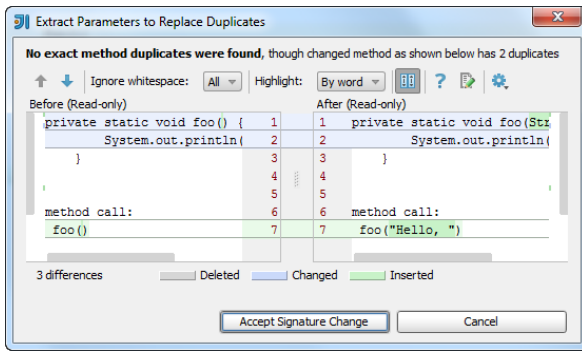
- Rename the desired parameters, by double-clicking the corresponding parameter lines and entering new names.

6. In the Visibility area define the method's visibility scope.

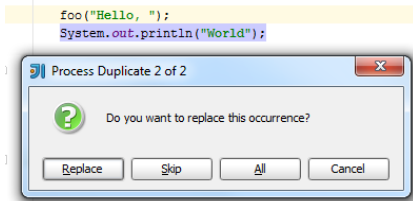
7. Check the result in the Signature Preview pane and click OK to create the method. The selected code fragment will be replaced with a method call. Additionally, IntelliJ IDEA will propose to replace any similar code fragments found within the current class.

## Processing duplicates

IntelliJ IDEA detects the duplicated code fragments that may accept different values as parameters and shows the following suggestion in the format of the [Differences Viewer](#) :



If you click the button Accept Signature Change, all the encountered duplicates will become highlighted, and IntelliJ IDEA will ask you for the confirmation:



Finally, after replacing the desired duplicates with the method call, you'll end up with the following code:

```
foo("Hello, ");
foo("World");

private static void foo(String x) {
    System.out.println(x);
}
```

You can also extract methods from the repetitive code fragments, which IntelliJ IDEA finds in course of the [duplicates analysis](#). The encountered duplicates display in the [Duplicates tool window](#), where you can try to replace them with method calls.

The Extract Method Object refactoring moves method into a new class, converting all the local variables to its fields, allowing you to decompose the method into other methods on the same object. It is an alternative to the [Extract Method](#) , and can be used when you have multiple return values in an extracted method.

## Example

### BeforeAfter

```
class Account {
    int gamma (int val1, ...) {
        //some computations
        return c-2*a;
    }
}

class Account {
    int gamma (int val1, ...) {
        Calculations calculations = new Calculations(val1, ...).invoke();
        int c = calculations.getC();
        int a = calculations.getA();
        return c-2*a;
    }
    private class Calculations {
        private int val1;
        ...
        private int a;
        private int c;
        public Calculations(int val1, ...) {
            this.val1 = val1;
            ...
        }
        public int getA() {return a;}
        public int getC() {return c;}
        public Calculations invoke() {
            ...//computations
            return this;
        }
    }
}
```

### To extract a method object, follow these steps

1. In the editor, select the method code block to be extracted into the object.
2. On the main menu, or from the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Extract | Method Object .
3. Select whether you want to create inner class, or anonymous class.

**Note** You cannot extract the method object into an anonymous class, if the selected method code block contains local variables that should be accessed individually somewhere else. In this case method object can be extracted into inner class, that will contain needed getters.

4. If you want to create an inner class, you need to specify the name for the class and the visibility scope. You can also make the class static, if needed.
5. If you want to create an anonymous class, you should specify method's name.
6. In the Parameters area select the variables that will be used as a parameters.
7. Review Signature Preview and click OK .

The Extract Parameter Object refactoring allows you to select a set of parameters to a method, and either create a wrapper class for those parameters, or use an existing compatible wrapper class. All calls to the method selected will have their parameters appropriately wrapped, and all usages of the wrapped parameter will be replaced by the appropriate calls on the newly created parameter class.

Extracting a parameter object is useful if the number of parameters passed to a method has grown too large, or if the parameters have become complex enough to deserve first-class handling as their own class. Also, it is common to wrap primitive parameters as parameter objects, thus allowing interface and implementation to be decoupled as needed.

## Example

### BeforeAfter

```
public class A {
    private void drawEdge(Graphics g, float edgeWidth,
        int x1, int x2, int y1, int y2) {
        final Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D) g;
        g2d.setStroke(new BasicStroke(edgeWidth));
        g.drawLine(x1, y1, x2, y2);
    }
}

public class A {
    private void drawEdge(Edge edge, Graphics g) {
        final Graphics2D g2d = (Graphics2D) g;
        g2d.setStroke(new BasicStroke(edge.getEdgeWidth()));
        g.drawLine(edge.getX1(), edge.getY1(), edge.getX2(), edge.getY2());
    }
}

public class Edge {
    private final float edgeWidth;
    private final int x1;
    ...
    public Edge(float edgeWidth, int x1, int x2, int y1, int y2) {
        this.edgeWidth = edgeWidth;
        this.x1 = x1;
        ...
    }
    public float getEdgeWidth() {
        return edgeWidth;
    }
    public int getX1() {
        return x1;
    }
    ...
}
```

## To extract a parameter object

1. Select the desired method. To do that, either open the class in question for editing, and position the caret at the method, click such method in the Structure view, or select it in the UML class diagram.
2. Choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter Object on the main menu or on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the Extract Parameter Object dialog box:
  - In the Parameter Class section, specify whether you want to create a new class, or use an existing one to wrap the parameters.
  - In the Parameters to extract list, check the parameters you want include in the new class.
  - Click Preview to make IntelliJ IDEA search for usages of the selected fields or methods, and display the refactoring preview results in the [Find tool window](#). In the preview, you can include usages into refactoring or skip them. Click Do Refactor to apply refactoring to the selected usages.

If you do not want to view usages, click Refactor. In this case, the usages will be changed immediately.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

## Basics

The Extract Superclass refactoring has two options:

- Create a superclass based on an existing class.
- Rename the original class so that it becomes an implementation for the newly created superclass. In this case, IntelliJ IDEA changes all original class usages to use a superclass where possible.

Fields and methods in the original class can be moved to the superclass. Also for a method, you can transfer only the method declaration but not the implementation declaring the method as abstract in the superclass. As a result, you will have the superclass and the original class inherited from the superclass.

## Example

### Before/After

<pre>// File Class.java public class Class {     public int varInt;     private double varDouble;     public static final int CONSTANT = 0;     public void publicMethod() {         ...     }     public void hiddenMethod() {         ...     }     public void setVarDouble(double var) {         this.varDouble = var;     }     public double getVarDouble() {         return             varDouble;     } }</pre>	<pre>// File Class.java public class Class extends SuperClass {     Int;     blicMethod() {      }     ddenMethod() {      } }  lass.java ass SuperClass {     varDouble;     final int CONSTANT = 0;     t void publicMethod();     tVarDouble(double var) {         ouble = var;     }     getVarDouble() {         Double;     } }</pre>
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## Extracting a superclass

### To extract a superclass

1. Select the desired class in one of the views, or just open it in the editor.
2. On the on the main menu or on the context menu, choose Refactor | Extract | Superclass .
3. In the [Extract Superclass](#) dialog box:
  - To create a new superclass, select the Extract superclass option and specify the name for the new superclass.  
To rename the original class and make it an implementation of the newly created superclass, select the Rename original class and use superclass where possible option and specify the new name for the original class. IntelliJ IDEA will change all original class usages to the usages of the implementing class only where it is still necessary.
  - Specify the package, where the new superclass will be located.
  - In the Members to Form Superclass area, select the class members you want to be moved or delegated to the superclass.  
To leave the method implementation within the current class, and declare it abstract in the extracted superclass, select the Make Abstract checkbox.
  - In the JavaDoc area, select the action to be applied on the JavaDoc .
    - To leave it where it is, select the As is option.
    - To copy it to the extracted superclass, select the Copy option.
    - To move it to the extracted superclass, select the Move option.
4. Click Refactor to proceed.  
If the class is used within the current project, IntelliJ IDEA proposes to replace the instances of this class with the instances of the new superclass. If a class instance references a member, which is not defined in the superclass, it won't be suggested for replacement.

## Basics

The **Extract Constant** refactoring is a special case of the **Extract Field refactoring** intended to provide a fast and convenient way to create final static fields.

## Example

### Before/After

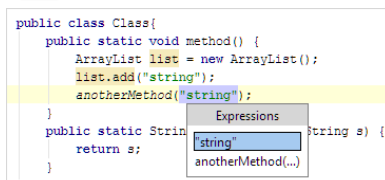
<pre>public class Class {     public void method() {         String string = "string";         ArrayList list = new ArrayList();         list.add(string);         anotherMethod(string);         ...     } }</pre>	<pre>public class Class {     @NonNull     private static final String STRING ="string";     public void method() {         ArrayList list = new ArrayList();         list.add(STRING);         anotherMethod(STRING);         ...     } }</pre>
<pre>public class Class {     public void method() {         ArrayList list = new ArrayList();         list.add("string");         anotherMethod("string");         ...     } }</pre>	<pre>public class Class {     @NonNull     private static final String STRING ="string";     public void method() {         ArrayList list = new ArrayList();         list.add(STRING);         anotherMethod(STRING);         ...     } }</pre>

## Extracting a Java constant in-place

### To extract a Java constant in-place

The **in-place refactorings** are enabled in IntelliJ IDEA by default. So, if you haven't changed this setting, the Extract Constant refactoring for Java is performed in-place, right in the editor.

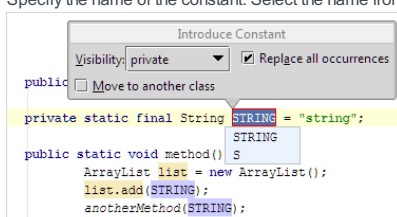
1. Place the cursor within the expression or declaration of a variable to be replaced by a constant.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press **Ctrl+Alt+C**.
  - Choose Refactor | Extract | Constant on the main menu or on the context menu.
3. If more than one expression is detected for the current cursor position, the Expressions list appears. If this is the case, select the required expression. To do that, click the expression. Alternatively, use the **Up** and **Down** arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press **Enter** to select it.



4. If more than one occurrence of the expression is found within the class, specify whether you wish to replace only the selected occurrence, or all the found occurrences with the new constant.
5. If you want the constant to be defined in a different class, select the Move to another class checkbox.
6. If necessary, change the type of the new constant.  
To move to the type, press **Shift+Tab**. Then, select the required type from the list, or edit the type in the box with the red border.

Now, to move back to the constant name, press **Tab**.

7. Specify the name of the constant. Select the name from the list or type the name in the box with a red border.

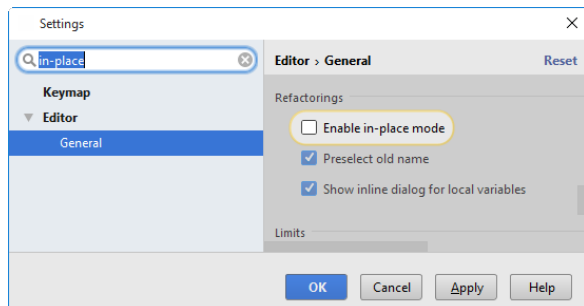


8. To complete the refactoring, press **Tab** or **Enter**.  
If you haven't completed the refactoring and want to cancel the changes you have made, press **Escape**.
9. If you have selected to move the constant definition to a different class, specify the associated settings in the **Move Members dialog**.

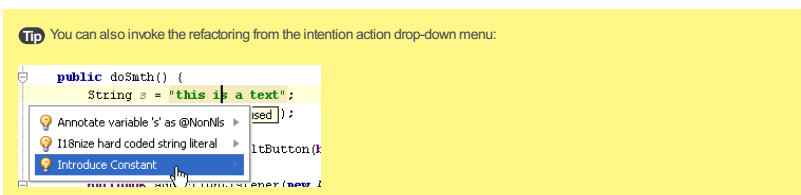
## Extracting a constant using the dialog box

### To extract a constant using the dialog box

If the Enable in-place refactorings checkbox is cleared on the Editor settings, the Extract Constant refactoring is performed by means of the [Extract Constant Dialog](#) dialog box.



1. If you are working with Java code, make sure that the [Enable in place refactorings](#) option is off in the editor settings. (By default, the Extract Constant refactorings for Java are performed [in-place](#).)
2. In the editor, select the expression or variable to be replaced with a constant, or just place the cursor within such an expression or variable declaration.
3. In the main or the context menu, choose Refactor | Extract Constant , or press `Ctrl+Alt+C` .
4. In the Expressions pop-up menu, select the expression to be replaced. Note that IntelliJ IDEA highlights the selected expression in the editor.
5. In the [Extract Constant Dialog](#) dialog that opens:
  1. Specify the name of the new constant.
  2. Select the class where the constant will be introduced. If you select an `enum` class here, use the Introduce as enum constant option to specify whether the constant should be an `enum` constant, or a usual field.
  3. In the Visibility area, select the visibility scope for the new constant.
  4. If the new constant is going to replace an existing variable, you can choose to delete the corresponding variable declaration. To do that, use the Delete variable declaration checkbox.
  5. To replace all the occurrences of the selected expression (if the selected expression is found more than once in the class), select the Replace all occurrences checkbox.
  6. In the projects configured for using annotations, you can annotate the constant of the String type as `@NonNls` to prevent it from change during possible localizations. To do so, select the option Annotate field as `@NonNls` .
7. Click OK .



## Basics

Extract Field refactoring declares a new field and initializes it with the selected expression. The original expression is replaced with the usage of the field.

## Example

### Before/After

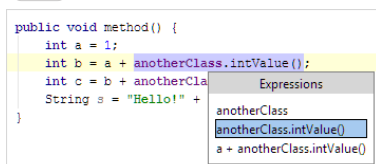
<pre>public class Class {     AnotherClass anotherClass;     public void method() {         int a = 1;         ...         int b = a + anotherClass.intValue();         int c = b + anotherClass.intValue();     } }</pre>	<pre>public class Class {     public AnotherClass anotherClass;     private int number;     public Class() {         number = anotherClass.intValue();     }     public void method() {         int a = 1;         ...         int b = a + number;         int c = b + number;     } }</pre>
<pre>public class Class {     AnotherClass anotherClass;      public void method() {         int a = anotherClass.innerClass.i;         int b = anotherClass.innerClass.j;     } }</pre>	<pre>public class Class {     public AnotherClass anotherClass;     private AnotherClass.InnerClass aClass = anotherClass.innerClass;     public void method() {         int a = aClass.i;         int b = aClass.j;     } }</pre>

## Extracting a field in-place

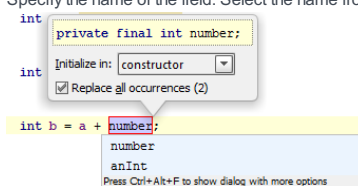
### To extract a field in-place

The [in-place refactorings](#) are enabled in IntelliJ IDEA by default. So, if you haven't changed this setting, the Introduce Field refactorings are performed in-place, right in the editor:

1. Place the cursor within the expression or declaration of a variable to be replaced by a field.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+F`.
  - Choose Refactor | Introduce Field on the main menu, or on the context menu.
3. If more than one expression is detected for the current cursor position, the Expressions list appears. If this is the case, select the required expression. To do that, click the expression. Alternatively, use the `Up` and `Down` arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press `Enter` to select it.



4. If more than one occurrence of the expression is found within the class, specify whether you wish to replace only the selected occurrence, or all the found occurrences with the new constant:
5. If necessary, change the type of the new field. To move to the type, press `Shift+Tab`. Then, select the required type from the list, or edit the type in the box with the read border. Now, to move back to the field name, press `Tab`.
6. If relevant, specify where the new field will be initialized - in the current method, or in a class constructor.
7. Specify the name of the field. Select the name from the list or type the name in the box with a red border.



8. To complete the refactoring, press `Tab` or `Enter`. If you haven't completed the refactoring and want to cancel the changes you have made, press `Escape`.

Note that sometimes you may need to press the corresponding key more than once.



```

public class Class {
    AnotherClass anotherClass;
    private int number;

    public Class() {
        number = anotherClass.intValue();
    }

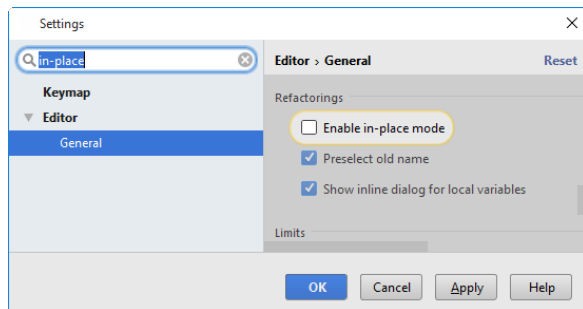
    public void method() {
        int a = 1;
        int b = a + number;
        int c = b + number;
    }
}

```

## Extracting a field using the dialog box

### To extract a field using the dialog box

If the Enable in place refactorings checkbox is cleared on the Editor settings, the Extract Field refactoring is performed by means of the introduce field.



1. In the editor, select the expression or variable to be replaced with a field, or just place the cursor within such an expression or variable declaration.
2. In the main menu, or the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Extract | Field , or press `Ctrl+Alt+F` .
3. In the Expressions pop-up menu, select the expression to be replaced. Note that IntelliJ IDEA highlights the selected expression in the editor.
4. In the [Extract Field Dialog](#) dialog that opens:
  1. Select the type of the new field from the Field of type list.
  2. Specify the name of the field.
  3. Specify where the new field should be initialized by selecting the necessary option under Initialize in .
  4. In the Visibility area, select the visibility scope for the new field.
  5. If you want the new field to be declared `final` , select the Declare final checkbox.
  6. If the new field is going to replace an existing variable, you can choose to delete the corresponding variable declaration. To do that, use the Delete variable declaration checkbox.
  7. To replace all the occurrences of the selected expression (if the selected expression is found more than once in the class), select the Replace all occurrences checkbox.
8. Click OK .

When you perform the Extract Functional Parameter refactoring, IntelliJ IDEA:

1. Analyzes the selected code fragment to find out what the method signature would be if you extracted this fragment into a new separate method.
2. Finds all functional interfaces with this method signature and suggests that you select one of them. (Only the interfaces marked with `@FunctionalInterface` or ones belonging to well-known libraries such as Guava, Apache Collections, etc. are suggested.)
3. Wraps the code fragment with an anonymous class based on the selected interface and uses this anonymous class as a parameter.
4. Where appropriate, makes related code adjustments.

– [Example](#)

– [Performing the Extract Functional Parameter refactoring](#)

## Example

BeforeAfter

<pre>@FunctionalInterface public interface Person {     public void sayHello (String s); }  public class Hello {     private void printHello () {         String s="Hello";         System.out.println(s);     }     private void printText () {         printHello();     } }</pre>	<pre>@FunctionalInterface public interface Person {     public void sayHello (String s); }  public class Hello {     private void printHello(Person person) {         String s = "Hello";         person.sayHello(s);     }     private void printText () {         printHello(new Person() {             public void sayHello(String s) {                 System.out.println(s);             }         });     } }</pre>
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In this example, the refactoring is performed on `System.out.println(s);` within `Hello.printHello()`.

IntelliJ IDEA finds all functional interfaces with the appropriate method signature (`(String) -> void`) and suggests that you select one of them. (In this example, the interface `Person` is selected.)

As a result:

- The selected fragment (`System.out.println(s);`) is wrapped with an anonymous class based on the interface `Person`. This anonymous class is passed as a parameter to the call to `printHello()` within `printText()`.
- `Person` is added as a parameter to `printHello()` and the initially selected code fragment is replaced with the call to the method of the interface (`sayHello()`).

## Performing the Extract Functional Parameter refactoring

1. Select the code fragment of interest and do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+P`.
  - Select Refactor | Extract | Functional Parameter from the main or the context menu.
  - Select Refactor | Refactor This from the main menu (`Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T`), and select Functional Parameter.
2. Select the desired functional interface from the list.
3. Specify the refactoring options in the [Extract Parameter dialog](#).

IntelliJ IDEA lets you extract a functional type variable.

This refactoring creates a functional expression for Java 1.8 and later versions, and an anonymous class for older versions of Java.

## Example

### Before/After

```
import java.util.List;

public class PrintAction implements Runnable {
    private List<String> data;

    public PrintAction(List<String> data) {
        this.data = data;
    }

    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Data: " + data.toString());
    }
}

import java.util.List;
import java.util.function.Function;

public class PrintAction implements Runnable {
    private List<String> data;

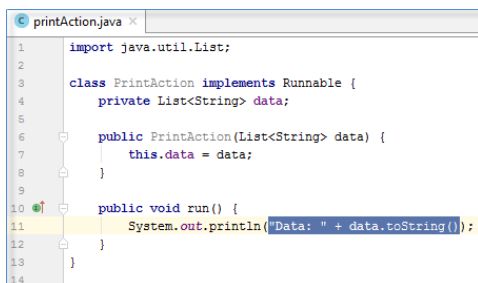
    public PrintAction(List<String> data) {
        this.data = data;
    }

    public void run() {
        Function<List<String>, String> presenter = (p) -> "Data: " + p.toString();
        System.out.println(presenter.apply(data));
    }
}
```

## Extracting a functional variable

**Tip** From the context menu in the editor, select Refactor | Refactor This ( `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T` ), and select Functional Variable .

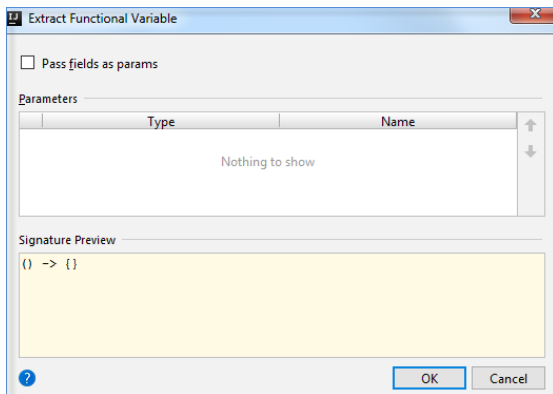
1. Select the code fragment, in this example, an argument of the `println` method.



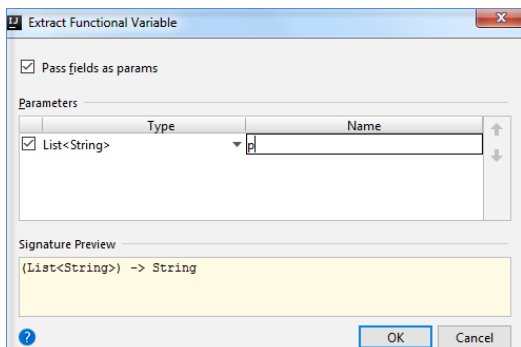
```
printAction.java x
1 import java.util.List;
2
3 class PrintAction implements Runnable {
4     private List<String> data;
5
6     public PrintAction(List<String> data) {
7         this.data = data;
8     }
9
10    public void run() {
11        System.out.println("Data: " + data.toString());
12    }
13 }
14
```

2. In the main menu, select Refactor | Extract | Functional Variable .

IntelliJ IDEA opens the Extract Functional Variable dialog.



3. When the selected code depends on instance fields, like in the example, the Pass field as params checkbox will appear and you can pass a parameter in a place of fields.



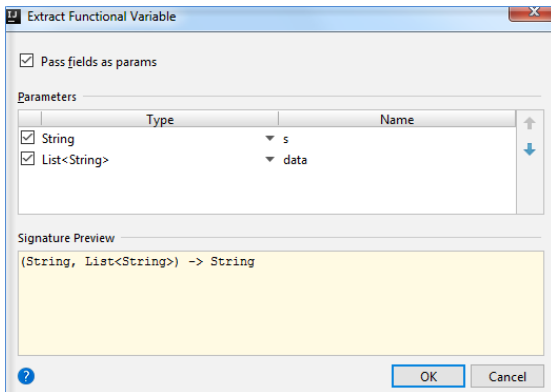
However, if for example, your selected code fragment depends on any local variable or a parameter

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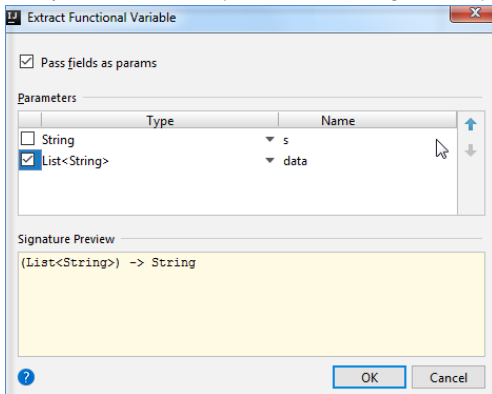
1  import java.util.List;
2
3  class PrintAction implements Runnable {
4      private List<String> data;
5
6      public PrintAction(List<String> data) {
7          this.data = data;
8      }
9
10     public void run() {
11         String s = "Data: ";
12         System.out.println(s + data.toString());
13     }
14 }
15

```

the corresponding entries would appear in the list.

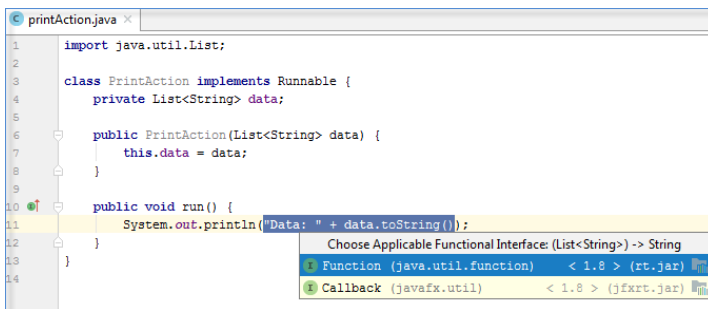


When you deselect one of the parameters in the dialog, the corresponding local values will be used instead.

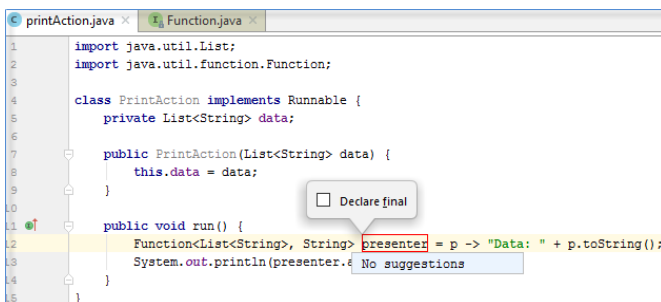


Configure your options and click OK .

4. Choose an applicable functional interface from the pop-up.



5. If you want, change a name of the extracted variable if you don't want to use the name suggested in the list.



As a result, IntelliJ IDEA creates lambda that you can use further.

```
printAction.java x  Function.java x
1  import java.util.List;
2  import java.util.function.Function;
3
4  class PrintAction implements Runnable {
5      private List<String> data;
6
7      public PrintAction(List<String> data) {
8          this.data = data;
9      }
10
11     public void run() {
12         Function<List<String>, String> presenter = p -> "Data: " + p.toString();
13         System.out.println(presenter.apply(data));
14     }
15 }
```

See also the [functional](#)

[parameter](#) refactoring.

This feature is only supported when the Ruby plugin is installed.

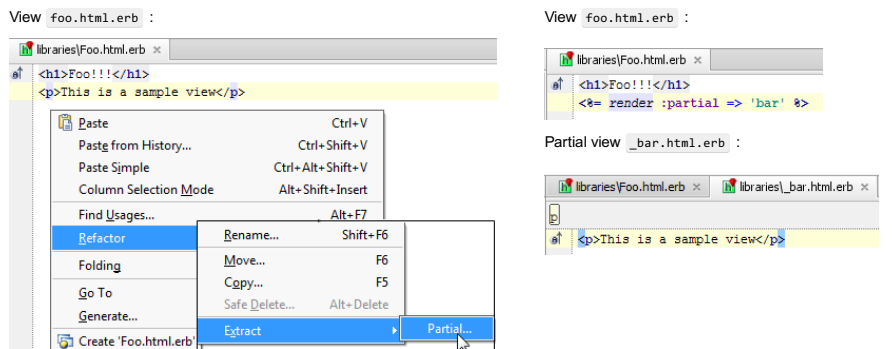
## Basics

The Extract Partial refactoring enables you to break rendering of a certain view into smaller chunks, and applies to `*.html.erb` and `*.html.haml` files.

This way, you can extract blocks of code from a view into a partial view, and replace them with a call. So doing, IntelliJ IDEA generates the name for the resulting partial view on the base of the user input in accordance with the Rails naming conventions: if the suggested partial view name is `bar`, the generated name is `_bar.html.erb` or `_bar.haml`.

## Example

### Before/After



## Extracting partial view

### To extract partial

1. Open a view in the editor.
2. Select the desired fragment of valid code. For example, in case of HTML, your selection must contain matching opening and closing tags.
3. On the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Extract | Partial .
4. In the Extract Partial dialog box, specify the desired partial view name without extension and the leading underscore, and click OK .

The Extract Parameter refactoring is used to add a new parameter to a method declaration and to update the method calls accordingly.

This section discusses the [Extract Parameter](#) refactoring in Java.

- [Examples](#)
- [Extracting a parameter in Java in-place](#)
- [Extracting a parameter in Java using the Extract Parameter dialog](#)
- [Special notes](#)
- [Side effects](#)

## Examples

When extracting a new parameter to a method, the following two general approaches may be used depending on how the existing method calls should be handled:

- If it's possible to change all the existing method calls, a new parameter may be added to an existing method. The method calls in this case are changed accordingly, see the [first of the examples](#).
- If the existing method calls cannot be changed, a method with the existing signature is kept. The new parameter in this case is defined in a new, overloading method, see the [second of the examples](#).

In this example, the string value `"Hello, World!"` in the method `generateText()` is replaced with the new parameter `text`. The value `"Hello, World!"` is passed to the method in the updated method call `generateText("Hello, World!")`.

### BeforeAfter

```
public class HelloWorldPrinter {
    public static void print() {
        System.out.println(generateText());
    }
    private static String generateText() {
        return "Hello, World!".toUpperCase();
    }
}

public class HelloWorldPrinter {
    public static void print() {
        System.out.println(generateText("Hello, World!"));
    }
    private static String generateText(String text) {
        return text.toUpperCase();
    }
}
```

In this example a new overloading method is created and the new parameter is extracted in the definition of this method (the second of the `generateText()` methods). The signature of the existing `generateText()` method is not changed. However, the method itself has been modified. Now, it calls the new `generateText()` method and passes the value `"Hello, World!"` to it in this call. Note that the existing call of `generateText()` (in the method `print()`) is not changed.

In IntelliJ IDEA, this way of extracting a parameter corresponds to the option `Delegate via overloading method`.

### BeforeAfter

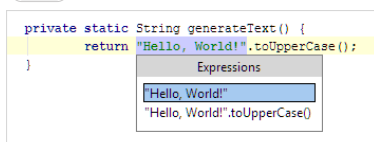
```
public class HelloWorldPrinter {
    public static void print() {
        System.out.println(generateText());
    }
    private static String generateText() {
        return "Hello, World!".toUpperCase();
    }
}

public class HelloWorldPrinter {
    public static void print() {
        System.out.println(generateText());
    }
    private static String generateText() {
        return generateText("Hello, World!");
    }
    private static String generateText(String text) {
        return text.toUpperCase();
    }
}
```

## Extracting a parameter in Java in-place

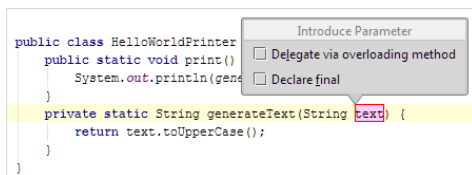
The [in-place refactorings](#) are enabled in IntelliJ IDEA by default. So, if you haven't changed this setting, the Extract Parameter refactorings for Java are performed in-place, right in the editor:

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the expression to be replaced by a parameter.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+P`.
  - Choose `Refactor | Extract | Parameter` on the main menu.
  - Choose `Refactor | Extract | Parameter` from the context menu.
3. If more than one expression is detected for the current cursor position, the Expressions list appears. If this is the case, select the required expression. To do that, click the expression. Alternatively, use the `Up` and `Down` arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press `Enter` to select it.



4. Type the parameter name in the box with a red border.





5. Select the necessary options in the Extract Parameter option box.
  - If more than one occurrence of the expression is found within the method body, you can choose to replace only the selected occurrence or all the found occurrences with the references to the new parameter. Use the Replace all occurrences checkbox to specify your intention.
  - If you don't want to change the existing method calls, select the Delegate via overloading method checkbox. For more information on how this option works, see [Examples](#) .
  - To declare the parameter `final` , select the Declare final checkbox.
6. If necessary, change the type of the new parameter. To do that, press `Shift+Tab` and edit the type in the box with the read border. (If, at this step, you want to return to editing the parameter name, press `Tab` .)
7. To complete the refactoring, press `Tab` or `Enter` .  
 If you haven't completed the refactoring and want to cancel the changes you have made, press `Escape` .

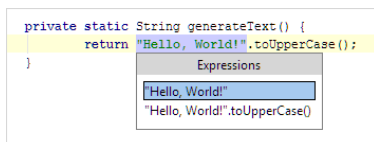
Note that sometimes you may need to press the corresponding key more than once.

## Extracting a parameter in Java using the Extract Parameter dialog

To be able to use the Extract Parameter dialog (instead of performing the refactoring [in-place](#) ), make sure that the [Enable in place refactorings](#) option is off in the editor settings.

Once this is the case, you perform the Extract Parameter refactoring as follows:

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the expression to be replaced by a parameter.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+P` .
  - Choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter on the main menu.
  - Choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter from the context menu.
3. If more than one expression is detected for the current cursor position, the Expressions list appears. If this is the case, select the required expression. To do that, click the expression. Alternatively, use the `Up` and `Down` arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press `Enter` to select it.



4. In the [Extract Parameter dialog](#) :
  1. Usually, IntelliJ IDEA sets a proper parameter type itself. If necessary, you can select another appropriate type from the Parameter of type list.
  2. Specify the parameter name in the Name field.
  3. If more than one occurrence of the expression is found within the method body, you can choose to replace only the selected occurrence or all the found occurrences with the references to the new parameter. Use the Replace all occurrences checkbox to specify your intention.
  4. To declare the parameter `final` , select the Declare final checkbox.
  5. If the expression contains a direct call to a class field that has a getter, specify the getter-related options.
  6. If the expression contains local variables, specify how these local variables will be treated in the corrected method calls.
5. [Preview and apply changes](#) .

## Special notes

The following specific issues should be mentioned:

- If you want a field to be provided as a new parameter in the method declaration, in a method call this field will be presented as a field of a class instance.
- If a class member is inaccessible (for instance, in the example above the field is private), it will be inserted in a method call but will be highlighted as an error making this file uncompileable.
- If you use for the Extract Parameter refactoring a field with a getter, you will be prompted with an extended dialog. The dialog has an option group Replace fields used in expressions with their getters :
  - Do not replace : None of the fields will be replaced with calls to the getter.
  - Replace fields inaccessible in usage context : Only the fields that cannot be directly accessed from the usage context will be replaced with calls to the getter.
  - Replace all fields : All fields will be replaced with calls to the getter.

- Applying the refactoring on a local variable will call the Extract Parameter dialog box with additional checkboxes:
  - Replace all occurrences (<number\_of\_occurrences> occurrences) : If enabled, all occurrences of the selected variable will be replaced with a parameter and the Delete variable definition checkbox is enabled. Otherwise, only the selected variable usage will be replaced with a parameter.
  - Delete variable definition : If enabled, the variable definition will be deleted.
  - Use variable initializer to initialize parameter : If enabled, the variable initializer will be used to initialize the parameter in the method call.

## Side effects

Using the Extract Parameter refactoring can have unexpected side effects if applied on class instances or expressions which are actual method parameters. For instance, in case of such code:

```
class AClass {
    int field;
    int method() {
        return field;
    }
}

class Usage {
    void method(List list) {
        int sum = 0;
        for(Iterator it = list.iterator(); it.hasNext(); ) {
            sum += ((AClass) it.next()).method();
        }
    }
}
```

The code after refactoring applied to the field `field` :

```
class AClass {
    int field;
    int method(int newfield) {
        return newfield;
    }
}

class Usage {
    void method(List list) {
        int sum = 0;
        for(Iterator it = list.iterator(); it.hasNext(); ) {
            sum += ((AClass) it.next()).method(((AClass) it.next()).field);
        }
    }
}
```

The iterator value is increased twice which is, actually, not the behavior you would expect.

However, IntelliJ IDEA can use a temporary variable successfully and resolve such cases as increment/decrement/assignment operations and the new keyword usage. For instance:

```
public int myMethod(List list) {
    return list.size();
}

public void anotherMethod() {
    myMethod(new ArrayList());
}
```

Same code after refactoring looks as follows:

```
public int myMethod(List list, int newPar) {
    return list.size();
}

public void anotherMethod() {
    final ArrayList list = new ArrayList();
    myMethod(list, list.size());
}
```

The new variable `list` was created and all parameters used for the method call are provided using this variable.

In [Maven projects](#), while editing `pom.xml`, one needs to define a property and replace the occurrences of some value - artifact version, for example, - with this property.

For these purposes, IntelliJ IDEA provides the Extract Property refactoring.

Extract Property refactoring creates a new property definition in the specified `pom.xml` file, finds all the occurrences of the selected string in the hierarchy of `pom.xml` files, and replaces them with the above property in the format: `${<property_name>}`

The Extract Property refactoring lets you move expressions and local declarations to properties.

## Examples

### Before After

In this example, artifact version is replaced with a property, which is declared in the same `pom.xml` file:

<pre>&lt;artifactId&gt;submodule&lt;/artifactId&gt;</pre>	<pre>&lt;artifactId&gt;\${submodule}&lt;/artifactId&gt; &lt;properties&gt;   &lt;submodule&gt;submodule&lt;/submodule&gt; &lt;/properties&gt;</pre>
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In this example, artifact version in a `pom.xml` file is replaced with a property, which is declared in its parent `pom.xml` file:

<pre>&lt;parent&gt;   &lt;artifactId&gt;HelloWorld&lt;/artifactId&gt;   &lt;version&gt;1.0&lt;/version&gt; &lt;/parent&gt; &lt;artifactId&gt;submodule&lt;/artifactId&gt;</pre>	<p>Parent :</p> <pre>&lt;artifactId&gt;HelloWorld&lt;/artifactId&gt; ... &lt;modules&gt;   &lt;module&gt;\${submodule}&lt;/module&gt; &lt;/modules&gt; ... &lt;properties&gt;   &lt;submodule&gt;submodule&lt;/submodule&gt; &lt;/properties&gt;</pre> <p>Child:</p> <pre>&lt;parent&gt;   &lt;artifactId&gt;HelloWorld&lt;/artifactId&gt;   &lt;version&gt;1.0&lt;/version&gt; &lt;/parent&gt; &lt;artifactId&gt;\${submodule}&lt;/artifactId&gt;</pre>
---	--

## To extract a property in a pom.XML file

1. Open the desired `pom.xml` file for editing, and place the caret somewhere inside the value you want to replace.

**Tip** You can also select a certain substring; in this case the refactoring will apply to the selection.

2. Press `Ctrl+Alt+V`, or choose Refactor | Extract | Property on the context menu, or on the main menu. Note that selection will be automatically expanded up to the enclosing tags.
3. In the [Extract Property](#) dialog box, do the following:
  - In the Name field, specify the name you want to assign to the new property. IntelliJ IDEA suggests a number of suitable names. You can select one from the drop-down list, or type the desired name manually.
  - In the Project drop-down list, select the project where the new property will be declared.

Click OK .

4. The subsequent workflow depends on the specific `pom.xml` file the refactoring has been invoked from.
  - The occurrence, for which the refactoring has been invoked, will be replaced silently. If the string occurs several times, the replace usage dialog will be displayed for these occurrences. You have to specify whether you want to replace each occurrence.
  - If the `pom.xml` is a parent file and the new property will be declared in it, IntelliJ IDEA replaces the values in the parent file silently, and displays the [Find tool window](#). You have to specify whether you want to replace each occurrence.
  - If the `pom.xml` is inherited from a parent file, IntelliJ IDEA replaces the occurrence in the child file silently. This change is not propagated to the parent `pom.xml`.

In each case, IntelliJ IDEA adds new property declaration to the specified `pom.xml` file.



## Basics

The Extract Variable refactoring puts the result of the selected expression into a variable. It declares a new variable and uses the expression as an initializer. The original expression is replaced with the new variable (see the examples below).

In Java, the type of the new variable corresponds to that returned by the expression. There is an option of declaring the new variable as `final`.

To perform this refactoring, you can use:

- [In-place refactoring](#). In this case you specify the new name right in the editor.
- [Refactoring dialog](#), where you specify all the required information. To make such a dialog accessible, you have to clear the check box [Enable in-place mode](#) in the editor settings.

You can select the expression to be replaced with a variable yourself. You can as well use [smart expression selection](#). In this case IntelliJ IDEA will help you select the desired expression.

This refactoring is also available for [JavaScript](#) and [Sass](#).

## Java Examples

### Before/After

<pre>public void method() {     int a = 1;     ...     int b = a + anotherClass.intValue();     int c = b + anotherClass.intValue(); }</pre>	<pre>public void method() {     int a = 1;     ...     int number = anotherClass.intValue();     int b = a + number;     int c = b + number; }</pre>
<pre>public void method() {     int a = anotherClass.innerClass.i;     int b = anotherClass.innerClass.j; }</pre>	<pre>public void method() {     AnotherClass.InnerClass aClass = anotherClass.innerClass;     int a = aClass.i;     int b = aClass.j; }</pre>
<pre>static void printNames(final String fullName) {     System.out.println(fullName.substring(fullName.indexOf(" ") + 1));     System.out.println(fullName.substring(0, fullName.indexOf(" "))); }</pre>	<pre>static void printNames(final String fullName) {     int firstNameEndIndex = fullName.indexOf(" ");     System.out.println(fullName.substring(firstNameEndIndex + 1));     System.out.println(fullName.substring(0, firstNameEndIndex)); }</pre>

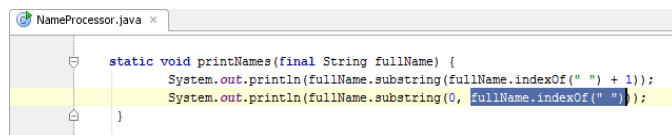
## Extracting variable in-place

### To extract a variable using in-place refactoring, follow these steps

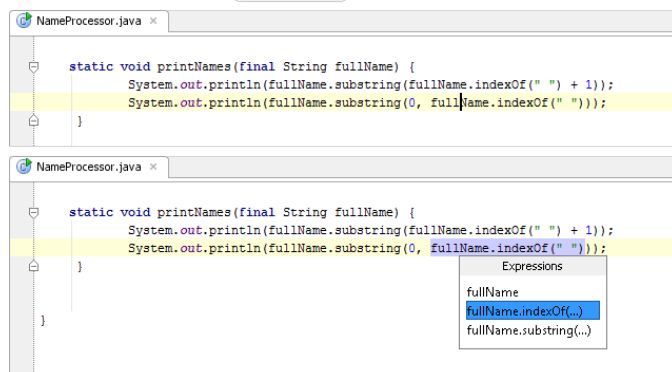
1. In the editor, select the expression to be replaced with a variable. You can do that yourself or use the **smart expression selection** feature to let IntelliJ IDEA help you. So, do one of the following:

- Highlight the expression. Then choose Refactor | Extract | Variable on the main menu or on the context menu.

Alternatively, press `Ctrl+Alt+V`.



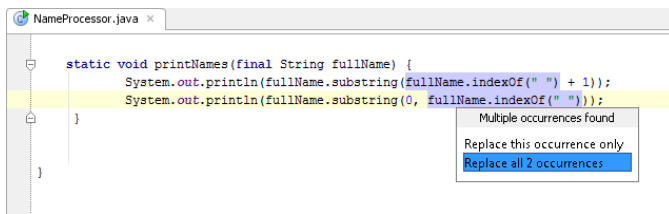
- Place the cursor before or within the expression. Choose Refactor | Extract Variable on the main menu or on the context menu. or press `Ctrl+Alt+V`.



2. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, select Replace this occurrence only or Replace all occurrences in the Multiple occurrences found pop-up menu. To select the required option, just

click it. Alternatively, use the Up and Down arrow keys to navigate to the option of interest, and press

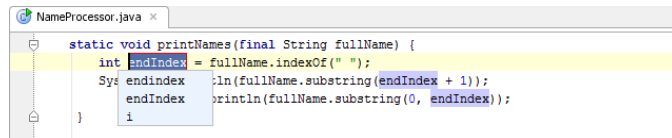
**Enter** to select it.



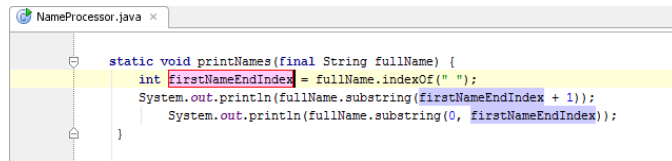
3. Specify the name of the variable. Do one of the following:

– Select one of the suggested names from the pop-up list. To do that, double-click the suitable name.

Alternatively, use the Up and Down arrow keys to navigate to the name of interest, and **Enter** to select it.



– Edit the name by typing. The name is shown in the box with red borders and changes as you type. When finished, press **Enter**.



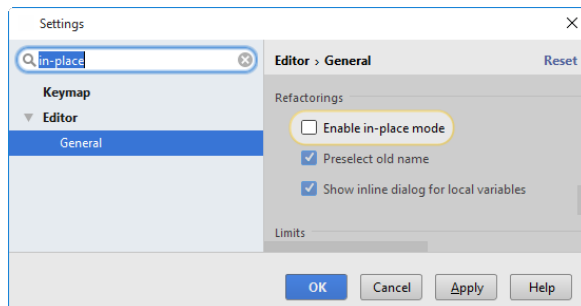
**Note** The Expressions pop-up menu contains all the expressions appropriate for the current cursor position in the editor.

When you navigate through the suggested expressions in the pop-up, the code highlighting in the editor changes accordingly.

## Extracting variable with a dialog

### To extract a variable using the dialog box

If the Enable in place refactorings check box is cleared in the Editor settings, the Extract Variable refactoring is performed by means of the [Extract Variable Dialog](#) dialog box



1. In the editor, select the expression to be replaced with a variable. You can do that yourself or use the **smart expression selection** feature to let IntelliJ IDEA help you. So, do one of the following:

– Highlight the expression. Then choose Refactor | Extract | Variable on the main menu or on the context menu.

Alternatively, press **Ctrl+Alt+V**.

– Place the cursor before or within the expression. Choose Refactor | Extract Variable on the main menu or on the context menu. or press **Ctrl+Alt+V**.

In the Expressions pop-up menu, select the expression. To do that, click the required expression.

Alternatively, use the Up and Down arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press

**Enter** to select it.

2. In the [Extract Variable Dialog](#) dialog:

1. Specify the variable name next to Name field. You can select one of the suggested names from the list or type the name in the Name box.

2. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, you can select to replace all the found occurrences by selecting the corresponding checkbox. If you want to replace only the current occurrence, clear the Replace all occurrences checkbox.

3. If you want to declare the new variable `final`, select the Declare final checkbox. (This option is available only for Java.)

4. For `ActionScript`, you can choose to introduce a constant rather than a variable. To do that, select the Make constant checkbox.

Note that `ActionScript` is not supported in IntelliJ IDEA Community Edition.

5. Click OK .

**Note** The Expressions pop-up menu contains all the expressions appropriate for the current cursor position in the editor.

When you navigate through the suggested expressions in the pop-up, the code highlighting in the editor changes accordingly.



The Generify refactoring is designed to transform existing code that does not use Generics, into the Generics-aware code. The refactoring analyzes existing code, and for each raw type creates safe and consistent parameter type.

IntelliJ IDEA tries to generate code, which is as correct as possible from the Java point of view. In other words, each context introduces some type restrictions, and the refactoring produces the best possible type, that does not contradict to the existing contexts.

## Example

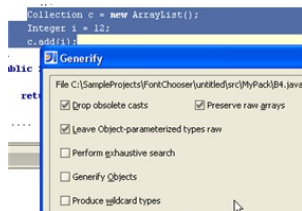
### Before/After

```
public void method() {  
    List list = new LinkedList();  
    list.add("string");  
}
```

```
public void method() {  
    List<String> list = new LinkedList<String>();  
    list.add("string");  
}
```

## To generify

1. Select the level of code transformation, which can be a method, a class, a package or directory, in the Project or Structure view, or place the cursor on the class or method name in the editor. If you want to apply generics to a single code fragment, just select it in the editor.
2. On the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Generify . The **Generify** dialog box appears.



3. Define the refactoring options. Refer to the [dialog description](#) for details.
4. **Preview and apply changes** .

```
Collection<Integer> c = new ArrayList<Integer>();  
Integer i = 10;  
c.add(i);
```

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following inline refactorings:

- Inline Variable refactoring replaces redundant variable usage with its initializer. See [example](#). This refactoring is opposite to the [Extract Variable](#) refactoring.

**Tip** The variable must be initialized at declaration. If the initial value is modified somewhere in the code, only the occurrences before modification will be inlined.

- Inline Method refactoring results in placing method's body into the body of its caller(s). You can opt to:
  - inline all occurrences of the method, and delete the method
  - inline only a single occurrence, and retain the method

See [example](#).

This refactoring is opposite to [Extract Method](#).

- Inline to Anonymous Class refactoring allows replacing redundant class with its contents. Starting with Java 8, the inlined anonymous classes can be converted to lambdas automatically. See [example](#).
- Inline Constructor allows compressing a chain of constructors, if one of them is a special case of another. See [example](#).
- Inline JSP/JSPX works like a regular Java inline refactoring.
- Inline Superclass refactoring results in pushing superclass' methods into the class where they are used, and removing the superclass.

## Examples

### Inline Variable

Before After

```
public void method() {
    int number = anotherClass.intValue();
    int b = a + number;
}
```

```
public void method() {
    int b = a + anotherClass.intValue();
}
```

```
public void method() {
    AnotherClass.InnerClass aClass = anotherClass.innerClass;
    int a = aClass.i;
}
```

```
public void method() {
    int a = anotherClass.innerClass.i;
}
```

### Inline Method

Before After

```
public void method() {
    int c=add(a,b);
    int d=add(a,c);
}

private int add(int a, int b) {
    return a+b;
}
```

```
public void method() {
    int c= a + b;
    int d= a + c;
}
```

```
public ArrayList method() {
    String[] strings = {"a","b","c"};
    ArrayList list=add(strings);
    return list;
}

private ArrayList add(String[] strings) {
    ArrayList list = new ArrayList();
    for (int i=0; i< strings.length; i++)
        {list.add(strings[i]);}
    return list;
}
```

```
public ArrayList method() {
    String[] strings = {"a","ab","abc"};
    ArrayList list1 = new ArrayList();
    for (int i=0; i< strings.length; i++)
        {list.add(strings[i]);}
    ArrayList list = list1;
    return list;
}
```

### Inline Constructor

Before After

```

public class Class {
    public int varInt;
    public Class() {
        this(0);
    }

    public Class(int i) {
        varInt=i;
    }

    public void method() {
        Class aClass=new Class();
        ...
    }
}

```

```

public class Class {
    public int varInt;
    public Class(int i) {
        varInt=i;
    }
    public void method() {
        Class aClass=new Class(0);
        ...
    }
}

```

## Inline Superclass

BeforeAfter

```

public class Bar {
    ...
    int calculations1() { ... }
    int calculations2() { ... }
}

class Foo extends Bar {
    int someMethod() {
        ...
        if (something > calculations1()) {
            ...
            return calculations2();
        }
        ...
    }
}

```

```

class Foo {
    ...
    int someMethod() {
        ...
        if (something > calculations1()) {
            ...
            return calculations2();
        }
        ...
    }
    int calculations1() {...}
    int calculations2() {...}
}

```

## Inline to Anonymous Class

BeforeAfter

```

import java.util.*;
public class Main {
    public class MyComparator implements Comparator<String> {
        @Override
        public int compare(String s1, String s2) {
            return 0;
        }
    }

    void sort(List<String> scores) {
        scores.sort(new MyComparator());
    }
}

```

```

import java.util.*;
public class Main {
    void sort(List<String> scores) {
        scores.sort((s1, s2) -> 0);
    }
}

```

## Performing inline refactoring

1. Place the caret in the editor at the desired symbol to be inlined.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu or on the context menu, choose Refactor | Inline .
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+N` .
3. In the [Inline dialog](#) , that corresponds to the selected symbol, specify the inlining options.
4. [Preview and apply changes](#) .

The Invert Boolean refactoring allows you to change the sense of a Boolean method or variable to the opposite one.

**TIP** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#) .

## Example

### BeforeAfter

```
private double a;
...
public boolean method() {
    if (a > 15 && a < 100) {
        a = 5;
        return true;
    }
    return false;
}
```

```
private double a;
...
public boolean method() {
    if (a > 15 && a < 100) {
        a = 5;
        return false;
    }
    return true;
}
```

```
boolean b = true;
...
public double method() {
    ...
    b = false;
    ...
}
```

```
boolean b = false;
...
public double method() {
    ...
    b = true;
    ...
}
```

### To invert the sense of a Boolean method or variable

1. Place the caret at the name of the method or variable to be refactored.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu choose Refactor | Invert Boolean .
  - On the context menu, choose Refactor | Invert Boolean .
3. In the Invert Boolean dialog, specify the name for the inverted method or variable.
4. [Preview and apply changes](#) .

The Make Class Static refactoring allows you to convert an inner class into a static one, and automatically corrects all references to the class in the code.

### **To make a class static**

1. In the editor, place the cursor on the name of the inner class you want to make static, or select the class in the Structure view.
2. On the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Make Static .
3. If the class references any outer class fields, the [Make Class Static dialog](#) suggests to pass the outer class as a parameter to the inner class constructor.
4. Preview results in the [Find tool window](#) and apply changes.

The Make Method Static refactoring converts an instance method to a static one and automatically corrects all calls, implementations and overridings of the method.

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#).

- [Examples](#)
- [Performing the Refactoring](#)
- [Make Static refactoring for a method in a call hierarchy](#)

## Examples

### BeforeAfter

<pre>class ConnectionPool {     public int i;     public int j;     public void getConnection() {         ...     } }</pre>	<pre>class ConnectionPool {     public int i;     public int j;     public static void getConnection(ConnectionPool connectionPool) {         ...     } }</pre>
<pre>class ConnectionPool {     public int i;     public int j;     public void getConnection() {         ...     } }</pre>	<pre>class ConnectionPool {     public int i;     public int j;     public static void getConnection(int i, int j) {         ...     } }</pre>

## Performing the Refactoring

1. Select the method to be refactored in the Structure view, or right-click the method name in the editor. On the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Make Static. The [Make Method Static dialog box](#) opens.
2. If the method references any of the containing class fields, do one of the following:
  - To pass the whole referenced object as a parameter to the method, select the Add object as a parameter with name checkbox and enter the name for the parameter.
  - To pass the referenced fields/variables as parameters to the method, select the Add parameters for fields checkbox and select the appropriate fields in the list. You can also change the order of the parameters using the Move Up and Move Down buttons.
3. If the method does not contain any references to fields or instance variables, you should only specify whether you want to replace instance qualifiers with class references.
4. To preview the results, click Preview and examine the result of the refactoring in the [Find tool window](#). Apply the changes, if no issues arise.

## Make Static refactoring for a method in a call hierarchy

In call hierarchies, if the method callers don't contain any other references to instance members, IntelliJ IDEA suggests that you make those callers static too.

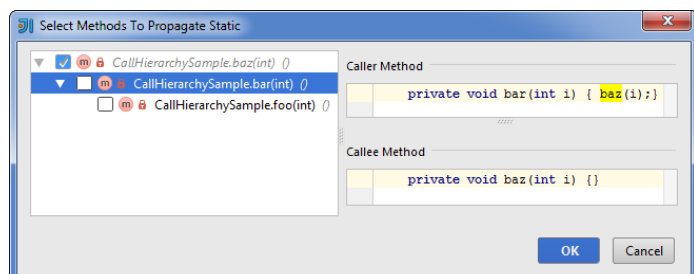
Example

### BeforeAfter

<pre>class CallHierarchySample {     private void foo(int i) { bar(i);}     private void bar(int i) { baz(i);}     private void baz(int i) { } }</pre>	<pre>class CallHierarchySample {     private static void foo(int i) { bar(i);}     private static void bar(int i) { baz(i);}     private static void baz(int i) { } }</pre>
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In this example, the refactoring was performed on `baz(int i)`. All the caller methods were selected for making static too.

When performing the refactoring, the Select Methods to Propagate Static dialog is shown. This dialog lets you select the caller methods to be made static.



The Migrate refactoring allows you to easily switch between the old packages and classes used in your project and the new ones. IntelliJ IDEA comes with the default migration map. You can use it to provide Swing 1.1 support in a project that includes Swing 1.0.3 packages and classes.

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#).

## To perform migrate refactoring, follow these general steps

1. On the main menu, choose Refactor | Migrate . The [Package and Class Migration](#) dialog box opens.
2. Select the desired migration map from the drop-down list, or click the New button to create a new one. Edit Migration Map dialog appears.
3. Specify the name of the map, and optional map description.
4. Create a new migration description. To do that, click Add .
5. In the Edit Class/Package Migration Description dialog box that opens, specify the following options:
  - Select whether you want to migrate packages or classes.
  - Specify the old and the new names of the package or class.

Click OK to apply changes and close the dialog.

6. Create or edit as many migration descriptions as required, and click OK to apply changes and close the Edit Migration Map dialog.
7. Click Run to start migration with the selected map.

In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Performing Move refactoring](#)
- [Moving a package](#)

## Basics

**Tip** The **Move** refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#).

Move refactorings allow you to move packages and classes between the source roots of a project, class members to other classes and inner classes to upper hierarchy levels. The move refactorings automatically correct all references to the moved packages, classes and members in the source code.

The following move refactorings are available:

- Move Package moves a package and its contents to another package or directory under the specified source root. When you move a package, you can choose between the following refactorings:
  - Move package to another package .
  - Move directory to another source root .
  - Move directory to another directory .
- Move Class refactoring enables you to:
  - Move a class to a package under the specified source root.
  - Make a class an inner class.
- Move Static Members moves a static field, method or inner class to another class.
- Move Inner to Upper Level:
  - In **Java**, this refactoring moves an inner class to a higher level.
  - In **ActionScript**, this refactoring moves out-of-package classes, functions, variables, constants and namespaces into a package. (In this case the word inner is used to refer to entities (classes, functions, etc.) that are declared **outside of packages**. The upper level means a package .)
- Move Instance Method refactoring moves an instance method to another class.
- Move File refactoring moves a file to another directory.

**Tip** The Move Package refactoring is significantly different from the other move refactorings. For corresponding instructions, see [Moving a package](#). For all the other symbols, refer to [Performing a Move refactoring](#).

## Performing Move refactoring

### To perform a Move refactoring, follow these general steps:

1. Select the symbol to be moved and do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, or on the context menu, point to Refactor, and then choose Move .
  - Press **F6** .
  - In the [Project Tool Window](#), drag the symbol to the new location.

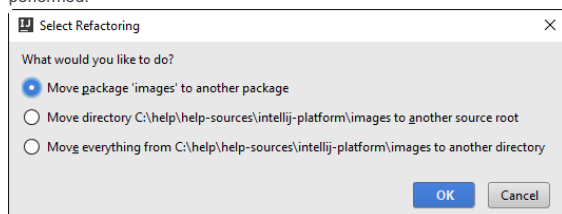
The dialog that opens depends on the type of the selected symbol.

2. Specify the move options according to the type of the item to be moved. See option descriptions in the [Move](#) dialog box reference.
3. [Preview and apply the changes](#) .

## Moving a package

### To move a package, follow these steps:

1. Select the package in the Project tool window, and press **F6**, or just drag the selected package.
2. In the Select Refactoring dialog box, click one of the options to specify which refactoring should be performed.



- To move the whole package to another package select the first option, click OK, then specify the move options in the [Move](#) dialog box.
- To move the directory to another source root, select the second option, click OK, and specify the destination source root.
- To move the directory to another directory, select the third option, click OK, and specify the destination



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## Basics

The Pull Members Up refactoring allows you to move class members to a superclass or an interface, or interface to a superinterface.

## Example

### Before/After

<pre>// File Class.java public class Class extends SuperClass {     blicMethod() {      }      ddenMethod() {      }  }  .java ass SuperClass { t void publicMethod(); }</pre>	<pre>// File Class.java public class Class extends SuperClass {     public void publicMethod() {         ...     } }  // File SuperClass.java public abstract class SuperClass {     public abstract void publicMethod();     public void hiddenMethod() {         ...     } }</pre>
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## Pulling members up

1. Select the class to be moved to a superclass or interface.
2. On the main menu or on the context menu, choose Refactor | Pull Members Up . The [Pull Members Up](#) dialog box appears.
3. Select the destination object (superclass or interface).
4. In the Members section, select the members you want to move.
5. To move a method as abstract, select the checkbox in the column Make abstract next to the method in question.
6. In the JavaDoc section, select the action to be applied on JavaDoc .
7. Click Refactor to pull the selected members to their destination.

The Push Members Down refactoring helps clean up the class hierarchy by moving class members to a subclass or a subinterface. The members are then relocated into the direct subclasses/interfaces only.

## Example

### Before/After

<pre>// File Class.java public class Class extends SuperClass {     public void publicMethod() {         ...     } }  // File SuperClass.java public abstract class SuperClass {     public abstract void publicMethod();     public void hiddenMethod() {         ...     } }</pre>	<pre>// File Class.java public class Class extends SuperClass {     public void publicMethod() {         ...     }     public void hiddenMethod() {         ...     } }  // File SuperClass.java public abstract class SuperClass {     public abstract void publicMethod(); }</pre>
--	--

## Pushing members down

1. In the editor, open the class whose members you need to push down.
2. On the main menu or on the context menu, choose Refactor | Push Members Down . [Push Members Down dialog box](#) displays the list of members to be pushed down.
3. In the Members to be pushed down area, select the members you want to move. Note that the member at caret is already selected.  
If pushing a member might cause problems, you will be notified with red highlighting. It means that, if the situation is unattended, an error will emerge after refactoring. IntelliJ IDEA prompts you with a Problems Detected dialog, where you can opt to ignore or fix the problem.
4. Select the Keep abstract checkbox to:
  - Convert the original method to abstract, and move the original method body to the new method in subclass as an abstract method implementation, if the original method is non-abstract.
  - Create the new abstract method in a subclass and the same abstract method in subclass/subinterface (with possible errors if the subclass is not abstract), if the pushed down methods are already abstract.
5. When you push down abstract methods that have JavaDoc comments, specify to how treat them in the JavaDoc section.
6. Preview and apply changes.

The Remove Middleman refactoring allows you to replace all calls to delegating methods in a class with the equivalent calls directly to the field delegated to. Additionally, you can automatically remove the classes delegating methods, which will now be unused.

This refactoring is useful if you have a class that simply forwards many of its method calls to objects of other classes, and you wish to simplify your design.

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#).

## Example

### Before/After

```
public class Foo {
    Bar bar;
    public Foo getImpValue() {
        return bar.getImpValue();
    }
}

public class Bar {
    private Foo impValue1;
    public Bar(Foo impValue) {
        impValue1 = impValue;
    }
    public Foo getImpValue() {
        return impValue1;
    }
}

public class Client {
    Foo a;
    Foo impValue = a.getImpValue();
}
```

```
public class Foo {
    Bar bar;
    public Bar getbar() {
        return bar;
    }
}

public class Bar {
    private Foo impValue1;
    public Bar(Foo impValue) {
        impValue1 = impValue;
    }
    public Foo getImpValue(){
        return impValue1;
    }
}

public class Client {
    Foo a;
    Foo impValue = a.getbar().getImpValue();
}
```

## To remove a middleman

1. Open the class in question in the editor, and position the caret at the name of the delegating field. Alternatively, select the delegating field in the Structure view of the desired class.
2. Choose Refactor | Remove Middleman on the main menu or on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the Remove Middleman dialog box:
  - Select whether you wish any methods which simply forward to calls to this field to be delegated. These methods will be unused by code in the current project, but may still be needed by code outside the project. You may wish to retain these delegating methods for backward compatibility.
  - Click Preview to make IntelliJ IDEA search for usages of the selected field, and display the refactoring preview results in the [Find tool window](#). In the preview, you can include usages into refactoring or skip them. Click Do Refactor to apply refactoring to the selected usages.

If you do not want to view usages, click Refactor. In this case, the usages will be changed immediately.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

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## Basics

Rename refactorings allow you to rename Classes, Interfaces, Enumerations and Annotations with all the references to them in the code corrected automatically.

The following rename refactorings are available in IntelliJ IDEA:

- **Rename Package** . The following usages are renamed:
  - Package statements
  - Import statements
  - Qualified names of classes
- **Rename Class** . The following usages are renamed:
  - Import statements
  - Qualified names of classes
  - Variables with the selected class type
  - Class inheritors
- **This feature is only supported when the Ruby plugin is installed.**
- **Ruby scripts** . Renaming in Ruby scripts applies to all symbols and propagates changes to all their usages across the project.
- **Ruby classes** . Results of renaming a Ruby class depends on the place of invocation and on the containing file name. First, if a Ruby class has been [created from a template](#) , the containing file name matches the specified class name. Thus, renaming a Ruby class from the editor results in generating the new file name according to the Ruby naming conventions. If the name of a containing file doesn't match class name, only the class and its usages are renamed. Second, if rename refactoring is invoked from the Project tool window, only file name will be changed; the name of the contained class will be left intact.
- **Components of Rails applications** . Renaming in Rails applications applies to the application elements (classes, controllers, actions, helpers, tests, views) and their usages. It is advisable to use the [Rails View](#) of the Project tool window, or the editor, to rename elements of the Rails applications. Rename refactoring in Rails applications has certain subtleties mentioned below:
  - On renaming an action or a view template, all associated entities are renamed, including tests. However, on renaming a test, its related entities are not renamed.
  - When renaming, keep in mind that the new name should meet Rails naming conventions; otherwise the name will not be properly recognized. It means that when you rename, for example, `MyController` to `YourController` , you only have to change `My` to `Your` , leaving the `Controller` suffix intact.
  - On renaming a controller or view , its usages in an RSpec test will only be renamed if the options Search in comments and strings is enabled.
  - When renaming Rails models , all usages are renamed too: the underlying files, classes, test classes and fixtures. IntelliJ IDEA creates a migration with the instruction to rename the corresponding table. When a field in a model is renamed, IntelliJ IDEA creates a migration with the instruction to rename the corresponding column in a table, and its foreign key, if any.
- **Named scopes** . So doing, the lines of code where the renamed scope is called as a method, are also renamed.
- **Sass selector**
- **Rename Method** . The following usages are renamed:
  - All calls of the method.
  - All overridden/implemented methods in subclasses.
- **Rename Field** .
- **Rename Function** .
- **Rename Variable** .
- **Rename Parameter** . The following usages are renamed:
  - All usages of the parameter.
  - The corresponding `param` tag in documentation comment.
- **Rename CSS color value** .
- **Rename File** .
- **Rename Directory** .
- **Rename views and references to views** in the Grails applications.

## Examples

### Renaming a class

#### Before After

```
public class MyClass {
    // some code here
}
...
public void myMethod() {
    MyClass myClass = new MyClass();
}

public class YourClass {
    // some code here
}
...
public void myMethod() {
    YourClass yourClass = new YourClass();
}
```

### Renaming a method

This feature is only supported when the Python plugin is installed.

#### Before After

##### Renaming method

```
def was_published_today(self):
    return self.pub_date.date () == datetime.date.today()

def published_today(self):
    return self.pub_date.date () == datetime.date.today()
```

### Renaming a template

This feature is only supported when the Python plugin is installed.

Rename a template:

```
urlpatterns = patterns('MyDjangoApp.polls.views',
    (r'^polls/$', 'index'),
    (r'^polls/(?P<poll_id>\d+)/$', 'detail'),
    (r'^polls/(?P<poll_id>\d+)/results/$', 'results'),
    (r'^polls/(?P<poll_id>\d+)/vote/$', 'vote'),
```

So doing, the following usages will be renamed:

```
Function to be renamed to poll_details
├─ detail()
└─ References in code to function detail (2 references in 2 files) (2 usages)
    ├─ Unclassified usage (2 usages)
    │   └─ MyDjangoApp (2 usages)
    │       └─ index.html (1 usage)
    │           (5: 37)
    │           <li><a href="{% url polls.views.detail poll_id=poll.id %}">{{ poll.id }}. {{ poll.question }}</a></li>
    └─ urls.py (1 usage)
        (9: 37) (r'^polls/(?P<poll_id>\d+)/$', 'detail'),
```

### Renaming Ruby/Rails symbols

This feature is only supported when the Ruby plugin is installed.

#### Before After

##### Renaming Ruby class with the matching file name

```
MyClass - my_class.rb      YourClass - your_class.rb
```

##### Renaming Rails method

```
def bar(a,b,c)
    return a * b + c * 123
end
def foo
    a = 0
    b = 1
    c = 2
    return bar (a,b,c)
end

def do_smth (a,b,c)
    return a * b + c * 123
end
def foo
    a = 0
    b = 1
    c = 2
    return do_smth (a,b,c)
end
```

##### Renaming Rails model

Model Library .

The following symbols should be renamed:

- Class Library
- Fixture library.yml
- Test class library\_test.rb
- Test class LibraryTest.rb
- File library.rb

Model Books .

As a result of performing the Rename refactoring, IntelliJ IDEA creates a migration. Execute the migration to have the following symbols actually renamed:

- Class Books
- Fixture books.yml
- Test class books\_test.rb
- Test class BooksTest.rb
- File books.rb

##### Renaming a scope and its usages

```
Class Word
  scope :word_length, lambda {|word_length| where :char_count => word_length}
end

assert_equal 0, Word.word_length(0).size
```

```
Class Word
  scope :word_length1, lambda {|word_length| where :char_count => word_length}
end

assert_equal 0, Word.word_length1(0).size
```

## Renaming a symbol

### To rename a symbol, follow these general steps

1. Select the item to be renamed.
  - To select a file, click the desired file in the [Project Tool Window](#).
  - To select a symbol in the editor, place the caret at the name of the symbol to be renamed.
  - To select a symbol in the [Project Tool Window](#), make sure that the members are shown, and then click the desired symbol.
  - To select a symbol in the [Structure view](#), click the desired symbol in the Structure tool window.
2. Choose Refactor | Rename on the main menu or on the context menu, or press `Shift+F6`.
3. The subsequent behavior depends on the checkbox [Enable in-place mode](#) (Settings/Preferences dialog, [Editor](#)).
  - If this checkbox is selected, the suggested name appears right below the symbol in question. You can either accept suggestion, or type a new name. However, if you press `Shift+F6` once more, IntelliJ IDEA will display the [Rename](#) dialog box with more options.
  - If this checkbox is not selected, the [Rename](#) dialog box opens immediately.

The set of controls and their names depend on the type of the symbol to be renamed.

4. If you want IntelliJ IDEA to find and rename objects related to the renamed class, whose names contain the changed string, check one or more of the following options:
  - Rename variables to rename the variables of that class type.
  - Rename inheritors to rename class inheritors.
  - Rename bound forms to rename the GUI forms bound to the class.

If you chose to rename any of the objects bound to the renamed class, IntelliJ IDEA searches for appropriate items and displays them in a sequence of dialogs, sorted by type. In each dialog you may select the items you want to change.

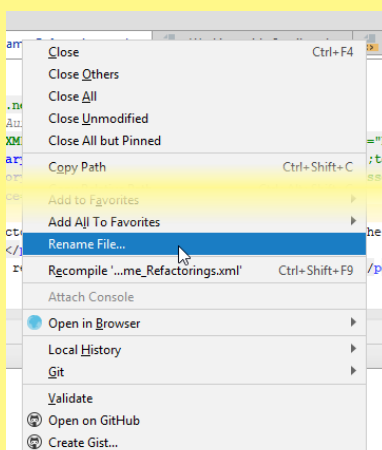
5. [Preview and apply changes](#).

## Renaming a file or directory

### To rename a file or directory

1. Select a desired file in the [Project tool window](#).
2. Choose Refactor | Rename on the main or context menu or press `Shift+F6`.
3. In Rename File dialog box that opens, specify the new file name. Select Search in comments and strings checkbox to let IntelliJ IDEA apply changes to comments and strings.
4. Press Preview to observe possible changes in [Find Tool Window](#). Press Refactor to proceed. IntelliJ IDEA finds all the occurrences of the file name and changes them respectively.

**Tip** Renaming files is also available from the editor tab:



The screenshot shows a context menu for an editor tab in IntelliJ IDEA. The menu items include: Close (Ctrl+F4), Close Others, Close All, Close Unmodified, Close All but Pinned, Copy Path (Ctrl+Shift+C), Add to Favorites, Add All To Favorites, Rename File... (highlighted), Recompile '...me\_Refactorings.xml' (Ctrl+Shift+F9), Attach Console, Open in Browser, Local History, Git, Validate, Open on GitHub, and Create Gist... A mouse cursor is pointing at the 'Rename File...' option.

So doing, the file to be renamed will be overwritten.

## Important notes

- Local variables are renamed in-place.

```
public CrocoBuilder setPaws(int paws) {  
    int pk#id = paws;  
    return this;  
}
```

This feature is only supported when the Python plugin is installed.

```
for poll_id in args:  
    try:  
        poll = Poll.objects.get(pk=int(poll_id))  
    except Poll.DoesNotExist:  
        raise CommandError('Poll "%s" does not exist' % poll_id)
```

To be able to use the Rename dialog when renaming local variables, you should [disable in-place refactoring in the editor settings](#).

- This feature is only supported when the Python plugin is installed.

When renaming Gherkin steps, mind the following limitations:

- Step definitions should not contain regular expressions
- Step names should contain alphanumeric characters only.
- A step definition should be only one in various frameworks.
- There should be a "one-to-one" mapping between a step and a step definition.



The Replace Constructor with Builder refactoring helps hide a constructor, replacing its usages with the references to a newly generated builder class, or to an existing builder class.

## Example

### Before After



### To replace a constructor with a builder class

1. Place the caret at the constructor invocation to be replaced.
2. Open [Replace Constructor with Builder](#) dialog box by choosing Refactor | Replace Constructor with Builder on the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection.

The dialog box shows the list of constructor parameters to be passed to the builder, and the suggested name of a new builder.

3. In the Parameters to pass to the builder list, optionally change the suggested setter names, and specify whether you want to initialize the generated fields in the builder.

If you specify an initial value that matches the parameter value in the constructor invocation, you can skip setter method for such parameter by selecting the **Optional Setter** checkbox.

4. Specify which builder are you going to use. If you select the **Create new** radio button, IntelliJ IDEA will generate a new builder, with the specified name, located in the specified package.

If you select the **Use existing** radio button, find the desired builder class in your project.

5. To review the intended changes and make final corrections prior to the refactoring, click **Preview** . To apply the changes immediately, click **Refactor** .

The Replace Constructor With Factory Method refactoring allows you to hide a constructor and replace it with a static method which returns a new instance of a class.

## Example

### Before/After

<pre>// File Class.java public class Class {     public Class(String s) {         ...     } }  // File AnotherClass.java public class AnotherClass {     public void method() {         Class aClass = new Class("string");     } }</pre>	<pre>// File Class.java public class Class {     private Class(String s) {         ...     }     public static createClass(String s) {         return new Class(s);     } }  // File AnotherClass.java public class AnotherClass {     public void method() {         Class aClass = Class.createClass("string");     } }</pre>
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## To replace a constructor with a factory method

1. Select the class constructor.
2. Open [Replace Constructor With Factory Method dialog](#) by choosing Refactor | Replace Constructor With Factory Method on the main menu or on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the Factory method name field, specify the name for the factory method.
4. In the In (fully qualified name) field, specify the class, where the method should be created.
5. To review the intended changes and make final corrections prior to the refactoring, click Preview. To apply the changes immediately, click Refactor.

The Replace Inheritance With Delegation refactoring allows removing a class from inheritance hierarchy, while preserving the functionality of the parent. IntelliJ IDEA creates a private inner class, that inherits the former superclass or interface. Selected methods of the parent are invoked via the new inner class.

## Example

### BeforeAfter

```
// File Class.java
public class Class extends SuperClass {
    public int varInt;
    public void openMethod() {
        ...
    }
}

// File SuperClass.java
public abstract class SuperClass {
    public static final int CONSTANT=0;
    public abstract void openMethod();
    public void secretMethod() {
        ...
    }
}

// File Class.java
public class Class {
    public int varInt;
    private final MySuperClass superClass = new MySuperClass();
    public SuperClass getSuperClass() {
        return superClass;
    }
    public void openMethod() {
        superClass.openMethod();
    }
    private class MySuperClass extends SuperClass {
        public void openMethod() {
            ...
        }
    }
}

// File SuperClass.java UNCHANGED
public abstract class SuperClass {
    public static final int CONSTANT=0;
    public abstract void openMethod();
    public void secretMethod() {
        ...
    }
}
```

### To replace inheritance with delegation, follow these steps

1. Select the class to be refactored in the [Project Tool Window](#) , or open this class for editing and place the caret somewhere in the source code of the class.
2. On the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Replace Inheritance With Delegation . The [Replace Inheritance With Delegation](#) dialog box opens.
3. In the Replace with delegation inheritance from field, select the parent object, inheritance to which will be replaced.
4. Specify the name for the field of the new inner class.
5. In the Inner class name field, specify the name for the inner class definition.
6. In the Delegate members area, select the members of the parent class, that will be delegated through the inner class.
7. To create a getter for the inner class, select the Generate getter for delegated component checkbox.
8. To review the intended changes and make final corrections prior to the refactoring, click Preview . To apply the changes immediately, click Refactor .

The Find and Replace Code Duplicates action allows you to find code repetitions similar to the selected method or constant field, and replace them with calls to the original method or constant.

## Example

### Before/After

```
public void method() {  
    int a = 1;  
    int b = 2;  
    int c = a+b;  
    int d = b+c;  
}  
...  
private int add(int a, int b) {  
    return a+b;  
}
```

```
public void method() {  
    int a = 1;  
    int b = 2;  
    int c = add(a,b);  
    int d = add(b,c);  
}  
...  
private int add(int a, int b) {  
    return a+b;  
}
```

## To find and replace code duplicates

1. Position the cursor within the method or a constant field whose duplicates you want to search for.
2. Select Refactor | Find and Replace Code Duplicates from the main or context menu.
3. In the dialog that opens, select the scope where IntelliJ IDEA shall look for code duplicates.
4. For each found code duplicate, IntelliJ IDEA will prompt you to confirm the replacement.

This refactoring allows you to extract the variable's initializer expression into a method, and replace all references to the variable with the calls to the extracted method. The declaration of the variable will be removed and the query method can be used in other methods.

Instead of `int size = getActualSize()` and using `size` throughout the code, we just operate with `getActualSize()` method. Though the resulting code has more invocations, it is much cleaner and helps identify precisely where the bottlenecks in the code can appear.

## Example

### BeforeAfter

```
public void method() {
    String str = "str";
    String aString = returnString().concat(str);
    System.out.println(aString);
}
```

```
public void method() {
    String str = "str";
    System.out.println(aString(str));
}
private String aString(String str) {
    return returnString().concat(str);
}
```

## To replace temp with query

1. In the editor, position the caret at the name of the local variable you want to be refactored.
2. On the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Replace Temp with Query .  
[Replace Temp with Query](#) dialog box appears.  
When selecting a local variable, make sure that its value is not modified later in the code. Otherwise the error message appears.
3. Specify the name for the extracted method.
4. To declare the method static, select the Declare static check box. This option is enabled when the initial expression is static.
5. In the Parameters section, select the parameters to be used in the extracted method. The parameters are all checked by default. If unchecked, the appropriate value will be used as a local variable in the extracted method.
6. Check the result in the Signature Preview pane and click OK to create the method.

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## Introduction

The Safe Delete refactoring lets you safely remove files and symbols from the source code.

To make sure that deletion is safe, IntelliJ IDEA looks for the usages of the or symbol being deleted. If such usages are found, you can explore them and make the necessary corrections in your code before the symbol is actually deleted.

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#).

## Performing the refactoring

1. Select the item to be deleted.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Alt+Delete`.
  - Select Refactor | Safe Delete from the main or the context menu.
  - Select Refactor | Refactor This from the main menu (`Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T`), and select Safe Delete.
3. In the [Safe Delete dialog](#), select the necessary options and click OK.
4. If the refactoring is potentially unsafe, the Usages Detected dialog opens.
  - View Usages. Click this button to see where in your code the item you are about to delete is used. As a result, the [Find tool window](#) opens.  
Analyze your code and make the necessary corrections. Then click Do Refactor. (If you want to rerun the refactoring from its start, click Rerun Safe Delete. IntelliJ IDEA will check if the refactoring is safe once more.)
  - Delete Anyway. Click this button to delete the item without looking at its usages.

## Safe Delete Parameter refactoring for a call hierarchy

If a parameter is only passed through a call hierarchy and isn't used anywhere outside of that hierarchy, the Safe Delete refactoring lets you propagate the parameter deletion all along the hierarchy.

## Example

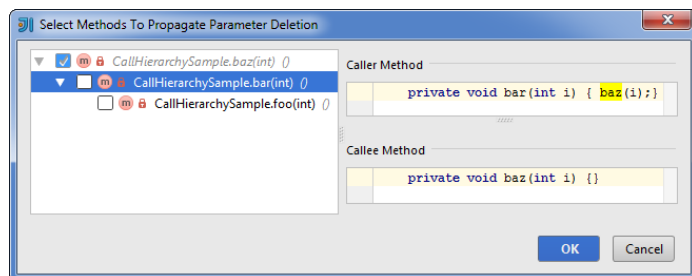
### Before/After

```
class CallHierarchySample {
    private void foo(int i) { bar(i);}
    private void bar(int i) { baz(i);}
    private void baz(int i) { }
}
```

```
class CallHierarchySample {
    private void foo() { bar();}
    private void bar() { baz();}
    private void baz() { }
}
```

In this example, the refactoring was performed on the `i` parameter within `baz(int i)`. This change was propagated to all the caller methods.

When performing the refactoring, the Select Methods to Propagate Parameter Deletion dialog is shown. This dialog lets you select the caller methods in which the parameter should be deleted.



## Safe Delete refactoring for a method in a call hierarchy

When you perform the Safe Delete refactoring for a method, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the corresponding call hierarchy, finds the methods that may become unused and suggests that you delete those methods too.

## Example

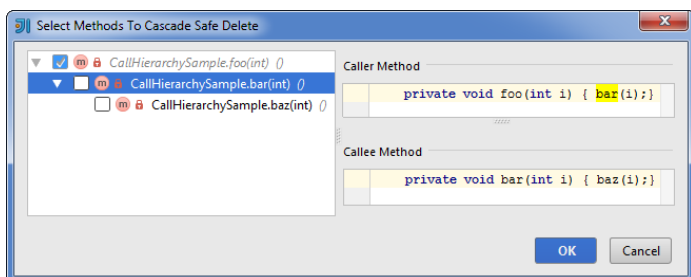
### Before/After

```
class CallHierarchySample {
    private void foo(int i) { bar(i);}
    private void bar(int i) { baz(i);}
    private void baz(int i) { }
}
```

```
class CallHierarchySample {
}
```

In this example, the refactoring was performed on the `foo(int i)` method. All the methods lower down in the call hierarchy were selected for deletion.

When performing the refactoring, the Select Methods to Cascade Safe Delete dialog is shown. This dialog lets you select the methods to be deleted.



The Type Migration refactoring allows you to automatically change a member type (e.g. from integer to string), and data flow dependent type entries, like method return types, local variables, parameters etc. across the entire project. It also lets automatically convert variable or method return type between arrays and collections. If any conflicts are found IntelliJ IDEA warns you about them.

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#).

## Example

f: int -> String

### BeforeAfter

```
int f;
void bar(int i) {}
void foo() {
    bar(f);
}
```

```
String f;
void bar(String i) {}
void foo() {
    bar(f);
}
```

I<String> -> I<Integer>

### BeforeAfter

```
interface I<T> {
    T foo(T t);
}

class A implements I<String> {
    String myString;
    public String foo(final String s) {
        if (s == null) {
            return
                myString;
        }
        return s;
    }
}
```

```
interface I<T> {
    T foo(T t);
}

class A implements I<Integer> {
    Integer myString;
    public Integer foo(final Integer s) {
        if (s == null) {
            return
                myString;
        }
        return s;
    }
}
```

myResult: ArrayList<String> -> String[]

### BeforeAfter

```
public class ResultContainer {
    private ArrayList<String> myResult;
    public String[] getResult() {
        return myResult.toArray(new String[myResult.size()]);
    }
}
```

```
public class ResultContainer {
    private String[] myResult;
    public String[] getResult() {
        return myResult;
    }
}
```

## To change type, follow these steps

1. In the editor, place the caret on the type to be refactored.
2. On main menu, choose Refactor | Type Migration, or press `Ctrl+Shift+F6`.
3. In the Type Migration dialog box, specify the new type and scope where to look for the usages.
4. Click Preview and review the items that will be affected. If needed, exclude usages from refactoring. To do that, right-click usage in the [Type Migration Preview](#) and select Exclude. When done, click Migrate.



Use Interface Where Possible refactoring delegates execution of the specified methods, derived from a base class/interface, to an instance of an ancestor class or an inner class, implementing the same interface.

## Example

### Before After

<pre>// File Class.java public class Class implements Interface {     public void publicMethod() {         ...     }     public void hiddenMethod() {         ...     } }</pre>	<pre>// File Class.java UNCHANGED public class Class implements Interface {     public void publicMethod() {         ...     }     public void hiddenMethod() {         ...     } }</pre>
<pre>// File Interface.java public interface Interface {     int CONSTANT=0;     void publicMethod(); }</pre>	<pre>// File Interface.java UNCHANGED public interface Interface {     int CONSTANT=0;     void publicMethod(); }</pre>
<pre>// File AnotherClass.java public class AnotherClass {     Class firstClass;     Class secondClass;     public void method() {         firstClass.publicMethod();         firstClass.hiddenMethod();         secondClass.publicMethod();         if (secondClass instanceof Class) {             ...         }         ...     } }</pre>	<pre>// File AnotherClass.java MODIFIED public class AnotherClass {     Class firstClass;     Interface secondInterface;     public void method() {         firstClass.publicMethod();         firstClass.hiddenMethod();         secondInterface.publicMethod();         if (secondInterface instanceof Interface) {             ...         }         ...     } }</pre>

## To use interface where possible, follow these steps

1. Select a class whose methods should be delegated to its parent class or interface. To do that, place the caret on this class in the editor or in the [Project Tool Window](#).
2. On the main menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Use Interface Where Possible.
3. In the [Use Interface Where Possible](#) dialog box, select the parent object that will replace the usages of the current class.
4. To replace the current class name in `instanceof` statements, check the option Use interface/superclass in instanceof.  
Note that if you use `instanceof` statements and leave this checkbox unselected, you may receive erroneous code, such as:

```
if (secondInterface instanceof Class)
```

This code will compile, but may produce undesired results.

5. To review the intended changes and make final corrections prior to the refactoring, click Preview. To continue without preview, click Refactor.  
The Rename variables dialog box appears. It lists the occurrences of the class that may be replaced by the superclass or the interface selected. Select the usages you want to replace, and (optionally) specify new names for each of them.
6. Click OK to continue. If you have previously clicked the Preview button, the Preview window will appear now.

The Wrap Return Value refactoring allows you to select a method, and either create a wrapper class for its return values, or use an existing, compatible wrapper class. All returns from the method selected will be appropriately wrapped, and all calls to the method will have their returns unwrapped.

Wrapping a method's returns are useful, if your design changes in such a way that you want a method to return more information than originally planned. After wrapping, the wrapper class can be extended, allowing more data to be returned from the method. Also, it is common to wrap primitive return values, thus allowing interface and implementation to be decoupled as needed.

**Tip** This refactoring is also available from [UML Class diagram](#).

## Example

### Before/After

```
class Order {
    String customer;
    String getCustomer() {
        return customer;
    }
}
```

```
class Order {
    String customer;
    Customer getCustomer() {
    }
}

class Customer {
    String id;
    Customer(String id) {
        this.id=id;
    }
}
```

### To wrap a return value, follow these steps

1. Open the desired class in the editor and place the caret at the method whose returns you wish to wrap.
2. Choose Refactor | Wrap Return Value on the main menu, or on the context menu of the selection. Alternatively, select the desired method in the Structure views, and trigger refactoring from there.
3. In the [Wrap Return Value dialog box](#) specify the name and package for the new wrapper class, or select an existing compatible wrapper class.
4. Preview and apply changes.

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## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA provides convenient features for creating documentation comments.

Documentation comments in your source code are available for the [Quick Documentation Lookup](#) and open for review on pressing `Ctrl+Q`.

In Java files, IntelliJ IDEA creates stubs of documentation comments on typing the opening tag and pressing `Enter`.

If this feature applies to the methods, `@param` tags are created for each parameter declared in the method signature, `@return` tag is created if the method is not void, and `@throws` tags are created for each exception statement.

When you [create additional tags](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion that suggests the possible tag names.

If a certain tag has multiple values, the same code completion provides the list of available values. Smart type code completion suggests the list of classes that are appropriate for the specific exception.

## Python documentation

The following features are only supported, when Python plugin is installed!

Documentation comments can be created in accordance with the syntax, selected in the [Python Integrated Tools](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog, for example, [reStructuredText](#) or [epytext](#).

If this feature applies to a function, IntelliJ IDEA generates tags, depending on the selected docstring format, for example:

- For reStructuredText: `:param` tags for each parameter declared in the function signature, and `:return` tag.
- For epytext: `@param` tags for each parameter declared in the function signature, and `@return` tag.

So doing, the tags in [reStructuredText](#) and [epytext](#) markup are highlighted accordingly.

If [configured](#), the documentation comment stubs can be generated with `type` and `rtype` tags.

In the Python files, IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the documentation comments represented as [Python docstrings](#).

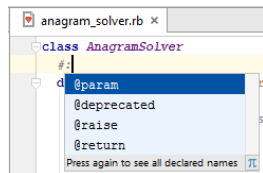
Before you start, make sure that the required docstring format, for example, `epytext` or `reStructuredText`, is selected in the [Python Integrated Tools](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

Also note that IntelliJ IDEA captures custom roles from `conf.py`. When configuring the directory that contains `*.rst` files, point to the directory with `conf.py` ([Python Integrated Tools | Path to the directory with \\*.rst files](#)).

The following features are only supported, when Ruby plugin is installed!

## RDoc support

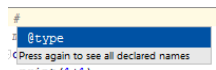
[RDoc](#) tags are completed:



[RDoc](#) highlighting in documentation comments can be enabled or disabled. To enable it, select the checkbox Highlight RDoc and ruby syntax in comments in the [Appearance](#) page of the editor settings.

## YARD support

[YARD](#) tags are completed:



- YARD directives complete in places where methods could be defined;
- Type annotations complete where applicable (assignments, before block vars);
- `param/return/etc.` tags complete before methods, inside directive docstrings, before `attr_reader/writer/accessor`

## HEREDOC support

Besides documentation comments in the RDoc and YARD formats, IntelliJ IDEA supports HEREDOCs. This is especially useful, if you are writing large blocks of text.

For example, consider the following:

```
class Heredoc
  def message
    <<-HEREDOC
Hello, World:)
Take a look at the recent post in our blog.
Stay tuned.
HEREDOC
  end
end
puts Heredoc.new.message
```

If you perform run, the lines between <<-HEREDOC and HEREDOC appear in the [Run tool window](#) .

**Note** IntelliJ IDEA suggests a [Rubyintention action](#) that converts <<-HEREDOC to squiggly<<-HEREDOC. This intention works with Ruby 2.3 and higher.

**Warning!** Note that this section refers to JavaScript, Java, Python and the other languages that have special beginning of documentation comments.

This section does not refer to Ruby.

## Enabling documentation comments

1. Open the Editor | General | Smart Keys page of IntelliJ IDEA settings (`Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the Enter section, select or clear Insert documentation comment stub check box.
- 3.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

For Python, scroll to the Insert type placeholders in the documentation comment stub option and select or clear the check box as required. Refer to [the option description](#) for details.

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## Creating documentation comments for a method or function

### To create a documentation comment for a method or function

1. Place the caret **before** the declaration.
2. Type the opening block comment `/**` , and press `Enter` .
3. Add meaningful description of parameters and return values.

Please note the following:

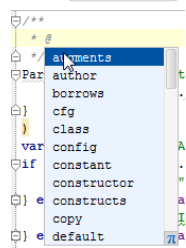
- IntelliJ IDEA checks syntax in the documentation comments and treats it according to the Error settings.
- If the entered text contains HTML tags, the closing tag will be automatically added after typing `>` , provided that this behavior is [enabled](#) in the editor settings.
- When typing in a documentation comment, the caret automatically moves to an expected position. For example:

```
/**
 * <ul>
 * <li>[caret]
 * [caret after Enter]
 * </li>
 * </ul>
 */
```

## Creating tags

### To create tags in a documentation comment block

1. In a comment block, select the desired empty line and type `@` or (for Python and Ruby languages) : character.
2. Press `Ctrl+Space` , or just wait for Code Completion to display the suggestion list:



3. Select a tag from the suggestion list. For example, you can specify the parameters type, or return type.
4. If a certain tag has several values, press `Ctrl+Space` after the tag, and select the desired value from the suggestion list. For example, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to select the desired parameter name.

```
function count(param1, param2)
}/**
 * @param param1
 * @param param2
 */
{}
```

## Creating and fixing doc comments

**Warning!** Note that this section refers to JavaScript, Java, Python and the other languages that have special beginning of documentation comments.

This section does not refer to Ruby.

Documentation comment can be created with the dedicated action [Fix Doc Comment](#) . It can be invoked by means of [Find Action](#) command.

Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` , with the caret somewhere within a class, method, function, or field, which should be documented, and enter the action name [Fix Doc String](#) . The missing documentation stub with the corresponding tags is added. For example:

```

/**
 *
 * @param userInput
 * @return
 */
static boolean processRepeatConversion (@NotNull String userInput) {
boolean repeatConversion = false;
if (((userInput.equals("y")) || (userInput.equals("Y")))) {
repeatConversion = true;
}
return repeatConversion;
}
}

```

The next case lays with fixing problems in the existing documentation comments.

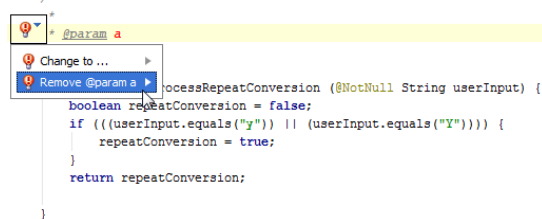
For example, if a method signature has been changed, IntelliJ IDEA highlights a tag that doesn't match the method signature, and suggests a quick fix.

For JavaScript, IntelliJ IDEA suggests an intention action UpdateJSDoc comment. You can also press `Ctrl+Shift+A`, and type the action name:

```

public class MetersToInchesConverter {
/**
 * @param a
 */
processRepeatConversion (@NotNull String userInput) {
boolean repeatConversion = false;
if (((userInput.equals("y")) || (userInput.equals("Y")))) {
repeatConversion = true;
}
return repeatConversion;
}
}

```



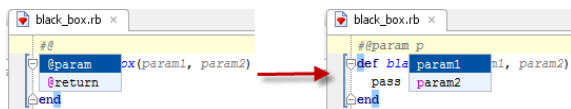
**Tip** The action Fix doc comment has no keyboard shortcut bound with it. You can [configure keyboard shortcut](#) of your own.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

## Creating documentation comments for Ruby methods

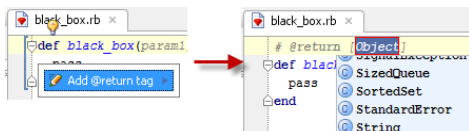
### To create documentation comments for a Ruby method

1. Place the caret on an empty line before the declaration of the method you want to document.
2. Type the beginning of a doc comment (#), or just press `Ctrl+Slash`.
3. Press `Ctrl+Space`, and choose the desired tag from the suggestion list. Then press `Ctrl+Space` again, and choose the desired parameter name:

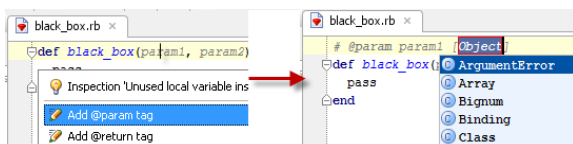


### To create documentation comments for a Ruby method using intention action, do one of the following

- Place the caret anywhere within the method you want to document, press `Alt+Enter`, and choose Add `@return` tag. The documentation comment with the `@return` tag is created. Specify the return type.



- Place the caret at the parameter you want to document, press `Alt+Enter`, and choose Add `@param` tag. The documentation comment with the `@param` tag for the selected parameter is created. Specify the parameter type.



**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

## Creating documentation comments for Python functions

### To create documentation comment for a Python function

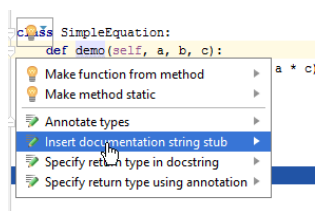
1. Place the caret **after** the declaration of a function you want to document.
2. Type opening triple quotes, and press `Enter` , or `Space` .
3. Add meaningful description of parameters and return values.

**Tip** Mind the following:

- Generation of docstrings on pressing `Space` after typing opening triple quotes only works when the checkbox Insert pair quote is cleared in the page [Smart Keys](#) of the editor settings.
- If you rename a parameter of a function, IntelliJ IDEA will correspondingly update the tag in documentation comment.

### To create documentation comment for a Python function using intention action

1. Place the caret somewhere within the function you want to document.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` to show the available intention actions.
3. Choose Insert documentation string stub :



IntelliJ IDEA generates documentation comment stub according to docstring format, selected in the [Python Integrated Tools](#) page.

## Example of Python comment

Consider the following function:

```
def handle(self, myParam1, myParam2):
```

In the [Python Integrated Tools](#) page, select Epytext . Then type the opening triple quotes and press `Enter` or `Space` . IntelliJ IDEA generates documentation comment stub:

```
...
@param self:
@param myParam1:
@param myParam2:
@return:
...
```

Then select reStructuredText , type the opening triple quotes and press `Enter` or `Space` . IntelliJ IDEA generates documentation comment stub:

```
...
:param self:
:param myParam1:
:param myParam2:
:return:
...
```

## Fill Paragraph action

Fill Paragraph action is supported for Java comments. This action creates soft wraps in comments. To make use of this action, follow these steps:

1. Place the caret somewhere inside a comment in a class.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Edit | Fill Paragraph
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` , in the pop-up frame, type Fill Paragraph , and then press `Enter` ,



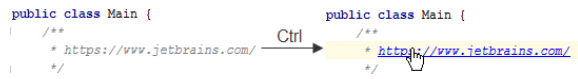
## Clickable comments

If a documentation comment contains a hyperlink, you can make it clickable.

To do that, do one of the following:

- Keep the `Ctrl` key pressed and hover your mouse pointer over the hyperlink:

```
public class Main {  
|  /**  
|   * https://www.jetbrains.com/ → Ctrl → * https://www.jetbrains.com/  
|   */  
}
```



- Press `Ctrl+B`.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a front-end to the standard JavaDoc utility for generating JavaDoc reference for your project. This feature is available from the editor and from the project tool window.

## To generate project documentation

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Generate JavaDoc . Generate JavaDoc dialog is opened.
2. In the Generate JavaDoc dialog, specify the following options:
  - Select scope (whole project or a certain project with subpackages).
  - Specify the output directory, where the generated documentation will be placed.
  - Use the slider to define the level of visibility of members to be included in the generated documentation.
3. Specify the other JavaDoc options. Refer to the topic [Generate JavaDoc Dialog](#) for description of controls.
4. Click OK .

**Note** For language injections to be available, the IntelliJLang plugin must be enabled. This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.

You can inject a language (such as HTML, CSS, XML, SQL, RegEx, etc.) into a string literal in your code and, as a result, get comprehensive coding assistance when editing that literal.

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### Example: Injecting HTML. Opening a fragment editor

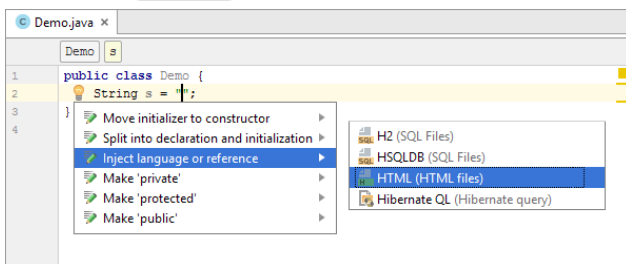
To get an impression of how language injections work:

1. Create a Java class and open that class in the editor.
2. Within the class body, type:

```
String s = "";
```

3. Place the cursor between the quotation marks.

4. Click  or press `Alt+Enter`, select Inject language or reference, and then select HTML (HTML files).



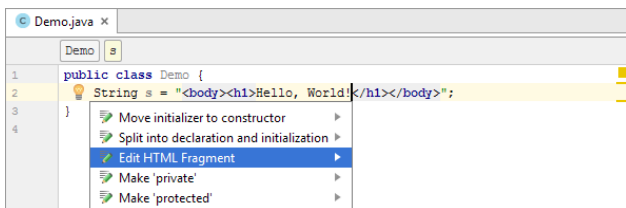
5. Type:

```
<body><h1>Hello, World!</h1></body>
```



When typing, note that auto-completion for HTML tags is now available. Also note how the HTML code is highlighted.

6. Let's now open a fragment editor for the injected HTML code: press `Alt+Enter` and select Edit HTML Fragment.



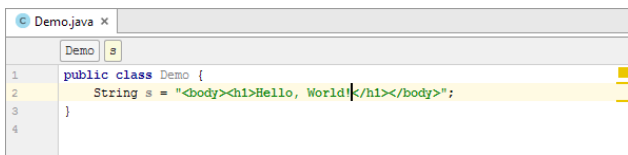
Here is the result:



You can use the fragment editor as an alternative (or in addition) to editing injected string literals in the "main editor".

7. To complete the example, let's cancel the injection: switch to the main editor, press `Alt+Enter` and select Un-inject Language/Reference.

Note that the text between the quotation marks has become green which is the default color for string values. This indicates that the value in the quotation marks is now treated simply as text.



```
1 public class Demo {
2     String s = "<body><h1>Hello, World!</h1></body>";
3 }
4
```

Don't close the editor yet. Later in this topic, we'll use our Java class for showing other language injection features.

## Accessing language injection functions

Most of the functions related to language injections are accessed through a "light bulb menu" (💡 or `Alt+Enter`).

## Ways to inject a language

You can inject a language by using:

- Inject language or reference `command`. You have already seen that in [Example: Injecting HTML. Opening a fragment editor](#). This way of injecting a language is temporary: the string literal stays injected for a limited period of time.
- `// language=<language_ID>`, see [Using language injection comments](#).
- `@Language("<language_ID>")`, see [Using the @Language annotation](#).

## Using language injection comments

To inject a language by means of an injection comment, on a separate line preceding the one that contains the target string literal, add:

```
// language=<language_ID>
```

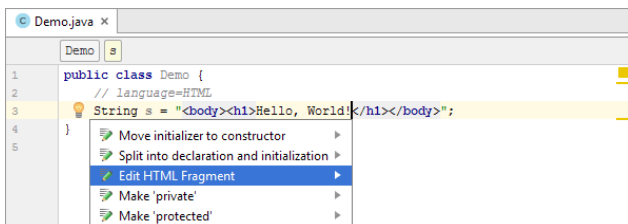
e.g.

```
// language=HTML
```

NOTE: The syntax of the comments should be appropriate for the language that you are using. So you may want to use `# language=...` or `-- language=...` rather than `// language=...`.

Example

1. On the line preceding `String s = "...";`, type `// language=HTML`.
2. Check the light bulb menu (`Alt+Enter`).



```
1 public class Demo {
2     // language=HTML
3     String s = "<body><h1>Hello, World!</h1></body>";
4 }
5
```

As you can see, HTML has been injected into the string literal.

3. Remove the commented line (e.g. `Ctrl+Y`) to come back to the previous state.

## Language IDs

The language IDs, generally, are intuitive, e.g. MySQL, RegExp, XML, HTML. If not sure about the language ID, use the suggestion list for the inject language or reference command. What precedes the opening parentheses there is the language IDs.

See also, [Using language injection prefixes and suffixes](#).

## Using the @Language annotation

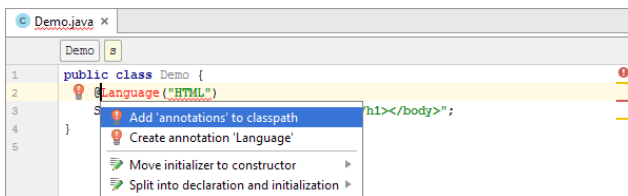
In Java code, you can use the `@Language("language_ID")` annotation.

To be able to use this annotation: 1) the `annotations.jar` (or `annotations-java8.jar`) file should be included in your module dependencies and 2) the `import org.intellij.lang.annotations.Language;` statement should be added to your class file. For both these tasks, IntelliJ IDEA provides the intention actions as shown in the Example that follows.

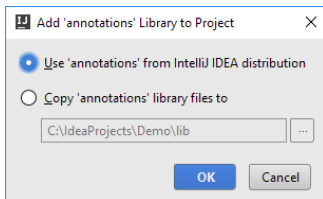
In other respects, the `@Language` annotation works similarly to the injection comments.

Example

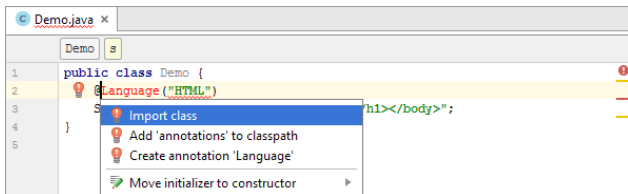
1. On the line preceding `String s = "...";`, type `@Language("HTML")`.  
If you haven't used this annotation in your project yet:
2. To add `annotations.jar` to the module dependencies: place the cursor within `Language`, press `Alt+Enter` and select Add 'annotations' to classpath.



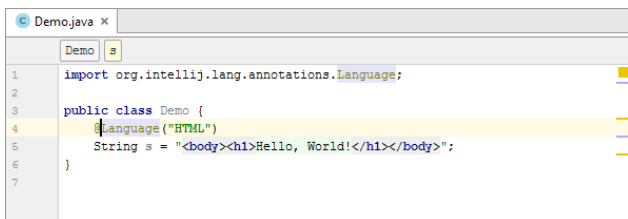
In the dialog that opens, just click OK .



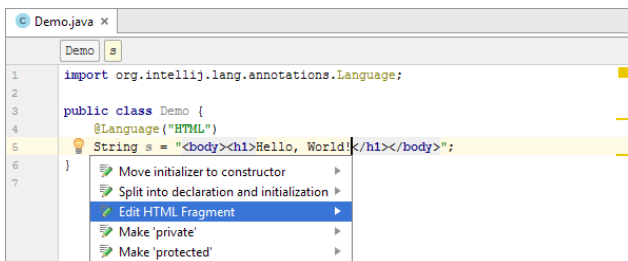
3. If IntelliJ IDEA suggests adding the import statement, just press `Alt+Enter` . Otherwise, press `Alt+Enter` and select Import class .



In both cases, the result will look something like this:



4. Place the cursor within the string literal and check the light bulb menu (`Alt+Enter`) to see that HTML has been injected.



5. Remove the `@Language("HTML")` line to return to the previous state (`Ctrl+Y`) .

## Accessing injection settings

To access the language injection settings:

1. Open the Settings / Preferences dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. Go to the Language Injections page: Editor | Language Injections .

For more info, see [Language Injections page](#) .

## Using language injection prefixes and suffixes

Injecting a language may be accompanied with adding a prefix and a suffix. The prefix is added before the injected fragment, and the suffix - after the fragment.

Adding the prefix and the suffix is "imaginary". It doesn't change the actual string value. The prefix and the suffix act as a "wrapper" and their main purpose is to turn the injected fragment into a syntactically complete language unit. In this way, you give IntelliJ IDEA a broader context for validating the injected code fragment.

When editing your code, you can see the prefix and the suffix only in the fragment editor; the prefix and the suffix are not shown in the main editor.

The prefix and the suffix can be included in the injection comment whose complete form is

```
// language=<language_ID> prefix=<prefix> suffix=<suffix>
```

where the prefix and the suffix are optional.

## Example

In this example, we'll remove the opening and closing `<body>` tags from the injected code fragment and add these tags to the injection comment as the prefix and suffix.

1. Remove the opening and closing `<body>` tags: e.g. place the cursor within the injected fragment, press `Ctrl+Shift+Delete` and select Remove Enclosing Tag body.
2. On the line preceding `String s = "...";`, type `// language=HTML prefix=<body> suffix=</body>`
3. For the injected fragment, open the fragment editor.



The screenshot shows two windows from an IDE. The top window, titled 'Demo.java', contains the following Java code:

```
1 public class Demo {
2     // language=HTML prefix=<body> suffix=</body>
3     String s = "<h1>Hello, World!</h1>";
4 }
5
```

The bottom window, titled 'HTML Fragment (Demo.java:85).html', shows the fragment editor with the following HTML code:

```
1 <body><h1>Hello, World!</h1></body>
```

Compare the fragments shown in the main and in the fragment editors.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests various ways of navigation between the IDE components and within source code. IntelliJ IDEA's smart editor makes it possible to navigate across the source code using the code structure rather than plain scrolling. You can find your way in the source code using the method calls, declarations, errors, changes etc.

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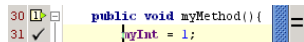
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## Introduction

The editor of IntelliJ IDEA provides two types of bookmarks:

- Anonymous bookmarks, indicated by check signs ✓ in the left gutter. The number of anonymous bookmarks is unlimited.
- Bookmarks with mnemonics indicated by **b** or **g** icons in the left gutter. There can be only 10 numbered and 26 lettered bookmarks within a project.

All bookmarks are indicated with the black streaks in the marker bar:



Once created, the bookmarks enable you to easily jump to the desired location within a file, or across the entire project.

## Navigating within the current file

### To navigate through the bookmarks within the current file, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Bookmarks | Next/Previous Bookmark`. The order of visiting bookmarks depends on their order in the collection of bookmarks in the [Bookmarks dialog](#).
- Click the black streak in the marker bar.

## Navigating across a project

### To navigate across a project using numbered bookmarks

- Use `Ctrl+Number` where the <number> corresponds to the desired bookmark.

### To navigate among all bookmarks in a project, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Bookmarks | Show Bookmarks`, or press `Shift+F11`. In the [Bookmarks dialog](#), select the target bookmark, and press `Enter`.

For your convenience, the target code preview is shown in the right pane of the dialog box.

- In the [Favorites tool window](#), select the desired bookmark in the Bookmarks list, and then double-click the bookmark entry, or press `F4`. The corresponding file opens in the editor, with the caret at the beginning of the bookmarked line.



This section describes how to:

- [Create and delete bookmarks with mnemonics](#)
- [Toggle bookmarks](#)
- [View project bookmarks](#)
- [Delete bookmarks](#)
- [Change the order of bookmarks](#)

## Creating bookmarks with mnemonics

### To create a bookmark with mnemonics, follow these steps:

1. Place the caret at the desired line of code in the editor.
2. Press `Ctrl+F11` (alternatively, choose `Navigate | Bookmarks | Toggle Bookmark With Mnemonic` on the main menu), then press one of the keys 0-9 or A-Z.

## Toggling bookmarks

### To toggle an anonymous bookmark on the current line, do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Bookmarks | Toggle Bookmark`.
- Press `F11`.

## Viewing bookmarks

### To view all bookmarks in a project, do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Bookmarks | Show Bookmarks`.
- Press `Shift+F11`.

## Deleting bookmarks

### To delete bookmarks in a project, follow these steps:

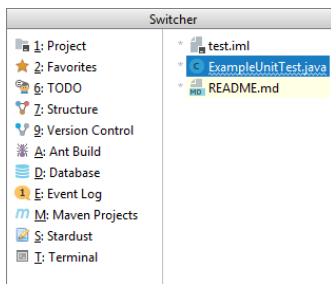
1. Open the Bookmarks dialog (`Navigate | Bookmarks | Show Bookmarks`, or `Shift+F11`).
2. Select bookmarks and press `Delete`.

## Changing order of bookmarks

### To change the order of bookmarks

1. Open the Bookmarks dialog (`Navigate | Bookmarks | Show Bookmarks`, or `Shift+F11`).
2. Select the desired bookmark.
3. Use `Move Up` (`↑`, `Ctrl+Up`) and `Move Down` (`↓`, `Ctrl+Down`) buttons to shift the bookmark in the desired direction.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests a handy way to switch between files opened in the editor, split editor tabs, and tool windows (docked or floating). This is similar to application switchers in different operating systems. The switcher consists of two columns: the left one displays a list of tool windows, and the right one displays a list of files. If more than one file is currently opened in the editor, they are listed. If no files are currently opened, or there is just one tab, the switcher shows recently opened files (the currently opened file is marked with an asterisk).



To switch between files or tool windows:

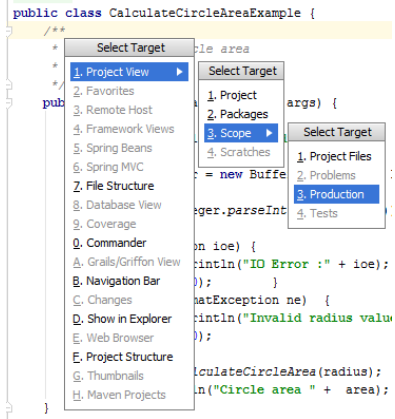
1. Press `Ctrl+Tab` .
2. Keeping the first key (`Ctrl` on Windows/Linux or `⌘` on macOS) pressed, use the following keys:
  - `Left` and `Right` to switch between the lists of tool windows and files.
  - `Up` and `Down` arrow keys, `Tab` or `Shift+Tab` to go up and down the list in both panes.
  - `Delete` or `Backspace` to close the editor tab where the selected file is opened and remove the selected file from the list.
3. Release the `Ctrl` / `⌘` key. The corresponding file or tool window gets the focus, and the switcher pop-up disappears.

Suppose you have selected a file or member in one of the tool windows, and would like to quickly locate it in another IDE component. The Select Target pop-up menu helps you move the focus to the selected component of IntelliJ IDEA, the file system, etc.

## To navigate to the desired component

1. On the main menu select **Navigate** and click **Select In**, or press **Alt+F1**.  
The **Select Target** pop-up menu shows up.

2. Use the arrow keys or the mouse pointer to select the desired component. If your target is the Project tool window, you can select the desired view:



**Tip** You can also double-click selected file or member in one of the tool windows or press **Enter** to open it in the editor.

Since your source code can contain numerous methods, it is convenient to navigate to the beginning of the next or previous method. In the Web contents, this feature enables navigating between tags.

### To navigate to the next or previous method or tag

- On the main menu, choose Navigate | Next Method / Previous Method respectively.
- Use `Alt+Up` / `Alt+Down` keyboard shortcuts.

For JavaScript code inside HTML files this behavior depends on the caret location. If the caret rests inside a JavaScript block, this means of navigation enables jumping between JavaScript functions. If the caret rests on a `<script>` tag, then navigation is performed between the tags.

To improve the visibility of your source code by having a line added automatically between adjacent methods, choose the Show Method Separators option in the [Appearance](#) page of the editor settings.

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## Overview

Testing support in IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to navigate between a test and the test subject.

For information on common testing procedures, see [Testing](#) .

For language-and framework-specific guidelines, see , [Testing Frameworks](#) , [Testing JavaScript](#) , [Testing Node.js](#) , and [Language and Framework - Specific Guidelines](#) .

## Jumping from a test to its test subject

1. Open the desired test class in the editor.
2. On the main menu or on the context menu of the editor, choose [Navigate | Test Subject](#) . Alternatively, press `Ctrl+Shift+T` .

The test subject for the current test class opens in the dedicated tab of the editor and gets the focus.

## Jumping from a class or file to its test

1. Open the desired class in the editor.
2. On the main menu or on the context menu of the editor, choose [Navigate | Test](#) . Alternatively, press `Ctrl+Shift+T` .

If more than one test is associated with the test subject, select the desired one from the pop-up list. The test for the current class opens in the dedicated tab of the editor and gets the focus.

**Note** If a test class doesn't exist, you will be prompted to create one as described in the section [Creating Tests](#) .

You can easily navigate from the stack trace in the Run tool window to the source code that causes problems.

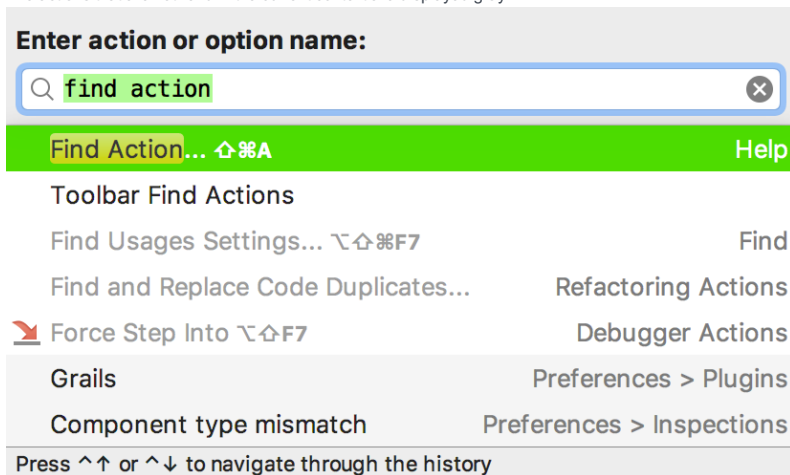
### **To navigate from the stack trace to a line of code**

- In the Run tool window scroll to the desired stack trace line and click the link to the source file in question. The source file opens in the editor.

IntelliJ IDEA helps you quickly find the desired action, without digging through the menus and toolbars. The concept action covers the commands of the main menu and various context menus, commands performed through the toolbar buttons of the main toolbar and tool windows.

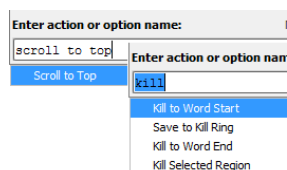
## To find an action

1. Choose Help | Find Action on the main menu or press `Ctrl+Shift+A`. The pop-up window that opens, shows the suggestion list of matching names. By default, this list includes the menu commands only. If you want to include the non-menu commands in the suggestion list, press `Ctrl+Shift+A` once more.
2. Start typing the desired action name. As you type, the suggestion list displays the matching names of actions. The actions that are not valid in the current context are displayed gray.



3. Double-click the desired entry in the suggestion list, or select it using the arrow keys and press `Enter`.

This way you can invoke the actions that are not mapped to keyboard shortcuts in certain schemes (for example, scroll to top, scroll to bottom, or Emacs actions, like kill rings, sticky selection, or hungry backspace).



These actions are not mapped to certain keyboard shortcuts, neither they appear in the menus. If necessary, configure keyboard shortcuts for these actions as described [here](#).

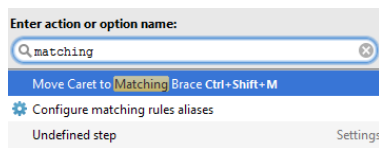
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## Navigating to the borders of a code block

### To navigate to the borders of a code block, do one of the following:

- To navigate to the code block start, press `Ctrl+Open Bracket`, with the caret anywhere inside the code block.  
The caret jumps to the opening brace of the current code block.
- To navigate to the code block end, press `Ctrl+Close Bracket`, with the caret anywhere inside the code block.  
The caret jumps to the closing brace of the current code block.
- To toggle between code block start or end, press `Ctrl+Shift+M`.  
You can also invoke this action ( Move Caret to Matching Brace ) with a [Search Everywhere](#) or [Go to Action](#) functionality:



## Navigating to the borders of the closest higher code block

### To navigate to the borders of the closest higher code block, do one of the following:

- To jump to the higher code block start, press `Ctrl+Open Bracket`, with the caret at the [current code block opening brace](#).
- To jump to the higher code block end, press `Ctrl+Close Bracket`, with the caret at the [current code block closing brace](#).

**Tip** Practically, you can just press `Ctrl+Open Bracket` or `Ctrl+Close Bracket` as many times as you need, until the caret is positioned at the start or end of the desired code block.



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## Overview

Navigate commands enable you to quickly jump to the desired classes, files, or symbols specified by names. IntelliJ IDEA suggests a look-up list of matching names, from which you can select the desired one, and open it in the editor. This navigation honors CamelCase and snake\_case capitalization. Refer to the [tips](#) for detailed list of available techniques.

## Navigating by name

To navigate to a class, file, or symbol with the specified name:

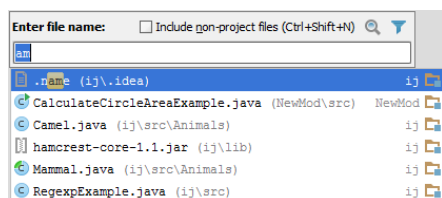
1. On the main menu, point to **Navigate**, and then choose **Class**, **File**, or **Symbol** respectively, or use the following shortcuts:

- Class: `Ctrl+N`
- File (directory): `Ctrl+Shift+N`
- Symbol: `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N`

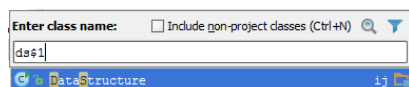
2. In the pop-up window, start typing the desired name.

So doing, you can enter characters located anywhere inside the desired name. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks, displaying the matching names only.

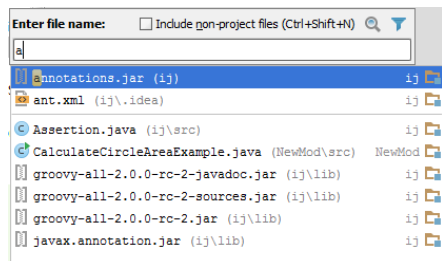
- **Class** :



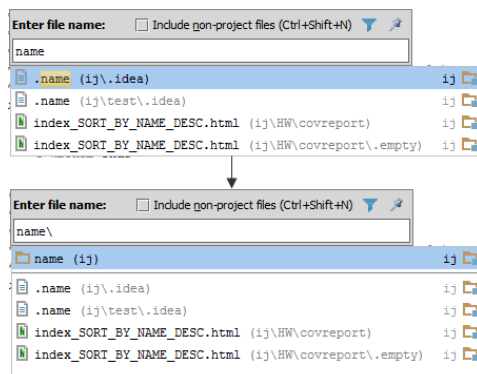
It is also possible to navigate directly to the specified anonymous class. It is enough to specify class name and the anonymous class number, delimited with `$` character:



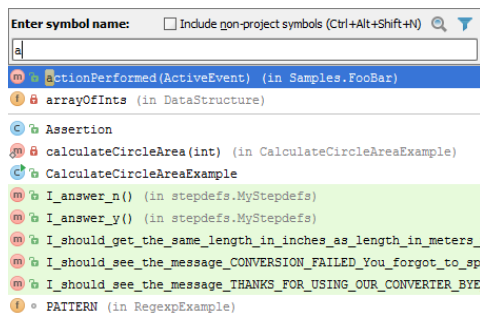
- **File** :



- **Directory** : use the same `Ctrl+Shift+N` shortcut as for file navigation, and type the name of the directory you are looking for, the pattern name ending with `/` or `:`:




- **Symbol** :

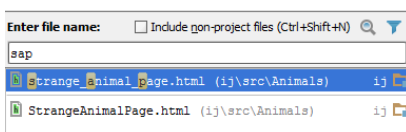


3. Click the desired entry in the suggestion list, or select it using the arrow keys, and press `Enter`.

## Tips and tricks

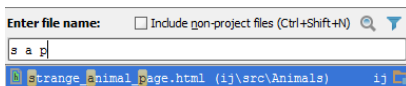
While working in the navigation pop-up window, use the following helpful techniques:

- Narrow down the search scope by selecting the file types to search in. Just click the filter , and clear the checkboxes next to the file types you are not interested in.
- Include non-project files in the look-up list and thus make available matching files from SDKs and libraries.
- If the look-up list is too long, type more characters to shrink it, or click the ellipsis sign at the end of the list, to reveal its next portion.
- Type the initial letters of the **CamelHumps** names, for example:

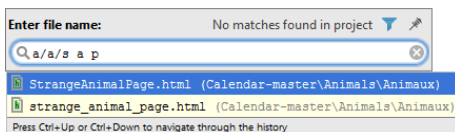


Note that IntelliJ IDEA automatically recognizes **CamelHumps** and matches them to the lower case letters.

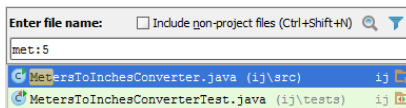
- Type any letters separated with spaces for **snake\_case** names, for example:



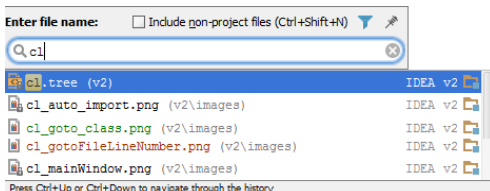
- In the navigation to file pop-up window, type letters delimited with slashes to denote nested directories:



- Type line number after a file name, delimited with a colon, to navigate to the specified line:



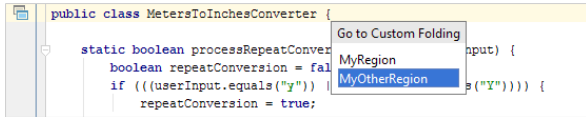
- Use `*` wildcard to represent any number of characters, though it is quite enough to type characters located in the middle of the desired name.
- If while typing in one of the Navigate to Class/File/Symbol pop-up windows you notice that you need another one, just invoke the necessary dialog box. The text you have already entered will not disappear.
- Press `Alt+F1` to invoke the Select Target pop-up window, and choose the desired IDE component.
- Note that for the projects under version control, the entries in the look-up list are color coded according to their status:



- When there is a **detached editor frame** with a certain file, you can opt to open this file in the main IntelliJ IDEA frame by pressing `Enter`, or activate the detached frame by pressing `Shift+Enter`.

If there are code folding comments in your file (see [Using code folding comments](#) ), you can navigate to corresponding folding regions like this:

1. Select Navigate | Custom Folding or press `Ctrl+Alt+Period` .
2. Select the target folding region. (The regions in the list are identified by their descriptions.)



```
public class MetersToInchesConverter {  
    static boolean processRepeatConversion(MyRegion input) {  
        boolean repeatConversion = false;  
        if (((userInput.equals("y")) || MyOtherRegion ("Y")))) {  
            repeatConversion = true;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

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## Introduction

While editing your source code, you might need to navigate to the location where a particular named code reference (a symbol) has been first declared. Navigate | Declaration command enables you to navigate back to the initial declaration of a symbol from any place in the source code, even if it is from inside another class, or comment.

## Important note

Navigate | Declaration/Type Declaration

- Applies to the symbols of source code, CSS, HTML or XML tags and attributes, DTD and schema elements and attributes, and references in comments.
- Does not apply to the primitive types.

## Navigating to the declaration of a symbol

1. Place the caret at the desired symbol in the editor.

2. Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Navigate | Declaration .
- Press `Ctrl+B` .
- Click the middle mouse button.
- Keeping `Ctrl` for Windows or Linux users or `⌘` for macOS users pressed, point to the symbol, and click, when it turns to a hyperlink. You can also see declaration at the tooltip while keeping `Ctrl` for Windows or Linux users or `⌘` for macOS users pressed.

```
public class DataBean1 {  
    Map root java.util  
    String n public interface java.util.List<E> extends java.util.Collection<E>  
    private List listt;
```

`⌘` for macOS users pressed.

**Tip** Annotation types are marked in the declaration tooltips with the `@` character:

```
[untitled2] aaa  
}/** public @interface MyAnno  
@MyAnno
```

## Navigating to the type declaration of a symbol





1. Place the caret at the desired symbol in the editor.

2. Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Navigate | Type Declaration .
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+B` .
- Press the `Ctrl+Shift` for Windows and Linux users, or `⌘+⇧` for macOS users keys and hover your mouse pointer over the symbol. When the symbol turns to a hyperlink, click it without releasing `Ctrl+Shift` for Windows and Linux users, or `⌘+⇧` for macOS users keys. The type declaration of the symbol opens in the editor. You can also see the declaration at the tooltip while keeping `Ctrl+Shift` for Windows and Linux users, or `⌘+⇧` for macOS users pressed.

```
this.name = n java.lang  
}  
public final class java.lang.String extends Object  
implements java.io.Serializable, java.lang.Comparable<java.lang.String>, java.lang.CharSequence  
public String getName() {  
    return name;
```

IntelliJ IDEA provides an easy way to navigate up and down through the hierarchy of methods. If a method is overridden / implemented by a certain method, or overrides / implements some method itself, it is marked with an icon in the gutter area of the editor. When the mouse cursor hovers over such icon, the method information is displayed as the tooltip:

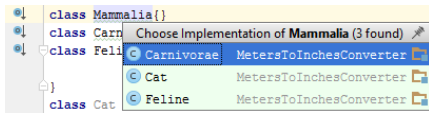
- : This method implements a method required by an implemented interface or extended abstract class.
- : This method of an interface or an abstract class is implemented by one or more descendants.
- : This method overrides a method defined by its superclass.
- : This method or field is overridden / implemented by one or more subclasses.

Use these icons, shortcuts, or menu commands to navigate to the corresponding points of origin.

## Navigating through the hierarchy of methods

To navigate up and down through the method hierarchy, do one of the following:

- Click the gutter icon and select the desired ascendant or descendant class from the list.
- On the main Navigate menu, choose Super Method , or Implementation(s) respectively.
- Press `Ctrl+U` or `Ctrl+Alt+B` for the super method or implementation respectively.



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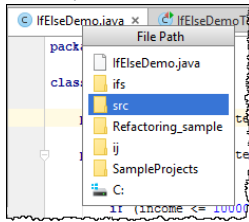
## Overview

It may be helpful to open a file in a file manager (for example, in the Windows Explorer, if Windows is your OS), or the Finder. IntelliJ IDEA allows you to easily navigate to any part of a file path, right from the editor.

## Navigating to a file path

### To navigate to a file path from the editor

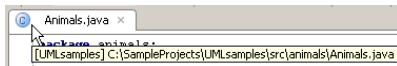
1. Hold `Ctrl` / `⌘` and click the relevant tab in the editor.
2. In the drop-down list, select the element you need.



The file manager shows the selected file or directory.

## Viewing file path

To just view the path to a file, place the mouse pointer over the tab where the file is opened.



Navigate | Line command is the most basic way to navigate to the line with the specified number.



## To navigate to a line in the editor

1. On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Line`, or press `Ctrl+G`.
2. In the `Go To Line` dialog box that appears, IntelliJ IDEA shows the current line and offset delimited by a colon. Type the target line number and, optionally, an offset, and then click `OK`.

The current caret position (line number and offset) is displayed in the `Status Bar`. You can click it to open the `Go To Line` dialog box.

If you edit a file that is under version control, IntelliJ IDEA provides several ways to move back and forth with the updates. In particular, you can use the navigation commands, keyboard shortcuts, and the change markers.

**To navigate to the next/previous change in the editor, do one of the following:**

- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Next / Previous Change`.
- Use keyboard shortcuts `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Down` or `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Up`.
- Point to a [change marker](#), and click the arrow up  or arrow down  buttons.

**To navigate to the place of your last edit, do one of the following:**

- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Last Edit Location`
- Use keyboard shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+Backspace`.



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## Introduction

Another method of code navigation is to **move between found errors and warnings** . The caret is positioned immediately before the code issue.

You can configure the way IntelliJ IDEA navigates between code issues: it can either jump between all code issues or skip minor issues and only navigate between detected errors.

## Configuring error navigation

### To configure the error navigation

1. Right click the [Validation Side Bar](#) .
2. On the context menu, choose one of the available navigation modes:
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA skip warnings, infos, and other minor issues, choose Go to high priority problems only .
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA jump between all detected code issues, choose Go to next problem .

## Navigating between errors or warnings

### To navigate between errors or warnings, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose Navigate | Next / Previous Highlighted Error .
- Use keyboard shortcuts `F2` and `Shift+F2` respectively.

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## Navigating to a recently opened file

### To navigate to a recently opened file

1. On the main menu, choose View | Recent Files or press `Ctrl+E`.
2. From the Recent Files pop-up window that opens select the desired file.

## Navigating to a recently edited file

### To navigate to a recently edited file

1. On the main menu, choose View | Recently Changed Files or press `Ctrl+Shift+E`.
2. From the Recently Edited Files pop-up window that opens select the desired file.

**Tip** The recently opened or recently modified files are selected from the history list. The number of entries in the history list is configurable in the Recent file limit field in the [Editor](#) settings page.

- Navigating to recent files applies to the search results as well. By pressing `Ctrl+E` in the [Find](#) tool window, you can have the list of recent search results shown.

## Navigating to the last/next edit location

### To jump to the latest edit location

- Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Navigate | Last Edit Location.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Backspace`.

### To jump to the next edit location

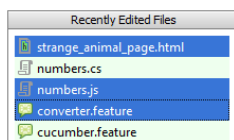
- On the main menu, choose Navigate | Next Edit Location.

This action is not bound to any shortcut. An interested user can do it as described in the section [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#).

## Using multi-selection in the lists of recent files

### To use multi-selection in the lists of recent files

- To select non-adjacent files, use `Ctrl` / `⌘` + mouse click.
- To select adjacent files, use `Shift` / `⇧` + mouse click.



You can go back and forth along the items that have already been navigated to. This feature applies to the items reached using all navigation commands except for the simplest ones, such as arrow keys, Page Up, Page Down, Home and End.

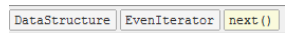
## To navigate to the navigated items

Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose **Navigate | Back / Forward** .
- Use keyboard shortcuts `Ctrl+Alt+Left` , or `Ctrl+Alt+Right` .
- On the main toolbar, click  or  .

**Note** On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger right-to-left and left-to-right swipe gestures.

Breadcrumbs help you navigate through your source code. They show the names of classes, variables, functions, methods and tags in the file opened in the active editor tab:

A screenshot of a breadcrumb trail in an IDE. It consists of three rectangular buttons with rounded corners, separated by vertical lines. The first button contains the text 'DataStructure', the second contains 'EvenIterator', and the third contains 'next()'. The 'next()' button is highlighted with a yellow background, indicating the current position in the code.

To jump to an element in the source code, click the breadcrumb with its name.

## Configuring breadcrumbs

By default breadcrumbs are shown at the bottom of the editor. To move or hide them, right-click a breadcrumb and click Breadcrumbs | Top or Breadcrumbs | Don't show .

You can also do that on the [Breadcrumbs page](#) ( File | Settings | Editor | General | Breadcrumbs for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | General | Breadcrumbs for macOS):

1. Select the checkboxes next to the languages in which you want to have breadcrumbs shown.
2. Choose where to show breadcrumbs (at the top or at the bottom of the editor).
3. To suppress breadcrumbs, clear the Show breadcrumbs checkbox.

The [Favorites tool window](#) consolidates the views of the project's favorite items, bookmarks and breakpoints. Choosing the appropriate [viewing mode](#) for this tool window helps you have all information at hand, and navigate through the items with ease.

**To jump from an item in the Favorites tool window to the file in the editor, do one of the following**

- Double-click the selected item.
- On the context menu of the selected item, choose Jump to Source .
- Press **F4** .

The corresponding file opens in the editor. In case of a bookmark or a breakpoint, the caret rests at the beginning of the line with this bookmark or breakpoint.

Use the [Navigation Bar](#) as a handy tool to find your way across the project.

### To navigate to a file using the Navigation bar

1. Press `Alt+Home` to activate the Navigation bar.
2. Use the arrow keys or the mouse pointer to locate the desired file.
3. Double-click the selected file, or press `Enter` to open it in the editor.

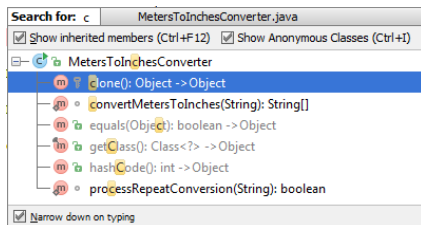
**Tip** To jump to Java methods, use [breadcrumbs](#) .

Use the Structure pop-up window or the Structure tool window to quickly jump to the desired member of a file in the editor. The Structure views provide quick navigation for all supported file types.

Besides that, navigation with the Structure pop-up window is also available for [diagrams](#) .

## To navigate to a member in the editor

1. Choose Navigate | File Structure on the main menu or press `Ctrl+F12` .
2. In the File Structure pop-up window that opens select the Narrow down the list on typing checkbox and start typing the desired member name.  
You can include the members, inherited from the parent classes, by checking the option Show inherited members or pressing `Ctrl+F12` again.



3. Use the navigation keys to select the desired node. Then do one of the following:
  - If the cursor rests on a top or intermediate node (for example, class `c` or element `<>`), double-click this node or press `Enter` to expand it in the Structure pop-up, or press `F4` to jump to its declaration in the editor.
  - If the cursor rests on a leaf node (for example, a member `m`, `i` or lowest-level element `<>`), double-click this node or press `Enter` to jump to its declaration in the editor.

In the case of an inherited member, the respective parent class opens in the editor.

You can also use the [Structure](#) tool window (`Alt+7` ). This view is flexibly configurable and useful for many tasks, apart from navigation. However, the File Structure pop-up window is the easiest way for quick navigation.

IntelliJ IDEA provides extensive search and replace capabilities, which includes basic search and replace, search and replace in paths, finding usages, code-aware structural search and more. Some of the replacement facilities (like renaming classes and members) are performed by means of [refactorings](#) .

All the search commands can be found under the Find node of the Edit menu.

In this part you will learn how to:

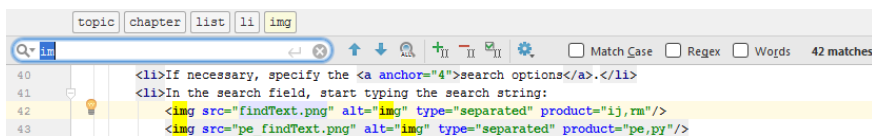
- [Find and replace](#) text in the current file.
- [Find specific word](#) .
- [Search and replace across the project](#) .
- [Find usages](#) .
- [Highlight usages](#) .
- [View usages of a symbol across the project, and jump to the desired usage](#) .
- [Work with the search results](#) .
- [Perform structural search and replacement using a template](#).



IntelliJ IDEA lets you find and replace text strings in an active editor.

## Search through the current file

1. From the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Find , or press **Ctrl+F** . The search pane appears on top of the active editor.
2. If necessary, specify the [search options](#) .
3. In the search field, start typing the search string:



As you type, the first occurrence of the search string after the current cursor position is selected; the other occurrences are highlighted in the editor. In addition, the matching occurrences are marked in the right gutter with stripes.

```
race = function() {
  var runners, winner;
  winner = arguments[0]; runners = 2 <= arguments.length ? __slice.call(arguments, 1)
  return print(winner, runners);
};
```

4. To search for a multi-line fragment, click **↵** in the search box or press **N/A** .

5. [Explore the search results](#) .

**Tip** To turn on the multiline mode, press **N/A** .

To return to a single-line mode, press **Delete** .

## Replace in the current file

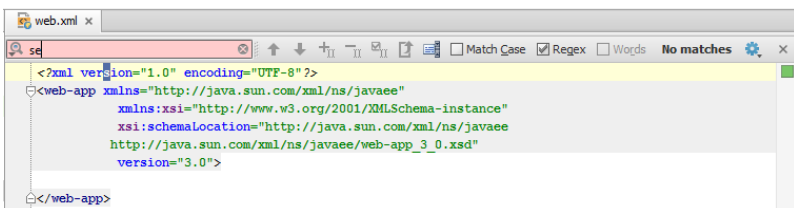
1. From the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Replace , or press **Ctrl+R** . The search and replace pane appears on top of the active editor.
2. If necessary, specify the [search and replace options](#) .
3. In the search field, start typing the search string. As you type, the matching occurrences are highlighted in the editor, and a Replace pop-up dialog box opens at the first occurrence, suggesting to replace the current occurrence, or all of them, with an empty string.
4. Start typing the replacing string.
5. [Explore the search results](#) , and, using the buttons of the replace dialog box, replace occurrences as required. See [Search and replace options](#) below.

## Working with search results

- To initiate a new search, do one of the following (depending on the current focus):
  - If the editor has the focus, press **Ctrl+F** .
  - If the search field has the focus, press **Ctrl+A** .

In both cases, the existing search string will be selected, and you can start typing a new one.









- To jump between occurrences, do one of the following:
  - Press **Shift+F3** (jump to previous selection) or **F3** (jump to next selection).
  - Use the **↑** or **↓** buttons in the Search pane.
  - Click the gutter stripes.
- The search pane shows the number of found occurrences. If no matches are found, the search pane becomes red:



- Use the recent search history: with the search pane already open, click **Q** to show the list of recent entries.
- Use Code completion in the Find and Replace panes. Start typing a search string, press **Ctrl+Space** , and select the appropriate word from the suggestion list.
- With the Find and Replace pane already opened, use **Ctrl+R** or **Ctrl+F** to toggle between panes. Thus, the search and replace strings are preserved.
- To cancel the operation and close the pane, press **Escape** .
- Use **multiple selection** ( **multiselection** ). For example, if a certain string has been highlighted as a search result, it is possible to add an occurrence of this string to multiple selection by clicking **⇧** ( **Alt+J** ), delete an occurrence from multiple selection using **⇧** ( **Shift+Alt+J** ), or add all found occurrences to multiple selection using **⇧** ( **Ctrl+Shift+Alt+J** ).

## Search and replace options

ItemDescriptionSearch/Replace

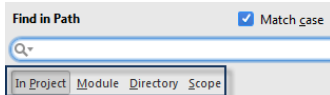
	Click this button to show the history of the recent entries.	Search, replace
	Click this button to clear the search field.	Search, replace
	Click these buttons to navigate through the occurrences of the search string.	Search, replace
	Click this button to add the next found occurrence to a multiple selection.	Search
	Click this button to remove the found occurrence from a multiple selection.	Search
	Click this button to create a selection that contains all the found occurrences.	Search
	Click this button to show search results in the <a href="#">Find tool window</a> .	Search, replace
Match Case	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will distinguish between upper and lowercase letters while searching.	Search, replace
Regex	If this checkbox is selected, the search string will be perceived as a <a href="#">regular expression</a> , and the replacement preview is shown in a tooltip.	Search, replace
Words	if this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will search for whole words only, that is, for character strings separated with spaces, tabs, punctuation, or special characters.  This checkbox is disabled, if the Regular expressions checkbox is selected.	Search, replace
Preserve Case	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains the case of the first letter and the case of the initial string in general. For example, <i>MyTest</i> will be replaced with <i>Yourtest</i> if you specify <i>yourtest</i> as the replacement.  This checkbox is disabled, if Regular expressions checkbox is selected.	Replace
In Selection	If this checkbox is selected, search and replacement will be confined to the selected text only.	Replace
Replace	Click this button to replace the current occurrence and proceed to the next one.	Replace
Replace all	Click this button the replace all found occurrences in the current file, or in the selection.	Replace
Exclude/Include	Click Exclude button to skip the current occurrence and exclude it from the Replace all operation. The button for this occurrence changes to Include .	Replace
	Click this button to invoke the list of additional options. Checking the corresponding option confines the search to the specified scope, while the other occurrences are ignored.	Search, replace

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IntelliJ IDEA extends search and replace capability to the entire project, specific module, or any directory with its nested hierarchy. Explore search results in the preview tab or in the [Find tool window](#).

## Finding a piece of text in all the files within the specified path

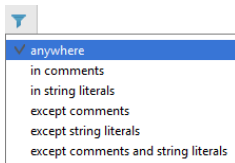
1. On the main menu, choose `Edit | Find | Find in Path`, or press `Ctrl+Shift+F`.
2. In the Find In Path dialog, specify the following options:
  - Start entering the text. Type the text explicitly, or specify a pattern using a regular expression, or select a previously used piece of text or a pattern from the recent entries' drop-down list.  
If you specify the search pattern through a regular expression, use the `$n` format in back references (to refer to a previously found and saved pattern).
  - Search scope ( project , module , directory, or custom scope).



- Search options (case sensitivity, whole words, and regular expressions).

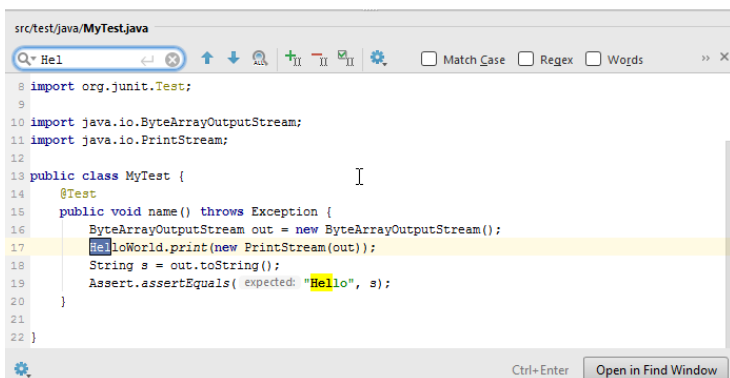
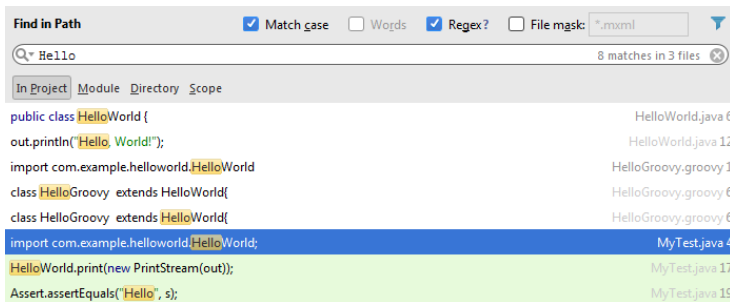


- Context search options.



The results are displayed in the preview area.

3. Edit the selected result right in the preview editor as it is a functional editor where actions such as `Find` (`Ctrl+F`) or `Find Next` (`F3`) are available without leaving the Find in Path window.



Press `Enter` to open the selected result in the editor.

Click `Open in Find Window` (`Ctrl+Enter`) to see all of the results in the Find tool window.

**Tip** If the search takes too much time, click `Background` in the search progress window. In this case the search progress is indicated in the Status bar.

**Tip** When invoked for the second (and subsequent) time, the dialog opens with the scope that has been selected previously. For example, if the scope has been `Directory`, the next time you invoke the dialog, the scope again will be `Directory`.

## Replacing a piece of text in all the files within the specified path

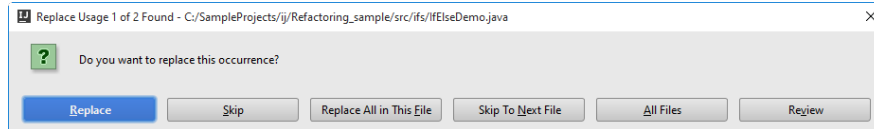
1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose `Edit | Find | Replace in Path`.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+R`.
  - Being in the Find In Path dialog box, press `Ctrl+Shift+R` to switch to Replace In Path dialog box.
2. In the Replace In Path dialog, specify the search and replace strings, the search options, and the scope. Type the search

and replacement text explicitly, or specify patterns using regular expression, or select a previously used piece of text or a pattern from the recent history drop-down list.

- If you specify the search and/or replacement text through a regular expression, use the `$n` format in back references (to refer to a previously found and saved pattern).
- To use a backslash character `\` in a regular expression, escape the meaningful backslash by inserting **three extra backslashes** in preposition: `\\` .

3. Click Replace in Find Window . IntelliJ IDEA displays the encountered occurrences of the search string in the **Find tool window** , selects the first occurrence and opens the file with this occurrence in the editor and moves the focus to it.

At the same time, IntelliJ IDEA opens the Replace Usage dialog box, with the full path to the encountered occurrence in the title bar:



Do one of the following:

- To have the selected occurrence replaced, click **Replace** .
- To preserve the selected occurrence and move to the next one, click **Skip** .
- To have all the occurrences of the search string in the currently active tab replaced, click **Replace All in This File** .
- To preserve the occurrences of the search string in the currently active tab (any) and move to the next file, click **Skip to Next File** .
- To have all the detected occurrences replaced, click **All Files** .
- To switch to the manual mode, click **Preview** . The Replace Usage dialog box closes and the focus moves to the Find tool window. Do one of the following:
  - Browse through the list of detected occurrences, select the ones you want to replace and then click **Replace Selected** .
  - To have all the occurrences changed click **Replace All** .

## toggling between the Find and Replace

- To switch from the Find In Path to Replace In Path window, press `Ctrl+Shift+R` .
- To switch from the Replace In Path to Find In Path window, press `Ctrl+Shift+F` .

This command lets you find occurrences of the current word independently on its structural meaning — it can be anything in your document: an identifier or a keyword in the code, a word in a string literal or a comment, an XML tag or attribute, or even a number. If any matches are found, you can quickly navigate between them.

Note that this command is case-sensitive.

### **To find the word at caret, do one of the following**

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Find Word At Caret .
- Use `Ctrl+F3` keyboard shortcut.

### **To navigate between the occurrences of the word at caret**

1. Press `F3` to go to the next occurrence.
2. Press `Shift+F3` to go to the previous occurrence.

Search for usages is an important part of the code analysis, which enables you to clarify dependencies. IntelliJ IDEA suggests several types of search for usages:


- [Finding Usages in Project](#)
- [Finding Usages in the Current File](#)
- [Highlighting Usages](#)
- [Viewing Usages of a Symbol](#)
- [Viewing Recent Find Usages](#)

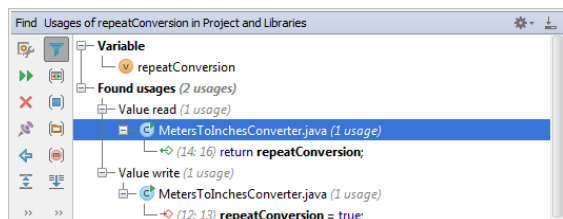
IntelliJ IDEA provides different search options depending on whether you are searching for usages of a class, method, field, parameter, or throw statements, and extends search for usages to the files in supported languages. For example, in CSS, XML and HTML files you can search for the usages of styles, classes, tags and attributes.


Search for usages extends to the [Cucumber step definitions](#) as well.

Explore search results in the [Find tool window](#).

## Finding usages of a symbol in a project

1. Select a symbol to find usages for. To do that, place the caret within the desired symbol in the editor, or click the symbol in the [Project Tool Window](#). You can also select symbol in the UML Class diagram
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Find Usages
  - Choose Find Usages on the context menu
  - Press `Alt+F7`.
3. In the [Find tool window](#), explore search results. Use the  button to represent search results in meaningful groups by type of usage.



While analyzing the search results, you can at any time open the [search options dialog box](#) by clicking  in the [Find tool window](#) or by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7`.

## Finding usages of implemented and overridden methods

In the PHP context, IntelliJ IDEA also applies the [Find Usages](#) functionality to implemented and overridden methods.

Consider the following example:

1. Create an interface, an abstract class that implements it, and two classes that extend the abstract class:
  1. Create an interface `MyInterface` with a `foo()` method.
  2. Create an abstract class `MyAbstractClass` that implements `MyInterface`.
  3. Create a class `MyClass` that extends `MyAbstractClass` and implement the `foo()` method required by the interface and overrides the methods of the parent class.
  4. Create a class `MyClassWithDelegate` that extends `MyClass` and implement `foo()` with a delegate.
  5. Create variables `$b` and `$c` that call `foo()` from `MyClass` and `MyClassWithDelegate` respectively.

```
<?php
interface MyInterface {
    //press Alt-F7 on foo() here
    public function foo();
}

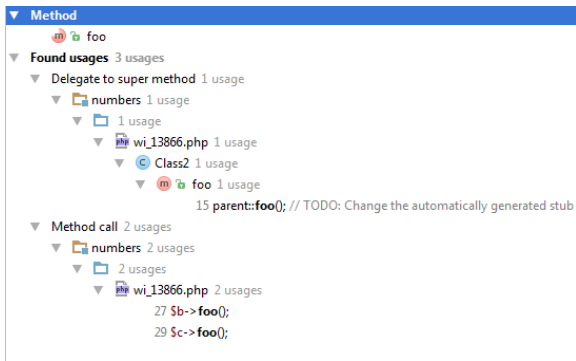
abstract class MyAbstractClass implements MyInterface {
    public function foo () {
        // TODO: Implement foo() method.
    }
}


class MyClass extends MyAbstractClass {
    public function foo() {
        parent::foo(); // TODO: Change the automatically generated stub
        echo "foo";
    }
}

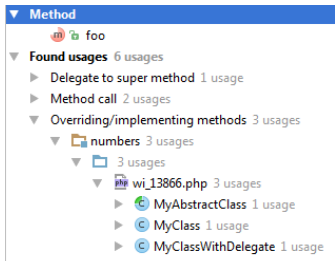
class MyClassWithDelegate extends MyClass {
    public function foo() {
        foo();
    }
}

$b = new MyClass();
$b->foo();
$c = new MyClassWithDelegate();
$c->foo();
```

2. From `MyInterface`, invoke **Find Usages** for `foo()` by pressing `Alt+F7` or choosing `Edit | Find | Find Usages` on the main menu. By default, IntelliJ IDEA shows only delegates to the super method and method calls:



3. To find also the methods that implement or override the base method, click  in the **Find tool window**. Then in the **Find Usages. Method Options** dialog that opens, select the **Include overloaded methods** checkbox and click **Find**. As a result, all the usages of the `foo()` method are found in all the classes that implement or extend `MyInterface`:





## To find usages of a symbol in the current file

1. Click the desired symbol in the editor, or in the Structure view.
2. On the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Find Usages in File , or press `Ctrl+F7` . The encountered usage is highlighted in the editor.

For a field, you can specify whether you want to search for its accessor methods in the Search Accessors dialog box.

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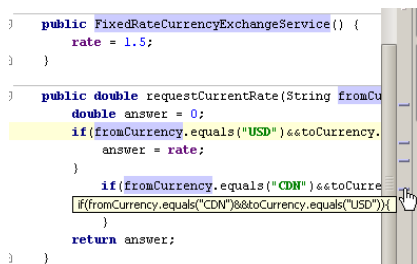
- [Introduction](#)
- [Activating automatic highlighting of usages](#)
- [Highlighting usages of a symbol in the current file](#)
- [Navigating among usages](#)
- [Removing highlighting](#)

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The search command Highlight Usages in File ( `Ctrl+Shift+F7` ) makes it possible to visualize usages of a symbol in the current file.

In particular, it is possible to highlight implemented methods of interfaces.

All found usages of a symbol in the current file are highlighted and color-coded, as defined in the [Color Scheme](#) settings page, to represent read or write access to the symbol. In addition to the highlights of occurrences in text, the stripes of the same colors appear in the marker bar, accompanied with tooltips.



The behavior of usage highlighting is configurable: you can make IntelliJ IDEA show usages of a symbol at caret automatically, or invoke it with a command.

## Activating automatic highlighting of usages

1. Open the Settings/Preferences dialog box ( File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS ), and click General under the Editor node.
2. On the [General](#) page that opens, select the Highlight usages of element at caret checkbox in the Highlight on Caret Movement area.

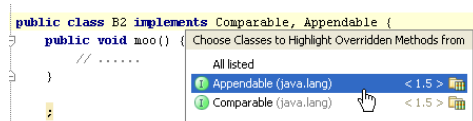
## Highlighting usages of a symbol in the current file

1. Place the caret at the selected symbol in the editor. If automatic usages highlighting is enabled, see all its occurrences in the current file highlighted. Otherwise, proceed to the next step.
2. On the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Highlight Usages in File , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F7` .

**Tip** If you turn Power Save mode on, the usages are not highlighted.

To highlight overridden methods:

1. In a class that implements one or more interfaces, place the caret at the `implements` keyword in the class declaration.
2. On the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Highlight Usages in File , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F7` . A list of implemented interfaces shows up:



3. Select the interface, whose methods you want to highlight, and press `Enter` .

## Navigating among usages

To navigate among usages, do one of the following:








- Click on a stripe in the marker bar to navigate to the respective usage location.
- Use the `F3` and `Shift+F3` keyboard shortcuts to navigate to the next and previous usages respectively.

## Removing highlighting

To remove highlighting of usages, press `Escape` .

Using the Show Usages function, you can bring up a list of the usages of a symbol across the whole project. So doing, the pop-up window with the list of usages of a symbol features a toolbar with the following buttons:

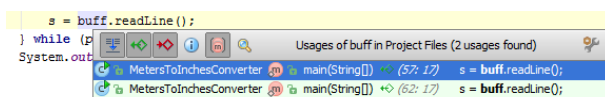
#### Icon/Tooltip/Shortcut/Description


	Merge usages from the same line	Merge usages of the symbol from the same line.
	Show read access	Show read access to the symbol.
	Show write access	Show write access to the symbol.
	Show import statements	Show usages in the import statements.
	Group by file structure	If this button is pressed, the found usages show under the corresponding method nodes.
	Settings.../ <code>Ctrl+Alt+S</code>	Open the <a href="#">Find Usages</a> dialog box for the selected symbol where you can change the search options.
	Open Find Usages tool window/ <code>Alt+F7</code>	Click this button to pin the Show Usages pop-up window and show usages in the Find Usages tool window.

**Tip** In addition to the ability of viewing usages, you can use this function as a quick means of navigation.

## To view the usages of a symbol across the project

1. Place the caret at the desired symbol in the editor.
2. On the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Show Usages , or press `Ctrl+Alt+F7` .
3. Examine and analyze the detected occurrences of a symbol:
  - Use the toolbar buttons to present search results in the desired way.
  - To jump from search results to a line of source code, click the desired entry.
  - To close the list, press `Escape` .

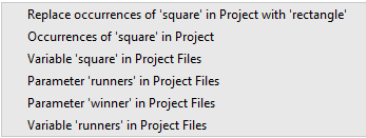


4. If necessary, customize the search options in the [search options dialog box](#) . To invoke the dialog box, do one of the following:
  - In the Show Usages pop-up window, click  .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7` .

With IntelliJ IDEA you can easily navigate to the recent search results if any find usages action took place during the IntelliJ IDEA session.

## To view recent find usages

1. Select Edit | Find | Recent Find Usages on the main menu.
2. Select the required search item from the submenu of the recent search results.



Replace occurrences of 'square' in Project with 'rectangle'  
Occurrences of 'square' in Project  
Variable 'square' in Project Files  
Parameter 'runners' in Project Files  
Parameter 'winner' in Project Files  
Variable 'runners' in Project Files

The selected search shows in the Find tool window.

Structural Search and Replace ( SSR ) performs search and replace in the supported languages code across the whole project, taking advantage of the IntelliJ IDEA's awareness of the syntax and code structure of the supported languages.

IntelliJ IDEA finds, and if required, replaces fragments of source code, using the [search templates](#) .

Structural Search and Replace is helpful when you need to browse through or modify an extensive code base, find changes in libraries, explore the source code for specific constructs, or refactor the source code.

**Tip** To see the list of supported languages, open the dialog box [Structural Search and Replace Dialogs](#) and click the drop-down list File type .

In this section:

- [Search Templates](#)
- [Structural Search and Replace - General Procedure](#)
- [Creating and Editing Search Templates](#)
- [Structural Search and Replace Examples](#)

**Search templates** are the essential part of [Structural Search and Replace](#) feature. Like [Live templates](#), the search templates consist of plain text and one or more **template variables**.

A valid search or replacement template represents one of the following Java constructs:

- Expression, for example `new SomeExpression()`
- Statement, or sequence of statements, for example `q = 1;`
- Class designator, for example `class Booking implements Serializable`
- Line or block comments, for example `/** Created in IntelliJ IDEA */`.
- `@Modifier` annotations.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a collection of predefined search templates, that match the various statements, expressions, classes and their members, XML and HTML constructs, and more. You can use these templates for structural search and replace, and also as a basis for creating your own search templates.

The search templates make use of the variables, which are the strings surrounded with `$` characters, for example `$expression$`. Symbols in the source code, `String` literals, and comments can be referred to by means of variables.

Variables in a template are subjected to certain constraints that help you refine your search and limit it to the desired matches:

- **Text constraints** are text patterns to match against. These constraints can be plain text, or regular expressions, and can contain references to symbols.
- **Number of occurrences** defines how many sequential elements (in a parameter, declaration or statement list) a variable can include and whether a variable is required to be present in a pattern or not. If the number of occurrences is 1, only one symbol can match the variable. If the number of occurrences is null, it means that an element could be missing.
- **Expression constraints** apply semantic conditions to the search, for example locate the symbols that are read or written to.
- **Script constraints** are used when items to search for are more than a plain match. If you are looking for certain language constructs (for example, constructors with the specified number of parameters, or members with the specified visibility modifiers), apply constraints described as Groovy scripts.

In search templates, the following simplifications can be used:

- Method body can be omitted.
- If no access modifier is indicated, any access modifier will be honored.
- Short class names (instead of fully qualified names) are used in the templates and constraint fields.
- Using `class $Class$` as a template, results in finding anonymous classes as well.
- Templates for comments and documentation comments should contain variables and constructs with correct comment and JavaDoc syntax.

This section outlines the general SSR procedure. Refer to the section [Structural Search and Replace Examples](#) for typical use cases.

### To find and replace source code structurally, follow these general steps:

1. On the main menu, choose `Edit | Find | Search Structurally` , or `Edit | Find | Replace Structurally` .
2. In the dialog box that opens, define the [search template](#) . In brief, defining a search template involves the following steps:
  - Type the desired construct in the Search template text area, or use one of the pre-defined search templates by clicking the Copy existing template button.
  - Specify the constraints to be imposed on the variables within the search template. To do that, click the Edit variables button. All the variables contained in the search template are listed in the Variables pane of the [Edit Variable](#) dialog box.


Refer to the section [Creating and Editing Search Templates](#) for the detailed description of procedure.

3. In case of the structural replace, specify the replacement pattern, and define variable constraints as required.
4. Specify the search and replace options, in particular, the number of occurrences to be matched, and the type of files to be analyzed.
5. Specify the scope to perform the structural search and replace in. To do that, click the down arrow in the Scope list, and select one of the pre-defined scopes, or click the ellipsis button, and configure the desired scope in the [Scopes](#) dialog box.
6. Click `Find` . The detected occurrences are displayed in the [Find tool window](#) . Please note that in case of replacement, you can select the desired matches in the search results and click the `Preview Replacement` button. The corresponding occurrence is highlighted in the source code.

You can create [search and replace templates](#) from scratch, just typing the code in the text area of the [Structural Search / Replace](#) dialog box. However, there is a collection of the predefined search templates that you can use as prototypes for your own templates. All custom templates appear in the list of existing search templates, under the node User defined .

To create a search template, follow these general steps:

- On the main menu, choose Edit | Find | Search Structurally .
- Do one of the following:
  - Type the code of your template in the Search template text area.
  - Click the Copy existing template button, and in the Existing Templates dialog box, select the desired template as a prototype. The source code of the selected template appears in the Search template text area, where you can change it as required.
  - If you need to configure the template variables, click the Edit variables button. [Edit Variables](#) dialog box appears. In the Variables column, select a variable you want to configure, and specify the constraints that will apply to this variable. See the dialog [reference page](#) for the detailed description of constraints.
- Repeat the process for the other variables, as required, apply changes and close the dialog box.
- Click the Save Template button.
- In the Save Template dialog, type the name of the new template, and click OK .

**Tip** You can create a new template in the Existing Templates dialog. To do that, click the  button on the toolbar. This opens the Structural Search dialog, with the empty template field. To define the custom template, follow the steps described above.



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## One statement

```
$Statement$;
```

Increasing the number of occurrences count to a certain number, you can find sequences of statements that contain up to the specified number of elements.

## Method call

```
$Instance$.MethodCall($Arguments$)
```

This template matches method call expressions. If the number of occurrences is zero, it means that a method call can be omitted.

## If statement

```
if ($Expr$) {  
    $ThenStatements$;  
}  
else {  
    $ElseStatements$;  
}
```

## Search in comments and/or string literals

Consider one wants to find comments or literal containing 'foo'. Search template would be like `$SomethingWeWantToFind$` or `"$SomethingWeWantToFind$"`. In case one wants to find comments/string containing some particular words (say, foo as a word), this should be specified as a text constraint.

## Search for constructors of the class

The search template **Constructors of the class** with default variable settings lets you find only one constructor in each class within the specified scope. If the class has several constructors then to find more than one, you need to set the Maximum count option of **Occurrences** count to **Unlimited** in the `$Class$` variable. For more information, see [Edit Variable Dialog](#).

Note that the class declarations will also be included into the find occurrences' list.

## Add try/catch/finally code

If one wants to replace a statement with a `try/catch/finally` construct, the following pair of search and replace templates can be suggested. The search template is:

```
$Statements$;
```

with a certain maximum number of occurrences specified as a constraint.

The replacement template is:

```
try {  
    $Statements$;  
}  
catch(Exception ex) {  
}
```

## Finding all descendants of a class or all classes that implement a certain interface

Consider the following search templates:

```
class $Clazz$ extends $AnotherClass$ {}
```

or

```
class $Clazz$ implements $SomeInterface$ {}
```

As the text constraint for the variables `$AnotherClass$` or `$SomeInterface$`, specify the name of the base class or implemented interface.

## Finding all such methods

To look for the different implementations of the same interface method, use the following search template:

```
class $a$ {  
    public void $show$();  
}
```

Specify text constraint for the `$show$` variable, and enable the option `This variable is the target of the search`.

## Using @Modifier for finding package local and instance methods

IntelliJ IDEA suggests pre-defined templates for the package local and instance fields of a class. These templates make use of the `@Modifier` annotation, which helps describe search target, when there is no way to express it using the natural language means.

However, if you need to search for package local or instance methods, you will have to create the corresponding search templates yourself, applying the `@Modifier` annotation.

To specify criteria for finding all methods with the visibility modifiers package local and instance, use the following search template:

```
class  
$Class$ {  
    @Modifier("packageLocal") @Modifier("Instance") $ReturnType$ $MethodName$($ParameterType$ $Parameter$);  
}
```

## Using 'Contained in Constraints' field in a search

The existing example uses the following template:

```
LOG.debug($params$);
```

Placing `if(' _a' { ' _st*'; }` where `_a` and `_st` are variables and `*` denotes zero or more occurrences in `Contained in Constraints` field and selecting `Invert condition checkbox of Complete Match variable` will result a search of logging statements that are not contained in the `if` statement.

## Searching for XML and HTML tags, attributes, and their values

The simplest template to search for a tag is `<$a$ />`

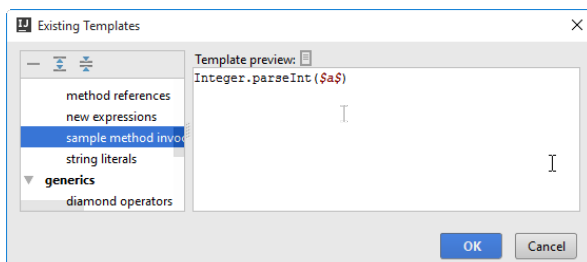
By placing constraints on the variable `$a$`, you can specify which tags you want to find. For example, if you specify the text/regexp constraint `app.+`, you'll find the tags whose names start with `app`.

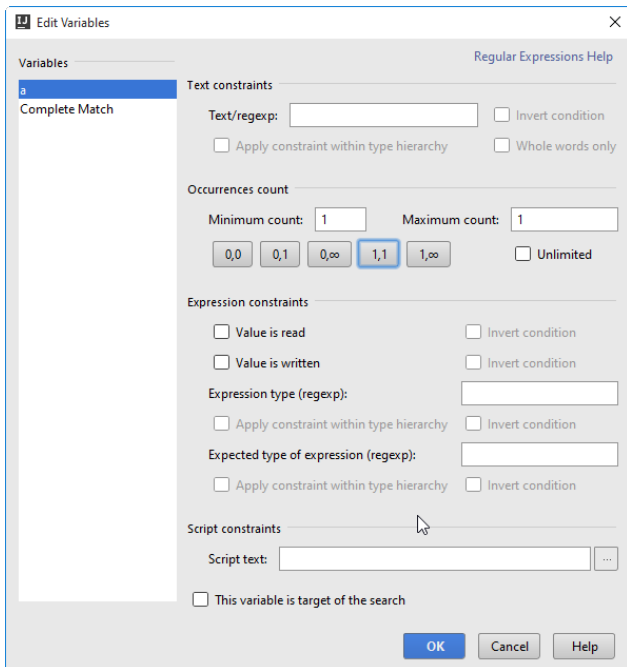
A more versatile template for searching in XML and HTML is `<$tag$ $attribute$="$value$"/>`. By using this template with properly specified search settings and constraints, you can find practically anything that may occur in XML or HTML. For example, if you specify the text/regexp constraint `width` for the variable `$attribute$`, you'll find all the tags that have the `width` attribute.

## Using script constraints

IntelliJ IDEA structural search lets you use advanced constraints that cannot be specified using UI.

See the following template as an example:





The constraint is specified using Groovy scripting language and IntelliJ IDEA PSI API for the language you are searching. The Groovy constraint is applicable to any language to which the structural search can be applied.

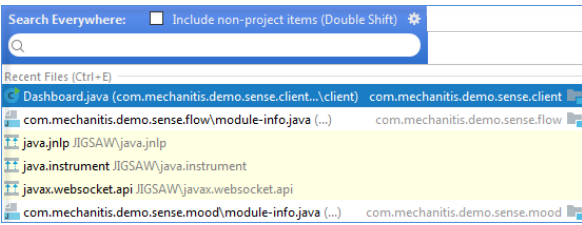
The search results display in the [Find tool window](#) . The results of each search display in a separate tab.

Using the controls and the context menu commands of this tool window as well as the main menu, you can:


- Navigate [to source code](#) .
- [Exclude and include](#) search results in refactoring.
- Add selected search results [to favorites](#) .
- Show the results of the [recent find usages](#).
- Perform [version control](#) operations using the specific VCS, associated with the parent directory of the usage.
- [Hide excluded search results](#) from showing them in the Find tool window ( [Alt+Delete](#) ) .

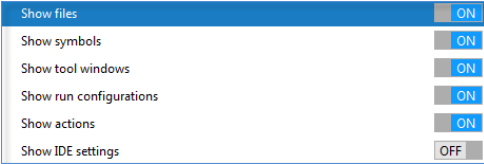
IntelliJ IDEA lets you search for files, actions, classes, settings, elements of the UI using the Search Everywhere dialog.

1. Double-press **Shift** to open the Search Everywhere dialog.

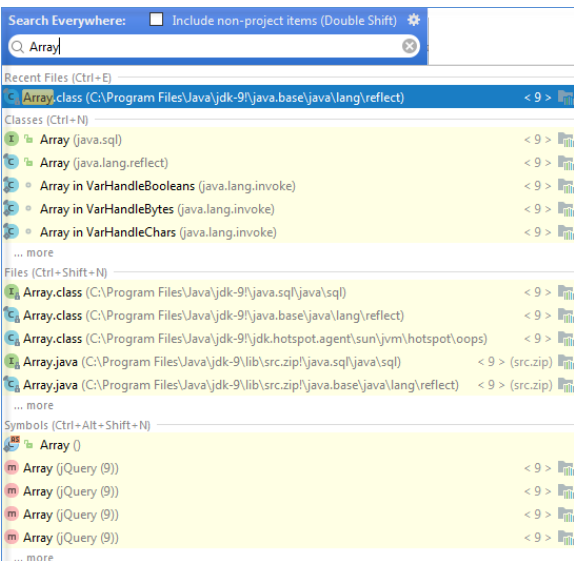


Pressing double **Shift** again will select the Include non-project items checkbox and the list of search results will extend to non-project related items.

Clicking the  icon will enable you to configure a scope for your search.

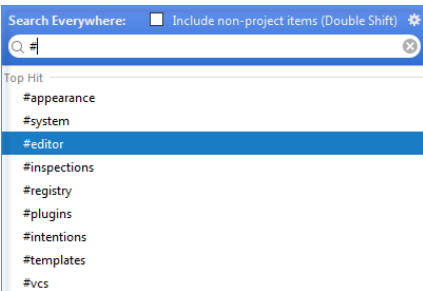


2. Start typing your query. You can see that IntelliJ IDEA lists the results dividing them into sections where your query is found (classes, actions, files, symbols, etc.)

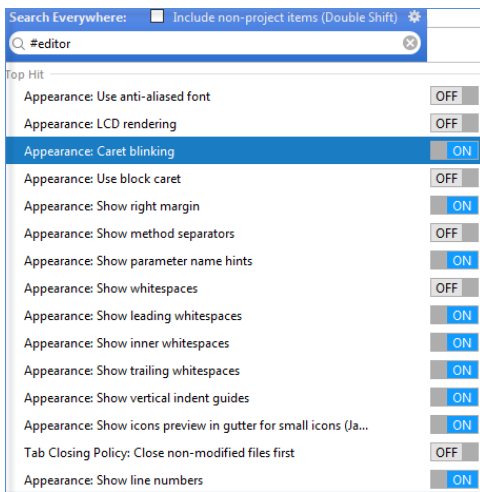


Press **Tab** to move the selection to more... or to the first element of the next section. Press **Up** or **Down** to navigate between the elements in the list.

3. If you need to see the history of your searches, put caret in the search field (at the 0 position) and press **left arrow key**.
4. Type **#** to see the list of settings that you can quickly access. Select the one you need and press **Enter**.

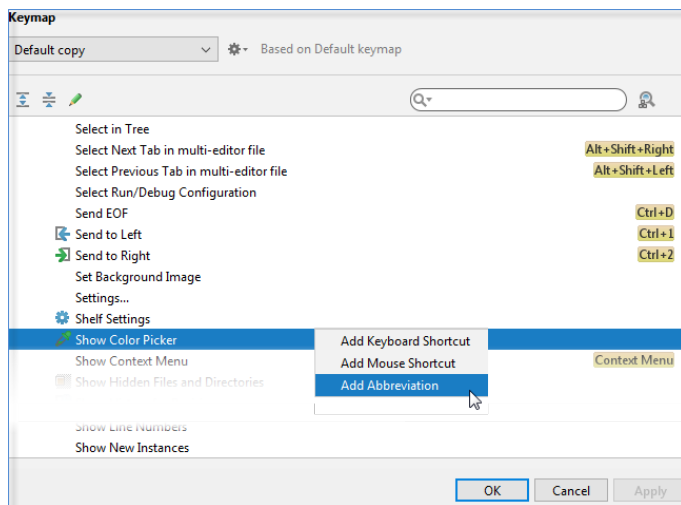


As a result, IntelliJ IDEA gives you a quick access to the selected setting and its options.



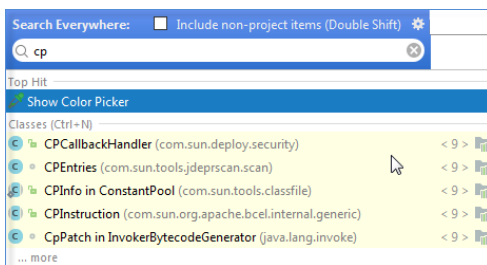
5. You can search for abbreviations. You can assign a short code for the action and use the Search Everywhere dialog to search for such element and quickly access it. For example, assign an abbreviation for *Color Picker* .

1. Open Settings | Keymap and from the options on the right select Other | Show Color Picker .
2. From the context menu, select Add abbreviation .



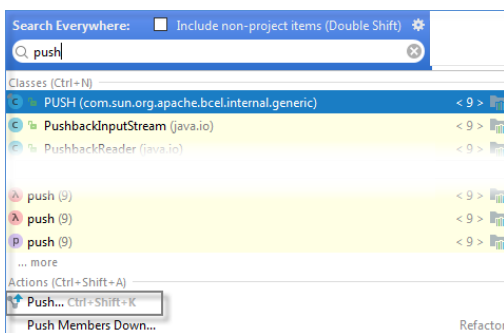
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the abbreviation you are going to use, for example, "cp" and click OK .

IntelliJ IDEA adds the abbreviation to the item and when you type "cp" in the Search Everywhere dialog, IntelliJ IDEA will display the item to which you've assigned your abbreviation. Press Enter to access the Color Picker dialog.



6. You can search for actions. For example, you can search for a VCS action and access its dialog.

In the Search Everywhere dialog, in the search field, type, for example, *push* .



IntelliJ IDEA displays the result in the Action section, IntelliJ IDEA also displays a shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+K` against the action that lets you access the Push dialog.

You can use a shortcut located against the Action section to narrow your search to the specified action and options where the name of the action is mentioned.

Enter action or option name:

- Push... Ctrl+Shift+K**
- Push ITDs In... Refactor
- Push Members Down... Refactor
- Move and Push Alt+Shift+P
- Goto Alt+Shift+G
- Allow force push Settings > Git
- Conditional can be pushed inside branch expre... Settings > Inspections
- Auto-update if push of the current branch was... Settings > Git
- Zen HTML: !!!xs (<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3...  ON
- Settings Repository Settings > Plugins
- Missing Constrains in ConstraintLayout Settings > Inspections

Press Ctrl+Up or Ctrl+Down to navigate through the history

IntelliJ IDEA facilitates quick and easy access to the API documentation, which you can view immediately in the editor or in an external browser. To gain access to the API documentation from within your project, make sure to attach archives or directories that contain sources of the library classes.

This section describes how to use the view parameter information feature, display context information or JavaDoc references, and see definitions of the symbols:

- [Viewing Definition](#)
- [Viewing Inline Documentation](#)
- [Viewing External Documentation](#)
- [Viewing Method Parameter Information](#)

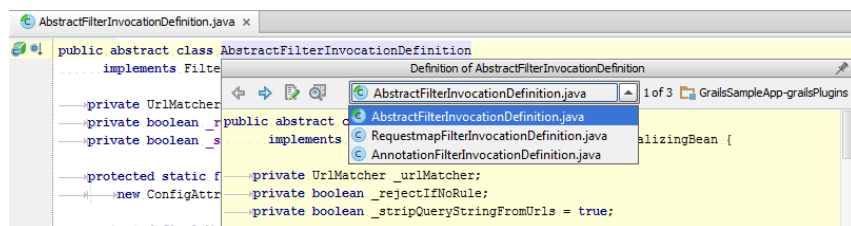


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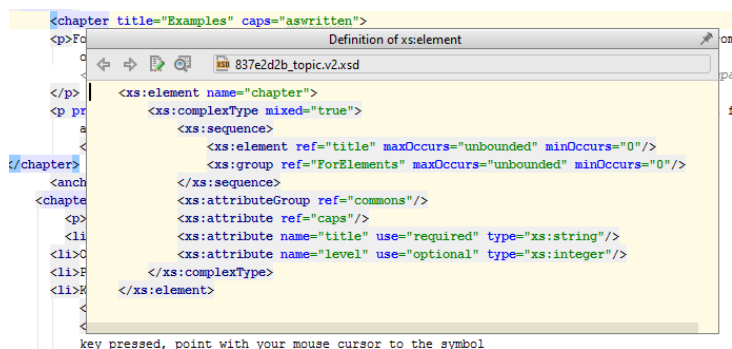
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## Basics

Quick Definition Lookup makes it possible to view definition of a symbol (tag, class, method/function, field, etc.) in a pop-up window.



For markup languages, IntelliJ IDEA retrieves definitions of symbols from the specified DTD or schema. For details, see [XML](#).

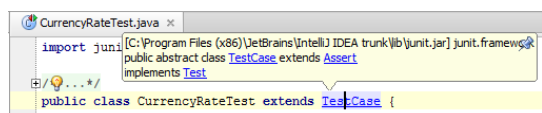


## Viewing the definition of a symbol at caret

Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose View | Quick Definition.
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+I`.
- Keeping the `Ctrl` key pressed, point with your mouse cursor to the symbol of interest, so that it turns to a hyperlink, with the definition of the symbol displayed in a tooltip. Clicking this hyperlink results in opening the respective definition page in the editor.

Quick definition tooltip shows hyperlinks to the symbols involved.






When you move your mouse pointer within the tooltip, a pin button  appears. If you pin the tooltip, documentation for the symbol at caret is displayed in the [Documentation Tool Window](#).

## Toolbar of the quick definition lookup

Use the icons on the toolbar of the pop-up window to navigate to the source code of the definition and view its usages.

### IconKeyboardAction shortcut

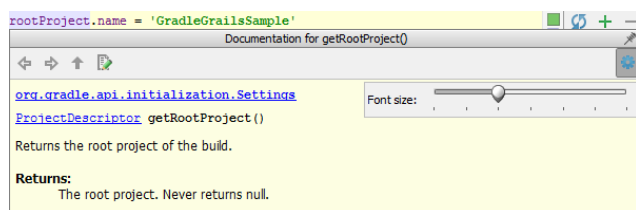
	<code>Shift+Alt+Left</code>	Navigate to the previous/next screen in the definition pop-up window after using hyperlinks in the definition.
	<code>Shift+Alt+Right</code>	
	<b>Note</b> On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger right-to-left and left-to-right swipe gestures.	
	<code>F4</code>	Open the source code of the definition for editing, and close the quick definition lookup window. If IntelliJ IDEA cannot find the appropriate sources in your project, it will try to decompile the code. In this case the <a href="#">JetBrains Decompiler</a> dialog with legal information is displayed.
	<code>Ctrl+Enter</code>	Open the source code of the definition, and preserve the quick definition lookup window opened. If IntelliJ IDEA cannot find the appropriate sources in your project, it will try to decompile the code. In this case the <a href="#">JetBrains Decompiler</a> dialog with legal information is displayed.

## Basics

Quick Documentation Lookup helps you get quick information for any symbol or just method signature information, provided that this symbol has been supplied with documentation comments in the applicable format.

IntelliJ IDEA recognizes inline documentation created in accordance with [Javadoc](#) markup.

In this case, such documentation is properly rendered in the Quick Documentation Lookup window:



For [markup languages](#), IntelliJ IDEA retrieves reference from the language specification according to the [Document Type](#) setting.

The URLs and e-mail addresses specified in the documentation comments for methods are also properly rendered. Clicking a hyperlink opens the corresponding URL in an external browser; clicking an e-mail address opens the default mail client.

## Viewing quick documentation


### To view documentation for a symbol at caret, do one of the following

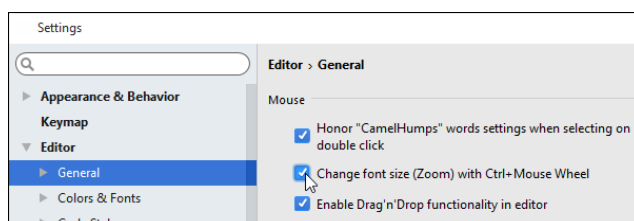
- On the main menu, choose View | Quick Documentation Lookup.
- Press `Ctrl+Q`.
- Provided that the checkbox [Show quick doc on mouse move](#) in the editor settings is selected, just move your mouse pointer over the desired symbol.

When you explicitly invoke code completion, then quick documentation for an entry selected in the suggestion list can be displayed automatically. The behavior of quick documentation lookup is configured in the [Code Completion](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

**Tip**

### To change the font size of quick documentation, do one of the following

- Click  in the upper-right corner of the quick documentation window, and move the slider.
  - Rotate the mouse wheel while keeping the `Ctrl` key pressed.
- Note that for this feature to work, you have to enable it in the [General](#) page of the editor settings.



Refer to the section [Zooming in the Editor](#) for details.





## Documentation window

The Documentation pop-up window helps navigate to the related symbols via hyperlinks, and provides a toolbar for moving back and forth through the already navigated pages, changing font size, and viewing documentation in an external browser.

When pinned, the Documentation pop-up window turns into the [Documentation tool window](#), with the corresponding sidebar icon, and more controls.

To switch between the Documentation pop-up window and the [Documentation tool window](#), use `Ctrl+Q`.

### IconShortcutDescription

	<code>Left</code> or <code>Right</code>	Switch to the previous or next documentation page (e.g. after using hyperlinks).
	<code>Shift+F1</code>	View external documentation in the default browser.
	<code>F4</code>	Switch to the item (e.g. source) that corresponds to the documentation page currently shown.
		Turn the Auto-update from source option on or off. When the option is on, the information in

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the tool window is synchronized with your navigation in the editor and other places in the UI.




Click this icon to show the font size slider. Move the slider to increase or decrease the font size in the quick documentation window as required.

**Tip** For information on retrieving inline documentation in the JavaScript or PHP context, see [JavaScript Documentation Look-Up](#) and [PHPDoc Comments](#) respectively.

External documentation makes it possible to get additional information for the symbols at caret. In contrast to the [quick documentation](#), this feature shows the documentation in an external browser, which helps study the symbol in more detail, navigate to related symbols, and retain the information for further reference.

External documentation becomes available for viewing when properly configured in the [module structure](#). For example, in the [module paths](#), you can add a path to a JavaDoc file, or a link to documentation; or specify a documentation URL for a library.

**To view documentation for a symbol at caret in an external browser, do one of the following:**

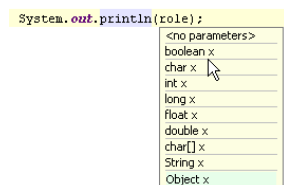
- On the main menu, choose View | External documentation .
- Press `Shift+F1` .
- While in the [Quick Documentation Lookup window](#), click  .

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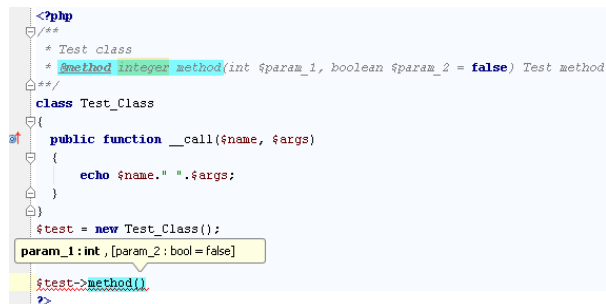
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## Parameter hints for methods

Place the caret anywhere within the call of the desired method or function and choose View | Parameter Info on the main menu or press `Ctrl+P`.

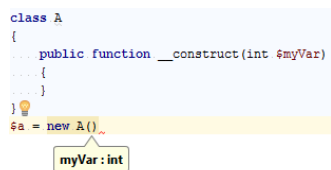


In the PHP context, parameter information for methods defined through the `@method` [phpDocumentor tag](#) is also available:



## Parameter hints for constructors

In the PHP context, IntelliJ IDEA prompts you about the parameter type when a constructor is called. Place the caret anywhere within the call of the desired constructor and choose View | Parameter Info on the main menu or press `Ctrl+P`. The parameter type is shown in a tooltip:



When you type the parameter value, it is prepended with the parameter from the constructor:



## Configuring the behavior of parameter hints

Open the [Code Completion page](#) ( Settings | Editor | General | Code Completion for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | General | Code Completion for macOS) and configure the following options in the Parameter info section:

1. To have a complete method or function signature shown rather than a list of required types, select the Show full signatures checkbox.

Make sure to include the required third-party [libraries](#) in the project source path. Otherwise, names of the parameters will not be displayed.

2. To have the list of parameter types for the called method or function shown automatically after a certain delay, select the Auto pop-up (in ms) checkbox and specify the time period in milliseconds.

## Overview

i18n support with IntelliJ IDEA falls into the following major aspects:

- Internationalization , which involves extracting strings out of your source code and presenting them as properties that are further referenced in the source code.
- Localization , which means translating these properties into the target languages.

## i18n-related features

IntelliJ IDEA provides helpful features that simplify working on software internationalization and localization issues. These features are:

- Individual [encoding](#) for files and directories.
- [Dedicated file type](#) for storing properties.
- Advanced editing assistance for properties files.
- Auto-detection of [resource bundles](#) .
- Code inspections related to internationalization issues; intention actions, and quick fixes.
- Dedicated editor for performing [mass actions](#) within resource bundles.

## Prerequisites

i18n support is available for the Django applications.

- `gettext` utilities are downloaded and installed on your machine.
- `locale` directory is created in the project root.
- Django is the project template language.

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## Basics

The properties files are text files with the `.properties` extension, containing pairs of keys and values, that can be accessed and rendered in the UI.

These files are marked with the icon .

IntelliJ IDEA also recognizes properties files in XML format. They are marked with the icon .

## Properties file features

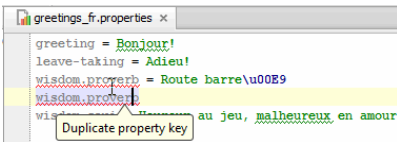
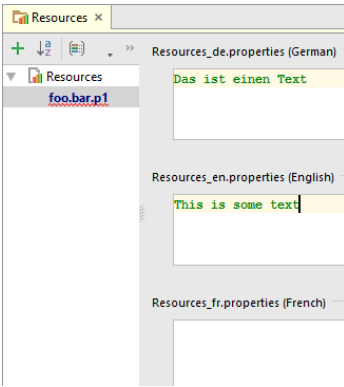
IntelliJ IDEA supports the following features for the properties files:

- Action for [creating new resource bundles](#).
- Ability to work with XML-based properties files.
- Actions for combining and dissociating properties files.
- Syntax `key - delimiter - value`. IntelliJ IDEA uses `=` (equal sign) or `:` (colon) as a delimiter.

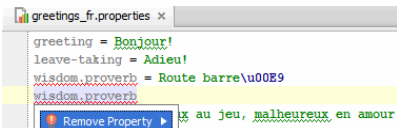
For example, if you want a field label to read "Your name.", you might create a pair in a properties file like this:

```
nameLabel=Your name:
nameLabel: "Your name:"
```

- Error highlighting for errors like missing locale records, or duplicate property keys and invalid escape sequences:

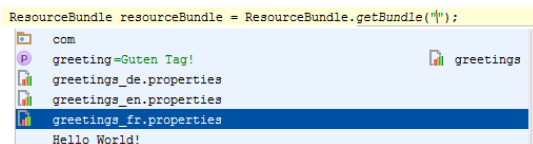


- Inspection and quick fix for detecting and removing duplicate keys in properties files:

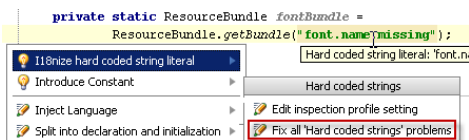


- Referencing properties from Java files and Ant build files.

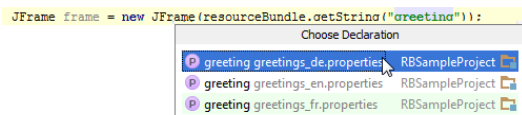
- Code completion for property keys:



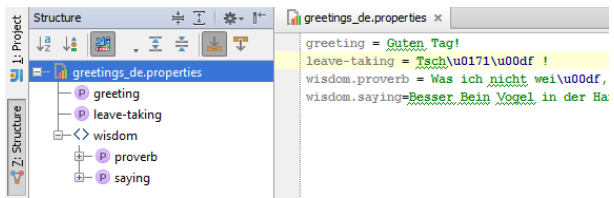
- Inspection and quick fix for detecting and creating the missing property keys and values:



- Goto Declaration (`Ctrl+B`) to navigate from a reference to a key to its declaration:

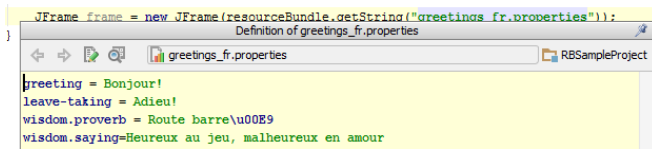


- Finding usages of the currently selected property.
- Refactoring for properties includes Rename, Move, Copy, Safe Delete, and Migrate.
- [Structure view](#) for properties files:



- **Quick Definition Lookup** for properties files: if an action calls a property, you can view the property definition by pressing

Ctrl+Shift+I :





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## Basics

Resource bundle is a set of [properties files](#) that have same base name with different language-specific suffixes. A resource bundle contains at least two properties files with similar base name, for example `file_en.properties` and `file_de.properties`.

IntelliJ IDEA recognizes resource bundles, and marks them with the icon .

IntelliJ IDEA supports the following features for the resource bundles:

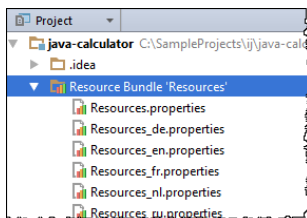
- [Action for creating new resource bundles](#).
- [Actions for combining and dissociating](#) properties files.
- Dedicated [Resource Bundle Editor](#).
- Error highlighting for the missing properties or values.
- Refactoring for resource bundles includes [Rename](#), [Move](#), [Copy](#) and [Safe Delete](#).

## Creating resource bundles

### To create a new resource bundle, follow these steps

1. In the Project tool window, choose the directory where the new resource bundle should be created.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Alt+Insert`.
  - On the context menu of the selection, choose `New | Resource Bundle`
  - On the main menu, choose `File | New | Resource Bundle`
3. In the dialog box that opens, do the following:
  - Specify the base name of the resource bundle.
  - If necessary, select the checkbox `Use XML-based properties files`.
  - Add the required locales. To do that, click `+` and type the comma-separated suffixes of the required locales.
  - Click `OK` when ready.

The new node Resource Bundle '<base name>' appears in the [Project Tool Window](#):



## Combining or dissociating properties

By default, when a new resource bundle is created, it shows joined. You can dissociate it and show the properties files only.

### To dissociate a resource bundle

1. Right-click the resource bundle you want to dissociate.
2. On the context menu, choose `Dissociate Resource Bundle <base name>`.

### To combine several properties files into a resource bundle

1. Select the properties files to be combined.
2. Right-click the selection.
3. On the context menu, choose `Combine to Resource Bundle`.
4. Specify the base name of a resource bundle.

Resources include [properties files](#) , images, DTDs, and XML files. These files are located under the Classpath of your application, and are usually loaded from the Classpath by means of the following methods:

- `ResourceBundle.getBundle()` for the property files and resource bundles
- `loadResourceAsStream()` for icons and other files

When building an application, IntelliJ IDEA copies all resources into the output directory, preserving the directory structure of the resources, relative to the source path. The following file types are recognized as resources by default:

- `.properties`
- `.xml`
- `.html`
- `.dtd`
- `.tld`
- `.gif`
- `.png`
- `.jpeg`
- `.jpg`

The pattern of recognized resource files is represented as a regular expression and configurable in the [Compiler dialog](#) .

Using Resource pattern setting, you can add your own file extensions and create custom list of resources.

Standard Java API is designed to use ISO 8859-1 encoding for the properties file.

To use other encodings, feed them as escape sequences and Unicode. The other option is to define the default encoding for `.properties` files on the project level and use different API that can read properties files in the encoding you have defined.

## To configure default encoding for properties files

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Editor | File Encodings .
2. Do one of the following:
  - To have the special mode turned on when symbols are stored in a properties file as escape sequences but displayed as normal letters, check the option Transparent native-to-ascii conversion . This option is helpful when the properties files are encoded in ISO 8859-1. It is recommended to use this approach, if you don't have any special reasons to change encoding.
  - In the field Default encoding for properties files , select the encoding that will be used for all properties files in project.

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## Basics

The [properties files](#) are used to store localization strings. IntelliJ IDEA enables you to create new properties files, and detects the existing ones.

## Creating locales

### To create properties files

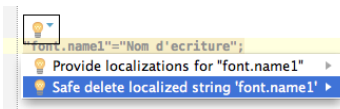
1. Right-click a directory where you would like to create a properties file.
2. On the context menu of the target directory, choose New | File .
3. In the New File dialog box, type the file name with the corresponding extension, and click OK . Note that you can also create nested directories under `locales` , and add new properties files there.

**Tip** If you create several files with the same name and different locale suffixes (for example, `myProperty_en`, `myProperty_fr` etc.), such properties files will be [recognized as a resource bundle](#) .

## Editing locales

While editing properties files, use the following techniques:

- Syntax highlighting : Keywords, delimiters, values and comments are highlighted. You can configure the color scheme in the [Color Scheme](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.
- Code inspection detects unused strings and suggests to fix the problem immediately:



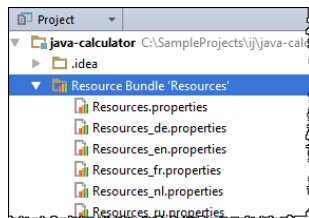
- Expand word : Start typing, and press `Alt+Slash` to go through the existing strings.

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## Resource bundle editor basics

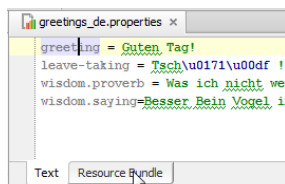
Once you create several `.properties` files with the same name, differing by locale suffix, IntelliJ IDEA automatically recognizes them and groups in the Project view into a Resource Bundle.



## Invoking properties editor for a resource bundle

### To invoke properties editor for a resource bundle, do one of the following:

- In the Project tool window, right-click a resource bundle and choose Jump to Source .
- Select a resource bundle in the Project tool window, and press `F4` .
- Open for editing a `.properties` file that is a part of a bundle, and at the lower edge of the editor, click Resource Bundle tab:



## Editing property keys and values

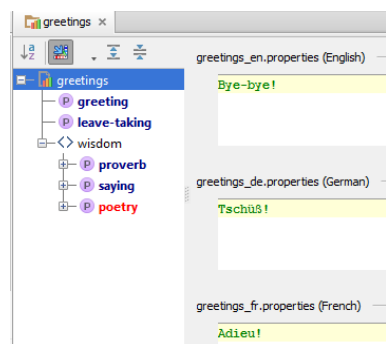
### To edit property keys, follow these general steps

1. Open for editing the desired `*.properties` file.
2. Add, change, or delete keys as required. The changes are reflected in the Resource Bundle editor.

For changing values, use the resource bundle editor that enables you to edit an entire set of property files at a time. IntelliJ IDEA takes care of creating respective records in each file of the bundle.

### To edit a property value

1. Select property key in the left pane of the resource bundle editor.
2. In the target locale frame, edit the value as required. The respective `.properties` file will change accordingly.



## Tips and tricks

- The properties missing values, or omitted in one of the `.properties` files are red-highlighted.
- All escaped characters in the `*.properties` files in the format `\uxxxx` , are displayed in the resource bundle editor as un-escaped unicode literals.

Vice versa, if a non-ASCII character is entered in the resource bundle editor, it is reflected in the underlying `*.properties` file as a corresponding escaped character in the format `\uXXXX` .

For example, if the `*.properties` file contains a property value

```
Was ich nicht wei\u00df, macht mich nicht hei\u00df
```

then the resource bundle editor will show

```
Was ich nicht weiß, macht mich nicht heiß
```

Resource bundle editor itself does not perform any conversion. To have escape sequences properly resolved in properties files, select the checkbox `Transparent native-to-ascii conversion` in the [File Encoding](#) page of the `Settings/Preferences` dialog.

- It is possible to encode non-ascii symbols using both upper- and lower-case hex symbols (e.g. `\u00E3` vs `\u00e3` ). Upper case is used by default. To use lower case, set `'idea.native2ascii.lowercase'` property in the `bin/idea.properties` file to true.

Refer to the section [Tuning IntelliJ IDEA](#) for details.

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## Introduction

Having [enabled](#) code inspection that highlights hardcoded string literals, you can proceed with extracting these literals into your properties files. For this purpose, IntelliJ IDEA provides special intention action `i18nize hard coded string literal`.

This section considers two possible ways of accessing resource bundle:

- Using the `java.util.ResourceBundle` utility class
- Using `custom utility class`

## Extracting string literals

### Extracting string literals using ResourceBundle

#### To extract a string literal using java.util.ResourceBundle

1. Specify resource bundle that will be used to store the extracted literals. In particular, you can add the following statement to your source code:

```
private static ResourceBundle <field name> =  
getBundle("<bundle name>");
```

For example:

```
private static ResourceBundle myBundle =  
getBundle("com.intellij.fontChooser.FontChooser");
```

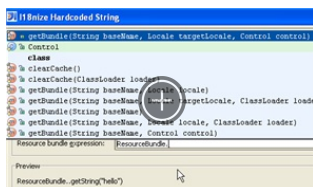
**Note** You can skip this step and specify the desired resource bundle expression immediately in the `i18nize Hard Coded String Literal` dialog box.

2. Click the highlighted string, press `Alt+Enter`, and in the list of intention actions choose `i18nize hard coded string literal`:

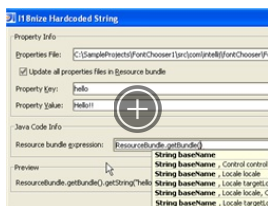


3. In the `i18nize Hard Coded String Literal` dialog box specify the target properties file, the property key and value, and the resource bundle expression.  
If the `ResourceBundle` field has been declared in the source code (as shown in the step 1), IntelliJ IDEA suggests its name by default. If you haven't declared this field in the source code yet, you can still define the desired expression immediately in the dialog box. To do that, enter a valid expression of the `ResourceBundle` type in the Resource bundle expression field.

Note that `basic code completion` works in this field. Type class name, and press `Ctrl+Space` after period to select method:



Choose the desired method from the suggestion list, and press `Ctrl+Space` once more to fill in the parentheses:



After that, type the package and resource bundle name in quotes:



- Click OK . The line with hardcoded string literal is replaced. For example, if the resource bundle has been declared in the source code, the following line will be created:

```
private String greeting = myBundle.getString("hello");
```

If the resource bundle has been defined in the dialog, the result will be:

```
private String greeting = ResourceBundle.getBundle
("com.intellij.fontChooser.FontChooser").getString("hello");
```

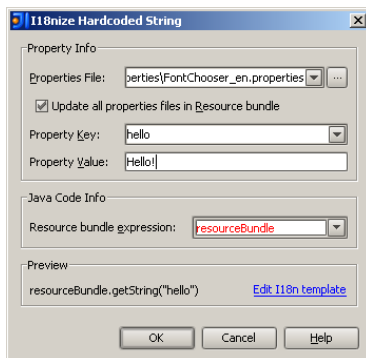
## Extracting string literals using custom resource bundle class

### To extract a string literal using custom resource bundle class

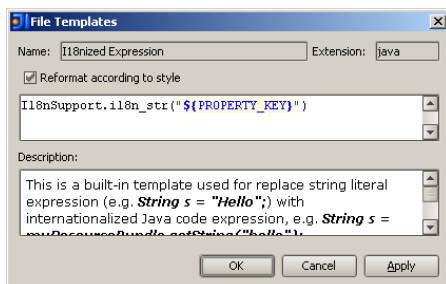
- Make sure that `redist/annotations.jar` archive that resides under your IntelliJ IDEA installation, is added to the module dependencies.
- Create a new class in your project, and type the following code:

```
import org.jetbrains.annotations.PropertyKey;
import org.jetbrains.annotations.NonNls;
import java.util.ResourceBundle;
import java.text.MessageFormat;
public class I18nSupport {
    @NonNls
    private static final ResourceBundle bundle = ResourceBundle.getBundle ("com.
    public static String i18n_str
        (@PropertyKey(resourceBundle ="com.intellij.FontChooser")
        String key,Object... params){
        String value =bundle.getString(key);
        if (params.length >0) return MessageFormat.format(value, params);
        return value;
    }
}
```

- In a class that contains hardcoded string, click the highlighted string, press `Alt+Enter` , and in the list of intention actions choose `i18nize hard coded string literal` . The `I18n-ize String Literal` dialog box shows that resource bundle expression is missing:



- Click `Edit i18n template` link. In the `File Template` dialog box, change the `I18nized Expression` to point to the method of your custom resource bundle class:



Click OK to save the updated template and close the dialog box.

**Warning!** This change is global, and affects all projects!

- In the `Preview` section of the `I18n-ize String Literal` dialog box, see the suggested substitution, and click OK .



The source code changes:

```
private String greeting = I18nSupport.i18n_str("hello");
```



Your source code can contain hardcoded literals which you would like to recognize and further [extract to properties](#) . To highlight hardcoded literals in the editor, use Internationalization code inspections.

## To enable recognizing hardcoded string literals

1. Open the [Settings dialog](#) .
2. In the Project Settings , select Editor | Inspections to open [Inspections](#) dialog box.
3. Select the desired profile, and locate the node Internationalization issues .
4. Check the option Hard coded strings , which will cause the hardcoded string literals to be highlighted in the editor.

**Note** Note that you can configure severity of this inspection and specify when the hardcoded strings should be recognized. For example, you can opt to skip the content of `toString()` method, or the literals without alphabetic characters.

5. Apply changes and close the dialog. Now the editor will highlight the hardcoded string literals, as shown below:

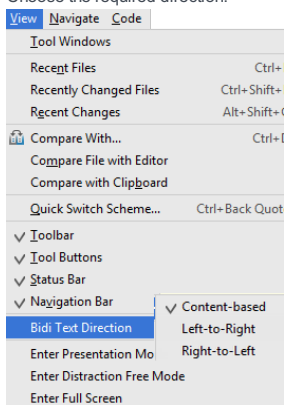
```
JFrame frame = new JFrame("Font Chooser");  
frame.setContentPane(new F{Hard coded string literal: 'Font Chooser' more... (Ctrl+F1)}  
frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
```

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to choose the base direction to render the strings and tokens (for example, in the properties files), containing bidirectional text, like a mix of English and Hebrew or Arabic.

## To choose the direction of rendering strings

1. On the menu View, point to the node BiDi Text Direction.

2. Choose the required direction:



By default, the direction of rendering is content-based, which means that text direction is defined by the text with which the string begins. For example, if the string starts with English, then the base direction of text is LTR.

However, it is also possible to always use either LTR or RTL as the base direction.

So doing, the string literals change their view:



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the UML diagrams functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the UML Support check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEAsettings ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ).

## Basics

UML modeling support provided by IntelliJ IDEA involves two aspects:

- Reverse engineering , which involves drawing a UML model on the base of the existing code base. Such model helps you get an [overview](#) of the classes and packages that comprise your application, relationships between them, explore libraries, and view dependencies.
- Forward engineering , which enables you to design and create a visual model, and populate it with [node elements](#), [members](#) and [relationships](#) . IntelliJ IDEA automatically generates source code and keeps it synchronized with the model.

UML model in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a Class diagram in standard notation.

IntelliJ IDEA enables using UML class diagrams to analyze Java, ActionScript/Flex, PHP, and Maven applications, and the structure of the databases and tables. Besides that, you can explore changes committed to VCS.

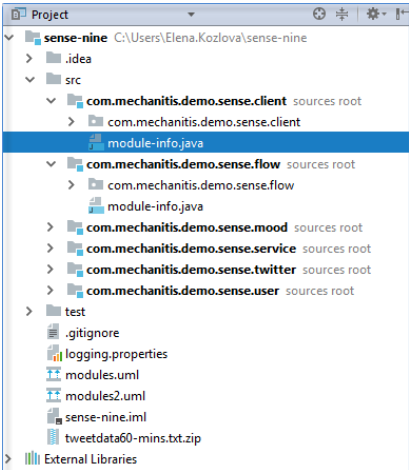
## Features

In IntelliJ IDEA, Class diagram features:

- Ability to view UML model as a diagram in a [separate editor tab, in a pop-up window](#) , or as a [preview](#) .
- Ability to invoke UML class diagram from the Project , Structure , Database , Maven , Version Control tool windows, the History tab of the Version Control tool window, and Navigation bar.  
In the editor, one can view class diagram for the whole class, or for a symbol at caret.
- Navigation from a diagram element to the underlying source code.
- Highlighting [siblings and children classes and packages](#) .
- Refactorings ([Rename](#) , [Type Migration](#) , [Move](#) , [Safe Delete](#) , [Extract Class](#) , [Invert Boolean](#) , [Remove Middleman](#) , [Inline](#) , [Encapsulate](#) , [Migrate](#) , [Change Signature](#) , [Make Static](#) , [Convert to Instance Method](#) , [Introduce Parameter Object](#) , [Wrap Return Value](#) )
- Navigation to [class, file or symbol by name](#) and to the [last edit location](#) .
- Viewing class or package information at the tooltip, and [quick documentation lookup](#) .
- [Viewing changed classes](#) as a UML Class diagram.
- Quick hierarchy view in a [UML Class diagram pop-up window](#) .
- [Viewing subtypes, super classes and classes from signatures](#) .
- Ability to [find usages](#) of a node element or member.
- ability to [configure default settings](#) for UML Class diagram.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you view and manage diagrams for Java modules that are part of the [Jigsaw project](#), which comes with JDK 9, so make sure you have the latest JDK 9 Early Access build installed to view and manage such diagrams.

## Viewing a Java module diagram

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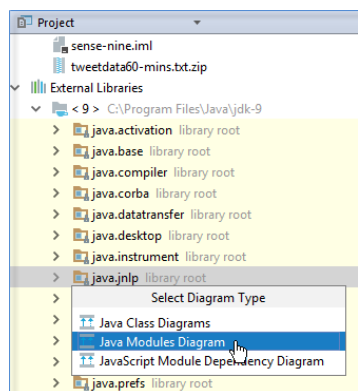
The screenshot shows the 'Project' tool window in IntelliJ IDEA. The project is named 'sense-nine'. Under the 'src' directory, there are several source roots for modules: 'com.mechanitis.demo.sense.client', 'com.mechanitis.demo.sense.flow', 'com.mechanitis.demo.sense.mood', 'com.mechanitis.demo.sense.service', 'com.mechanitis.demo.sense.twitter', and 'com.mechanitis.demo.sense.user'. There are also files like 'module-info.java', 'test', '.gitignore', 'logging.properties', 'modules.uml', 'modules2.uml', 'sense-nine.iml', and 'tweetdata60-mins.txt.zip'. The 'External Libraries' section is visible at the bottom.

Note that IntelliJ

IDEA allows only one Java module per one IntelliJ IDEA module.

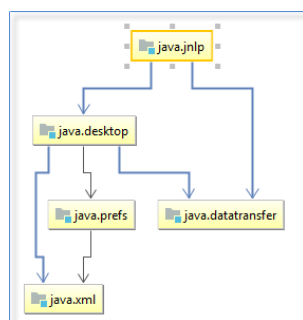
- In the Projects tool window select an item (module/project) for which you want to create a diagram.
- Right-click the selected item and from the context menu select Diagram | Show Diagram . Alternatively, open the `module-info.java` file in the editor and from the context menu select Show Diagram .
- From the list that opens, select the Java Module Diagram type. IntelliJ IDEA displays a diagram with modules and its dependencies.

You can also select a JDK module and using the context menu or pressing `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` ,



The screenshot shows the 'External Libraries' section in the IntelliJ IDEA Project tool window. A context menu is open over the 'java.jnlp' library root, showing options like 'Select Diagram Type', 'Java Class Diagrams', 'Java Modules Diagram', 'JavaScript Module Dependency Diagram', and 'java.prefs library root'. The 'Java Modules Diagram' option is highlighted.

create a diagram for this module.

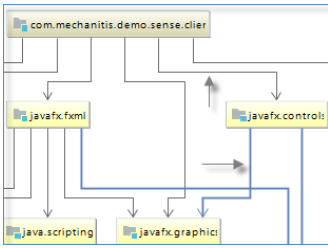


## Analyzing a Java module diagram

IntelliJ IDEA lets you view and analyze modules and its dependencies (named and automatic modules). You can easily recognize those modules since they each have a different color.

- IntelliJ IDEA modules - `com.mechanitis.demo.sense.client`
- named modules (contain `module-info.java`) - `java.xml`
- automatic modules - `websocket.common`

A connection between modules and dependencies is shown using arrows. With bold arrows IntelliJ IDEA displays a connection between modules and transitive dependencies. So you can always see what gets pulled in with the module.

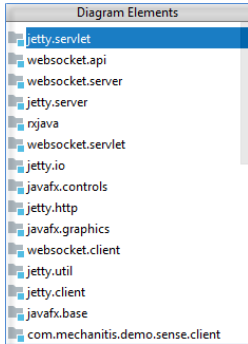


## Managing a Java module diagram

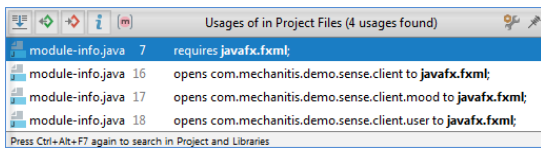
IntelliJ IDEA lets you manage your diagram performing basic diagram actions such as jumping to the source code, find usages, etc.

For more information, please see [Diagram Reference](#), but check the following useful actions:

- You can jump to the source code - select the desired item and press `F4`
- You can quickly locate a module or a library if you have too many items in your graph - press `Ctrl+F` and from the list that opens, select the element you're looking for.



- You can view usages of the diagram element in the project files - select the desired element and press `Ctrl+Alt+F7`



Default options for the UML Class diagram help define the elements to be shown in diagram, visibility level of the node elements and members, layout, and more. These settings apply to any newly created UML Class diagram. Once a UML Class diagram is open, you can change its display settings as required, using the diagram toolbar and context menu.

Refer to the section [Diagrams](#) for the detailed description of controls.

### **To configure default settings for diagrams**

1. Open [Settings](#) , and under the Tools node, click [Diagrams](#) .
2. In the [Diagrams](#) page of the Settings dialog box, choose node you want to configure settings for, and then select the checkboxes to define the elements to be shown or hidden in diagram, for example, class members, or visibility level.
3. Select the checkboxes that define the Class diagram appearance and behavior: default layout, behavior after layout, and the possibility to view colored links.
4. Apply changes.



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## Basics

You can invoke UML class diagram from different places:

- From the various tool windows.
- From the Navigation bar.
- From the Structure tool window.
- From the editor.

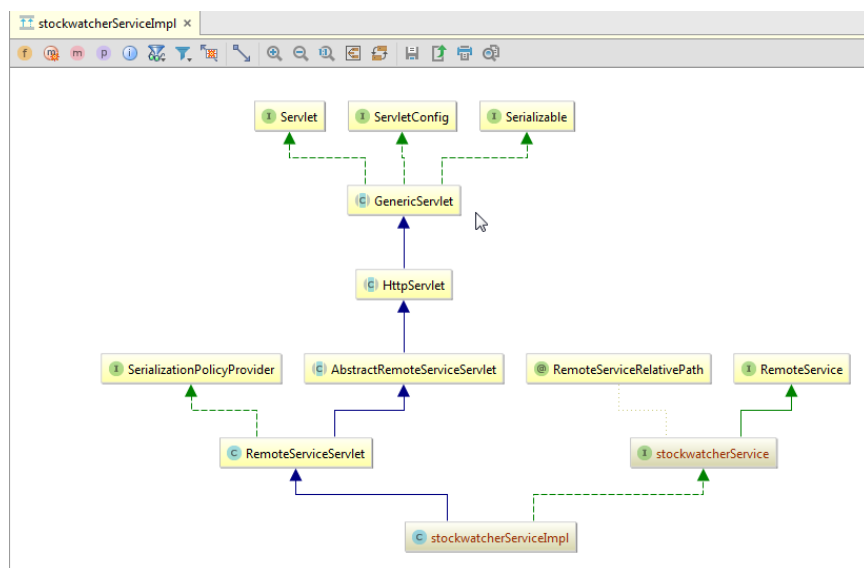
IntelliJ IDEA displays UML diagrams in two modes:

- In a pop-up window.
- In a separate editor tab.

## Opening a UML class diagram

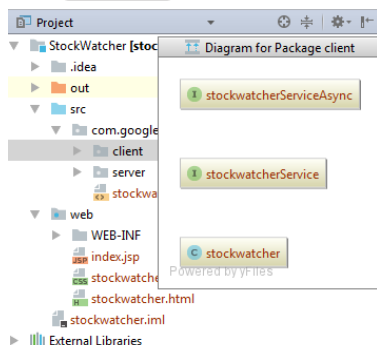
1. Select the desired item, or open it in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu of the selection, click **Diagram**, and on the submenu, select the way you want to view the model: **Show Diagram** or **Show Diagram Pop-up**.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` or `Ctrl+Alt+U`.

The diagram is displayed in the editor tab or in the pop-up window:



## Tips and tricks

- You can open a UML class diagram without using your pointing device. Consider such a workflow: press `Alt+Home`, then press `Ctrl+Alt+U`.
- It is possible to view a UML class diagram of a Java package. Just select a Java package in the Project tool window, and press `Ctrl+Alt+U`:



You can add the existing node elements to the background of the UML Class diagram, using the context menu action, or drag-and-drop technique.

If there are relationships between the node elements in model, and the added element, these relationships will be displayed in diagram.

On this page:

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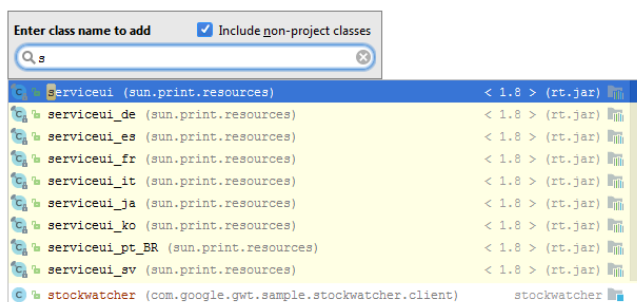
## To add a node element to a UML Class diagram

1. Do one of the following:

- Right-click the diagram background, on the context menu, point to **New**, and next choose the type of element to be added.
- Press **Space**.

2. In the Enter class name to add dialog box, start typing the desired class name. IntelliJ IDEA automatically displays suggestion list with matching names.

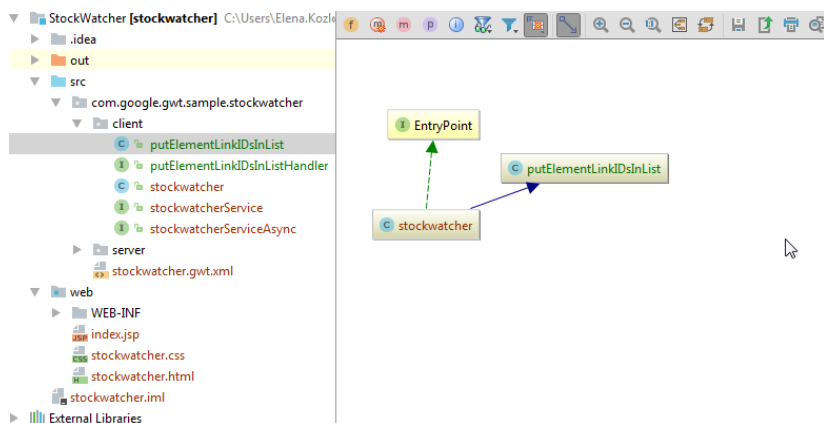
Note that you can include classes outside the scope of your project, by selecting the **Include non-project classes** checkbox.



3. Select the desired class from the suggestion list, and press **Enter**.

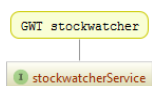
## To add a node element using drag-and-drop technique

1. Select one or more desired elements in the Project tool window.
2. Drag selection to the diagram background.



## To add a note to a node element

1. Right-click a node element, which you would like to comment.
2. On the context menu, choose **New | Note**.
3. In the text box, type the desired text. Note that **Enter** starts a new line in the text box. To complete a note, click **OK**, or press **Ctrl+Enter**.



You can populate your model with [node elements](#) (classes, interfaces and enumerations), and delete them from diagram, or from your project. When a node element is created in a UML Class diagram, the corresponding stub file is created in the current package.

In a similar way, IntelliJ IDEA helps create [members](#) (fields, methods, or constructors) in the node elements.

It is also possible to clarify the contents of diagrams with notes, which are created same way.

## To create a node element in a UML Class diagram


1. Do one of the following:
  - Right-click the diagram background, or a package where a new node element should be created. Next, on the context menu, point to **New**, and choose element type from the submenu.
  - Press **Alt+Insert**, and choose element type from the pop-up frame.
2. Specify the element name, or type the contents of a note, and click **OK**.

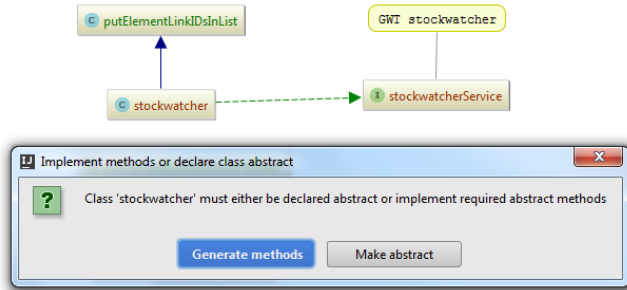
## To create a member in a node element

1. **Select** a node element in a diagram.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu of the selection, point to **New**, and then choose the member type on the submenu.
  - Press **Alt+Insert**, and choose member type from the pop-up frame.
3. Depending on the selected member type ([field](#), [constant](#), [method](#), or [constructor](#)), specify the member name and the other parameters. See preliminary results in the Preview pane of each dialog.


For creating relationship links between node elements, IntelliJ IDEA provides a special mode, in which drag-and-drop technique can be used for drawing links. As a link is created, the corresponding extends / implements clause is generated in the underlying source code. So doing, the extends link is represented with a solid line, and the implements link is represented with a dotted line.

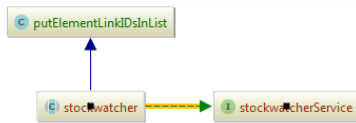
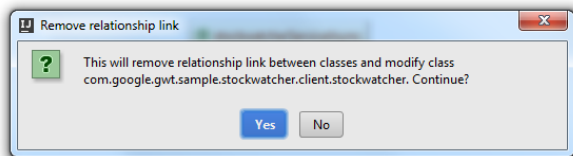
### To create a link between node elements

1. Make sure that  is pressed on the diagram toolbar.
2. Draw a link from the source to a target node.
3. Specify whether the target class should be declared abstract, or implement required abstract methods:



### To delete a link

1. Select a link between two node.
2. Press  .
3. In the dialog box that opens, confirm deletion:



IntelliJ IDEA suggests two ways of deleting elements from diagram:

- Remove node elements from view, while leaving the underlying source code intact. This option can be helpful, if you want to explore a certain group of nodes, and remove the unnecessary ones from view.
- Delete node elements from project.

### To remove elements from view

1. In the diagram, select one or more elements to be deleted.
2. Press `Delete` .

### To delete elements from project

1. In the diagram, select the element to be deleted.
2. Use the [Safe Delete refactoring](#) (`Alt+Delete`) to delete selected classes from project.

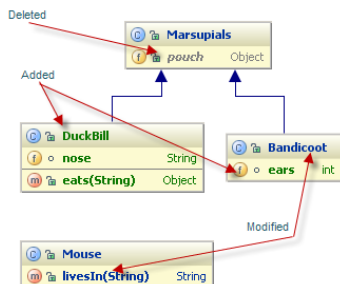
For the modules under version control, you can usually view the list of changed files in the Changes tool window. If you want to evaluate how your changes affect the model, use UML Class diagram. This view presents the complete picture of changes, including relationships between the modified classes.

For this purpose, IntelliJ IDEA provides the action [Show changed classes](#), which is available from the editor, Project tool window, and the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window.

Moreover, IntelliJ IDEA helps you analyze how the changes affect a model across revisions, and provides the action [Compare all classes from revision on UML](#).

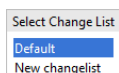
Changes in Class diagram are color-coded:

- Green for added elements.
- Gray for deleted elements.
- Blue for modified elements.



## To view changes in UML Class diagram

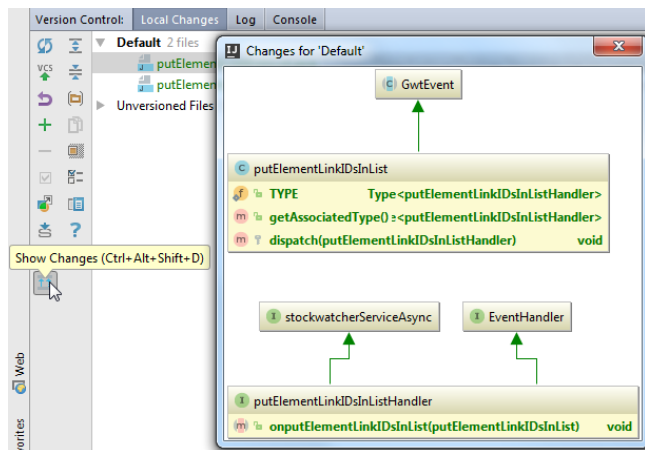
1. In the [Local Changes](#) tab of the Version Control tool window, select the desired changelist from the suggested popup:



Note that if there is only one changelist, the popup won't show up.

2. Do one of the following:

- In the toolbar of the [Local](#) tab, click , or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+D`.
- On the context menu of the editor or the Project tool window, choose [Diagrams | Show Changes](#), or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+D`.



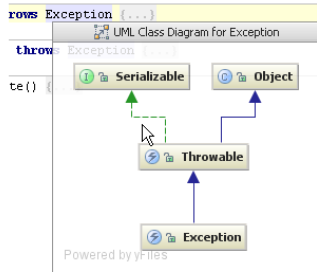
The diagram opens in a pop-up window. Double-click a node to view changes in a Differences viewer.

## To view changes in revisions as UML Class diagram

1. In the [History](#) tab of the [Version Control tool window](#), select the desired revision.
2. Click , or press `Ctrl+Shift+D`. The diagram opens in a pop-up window.

IntelliJ IDEA helps you view the complete hierarchy of the selected type.

So doing, you can modify the contents of the UML Class diagram, to show ancestor or descendant classes, types used in method signatures, and perform all actions that are available for UML Class diagrams.



## To view class hierarchy as a UML Class diagram

1. Open the desired class in the editor, and place the caret at the type you want to see hierarchy for.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu, point to Diagrams , and then choose Show Diagram , or Show Diagram Popup
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` or `Ctrl+Alt+U`

**Tip** You can view type hierarchy for any class selected in the Project tool window



By default, the diagrams show node elements only. However, you can show members too.

## To show members in diagram

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` to open a diagram.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the diagram toolbar, click the [buttons](#) that correspond to the members you want to show.
  - Right-click the diagram background, and on the context menu, point to the Show Categories command, and then choose the category to be shown or hidden.

**Note** As you choose a Show Categories command, the state of the corresponding toolbar button changes accordingly.

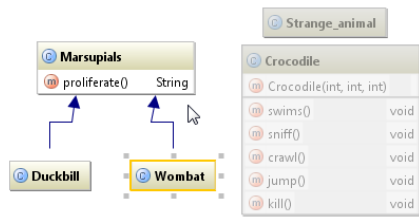




IntelliJ IDEA can smartly tell the nodes that belong to the same package from the extraneous ones.

## To highlight sibling nodes

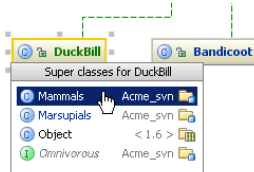
1. **Select** a node element in diagram.
2. Start navigating through the diagram. So doing, the classes and packages that reside in different packages, are automatically grayed out.



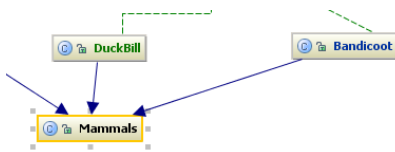
- To show ancestor and descendant types
- To find usages of a diagram element

## To show ancestor and descendant types

1. Open [UML Class diagram](#) for the desired class or package.
2. [Select](#) a node element in diagram.
3. On the context menu, choose one of the following commands, or press keyboard shortcuts:
  - Go to | Implementation [Ctrl+Alt+B](#)
  - Show Parents [Ctrl+Alt+P](#)
4. If there are several classes available, select the desired one from the pop-up list:



The selected class will be added to the UML Class diagram, with the corresponding relationship links:



## To find usages of a diagram element

1. [Select](#) a diagram element.
2. On the context menu of the selection, select the desired [Find Usages](#) command.

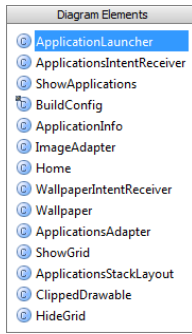
IntelliJ IDEA provides an additional way to explore and change module dependencies using UML class diagram of a module.

### To change module dependencies

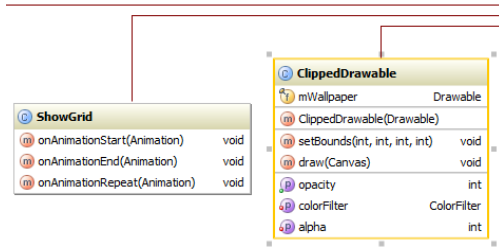
1. Right-click a module node in the Project tool window, or in the Navigation bar.
2. On the context menu, choose Diagrams | Show Diagram .
3. Press `Alt+Insert` .
4. Choose Add Dependency on the pop-up menu.

## To navigate through a diagram, follow these general steps

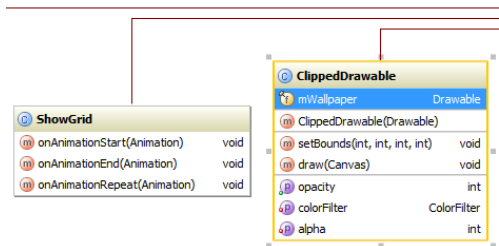
1. Press `Ctrl+F12` . The menu of diagram elements pops up.



2. Use the arrow keys to select the desired diagram element, and press `Enter` . The selected diagram node element becomes active.



3. Press `Enter` once more. The first member of an element gets the focus.



4. The following actions are available:

- Pressing `Enter` toggles the focus between a diagram element and its members.
- When a diagram element has the focus, use the arrow keys to jump between elements.
- When a member has the focus, use the vertical arrow keys to navigate through an element to the desired member.
- Having selected an element or a member, [navigate to the underlying source code](#) .

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To run or debug your code in IntelliJ IDEA, you can use numerous run/debug configurations. Each run/debug configuration represents a named set of run/debug startup properties. When you perform run, debug, or test operations with IntelliJ IDEA, you always start a process based on one of the existing configurations using its parameters.

IntelliJ IDEA comes with a number of run/debug configuration types for the various running, debugging and testing issues. You can create your own run/debug configurations of specific types.

Each run/debug configuration type has its own default settings. Whenever a new run/debug configuration of the respective type is created, it is based on these default settings.

## Temporary configuration

A [temporary run/debug configuration](#) is automatically created every time you choose Run <item\_name> or Debug <item\_name> for an item without a permanent configuration. Temporary configurations can be saved as permanent.

Temporary configurations are marked with semi-transparent icons and are managed same way as the permanent configurations.

By default, 5 temporary configurations are allowed per project. You can change this limit via the [Edit Configurations](#) dialog.

## Permanent configuration

A [permanent run/debug configuration](#) is explicitly created for a particular class or method. If there is no permanent configuration for an item, IntelliJ IDEA automatically creates a temporary configuration for it, when you choose Run <item\_name> or Debug <item\_name> on the context menu of this class or method.

## Default run/debug configuration settings

The default run/debug configuration settings are listed in the Run/Debug Configurations dialog under the Defaults node. They denote the settings that are used when new run/debug configurations are created.

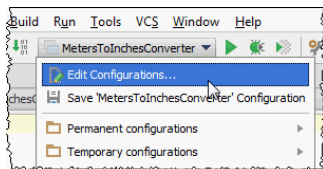
You can set the default settings for a specific configuration type that will become applicable to any run/debug configuration of this type created later. Changing defaults does not affect the existing run/debug configurations.

The process of editing per-type default configuration settings is described in [Changing Run/Debug Configuration Defaults](#) .

The process of creating or editing custom run/debug configurations is described in [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

## Overview

With the Navigation bar visible ( View | Navigation Bar ), the available [run/debug configurations](#) are displayed in the run/debug configuration selector in the Run area:



IntelliJ IDEA provides the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box as a tool for handling run/debug configurations: create configuration profiles or change the default ones.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following ways to create a run/debug configuration:

- [Create a run configuration manually](#) on the base of the default one, or using the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box.
- [Save a temporary run configuration](#) .
- Specify the target application server during module creation. IntelliJ IDEA will generate a run/debug configuration of the corresponding type.

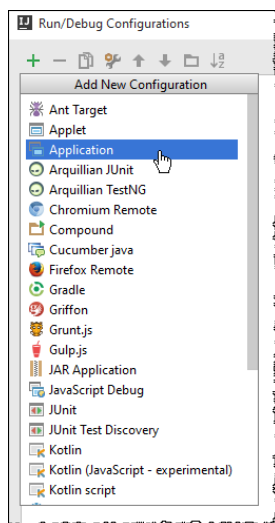
Also, the Run/Debug configuration can be deleted automatically for the deleted/obsolete targets, if this capability is enabled. See details [here](#) .

**Note** , that this capability is applicable only to those configurations that had being created automatically by CLion.

## Creating a run/debug configuration

To create a run/debug configuration, follow these steps:

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations .
  - With the Navigation Bar visible ( View | Navigation Bar ), choose Edit Configurations from the selector of run/debug configurations.
  - Press `Shift+Alt+F10` , then press `0` to display the Edit Configuration dialog box or select the configuration from the pop-up window and press `F4` .
2. In the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box, click `+` on the toolbar or press `Alt+Insert` . The drop-down list shows the default run/debug configurations. Select the desired configuration type.




The fields that appear in the right pane display the default settings for the selected configuration type.

3. For the new run/debug configuration:
  - Specify its name in the Name text box. This name will be shown in the list of the available run/debug configurations.
  - Specify whether you want to make IntelliJ IDEA check execution status of the instances of the same run/debug configuration. If you want to make sure that only one instance of the run/debug configuration is currently executed, select the checkbox `Single instance only` . In this case, a confirmation dialog box will show up every time you try to launch run/debug configuration, when one instance of the same type is still running.  
If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  
If this checkbox is not selected, you can launch as many instances of the runner as required. As the result, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
4. In the Before launch section, define whether you want to compile the modified sources, and run an Ant or Maven script.
5. In the Configuration tab, [specify the class](#) that contains the `main()` method, VM options, program arguments, working directory and other configuration-specific settings.
6. In the Logs tab, specify the options that control [output logs](#) produced while running or debugging application.  
In particular, specify whether IntelliJ IDEA will display the [standard output and standard error output](#) to the console.

7. For the various servers, set up the deployment and startup/connection options.
8. For the applications and tests, click the Code Coverage tab (for example, [in applications run/debug configuration](#) ), and specify the options that define [code coverage measurement](#) for testing purposes.
9. Specify additional parameters depending on the configuration type. Refer to the descriptions of run/debug configuration parameters below the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) section.
10. Apply the changes and close the dialog box.

**Note** If you want to change the settings of the default run/debug configuration, expand the Defaults node, select the desired configuration type, and modify it as required. See [Changing Run/Debug Configuration Defaults](#) for details.

**Tip** To use an existing configuration as a template, create its copy by clicking the Copy button  on the toolbar, then change it as required.

## Editing an existing run/debug configuration

To change an existing run/debug configuration:

- On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations .
- With the Navigation Bar visible ( View | Navigation Bar ), choose Edit Configurations from the run/debug configurations selector.
- Press `Shift+Alt+F10` , then press `0` to display the Edit Configuration dialog box or select the configuration from the pop-up window and press `F4` .

In the corresponding run/debug configuration dialog box, change parameters as required.

## Managing multiple run configurations

You can manage multiple run configurations at once in a dedicated dashboard. For example, you start, pause and stop several applications, track their status, and examine application-specific details.

To enable the dashboard:

1. Click **Edit Configurations** from the run/debug configurations selector.
2. Select **Defaults** from the list in the left-hand section.
3. Under the **Run Dashboard Types** section, click **+** and select the necessary run configuration type. You can add multiple configuration types one by one.
4. Apply the changes and close the dialog.

To show or hide the dashboard, go to View | Tool Windows and click **Run dashboard** .

If necessary, you can hide the tree section on the dashboard and view configurations on dashboard tabs. To do so, click the **Show Configurations** icon on the left toolbar on the **Run dashboard** , or press `Ctrl+Shift+T` .

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## Introduction

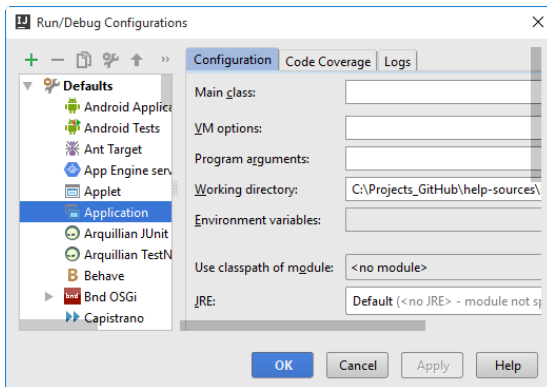
For a run/debug configuration of a particular type, you can set up the default values for one or more parameters and save them as a template for further usage. In this case, the next time when you create a new configuration of that type, the corresponding fields of the dialog will already contain the specified values.

Note that changing the default values **does not affect** the already existing run/debug configurations.

## Configuring defaults

To set up the default values for a run/debug configuration, follow these steps:

1. In the left-hand pane of the run/debug configuration dialog, expand the Defaults node.
2. From the drop down list under the Defaults node, select the desired configuration type. The corresponding configuration template appears in the right-hand pane.
3. Specify the desired parameters of the right pane and click Apply to save the template.



**Tip** The Name, Share and Single instance only fields are not available for the default run/debug configurations.

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Sometimes you might need to run or debug a certain class with the `main()` method without creating a dedicated run configuration. In this case, you can use the temporary [run configuration](#) provided by IntelliJ IDEA.

Temporary run/debug configuration is added to the list of available configurations and works same way as the [permanent run/debug configuration](#). You can change its settings using the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box and optionally save it as permanent.

## Creating a temporary run/debug configuration


1. Select the desired class with the `main()` method in the Project view or open it in the editor.

2. Do one of the following:

- On the context menu, choose Run <name> or Debug <name> .
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+F10` .

IntelliJ IDEA creates a temporary configuration, which appears in the Run/Debug Configuration selector when the run or debug session is over.

## Saving a temporary run/debug configuration

- In the Run/Debug Configuration selector, choose Save <configuration name> .
- In the Run/Debug Configuration dialog box, click  .
- On the context menu of the editor or Project view, choose Save <configuration name> .

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When there are too many run/debug configurations of the same type, you can put them into directories, and thus make them visually distinguishable.


Folders are used to organize run/debug configurations. When not needed, they can be deleted, and the run/debug configurations grouped under those folders will be moved under the root of the corresponding run/debug configuration type.

Once grouped, the run/debug configurations appear in the drop-down list under the corresponding folders:



## Creating folders of run/debug configurations

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations .
  - With the Navigation Bar visible ( View | Navigation Bar ), choose Edit Configurations from the selector of run/debug configurations.
  - Press `Shift+Alt+F10` , then press `0` to display the Edit Configuration dialog box or select the configuration from the pop-up window and press `F4` .
2. In the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box, click  on the toolbar. A new empty folder is created.
3. Specify the folder name in the text field to the right, or accept the default name.
4. Select the desired run/debug configuration of a certain type, and move under the target folder. This can be done in one of the following ways:
  - Use drag-and-drop.
  - Use the  and  toolbar buttons.
  - Press `Alt+Up` or `Alt+Down` .
5. Apply changes. Note that if a folder is empty, it will not be saved.

## Deleting folders

1. In the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box, select a folder to be deleted.
2. On the toolbar, click  . The selected folder is deleted silently. Any run/debug configurations grouped under this folder, are moved under the root of the corresponding type.
3. Apply changes.

## Changing order of folders

1. In the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box, select one of the folders within a certain run/debug configuration type.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the toolbar, click  or  .
  - Press `Alt+Up` or `Alt+Down` .

The selected folder moves one position up or down.
3. Apply changes.

After the dialog box is closed, groups of run/debug configurations in the run/debug configurations selector on the main toolbar appear in the order achieved by moving folders up or down within the type.



This section describes the procedures that are common for the various types of applications:

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For the details related to running applications in the supported frameworks, refer to [Language and Framework - Specific Guidelines](#)

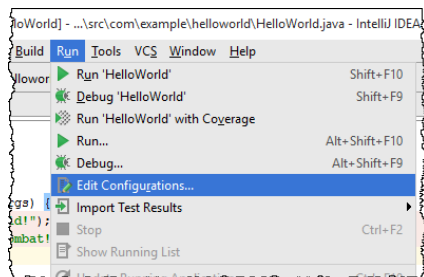
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## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA enables running entire applications as well as [classes with the main\(\) method](#).

IntelliJ IDEA makes use of the settings defined in a [Run/Debug Configuration](#). All the run configurations that exist in a project, are available in the Select Run/Debug Configuration drop-down list.





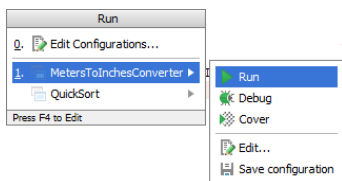
If you want to see the list of all currently running applications, select Run | Show Running List from the main menu. Refer to the [Viewing Running Processes](#) section for details.

Note that after you've started a run session, the  icon that marks the [Run tool window](#) and in the Run/Debug Configuration Selector toggles to  to indicate that the run process is active.

**Note** If the options that launch build or tools before running were enabled in a [Run/Debug configuration](#), IntelliJ IDEA runs the build or tools, and after success will run the application. Otherwise, the program will start immediately.

## Running an application

- Do one of the following:
  - In the left gutter, click the icon , and choose the desired command.
  - On the main toolbar, select the desired run configuration, and:
    - Choose Run | Run from the main menu.
    - Click .
    - Press `Shift+F10`.
  - Press `Shift+Alt+F10`, select the desired run configuration from the pop-up menu, and press `Enter`.




From this pop-up menu you can:


- Invoke the Edit Configuration dialog.
- Edit the selected configuration before launch (`F4`).
- Instantly delete a configuration (`Delete`).
- Switch from run to debug and vice versa (hold `Shift`).
- Access a previously selected configuration (`1`).
- Access context-dependent configuration (`2` or `3`).

This pop-up menu can also be quickly accessed by pressing `F9`, when you're not running any debug session.

## Running a class with main() method

- Open the class in the editor and do one of the following:
  - In the left gutter, click the icon , and choose the desired command.
  - Choose Run <method name > on the context menu
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+F10`
- Select the class in the Project tool window and choose Run <method name > on the context menu of the selection.

You can re-run an application if its tab is still opened in the [Run](#) window. The program re-runs with the initial settings.

1. In the Run window, select the tab where the desired application is opened.
2. In the toolbar of the Run window, click the Rerun button  , or press `Ctrl+F5` .

**Tip** If you want to re-run without loosing focus in the editor tab you are working in, press `Shift+F10` .



You can review any output from your running applications in the Run window console. The output from each application is displayed in its own tab of the [Run](#) tool window, named after the corresponding [run/debug configuration](#).

If you re-run an application, the new output overwrites the contents of the tab. To preserve the output of an application, even if you re-run it, [pin](#) the output tab.

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In the [Run](#) tool window, you can stop a program, or pause its output. If a program is stopped, its process is interrupted and exits immediately. When program output is paused, the program continues running in the background, but its output is suspended.

## Stopping a program

1. In the Run tool window, click the Stop button  on the toolbar, or press `Ctrl+F2`.
2. To close the active tab, click the Close button , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F4`.

## Suspending the program output

- In the Run tool window, click the Pause button  on the toolbar.

Note that the button is not available for [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#), [Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome](#), and [Run/Debug Configuration: NUnit](#).

Configuration options include VM settings, arguments that should be passed to the program, working directory, classpath and SDK. Refer to the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog for detailed description of the fields.


## To define Configuration options of a run/debug configuration

1. Click Configuration tab of the Edit Run/Debug Configuration dialog.
2. In the Main class field, specify the class that contains the `main()` method. To do that, type the fully qualified name manually, or click the ellipsis button and select the desired class from the Choose Main Class dialog.

In the Choose Main Class dialog, you can locate the desired class using one of the following ways:

- Click the Project tab, and select class with the `main()` method from the project tree view.
- Click the Search by Name tab and start typing the class name. As you type, the list of available classes narrows down to match your entry.

Click OK, or press `Enter` when ready.

3. In the VM options field, type optional VM arguments, for example the heap size, garbage collection options, file encoding, etc. If the line of VM arguments is too long, click  and type the text in the editor dialog.
4. In the Program parameters field, type optional list of parameters that should be passed to the `main()` method through the array of its arguments.
5. In the Working directory field, specify the current directory that your application will use while running.
6. In the Use classpath and SDK of module field, select the desired module from the list of modules existing in the project.

Use Logs tab in the Run/Debug Configuration dialogs to configure the way log files, generated by an application or server, are displayed in the console.

If your application or server generates log files, the default entries will be automatically added to the log file list in the Run/Debug Configuration dialog.

## To configure Logs options

1. In the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box, click Logs tab. The table Log files to be shown in console displays the list of log files (if any).
2. Click [+](#). [Edit Log Files Aliases Dialog](#) dialog is displayed.
3. In the Alias field, type the alias name to show in the list of log entries. In the Log File Location field, type the fully qualified name of the log file, or specify its location by pressing the ellipsis button. Select whether you want to show all or last file coverable by pattern. Click OK to close the dialog.
4. Activate the log entry. To do that, select the checkbox in the Is Active column.
5. To skip the previous content, select the checkbox in the Skip Content column.

**Note** If you are using third-party logging tools, you might want to make the message's output that mimics a standard linkage to the source code as for stacktrace line (at `<fully-qualified-class-name>.<method-name>(<file-name>:<line-number>)`). For that, add specific Conversion Pattern to your log.xml configuration file.

For example, in a log4j Conversion Pattern this would be `<param name="ConversionPattern" value="%-5p - [%-80m] - at %c.F:n"/>`.

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to view all the running applications. The command Show Running List of the menu Run is only enabled if there are active applications. If no applications are active, the command is greyed out.

## Viewing the list of running applications

– On the main menu, choose Run | Show Running List .

A popup listing all active applications is displayed in the top-right corner of the editor.



**Tip** Same is also valid for debugging.



A subprocess can be entered in the course of debugging.

## Overview

This section describes the procedures that are common for various types of applications. For details on debugging applications in the supported frameworks, refer to [Language and Framework - Specific Guidelines](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA provides a full range of facilities for debugging your source code:



- Breakpoints in Java.
- Breakpoints in JavaScript.
- Multiple simultaneous debugging sessions.
- Customizable breakpoint properties: conditions, pass count, etc.
- [Frames](#) , [variables](#) , and [watches](#) views in the debugger UI.
- Runtime [evaluation of expressions](#) .

If you want to see the list of all currently debugging applications, select Run | Show Running List from the main menu. Refer to the [Viewing Running Processes](#) section for details.

## General debugging steps

1. [Configure](#) the dependencies and libraries to be passed to the compiler and generate the debugging information.
2. Configure common debugger behavior, including [stepping speed](#) , [class reloading policy](#) , or [scrolling of the editor canvas](#) .
3. [Configure the debugger engine](#) .
4. To debug [CoffeeScript](#) , [TypeScript](#) , and [Dart](#) code, you need to generate a [source map](#) for it. This will set the correspondence between lines in your original code and in the generated JavaScript code. If no source map is generated, your breakpoints will not be recognized and processed correctly.
5. [Define a run/debug configuration](#) for the application to be debugged.
6. Create [breakpoints](#) in the source code.
7. [Launch](#) a debugging session.
8. [Pause or resume](#) the debugging session as required.
9. During the debugger session, [step through the breakpoints](#) , [evaluate expressions](#) , change values on-the-fly [examine suspended program](#) , [set watches](#) , [reload classes](#) , and [customize views](#) .

**Note** See [Compiling CoffeeScript to JavaScript](#) , [TypeScript](#) , and [Using Pub](#) for details.

After you've started a debug session, the  icon that marks the [Debug tool window](#) toggles to  to indicate that the debug process is active.

Note that IntelliJ IDEA lets you debug decompiled code in the same way as your normal source files, provided that it contains line number attributes.

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## Debug

After you have configured a [run configuration](#) for your project, you can launch it in debug mode by pressing `Shift+F9`.

In the [Debug tool window](#) you can see the list of frames and threads with their states, variables and watches. When you select a frame, you see the variables corresponding to the selected frame.

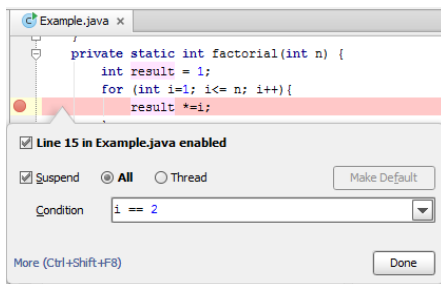
## Useful debugger shortcuts

- [Toggle breakpoint](#): `Ctrl+F8`
- [Resume program](#): `F9`
- [Step over](#): `F8`
- [Step into](#): `F7`
- [Stop](#): `Ctrl+F2`
- [View breakpoint details/all breakpoints](#): `Ctrl+Shift+F8`
- [Debug code at caret](#) `Shift+F9` (e.g if you stay within the main method), or `Shift+Alt+F9`

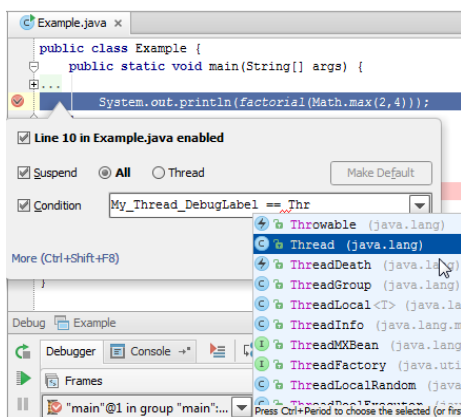
## Breakpoints

### Breakpoint details and condition

If you want to change details of a breakpoint, press `Ctrl+Shift+F8`. Here you can specify the breakpoint conditions.



If you have any instance marked with a label, you can use it in the condition expression as well:



To see all breakpoints in the project (with more advanced settings), press the same shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+F8` again.



```
Example.java x
public class Example {
    static int maxFactorial;

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        ... */
        System.out.println(factorial(Math.max(2,4)));
        System.out.println(maxFactorial);
    }

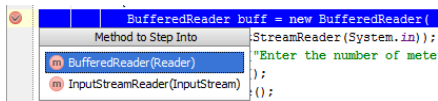
    private static int factorial(int n) {
        int result = 1;
        for (int i=1; i<= n; i++){
            result *=i;
        }
        return result;
    }
}
```

Refer to the section [Enabling, Disabling and Removing Breakpoints](#) for details.

## Debugger session

### Smart step into

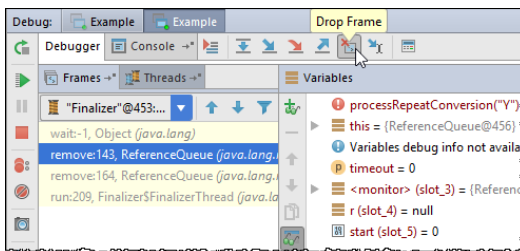
Sometimes it happens that you stay at a line and want to step into a particular method but not the first one that will be invoked. In this case use Smart step into by pressing `Shift+F7` to choose a particular method. This is a great time-saver.



Refer to the section [Choosing a Method to Step Into](#) for details.

### Drop frame

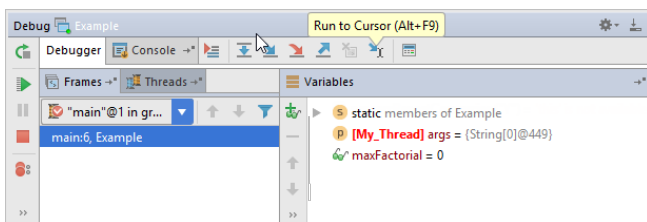
In case you want to "go back in time" while debugging you can do it via Drop Frame action. This is a great help if you mistakenly stepped too far. This will not revert the global state of your application but at least will get you back by stack of frames.



The icon  is described in the [Debug tool window](#) reference.

### Run to cursor

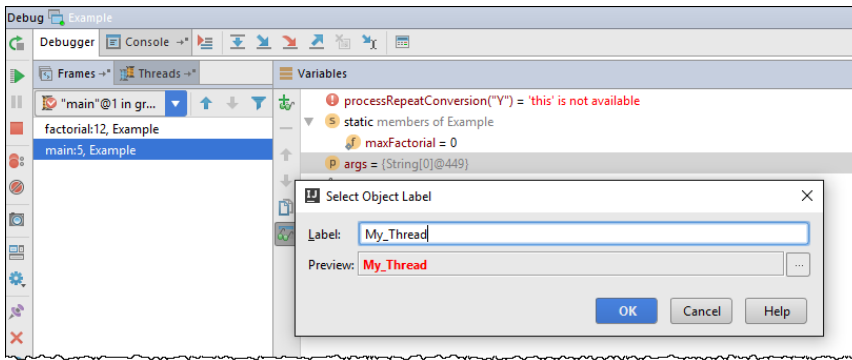
Sometimes you need to resume the program and stop at another line of code, without adding another breakpoint. Easy: just press `Alt+F9`.



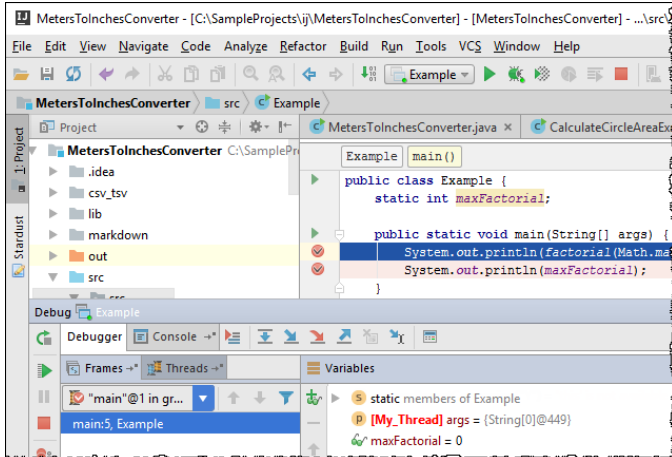
The icon  is described in the [toolbar reference](#) of the Debug tool window.

### Mark instance

If you want a particular instance to be always recognized while debugging, you can mark it with a colored label via `F11` or the context menu in the [Variables](#) and [Watches](#) tabs.

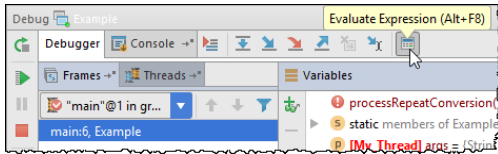


The next time this instance appears in Watches, Variables or Evaluate expression, you will see the label:

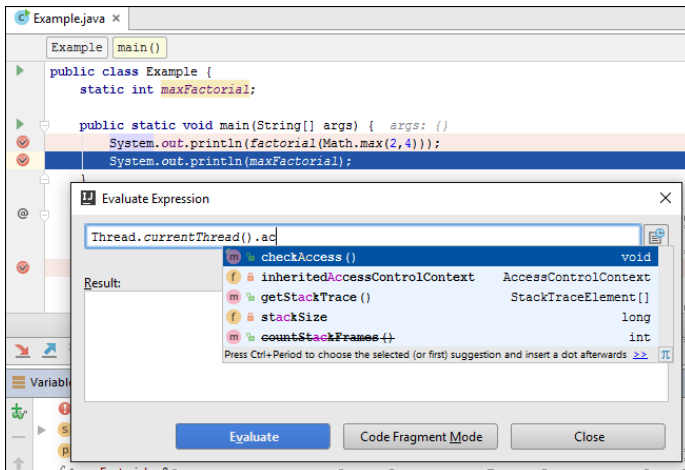


### Evaluate expression

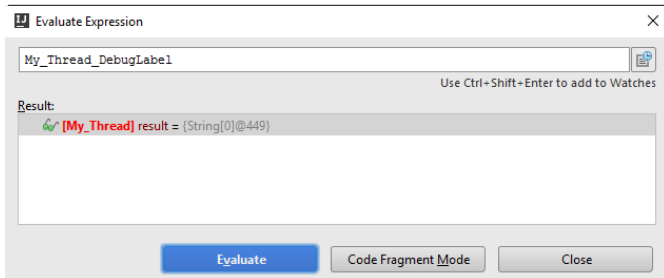
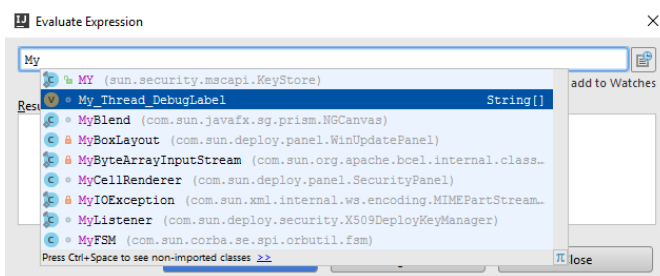
While in debug mode, you can **evaluate any expression** by pressing `Alt+F8`.



This tool provides code completion just as in the editor so it's very easy to enter any expression:



If you have any instances marked with labels, code completion will offer you its names so you can evaluate them:



Refer to the section [Evaluating Expressions](#) for details.

## Reload changes and hot swapping

Sometimes it happens that you need to insert minor changes in your code without shutting down the process. Since Java VM has such a feature as [HotSwap](#), the IDE handles these cases automatically and offers you to [reload the changed classes](#) whenever you compile the changed classes while in debug mode.

Keep in mind that Java VM's HotSwap has a number of constraints and does not support reloading of static fields and methods.

## Remote debug

The final thing you definitely should know about debugging in IntelliJ IDEA is Remote debug. Remote debug means attaching debugger to a process which is already running on a specific port on your or any other's host. This way you can attach the debugger to your application server which is running standalone.

To create a remote configuration, [go to Edit configurations](#) and add [Remote run configuration](#). Make sure to specify the correct host and port before you run this configuration.

## Settings

If you want to change the default debugger settings, choose [Debugger](#) in IntelliJ IDEA Settings/Preferences.

Breakpoints are source code markers used to trigger actions during a debugging session.

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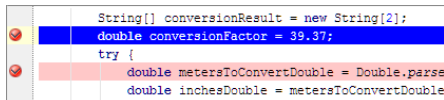
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## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create breakpoints of several types. Each breakpoint type supported by IntelliJ IDEA addresses different debugging needs and has its own individual settings.

Breakpoints are triggered when the program reaches the specified line of source code, before it is executed. The line of code that contains a set breakpoint, is marked with a red stripe; once such line of code is reached, the marking stripe changes to blue .



Once set, a breakpoint remains in project until removed. Breakpoints can only be set on executable lines of code. Comments, declarations of fields or methods, and empty lines are not valid locations for breakpoints.

**Tip** If a file with breakpoints has been modified externally, for example, updated from a version control repository, or changed in an external editor, so that line numbers are changed, then the breakpoints will be moved accordingly. Note that IntelliJ IDEA should be running at the moment of such modification; otherwise, such changes will pass unnoticed.

## Line breakpoint

These breakpoints are assigned to lines of source code and are used to target a particular section for debugging.

## Temporary Line breakpoint

These breakpoints are assigned to lines of source code and are used to target a particular section for debugging. When hit, such breakpoints are immediately removed.

## Method breakpoint

Method breakpoints act in response to the program entering or exiting a particular method. They let you target your debugging sessions by method you wish to investigate, rather than by line number. Method breakpoints let you follow the program flow at the method level as well as check entry and exit conditions. Note that using method breakpoints can slow down the application you are debugging.

## Exception breakpoint

IntelliJ IDEA provides exception breakpoints for Java and JavaScript.

**Exception breakpoints** are triggered when the specified exception is thrown. Unlike the line breakpoints, which require specific source references, exception breakpoints apply globally to the exception condition, rather than to a particular code reference.

With PHP **Exception Breakpoints** , you can initiate the debugger at the start of the script and break on your own breakpoints or whenever an error or Exception of a given type occurs. PHP Exception breakpoints do not require configuring Xdebug for working in the **Just-In-Time** mode by setting `xdebug.remote_mode` to `jit` , see [Debugging in the Just-In-Time Mode](#) for details.

## Field watchpoint

Field watchpoints allow you to react to any access or modification of specific instance variables. For example, if at the end of a complicated process you are ending up with an obviously wrong value on one of your fields, then setting up a field watchpoint may be the quickest way to determine the origin of the fault.

## JavaScript / Flex /PHP breakpoints

JavaScript, Flex, and PHP breakpoints are identical to line breakpoints in Java.

These breakpoints are assigned to particular lines of JavaScript or PHP source code. They can be set in `*.html` files as well as in `*.js` or `*.php` files and are used to target a particular section of code for debugging.



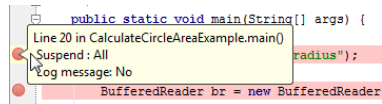
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## Basics

When a breakpoint is set, the editor displays a breakpoint icon in the gutter area to the left of the affected source code. A breakpoint icon denotes status of a breakpoint, and provides useful information about its type, location, and action.

The icons serve as convenient shortcuts for managing breakpoints. Clicking an icon removes the breakpoint. Successive use of **Alt** - click on an icon toggles its state between enabled and disabled. The settings of a breakpoint are shown in a tooltip when a mouse pointer hovers over a breakpoint icon in the gutter area of the editor.



## Breakpoint states and icons

The table below summarizes the possible breakpoint states:

Status	Line	TemporaryExceptionMethodField	Description
<b>JavaScript</b>			
<b>Flex</b>			
Enabled			Shown at design-time or during the debugging session when the class with such breakpoint is not yet loaded.
Valid	NA		Shown at run-time when the breakpoint is recognized by the debugger as set on an executable code line.
Invalid	NA		Shown when the breakpoint is set on a commented or non-executable line indicating that such breakpoint would not be hit.
Disabled			Indicates that nothing happens when the breakpoint is hit.
Conditionally disabled			This state is assigned to breakpoints when they depend on another breakpoint to be activated.

When the button is pressed in the toolbar of the [Debug](#) tool window, all the breakpoints in a project are muted, and their icons become grey: .

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## Introduction

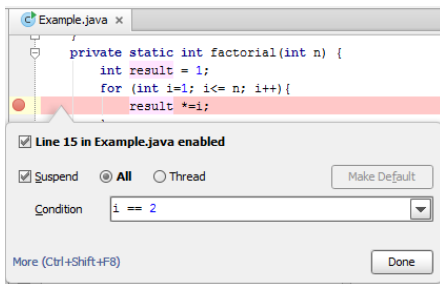
To view the whole list of the breakpoints in the current project, use the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box. For each individual breakpoint in the list, you can view and change its properties as required.

## Viewing all breakpoints

- On the main menu, choose Run | View Breakpoints .
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+F8` .
- In the toolbar of the [Debug tool window](#) , click  .
- Breakpoints are visible in the [Favorites](#) tool window.

## Viewing properties of a breakpoint

- Right-click a breakpoint icon in the left gutter of the editor.



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## Basics

For a breakpoint, you can configure the following properties:


- Actions to be performed upon hitting a certain breakpoint.
- Suspend policy, which defines whether the application should be suspended upon hitting the breakpoint.
- Dependencies on other breakpoints.
- Conditions defining when a breakpoint is hit.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following way to change the breakpoints properties:

- Using the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box, for a breakpoint selected in the list.
- Using breakpoint icon in the left gutter

## Configuring breakpoints

1. Do one of the following:

- Right-click a breakpoint in the left gutter, and then click the link More or press `Ctrl+Shift+F8`.
- Open the Breakpoints dialog box as described on page [Accessing Breakpoint Properties](#) and select the desired breakpoint in the list.
- In the [Favorites](#) tool window, select the desired breakpoint, and click .

Note that the pop-up window shows less options than the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box. To show hidden options, click More .


2. Define the actions to be performed by IntelliJ IDEA on hitting breakpoint:

- To notify about the reaching of a breakpoint with a text message in the debugging console, select the Log message to console check checkbox.  
To evaluate an expression in the context of a breakpoint and display its value in the debugging console, check the option Evaluate and log , and enter a valid expression in the option field.

This feature lets you obtain information about your running application without having to suspend its execution.

- To set a breakpoint the current one depends on, select it from the Disabled until selected breakpoint hit drop-down list. Once dependency has been set, the current breakpoint is disabled until selected one is hit.
  - Choose Disable again radio button to disable the current breakpoint after selected breakpoint was hit.
  - Choose Leave enable radio button to keep the current breakpoint enabled after selected breakpoint was hit.
- Enable suspending an application upon reaching a breakpoint by selecting the Suspend checkbox, and then select one of the option buttons to specify the way a running program will be paused. For more information on the Suspend options, refer to [Breakpoints](#) dialog reference.
- To set the break condition, enable condition by selecting the appropriate checkbox, and enter the desired expression in the Condition field.  
If the expression evaluates to true , the user-selected actions are performed. If the evaluation result is false , the breakpoint does not produce any effect.

3. The following options are defined in the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box (if you edit properties of a particular breakpoint, click More ):

- To limit breakpoint hits only with particular object instances using instance IDs, check the Instance filters option and type the instance ID value, or click the ellipsis button and specify instance ID in the Instance Filters dialog.
- To define breakpoint behavior with regards to particular classes, select the Class Filter checkbox and specify the class filter. Type the class filter manually or click the Browse button  and create the class filter definition in the [Class Filters](#) dialog box that opens.
- To define the number of times a breakpoint is reached but ignored, select the Pass count checkbox and specify the number of passes the breakpoint should be skipped before it is hit.  
For more information, refer to the [Breakpoints](#) dialog reference.

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## Basics

A **line breakpoint** is a breakpoint assigned to a specific line in the source code.

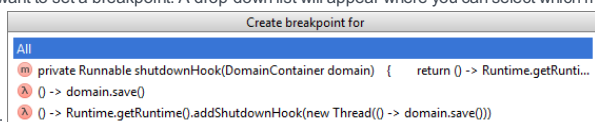
Line breakpoints can be set on executable lines. Comments, declarations and empty lines are not valid locations for the line breakpoints.

## Creating line breakpoints in the editor

1. Place the caret on the desired line of the source code.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click the left gutter area at a line where you want to toggle a breakpoint.
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Toggle Line Breakpoint .
  - Press `Ctrl+F8` .

## Important notes

- For the lambda expressions, you can set multiple breakpoints within a single line. To do this, click the left gutter area at a line where you want to set a breakpoint. A drop-down list will appear where you can select which method(s) you want to set



a breakpoint at:

IntelliJ IDEA highlights each of the lambda expressions as you move the mouse over the options.

- If you want to set a line breakpoint in the default class constructor, it is enough to set a line breakpoint on the first line of this class, since the default constructor is mapped to it:

```
class A { // set a breakpoint on this line
}
```


- When one sets a breakpoint on a [folded method](#) , a line breakpoint is set on the first executable line after method declaration.

## Creating temporary line breakpoints

1. Place the caret on the desired line of the source code.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Toggle Temporary Line Breakpoint .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F8` .

## Deleting line breakpoints

Do one of the following:

- In the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box, select the desired line breakpoint, and click  .
- In the editor, locate the line with the line breakpoint to be deleted, and click its icon in the left gutter.
- Place caret on the desired line and press `Ctrl+F8` .

1. On the main menu, choose Run | View Breakpoints , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F8` .
2. In the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box that opens, click `+` .
3. Select Java Exception Breakpoint or JavaScript Exception Breakpoint from the drop-down list.
4. In the Choose Exception Class dialog box, specify the desired exception class from the library, or from the project, and click OK .  
IntelliJ IDEA returns you to the Breakpoints dialog box.
5. Configure the new exception breakpoint as described in [Configuring Breakpoints](#) .

Field watchpoints  help you target your debugging search to specific instance variables.

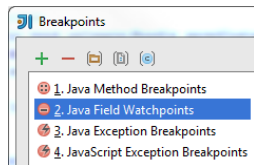
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## Creating field watchpoints using the Breakpoints dialog

### To create a field watchpoint using the Breakpoint dialog

1. On the main menu, choose Run | View Breakpoints , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F8` .
2. In the **Breakpoints** dialog box that opens, click **+** .
3. Select Field Watchpoint from the drop-down list:



4. In the Add Field Watchpoint dialog box that opens, specify the following:
  - Fully qualified name of a class that contains the desired field. You can type it manually, or click  , and find the desired class by name, or from the project.
  - Field name. You can type it manually, or click  and select the desired field from the list of fields in the selected class.

## Creating field watchpoints using the editor

### To create a field watchpoint from the editor

1. Open the desired class in the editor, and locate the field you want to create a watchpoint for.
2. `Alt+click` on the left gutter at the field declaration line.

## Creating field watchpoints from the Debug tool window

### To create a field watchpoint from the Debug tool window

1. During the debugging session, open the Variables tab.
2. Select the desired field and choose Add Field Watchpoint on the context menu.

## Deleting field watchpoints

### To delete a field watchpoint

1. In the **Breakpoints** dialog box, select the desired field watchpoint, and click **-** .
2. In the editor, locate the line with the watchpoint to be deleted, and click its icon in the left gutter.

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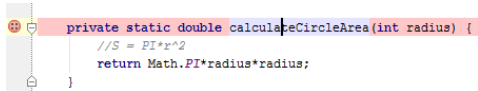
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[Method breakpoints](#) let you follow the program flow at the method level.

## Creating method breakpoints

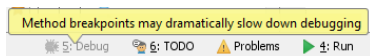
### To create a breakpoint using the editor

1. Place the caret inside the method where you want to toggle a method breakpoint.
2. On the main menu, choose Run | Toggle Method Breakpoint . Method breakpoint appears at the method declaration.



```
private static double calculateCircleArea(int radius) {  
    //S = PI*r^2  
    return Math.PI*radius*radius;  
}
```

A balloon appears, informing you about the possible slow-down of the debugging process:



Alternatively, just click the left gutter at the method declaration.


### To create a method breakpoint using the Breakpoints dialog

1. On the main menu, choose Run | View Breakpoints , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F8` .
2. In the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box that opens, click `+` .
3. Select Method Breakpoint from the drop-down list.
4. In the Add Method Breakpoint dialog box, specify the class name pattern, including the package name, and the name of the desired method.

When a debugging session starts, the application will pause in all classes with the names matching the specified pattern, at the specified method.

## Deleting method breakpoints

### To delete a method breakpoint

1. Click the method breakpoint icon  in the left gutter.
2. On the main menu, choose Run | Toggle Method Breakpoint .



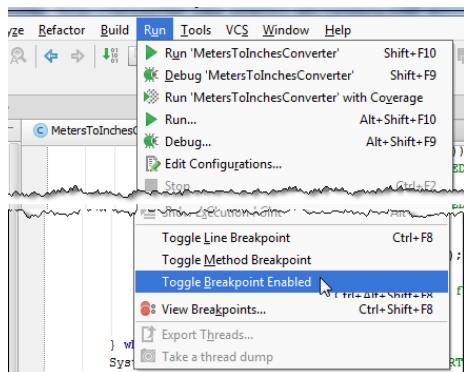
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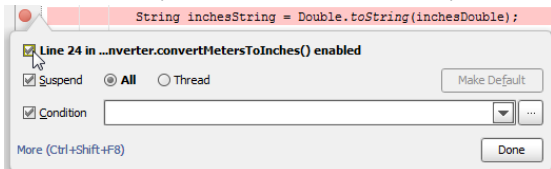
## Toggling between the enabled and disabled state of a breakpoint


When you temporarily disable or enable a breakpoint, its icon changes from  to  and vice versa.

1. Place the caret at the desired line with a breakpoint.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Toggle Breakpoint Enabled :



- Right-click the desired breakpoint icon, select or deselect the <breakpoint name> enabled checkbox, and then click



- Done .
-  -click on the breakpoint icon.



**Tip** Alternatively, [open the Breakpoints dialog box](#) , select the desired breakpoint, and select or clear the checkbox to its left.


## Disabling a breakpoint temporarily in the editor

When you temporarily disable a breakpoint, its icon changes from  to  .

Alternatively, open the Breakpoints dialog box, as described on page [Accessing Breakpoint Properties](#) , select the desired breakpoint, and clear the checkbox next to it or the Line <line number> in <file name> checkbox in the right-hand pane.


## Enabling a temporarily disabled breakpoint in the editor

When you enable a temporarily disabled breakpoint, its icon changes from  to  .



1. Place the caret at the desired line with a breakpoint.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Right-click the desired breakpoint icon, select the Line <line number> in <file name> checkbox in the pop-up dialog box that opens, and then click Done .
  - With the  key pressed, click the breakpoint icon.

Alternatively, open the Breakpoints dialog box, as described on page [Accessing Breakpoint Properties](#) , select the desired breakpoint, and select the checkbox next to it or the Line <line number> in <file name> checkbox in the right-hand pane.

## Removing a breakpoint

- [Open the Breakpoints dialog box](#) , select the desired breakpoint, and click  .
- Click the breakpoint icon in the left gutter of the editor.

## Removing all breakpoints of a certain type

1. On the main menu, choose Run | View Breakpoints , or press  .
2. In the [Breakpoints](#) dialog, press the left arrow key to select the desired category.
3. Press  .  
All breakpoints of a certain type will be deleted.

To move a breakpoint, drag-and-drop it to the target line.

**Note** Field/Method breakpoint can be dragged to another field/method declaration only.

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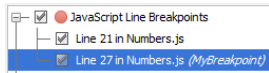
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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to add a name or a short description to a breakpoint to facilitate search.

## Editing breakpoint description

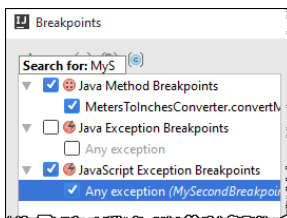
1. [Open the Breakpoints dialog](#).
2. Right-click a breakpoint you are interested in.
3. On the context menu, choose Edit description.
4. In the Edit Description dialog box, type the desired description.

The specified description shows in italic next to the address of a breakpoint in the [Breakpoints](#) dialog:



## Searching for a breakpoint using its name

1. [Open the Breakpoints dialog](#).
2. Start typing the name (description) of the desired breakpoint.



The breakpoint with the matching description gets the focus.

To jump from the Breakpoints dialog to the breakpoint source code, follow these steps:

1. Open the Breakpoints dialog by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+F8`.
2. To open the file with the selected breakpoint for editing, press `F4`.

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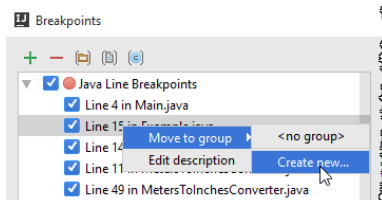
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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to organize breakpoints in groups, for example, to mark out breakpoints for a specific problem. This is done in the [Breakpoints dialog](#) .

## Creating groups of breakpoints

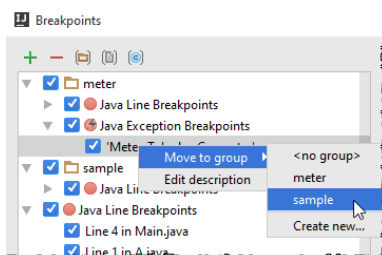
1. In the [Breakpoints dialog](#) , right-click one or more breakpoints you are interested in.
2. On the context menu, point to the command `Move to group` , and then on the submenu, choose `Create new...` :



3. In the New Group dialog box, type the name of the new group. The selected breakpoint moves to the newly created group.
4. Optionally, you can right-click a group of breakpoints and select `Set as default` from the popup menu. All newly created breakpoints will be automatically added to this group.

## Moving breakpoints to another group, or out of a group

1. In the [Breakpoints dialog](#) , right-click one or more breakpoints you are interested in.
2. On the context menu, point to the command `Move to group` , and then on the submenu, choose the desired group name:



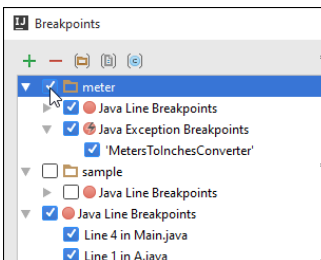
The breakpoints in question move to the selected group.

1. In the [Breakpoints dialog](#) , right-click one or more breakpoints within a group.
2. On the context menu, point to the command `Move to group` , and then on the submenu, choose `<no group>` .
3. The selected breakpoints move to a node according to their [type](#) .

## Toggling a group of breakpoints

Using groups of breakpoints, it is possible to toggle all breakpoints within a group in a single click.

- Select or clear the checkbox to the left of a group name:



## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging for Java and Groovy applications, classes, and files. The debugging functionality is incorporated in IntelliJ IDEA, you only need to configure its settings.

Depending on the plugins enabled, IntelliJ IDEA can also support debugging for other languages, for example, JavaScript, Flex or PHP.

IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging applications running on the built-in or an external web server. Debugging can be performed only using [Google Chrome](#) and other browsers of the **Chrome** family.

## Configuring debugger settings

### To configure settings required for debugging, perform the following general steps

1. In the Project Structure dialog ( `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ), configure the roots, dependencies and libraries to be passed to the compiler.
2. In the Settings/Preferences dialog box, configure the debugger options:
  - Under the Build, Execution and Deployment section, click [Debugger](#), and configure the debugger options.
  - Under the Build, Execution and Deployment section, point to [Compiler](#) node, click [Java Compiler](#), or [RMI Compiler](#), and select the checkbox Generate debugging info.

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## Before debugging

- [Configure debugger options](#) .
- [Specify the roots, dependencies and libraries to be passed to the Debugger](#) .
- [Set breakpoints](#) in the source code.
- If necessary, create or modify the corresponding [Run/Debug configuration](#) .




The debug session starts with the selected run/debug configuration. Note that several debug processes can be launched simultaneously.



When debugging an application in IntelliJ IDEA, keep in mind that

- If the Make module before running/debugging/reloading option has been selected, IntelliJ IDEA first compiles all modified sources in your project.
- IntelliJ IDEA proceeds with debugging, if compilation reports no errors.
- If the code has not been compiled before debugging, the source and class files might be out of sync.
- If you specify the `-classpath` option in the VM Options field, the selected module classpath will be overridden.
- If you debug a JavaScript source, IntelliJ IDEA opens a browser for the HTML file with your script in a separate frame.

## Debugging an application

### To start debugging an application, do one of the following

- Select the run/debug configuration to execute, and then do one of the following:
  - Click  icon in the left gutter, and then choose .
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Choose Run | Debug on the main menu.
  - Press `Shift+F9` .
- Press `Shift+Alt+F9` , select the configuration from the pop-up menu, and press `Enter` .

Note that after you've launched a debug session, the  icon that marks the [Debug Tool Window](#) toggles to  to indicate that the debugging process is active.

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## Introduction

When a breakpoint is hit, or when a running thread or an application is paused manually, the debugging session is suspended.



## Pausing the debugger session

Do any of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Run | Pause Program .
- Click  on the Debug toolbar.  
Note that the button is not available for [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) , [Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome](#) , and [Run/Debug Configuration: NUnit](#) .

## Resuming the debugger session

Do any of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Run | Resume Program .
- Click  on the Debug toolbar.
- Press  .



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## Introduction

You can reload classes changed during debugging without need to restart the entire application using the HotSwap mechanism.

At the moment due to original limitations of Java SDK the HotSwapping is possible ONLY if a method body is altered. In all other cases (like changing method or class signature), the class reload is impossible and the corresponding error message appears.

## Reloading changed classes

### To reload changed classes

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Reload Changed Classes .
  - On the main menu, choose Build | Compile "class\_name" to recompile an altered class during debug.
2. In the Reload Changed Classes dialog box, confirm reloading. Results are displayed in the [Messages tool window](#) .

## Configuring reloading behavior

### To configure reloading behavior

1. On the main menu, choose File | Settings , and under Build, Execution, Deployment expand the Debugger node.
2. Open [HotSwap](#) page.
3. Click one of the radio buttons in the group Reload classes after compilation . You can opt to always reload classes, reload after confirmation, or never do it.

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## Basics

When a breakpoint is hit, or a program execution is manually [suspended](#), you can [examine](#) your application by analyzing frames.

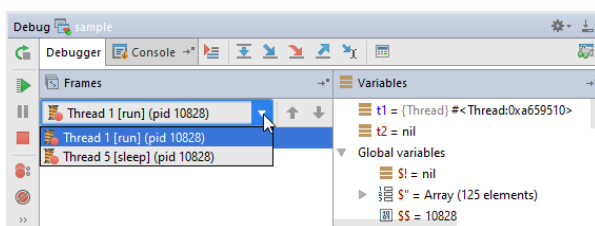
A frame corresponds to an active method or function call. A frame stores the local variables of the called method or function, the arguments to it, and the code context that enables expression evaluation.

All currently active frames are displayed on the Frames pane of the [Debug](#) tool window, where you can [switch](#) between them and analyze the information stored therein.

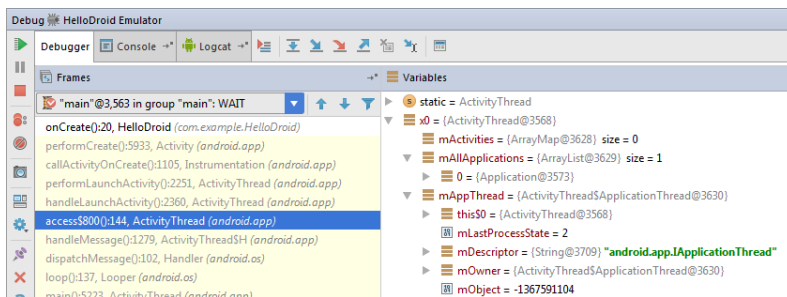
## Examining a suspended thread

### To examine frames of a suspended thread

1. Select a thread from the thread selector drop-down list on top of the Frames pane. The list of frames is displayed:



2. Select a frame from the Frames list. The Variables pane shows all the variables available to the method call in this frame, so you can further explore them.



## Navigating between frames

Do one of the following:

- Use up and down arrow buttons on the toolbar.
- Use [Up](#) and [Down](#) shortcuts.

You do not need to perform any actions to navigate to the frame's source code. IntelliJ IDEA automatically jumps to the source code of the selected frame in the editor.

## Exporting threads

If you need to get a report on the status of all the threads, you can export threads information.

### To export threads

1. Right-click anywhere in the Frames tab and select [Export Threads](#) from the context menu, or select [Run | Export Threads](#) from the main menu.
2. To save a report as a text file, specify the path to the file in the [Export Threads](#) dialog and click [Save](#).
3. To copy it to the Clipboard, click [Copy](#).

When a frame is selected in the list, all the values available to this frame's method call are displayed in the Variables pane of the Debug tool window, so you can further explore them. This section describes the ways to simplify examining these values:

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## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to evaluate expressions and code fragments in the context of a stack frame currently selected in the [Frames pane](#) of the [Debug tool window](#).

In addition to regular expressions, you can also evaluate operator expressions, lambda expressions, and anonymous classes.

The following evaluation modes are available:

- **Expression Mode** for evaluating single-line expressions.
- **Code Fragment Mode** for evaluating short code portions. You can evaluate declarations, assignments, loops and `if/else`.

Besides, IntelliJ IDEA provides a way to [quickly evaluate](#) an expression at caret or a selection in the editor.

## Limitations


While using the Expression Evaluation feature, be aware of the following:

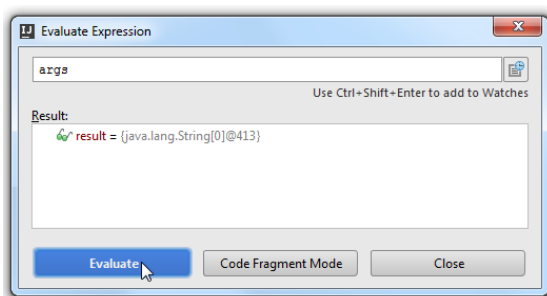
- A method can be invoked within the Expression Evaluation dialog only if the debugger has stopped at a breakpoint, but has not been paused.
- Expression Evaluation can only be "single-level". In other words, if IntelliJ IDEA stops at a breakpoint within a method called from the Expression Evaluation, you cannot use the Expression Evaluation feature again.
- If a method invoked within Expression Evaluation has a breakpoint inside its body, this breakpoint will be ignored.

**Tip** Note that in certain operating systems the key and mouse combinations may not work as described here. In this case, it's necessary to tweak the operating system's keymap. For example, if you are using Ubuntu, mind the windows manager, whose [shortcuts conflict](#) with that of IntelliJ IDEA.

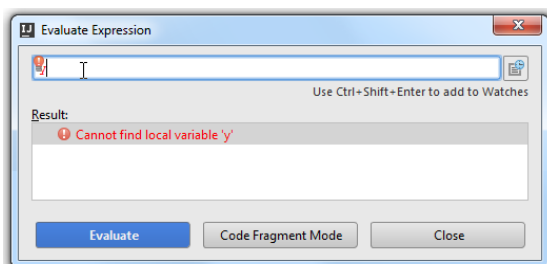
## Evaluating expressions or code fragments in a stack frame

To evaluate an expression or a code fragment in a stack frame, do the following:

1. In the [Frames](#) pane, select the thread where you want an expression to be evaluated.
2. Invoke the [Evaluate Expression](#) command in one of the following ways:
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Evaluate Expression
  - On the context menu of the editor, choose Evaluate Expression
  - Press `Alt+F8`
  - Click  on the [Stepping toolbar](#) in the [Debug tool window](#).
3. Select an evaluation mode. If you want to evaluate a code fragment, click the Code Fragment Mode button.
4. Depending on the selected mode, type the expression or statements to evaluate in the text field and click Evaluate.



If the specified expression cannot be evaluated, the possible reason is briefly described in the Result pane of the dialog box.



**Tip** If you have [assigned a label](#) to a variable, object, or watch, you can reference it by this label as if it were a local variable `<label-name>_DebugLabel1` defined in the same context where the expression is evaluated. IntelliJ IDEA also displays this label in the completion suggestion list.

## Evaluating arbitrary expressions

1. Open the **Evaluate Expression** dialog box in one of the following ways:

- Choose **Run | Evaluate Expression** on the main menu.
- Press **Alt+F8**.
- To evaluate a specific variable, select it on the **Variables pane** of the **Debug tool window**, then choose **Run | Evaluate Expression** or press **Alt+F8**.

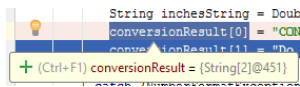
2. In the Evaluate Expression dialog box, specify the expression you want to evaluate. Do one of the following:

- In the Expression field, type the expression in question or choose one of the previously evaluated expressions from the drop-down list.  
If you have selected a specific variable on the Variables pane, this variable will be displayed in the Expression text box.
- To evaluate a code fragment, click the Code Fragment Mode button and fill in the Code Fragment text box.  
To return to the original mode, click the Expression mode button.

3. Click the Evaluate button. The Result read-only field shows the evaluation output. If the specified expression cannot be evaluated, the Result field explains the reason.

## Evaluating expressions in the editor

During a debugger session, the value of any expression is shown in the tooltip every time you hover your mouse pointer over it. If an expression contains children, clicking **+** expands the node and displays all children.

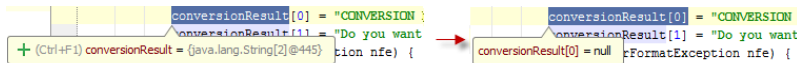


You can also use the Quick Evaluate expression functionality that lets you view the value of an expression using the keyboard only.

There are two ways to evaluate an expression quickly:

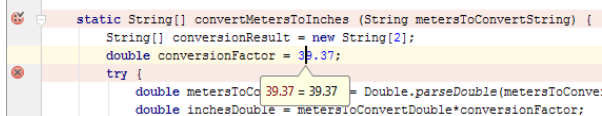
1. By using the Show value tooltip on code selection functionality:

- In the **Debugger | Data Views** settings page, enable the Show value tooltip on code selection option.
- Select a code fragment with the mouse, or by pressing **Ctrl+W**. A tooltip with the expression value automatically appears under the selection and changes each time you change the selection.



2. By manually invoking the tooltip with the expression value:

- Place the caret at the desired location, or select an expression to be evaluated.
- Choose **Run | Quick Evaluate Expression** on the main menu, or press **Ctrl+Alt+F8**. The tooltip with the expression value appears under the selected expression.



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## Introduction

If you want to evaluate a number of variables or expressions in the context of the current frame, and view all of them simultaneously, you can create **watches** for them. The values of the expressions are updated with each step through the application, but are only visible when the application is suspended. Unlike the [Expression Evaluation feature](#), these expressions are persisted as the part of your project.

This section describes how to add items to watches, change and remove watches.


## Accessing the Watches pane

By default, the Watches pane is hidden and the watches are shown in the [Variables pane](#).

- To have the Watches pane displayed separately and view the configured watches in it, release the Show watches in Variables tab toggle button  on the toolbar of the Variables pane. By default, the button is pressed.
- To hide the Watches pane and view the watches in the Variables pane, press the  toggle-button on the toolbar of the Watches pane.

## Creating watches

Do one of the following:

- In the [Watches](#) pane, click , or just press `Insert`.
- On the [Variables](#) pane, in the Inspection window, or in the [Evaluate Expression](#) dialog box, right-click the desired item and choose Add to Watches on the context menu.
- Select the desired item in the Variables pane and drag it to the Watches pane.
- Select item in the editor, right-click it and select Add to Watches on the context menu.

**Tip** You can navigate from a backtrace in the Watches pane to the respective line of the source code. To do that, right-click a line of backtrace, and choose Jump to Source on the context menu, or just press `F4`.

## Editing watches

To change the expression represented by a watch, right-click the desired watch and select Edit on the context menu.

## Deleting watches

- In the Watches pane, select a watch to be deleted.
- On the context menu, choose Remove Watch, or press `Alt+Delete`.

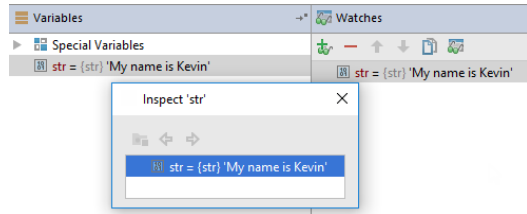
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## Introduction



IntelliJ IDEA helps inspect any variables or watches item in its own window. For example, if you need to examine several references in detail, you can open an inspection window for each of them. So doing, a separate window is created for each variable or watch reference and all of its child references.

The inspection windows are non-modal, and you can launch as many as of them required. All changes of the references are immediately reflected in the corresponding inspection windows.



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## Inspecting references

1. Select the item to be inspected on the Variables or Watches pane.
2. On the context menu, choose Inspect .

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You can add your own label to a variable, object, or watch and then reference it as if it were a local variable `<label-name>_DebugLabel` defined in the same context where the expression is evaluated. IntelliJ IDEA also displays these labels in suggestion pop-up lists for code completion in the [Evaluate Expression](#) dialog box.

## Settings and removing labels

### To set a label

1. Select the desired watch in the list
2. Select Mark Object on the context menu or press `F11`. The Select object label dialog box opens.
3. Specify the label name.
4. Click the Browse button  to change the label color. Click OK when ready.

To remove a label, right-click the item and select Unmark Object on the context menu, or select the item in the list and press `F11`.



### **To navigate to the source code, do one of the following:**

- Select the desired item in the [Variables](#) tab and press `F4` .
- Right-click an item in the Variables tab, and select Jump to Source from the context menu.

### **To navigate to an object's source**

- Select an item in the Variables or Watches tab and press `Shift+F4` .
- Right-click an item in the Variables or Watches tab, and select Jump to Object Source from the context menu.

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While exploring frames and their content, you might want to customize the way data is displayed. This section describes how to set such options.

## Customizing Threads view

You can organize the way threads are shown in the list according to your needs.

### To customize Threads view

1. Right-click anywhere in the Frames tab and choose Customize Threads View .
2. Specify viewing options. They are described in detail [here](#) .

## Customizing Data view

You can organize the way data is shown in the Variables tab according to your needs.

### To customize data view

1. Right-click anywhere in the Variables tab and select Customize Data Views .
2. Specify viewing options. They are described in detail [here](#) .

## Custom type renderers

You can also specify your own type renderers instead of the default ones. They provide you the ability to customize how objects are displayed in the debugger, offering "logic-oriented" presentation of data vs. structure-oriented as it is by default.

## Rendering objects

### To render objects view

1. Open the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click Debugger and select Type Renderers .
2. Click **+** to create a new renderer.
3. Specify the renderer name, the object class to which it applies, and which expressions to use while rendering.  
For details on rendering options refer to [options description](#) .
4. Define the appearance of the expanded node.
5. Click OK .

## Disabling custom type renderers

### To disable custom type renderer

1. Open the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click Debugger and select Type Renderers .
2. Select the type renderer to be disabled in the list and clear the checkbox next to its name in the list.  
Even if the type renderer is disabled, you can temporary switch to it while stepping through the program using the View as option.
3. Click OK .

## Switching between type renderers

While stepping through the application in the Debug tool window, you can temporary switch between renderer schemes.


### To switch between type renderers

1. Right-click the object instance in the Variables or Watches tab of the Debug tool window.
2. In the context menu, click View as , and then select the renderer from the list of the applicable type renderers.

When a program is suspended, the source file, associated with the current execution point, is opened in the editor. The current execution point (the next line to be executed) is marked with a blue line.

You can visit the other files, and then return to the current execution point using the actions described in this section.

### **To find the current execution point, do one of the following**

- On the main menu, choose Run | Show Execution Point .
- Press `Alt+F10` .
- Click  on the [stepping toolbar](#) of the Debug tool window.

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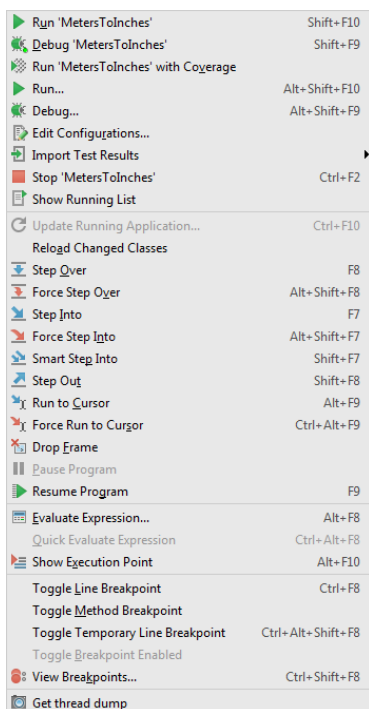
When a breakpoint is reached or your program is [suspended](#) , the [Debug](#) tool window becomes active and enables you to get control over the program's execution. For this purpose, you can use the Run menu commands, or the icons on the [stepping toolbar](#) of in the Debug tool window.

Each stepping action advances the [execution point](#) to the next execution location, depending on the action you choose.

## Stepping through the program

Do one of the following:


- On the main Run menu, or on the editor's context menu, choose one of the <stepping command>





- Use the [keyboard shortcuts](#) .
- Use the buttons in the [stepping toolbar](#) of the Debug tool window.



## Tips and tricks

- The Force Step Into command  enables you to step into a method of a class not to be stepped into , for example, a standard Java SDK class .

The classes, stepping into which is suppressed, are specified on the [Stepping](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog box.

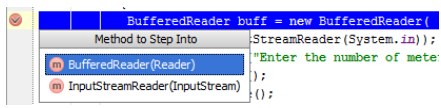
- The Force Step Over command  enables you to jump over the method call ignoring the breakpoints on the way.
- The Force Run to Cursor command  enables you to jump to the cursor position ignoring existing breakpoints on the way.

When you reach a line with calls of several methods, you can choose the method you want to step into.

**Tip** If you choose a method of a class stepping into which is suppressed on the [Stepping](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box, the suppression is overridden as when you invoke the Force Step Into command.

## To choose a method to step into

1. On the main menu, choose Run | Smart Step Into or press `Shift+F7`.
2. In the pop-up window, choose the desired method from the list.

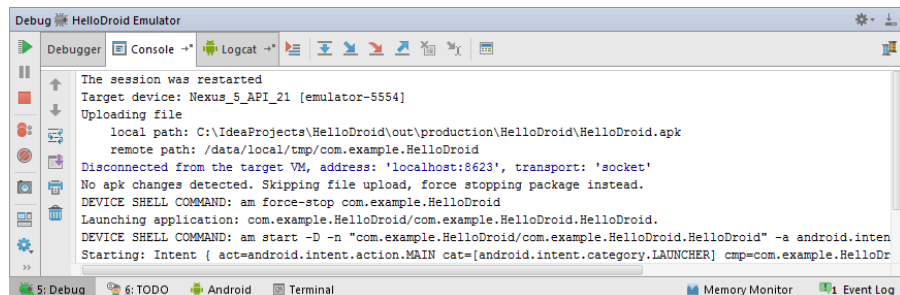


## To improve stepping speed, follow these recommendations

- Try avoiding method and field breakpoints.
- If the Watch method return values option is enabled in Debug Toolbar | Settings , disable it.
- Turn off Alternate view for Collections classes by clearing the Enable alternative view for Collections classes checkbox at the [Data Views](#) page of the [Debugger](#) settings.
- Turn off the 'ToString' mode on the IDE level by clearing the Enable 'toString' object view checkbox on the [Data Views](#) page of the [Debugger](#) settings.
- Simplify the conditions for breakpoints and watchpoints, especially the frequently hit ones.
- Use filters (e.g., for class instances).
- During the debugging session, switch to a view with fewer elements.

The information on a debugging session is displayed in the dedicated tabs of the **Debug** tool window named after the selected run/debug configuration.

For each session, use the **Console** tab to view the debugger messages and application output, and the **Debug** tab to monitor threads and frames.



When displaying and modifying local variables or watches values, IntelliJ IDEA uses the **Default Encoding** setting for the current project or the **IDE encoding** if no encoding is specified at the project level. The same setting is used when showing the PHP console script output.

## Monitor debugger overhead

The debug process is part of the runtime and, therefore, may impact performance. Every evaluation of an expression, or stepping over the code use the same memory as the debugged application, and may cause large overhead.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you view this overhead so that you can quickly detect what causes it and reduce it by removing unnecessary breakpoints, disabling automatic evaluation of expressions, turning off async stacktraces, etc.

To invoke the Overhead pane, click the  icon in the top-right corner of the Debug tool window:

Name	Hits	Time (ms)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Method Return Values	258	23.000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capture point at java.lang.Thread.start	203	20.000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Line 15 in FutureTest (my)	162	18.500
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capture point at java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture.supplyAsync	37	9.000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capture point at java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture.thenRunAsync	1	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> myFutureTest.main	1	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Line 19 in FutureTest (my)	1	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capture point at java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture.thenAcceptAsync	1	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capture point at java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture.runAsync	1	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> toString renderer	2	0

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## Basics

The **inline debugging** functionality facilitates the debugging procedure, as it lets you view the value of variables used in your source code right next to their usage, without having to switch to the [Variables pane](#) of the [Debug tool window](#).

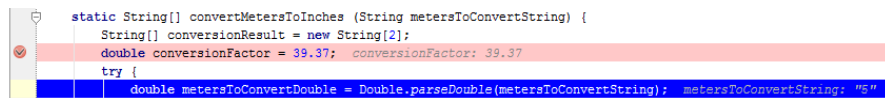
## Enabling inline debugging

To enable the **inline debugging** functionality, do one of the following:

- In the [Debug tool window](#) toolbar, click the Settings icon  and select the Show Values Inline option from the popup menu.
- Open the [Data Views](#) page of Setting/Preferences dialog, and select the checkbox Show values inline.

## Viewing inline debugging results

If this option is enabled, when you launch a debug session and **step** through the program, the values of variables are displayed at the end of the lines where these variables are used.



```
static String[] convertMetersToInches (String metersToConvertString) {
    String[] conversionResult = new String[2];
    double conversionFactor = 39.37; conversionFactor: 39.37
    try {
        double metersToConvertDouble = Double.parseDouble(metersToConvertString); metersToConvertString: "5"
    } catch (Exception e) {}
}
```



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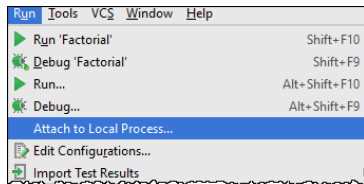
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**Attach to local process** feature allows you to debug a project which you are developing in IntelliJ IDEA, but (for some reasons) are not able to launch directly from your IDE.

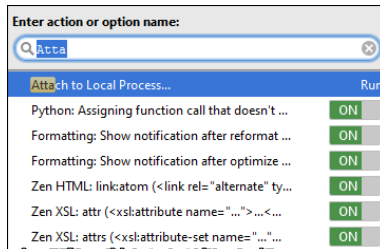
## Attaching to local process

### To attach to a local process, follow these general steps:

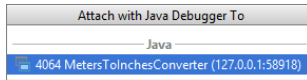
1. Launch the process intended for debugging. You can do it from operating system or using the IntelliJ IDEA terminal.
2. To find the process to attach to, do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Run | Attach to Local Process :




- On the main menu, choose Help | Find Action or press `Ctrl+Shift+A` . In the list of actions that appears, find the desired action by typing the first letters, and select it:



3. From the list of available processes that appears, select the desired process. Simplify your search by typing the first letters of its name or PID



4. Proceed with [debugging](#) the same way as you usually do it in IntelliJ IDEA ([set breakpoints](#) , [step through](#) , [pause and resume](#) the process, [evaluate expressions](#) etc.)
5. When finished, detach the process: select the Run | Stop or click the Stop the process button  of the [Debug Tool Window](#) .

## Overview

Debugging is one of the most powerful tools in any developer's arsenal. It gives us a unique insight into how a program runs and allows us to gain a much deeper understanding of the piece of code we debug. It allows us to trace running code and inspect the state and the flow of the execution. As part of that, it gives us the illusion of a sequential flow. This is very intuitive and powerful but also may be misleading as most modern applications are multithreaded.

"Debugging" suggests we deal with bugs but this is actually a misnomer. The information we get from debugging is useful even when there is no problem with the code. Finding bugs just happens to be a very common use case for the knowledge we can get from a debug session.

The IntelliJ IDEA debugger offers a rich experience that helps us to easily debug anything from the simplest code to complex multithreaded applications.

Before we start, a word of caution: debugging is a very powerful tool but it does come with a cost. The debug process is part of the runtime and therefore affects it. Every evaluation of an expression happens using the same memory of the debugged application, and can modify and potentially corrupt the state. During this tutorial, bear in mind that debugging is an intrusive approach that may affect the outcome of the debugged application. We will explore a few ways to minimize its impact and sometimes even exploit it. The timing of execution is also very different when you debug code compared to running it. The minimal debug tracking overhead in itself may already be enough to change the timing of events and therefore the application behaviour. Every [breakpoint](#) or log is a possible synchronization point, and stepping obviously changes the timings significantly. As we are about to see, this becomes a critical issue in multithreaded environments, when sometimes reproducing a bug depends on a very specific sequence of events.

Last point to remember is that debugging is not a substitute for understanding the code. In fact, the only way to learn from a debug session is to constantly compare the information the debugger shows us with our expectations from the code and how we think it "should" behave. Before starting a debugging session we must have some knowledge of what we're trying to achieve by it. If we're looking for a bug, we need to roughly know what is incorrect, i.e. what is different from the expected behaviour or state. In most cases we will also have some initial assumption as to why things are wrong. This will dictate how our debugging session should be conducted. When we debug, we must always compare that information with our expectations, and pay close attention when the code deviates from these expectations.

This is the point where debugging is so effective.

This is the point where we learn.

In this tutorial we try to dive deeper into debugging techniques and assume you are already familiar with the basic concepts such as:

- [Line breakpoints](#) to suspend the JVM or thread.
- [Stepping](#) .
- [Classes configured to be skipped](#) .
- [Force to step into](#) "skipped code".
- [Evaluating Expressions](#)
- Using a [watch](#)
- Defining a [type renderer](#)

## Debugging code that was compiled without the debug flag

Code that was compiled without the debug flag cannot be debugged. There is no way to step into this code. When the debugger encounters such code during a debugging session, it will step over that part of code.

Line breakpoints are also not possible to define and hit. However, this is where the [Method Breakpoint](#) might save us, as we can still define in IntelliJ IDEA a breakpoint to stop before entry or exit from a specific method, even if the method itself was compiled without the debug flag.

When viewing the state, since the actual variables within the method cannot be inspected, we will see a warning message instead.



## Debugging without source code

If we don't have the source to specific code, IntelliJ IDEA will still decompile the class and show our steps in the decompiled source. This is very helpful, but note that the generated decompiled class may look different from the original, and if the lines do not match, debugging in decompiled code may be confusing. Always try to obtain the source code of the classes you want to step into.

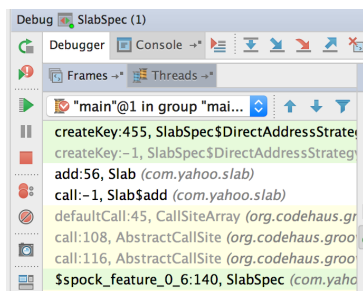
## Detecting unexpected state or flow

This section covers what to do if we know where things have already gone wrong, but don't know why.

## Exploring the call frames

A Line Breakpoint should be enough for most cases of detecting the cause behind an unexpected call or call with

unexpected parameter values to a method. If we're not sure where it's being called from, we can put the breakpoint inside the method. When the VM is suspended, click on the previous [call frames](#) to view the call stack and inspect the state in each scope to see how we got here.



## Drop frames

If we stepped too far and want to go back up the stack to then re-execute the code, we can use the [Drop Frame](#) feature. It's a useful feature, but also potentially dangerous: we must be aware that re-executing the code will execute the same instructions twice, and if those instructions modify state we might end up in a corrupted state, and certainly in a scenario that would not happen in a normal run under the same conditions. To make the impact of Drop Frame obvious, consider this simple program:

```
public class DropFrameDemo
{
    private static int state = 0;

    public static void main(final String[] args)
    {
        modifyStateBasedOnParameter(state);
        modifyStateBasedOnStaticField();
    }

    // dropping frame within this method,
    // and executing again will print state = 2
    private static void modifyStateBasedOnStaticField()
    {
        state++;
        System.out.println("state = " + state);
    }

    // dropping frame from within this method,
    // and executing again will print state = 1
    private static void modifyStateBasedOnParameter(final int parameter)
    {
        state = parameter + 1;
        System.out.println("state = " + state);
    }
}
```

Breaking inside `modifyStateBasedOnParameter()` will not impact the state because IntelliJ IDEA remembers the parameter values passed in to that frame and will not recalculate those. However, breaking inside `modifyStateBasedOnStaticField()` will make the `state` field equal '2'. A value which is impossible under a normal run of `main()`.

## Detecting unexpected flow by method

**Note** In older versions of IntelliJ IDEA a method breakpoint significantly slows down the execution.

Since version 2017.1 the method breakpoint is actually emulated by line breakpoints and so is just as fast.

An alternative to having a line breakpoint defined within the problematic method is to define a [Method Breakpoint](#). This type of breakpoint is not attached to a source code line number, but to the entry and exit of a call to a method. It is especially useful in two main cases:

- When a method is defined by an interface and we want to breakpoint in **all** implementations of it.
- When we don't have the source code, only a decompiled version, and we still want to inspect the ins and outs of a method call, without any confusing differences in line numbers between the compiled class and the decompiled source code.

## Detecting unexpected object state

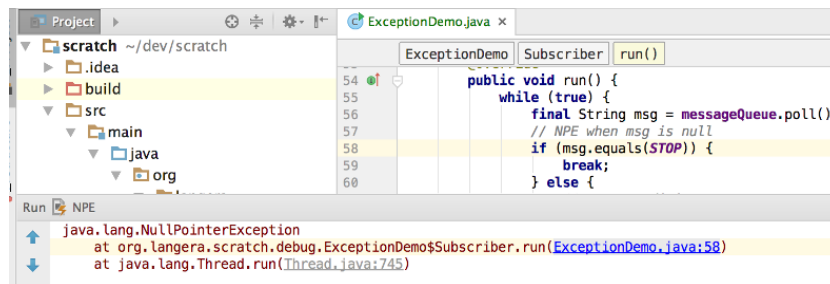
**Note** A field watchpoint is a type of breakpoint that slows down execution significantly and should be used with care, especially in multithreaded applications where a change in timing can affect the scenario.

Sometimes its hard to figure out the exact flow that caused a field to get to some unexpected state. In those special cases

we can use a breakpoint that will be hit anytime the program either read from or write to a specific field. see [Field Watchpoint](#).

## Detecting unexpected exception thrown

Although not strictly a debugging feature, when we want to investigate why an exception was thrown, we can [analyse the exception stack trace](#) and quickly get to the line of code that generated that exception. From there the combination of Line Breakpoint and Stepping is usually enough to figure out what is wrong.



Sometimes however, the exception is wrapped in another exception or caught and swallowed by the catch block. All we see are its side effects (perhaps a log) but not its stack trace. For that we can use an [Exception Breakpoint](#).

## Debugging Asynchronous flow

Reactive programming is increasingly popular and with the help of many frameworks and libraries out there, developers are writing a lot more asynchronous code.

The flow in an asynchronous application is a major challenge for debugging tools and the developers who use them. The execution jumps between frames and makes it harder to understand and follow the code.

Stepping forward is the easier bit. We can insert breakpoints at different points in the code and regardless of the executing thread, see the progress from one code snippet to the next.

When doing that, pay attention to whether a breakpoint suspends just a thread or the entire application. The decision is based on the goal of the debugging session. If you want to check the state of all threads and see what thread has progressed and what thread might be unnecessarily waiting, you can freeze the entire system at this point and view call frames and stack traces of all threads.

If you're debugging a specific action, you can suspend just one thread and let the rest of the system keep working.

## Async Stacktraces

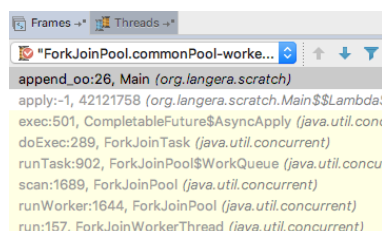
The real pain with asynchronous debugging starts when we want to look back from a specific point in the code and understand how we got here. Consider the example of asynchronous code below (using JDK's `CompletableFutures`):

```
private void asyncExample() throws InterruptedException, ExecutionException
{
    final CompletableFuture<String> future = supplyAsync(() -> "F").thenApplyAsync(this::append_oo);
    System.out.println(future.get());
}

private String append_oo(String str)
{
    return str + "oo";
}
```

When we stop inside the method `append_oo` we can see that the stack trace gives us very little information.

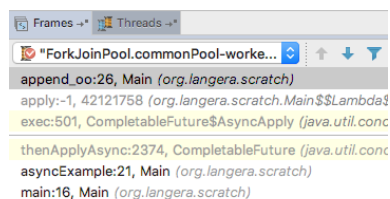
Specifically, we can't see the future applied above it nor can we see the `asyncExample` method that for us started it all.



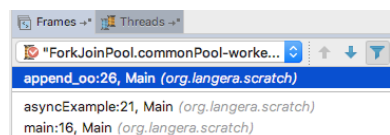
In an asynchronous context, stack traces will only show us a very limited picture and what we really need is the flow of information between the threads or the combined stack traces of all threads that got us to this point (also known as the causality chain).

IntelliJ IDEA provides a way to view those Async stacktraces .

While in a debugging session, IntelliJ IDEA will capture stacktraces and will show them later when viewing the stacktrace of the next part of the asynchronous flow:



Or even clearer when we filter the external libraries:



The stacktraces to capture and the point to insert them needs to be configured in the debugger preferences under [Async Stacktraces](#).

IntelliJ IDEA needs to know the class name and the method to appear at the top of the stack trace which we need to capture. In our example `java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture.thenApplyAsync`. The debugger also needs to know the position in the other stack trace where we want to insert the captured stack trace. In our example it is `java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture$AsyncApply.exec`.

In order to match the two stack traces we also needs two keys - one for each context which will point to the same value when one stack trace is indeed the next logical step in our async chain. In our example the key expression we can use is `param_0` (parameter 0 - the method reference we pass into `thenApplyAsync`). It will be matched with `fn` - the variable inside `java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture$AsyncApply` that holds the function in the second call frame.

**Build, Execution, Deployment > Debugger > Async Stacktraces**

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	javax.swing.SwingUtilities	invokeLater	param_0	java.awt.event.InvocationEvent	dis...	run...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	java.util.concurrent.CompletableF...	thenApplyA...	param_0	java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture\$AsyncA...	exec	fn

This should be [configured in the debugger settings](#) once and configuration for common async frameworks such as `CompletableFuture` used here will be provided.

## Debugging multithreaded applications

Multithreaded applications are the biggest challenge to debug. These applications are not deterministic and much harder to control. The illusion of a sequential flow we get from stepping in a debug session does not help either and can be misleading.

When investigating issues that can be concurrency bugs, we need to try to step less and fine-tune our breakpoints more. This is because a lot of the concurrency bugs depend on a specific interaction between different threads, and an intrusive debugging session will interfere with that. We'll show how using various [Breakpoint properties](#) allows us to limit the interference to a minimum. The other important topic is controlling and [switching between different threads](#) in the application. We'll go through some examples of debugging different concurrency bugs to demonstrate how IntelliJ IDEA's features help with this.

**Tip** Always name your threads in multithreaded applications according to their function. It simplifies both logging and debugging.

## Controlling a breakpoint

IntelliJ IDEA [debugger properties](#) allow us to control the actions taken when a breakpoint is triggered. Some of them define an action, and others are there to add further conditions on whether to take the action at all. This fine level of control of the breakpoints is critical for concurrency bugs, because most will only be reproduced when threads interact in a very specific way. Any interference of the breakpoints may prevent us from reproducing the bug.

## Breakpoint actions

Deciding on the breakpoint action depends on what we want to achieve in the debugging session.

If we can define the condition or point in the code where we can get more insight from viewing the entire system state, we should [suspend the entire VM](#).

Sometimes, [suspending only one thread](#) and not the whole VM is preferable. This is especially true when the application is part of a larger system and suspending the VM will cause either an overflow of messages waiting to be served, or request timeouts that end up breaking the entire system. When we have many worker threads, it is better to keep almost all working and focus on just one thread which is interesting to us.

When we deal with a concurrency bug, any suspension of execution may prevent us from reproducing the bug. We can opt to make the breakpoint not suspend anything, just [log](#) either a message or a value of a particular expression to the console, then inspect the log. This works well when we have a strong theory about what exactly are we looking for.

## Restrict breakpoint with conditions

Apart from being convenient, breakpoint conditions let us minimize the intrusive nature of the debugging session. They allow us to limit the breakpoint actions to only what we see as absolutely essential.

**Note** The conditions themselves have an overhead and are being evaluated every time the breakpoint is hit.

[Conditional expressions](#) are the most widely used condition. They allow us to trigger the breakpoint only when our application reaches a specific state. Ideal if we can define an expression that captures the exact point when things start to go wrong.

[Pass count](#) is useful in code that is being run many times, either an event handler or a loop and the interesting scenario we're after only manifests itself after a specific number of passes.

We use this when the code is being hit many times but only the first case is interesting. The [Remove Once Hit](#) option is especially useful in two scenarios:

- When the breakpoint action is to log rather than suspend, which means we don't have the ability to remove or disable the breakpoint after it was hit.
- When the code is executed by many threads and we only want to suspend one of them.

A very useful feature. Its obvious use is as a filter to triggering a breakpoint in a scenario where we're interested in a visit to a method, or a specific state in the code only after another state was reached. But as well as that, we can use it to reproduce a particular concurrency issue, as it can help us suspend threads and control which thread reaches which particular line in the code and in which order.

**Tip** Instance filtering uses instance ID, and therefore needs to be set when the application is already running.

Allows us to [filter](#) triggering by class or specific instance.

## Debugging long running scenarios

[Method Breakpoint](#) and [Field Watchpoint](#) slow down code execution considerably. When executing the same code a huge number of times, even [conditional breakpoints](#) slow down the processing enough for it to be noticeable. This is a real issue because the scenario of an event handler processing millions of events is fairly common (think of replaying a journal file or processing huge production log files) and evaluating a breakpoint condition inside that event handling code can slow down the system to an unusable state. To overcome that, assuming we can modify running code, we can improve the speed by employing a little trick we shall call "breakpoint in code". This trick is very useful when we debug processing of millions of events where only one causes a problem and we have no idea in advance which is the problematic one, and can save us a lot of waiting for a conditional breakpoint to be triggered. The fastest code is the executed code that was compiled and optimized by the JVM. We want to use that fact and so, instead of writing a condition on a breakpoint, we introduce it to our executed code in a way that we can manipulate later. We then debug without any breakpoint, thus running in the fastest way a debugging session can run, and introduce a breakpoint while the code is running only when we actually know we will hit it.

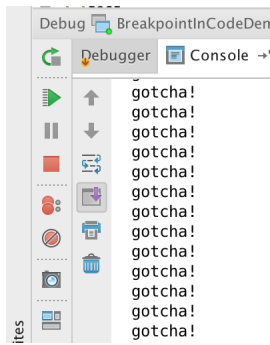
## Breakpoint in code

1. We introduce a loop to the code with our condition. This means we enter the loop only if the interesting state occurs. We then print something to the console so we will know when the code has entered the loop. Because the loop does not change any state, once we enter the loop we will stay inside it.

```
while (bugCondition(msg))
{
    System.out.println("gotcha!");
    try
    {
        Thread.sleep(1000);
    }
    catch (InterruptedException e)
    {
        //ignore
    }
}
```

**Tip** The sleep here is just to avoid bombarding the console with "gotcha!" messages.

2. At this point we initiate the debug session, sit and wait for the "gotcha!" to appear. The console will show us we "hit" the "breakpoint".

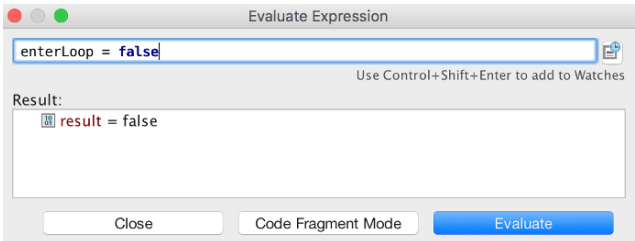


- When the "gotcha!" does appear, we introduce a real line breakpoint inside the loop. The breakpoint will be hit and suspend the VM or thread. Now we can inspect the event and its state. If inspecting is not enough, the last thing to do is to make our code exit the loop. There are two options to do that.
  - We can take advantage of the Evaluate Expression intrusive nature to evaluate a code fragment that will actually modify the loop condition to false. This is easily done if we use a field or variable as the condition of the loop, since we can then modify its value.

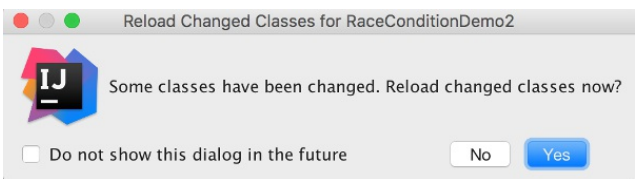
```

boolean enterLoop = bugCondition(msg);
while (enterLoop)
{
    System.out.println("gotcha!");
    try
    {
        Thread.sleep(1_000);
    }
    catch (InterruptedException e)
    {
        //ignore
    }
}

```



- We can exit the loop by using another feature of a debugging session, HotSwap . This allows us to modify the running code during debugging, compile it and then IntelliJ IDEA will hot swap the debugged classes with the new version. All we need to do is change the loop condition to 'false'. By default, IntelliJ IDEA will detect that a class has a new version and will ask us whether to reload the class with the new version.



Once the new version is loaded, the new loop condition will make the code exit the loop and we can continue debugging from that point. You can either put another breakpoint after the loop to suspend the execution again or just step through the 'false' loop condition.

**Note** Remember to delete this code after debugging. You should also have a failing test for the real feature to remind you to never commit it by mistake.

### Looking for a race condition

A race condition is a common issue in multithreaded applications. Multiple threads access and modify the same state, potentially corrupting it or causing undesired flow. A race condition can be a very subtle bug and is usually hard to reproduce. That is because it only occurs when the threads execute the code in a very specific order. Other execution orders will look fine and not cause any issues.

When looking for a race condition among threads, our debug run must start as minimally intrusively as possible to not interfere with the execution order. Once we gain some information or have an assumption on what the execution order is that will cause the bug, we can also use the debug features to reproduce it using a [dependency between breakpoints](#) .

### Detecting race condition resulting in a corrupted state

**Tip** If you suspect a race condition, start by debugging without any breakpoints just to make sure you can still reproduce the issue in the debug mode.

Sometimes race conditions only occur once in every ten or a hundred runs of the system. If we suspect there is a race condition in our multithreaded code, we must always make sure that the intrusive nature of the debugging session does not make the issue non-reproducible. For example, here we've created a system of publishers and subscribers, however all our subscribers share a primitive (and not a thread-safe) counter to count the total number of consumed messages.

```
private class Subscriber implements Runnable
{
    @Override
    public void run()
    {
        while (true)
        {
            String msg = messageQueue.poll();
            if (msg != null)
            {
                if (msg.equals(STOP))
                {
                    break;
                }
                else
                {
                    // race condition right here!
                    counter++;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Once we've made sure the issue can be reproduced in the debug mode, we try setting a [breakpoint with logging](#) instead of suspending the program execution. Here again, just the fact we are logging from all threads to the same console may "synchronize" the threads in such a way that will "solve" the bug. We need to be sure we can still reproduce it even if now it might take more attempts. Logging the suspected state can narrow down our options and allow us to see that the problem is not with the number of calls to the method but with the counter field.

## Avoiding debugger overhead

A race condition such as the one in our previous example will, on most machines, turn out to be a "subtle" race condition. By "subtle" we mean that any modification or change to the runtime environment can "fix" it. Remember that the origin of the bug is the fact that advancing a primitive counter is not an atomic operation.

```
// race condition right here!
counter++;
```

To reproduce the bug we need two threads, both reading the same value: the "second" thread must read the value before the "first" one updates it and flushes its CPU cache. Easy enough to create on multi-core machines during a normal run, but almost impossible to reproduce in a debugging session.

Logging, via a breakpoint, at that same point synchronizes the threads, as they all need to write to the same log. This also flushes the CPU caches of all threads, as writing to the log is atomic. In short, it prevents us from reproducing the bug. Suspending either the VM or the thread cannot help us here either, as we can't separate the two instructions (reading the counter value and incrementing it) to break between them. At this point, we need to make some assumptions then prove or refute them. Since we cannot use any breakpoints, our only hope is that we can change the actual executed code and introduce new code that will be compiled and therefore will interfere less.

This is very much a last resort option. A good pattern to help us here is a trace buffer.

## Trace buffer

We can introduce an internal buffer and store the interesting values in this buffer. Think of it as a localized, very efficient in memory log. We must make sure that:

- We have a buffer per thread, and those buffers are isolated so this does not introduce new concurrency issues.
- Because the buffer is per thread, it does not need to be thread safe and must not be thread-safe. This is because we want to avoid introducing any synchronization points.
- The values we insert must not be references to a real state that can change, but copies or log messages.
- The introduced code is as minimal as possible, to minimize its effect on the running code.
- We print or log the contents of the buffers only after the execution has ended, to avoid making the logging action a synchronization mechanism between threads. Another option is to only store the values in the trace buffer, then inspect its contents by putting a breakpoint after the critical part of the code has finished executing.



```

private class Subscriber implements Runnable
{
    private int index = 0;
    private final int[] traceBuffer = new int[NUMBER_OF_SUBSCRIBERS_AND_PUBLISHERS * 100];

    @Override
    public void run()
    {
        while (true)
        {
            String msg = messageQueue.poll();
            if (msg != null)
            {
                if (msg.equals(STOP))
                {
                    break;
                }
                else
                {
                    traceBuffer[index++] = counter;
                    // race condition right here!
                    counter++;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

For example, here we introduced a primitive `int` array large enough for all messages, and in order to prove our suspicion of a bug in the counter, we store just the counter values before advancing it. Yes, it may not be the exact value advanced by the counter, but it will prove our assumption if the same counter value is reported by several threads. After all events are completed, we can inspect the trace buffers and find the duplicates.

## Detecting a race condition resulting in unexpected flow control

```

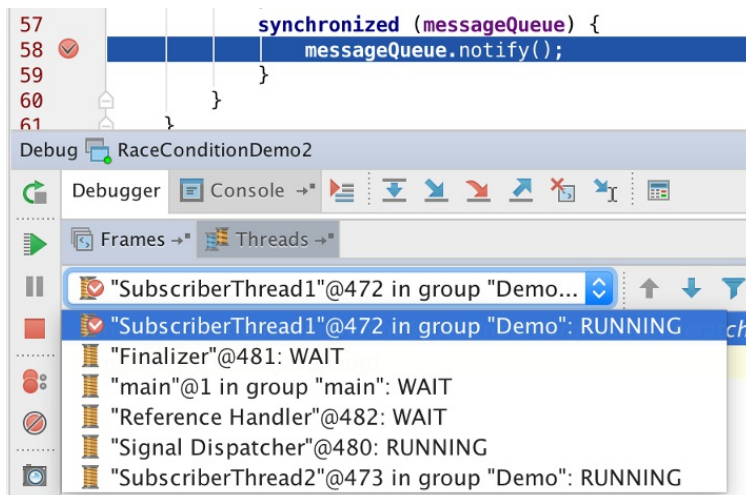
private class Subscriber implements Runnable
{
    @Override
    public void run()
    {
        String msg;
        while (true)
        {
            msg = messageQueue.poll();
            if (msg != null)
            {
                if (msg.equals(STOP))
                {
                    break;
                }
                // else do something
            }
        }
        // Will NOT work with multiple subscribers, as main thread will
        // wake up when the first subscriber is done.
        // Using a CountdownLatch here is a much better approach.
        synchronized (messageQueue)
        {
            messageQueue.notify();
        }
    }
}

```

In this example we have another race condition, but the contended shared state is not directly visible and is only deduced by what seems like a wrong flow control: the first subscriber will wake up the main thread, which will exit even if the second thread is still processing a message. We can't inspect or print the waiting thread in a 'trace buffer' in this case, but we can inspect the position of various threads when we suspend the entire application.

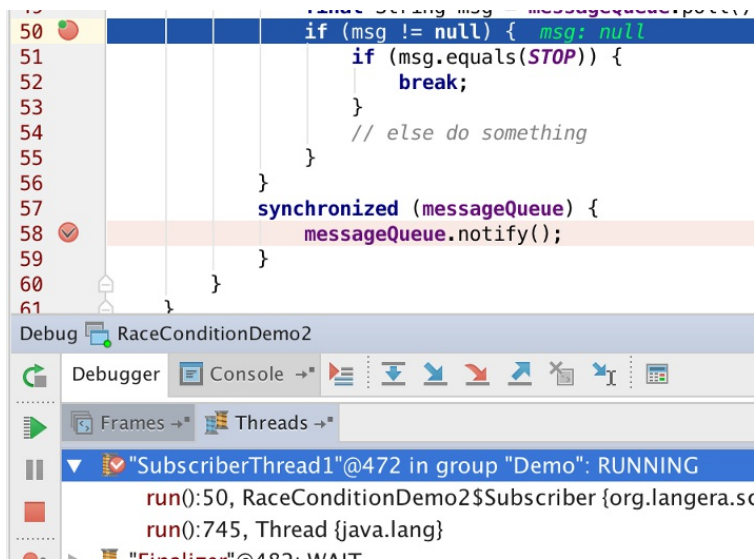
1. First, we can suspend the main thread after it wakes up. We can see that sometimes one of the subscriber threads is still marked running. This allows us to assume the problem's origin is in the fact that the `notify()` method is called too soon.

2. We can suspend only one of the subscriber threads. That will cause the other thread to notify the main thread. This will prove to us the problem can happen in any subscriber and is in its logic.
3. To be sure, we can suspend the entire VM earlier, just before a subscriber notifies the main thread. We can then inspect the status of the two subscriber threads and prove that one of them is still polling, while the other has already finished and is about to notify the main thread it's done.



In this screen capture, we can see from inspecting the threads that both are marked 'RUNNING', which means that while the first is about to notify the main thread it is done (inside the synchronized block), the other can still be processing messages.

4. To prove our assumption beyond any doubt we can also put a breakpoint inside the polling loop of the subscribers. We make that breakpoint depended on the previous breakpoint just before we notify the main thread we're done. Hitting the dependant breakpoint (as shown below) proves our theory.



## Detecting a deadlock

A deadlock occurs when two threads will conflict in such a way that both are preventing each other from working at all. Once they occur, deadlocks are easy to spot by looking at the frames of all threads. We can do this by using `Thread dump`. This feature is also [available when running](#). If we know we're chasing a deadlock, the running mode is even preferable to debugging. This is because we will not interfere at all with the execution this way, and the snapshot will be the output of a Java thread dump of the application. A thread dump can detect deadlocks and warn about them. For example, in the dump below we can see the process found 1 deadlock between the `PublisherThread` (which is stuck in line 44) and `SubscriberThread` (in line 78).

```
Found one Java-level deadlock:
=====
"PublisherThread":
  waiting for ownable synchronizer 0x000000076abf45a0, (a java.util.concurrent.locks.ReentrantLock$NonfairSync),
  which is held by "SubscriberThread"
"SubscriberThread":
  waiting for ownable synchronizer 0x000000076abf4570, (a java.util.concurrent.locks.ReentrantLock$NonfairSync),
  which is held by "PublisherThread"

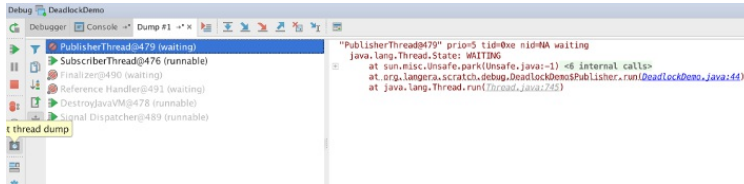
Java stack information for the threads listed above:
=====
"PublisherThread":
  at sun.misc.Unsafe.park(Native Method)
  - parking to wait for <0x000000076abf45a0> (a java.util.concurrent.locks.ReentrantLock$NonfairSync) <6 internal calls>
  at org.langer.a.scratch.debug.DeadlockDemo$Publisher.run(DeadlockDemo.java:44)
  at java.lang.Thread.run(Thread.java:745)
"SubscriberThread":
  at sun.misc.Unsafe.park(Native Method)
  - parking to wait for <0x000000076abf4570> (a java.util.concurrent.locks.ReentrantLock$NonfairSync) <6 internal calls>
  at org.langer.a.scratch.debug.DeadlockDemo$Subscriber.run(DeadlockDemo.java:78)
  at java.lang.Thread.run(Thread.java:745)

Found 1 deadlock.
```

1. In this example, we can see that both threads are stuck waiting for a lock, which means that another thread is not freeing those locks. We can also see that both are waiting for different locks, as the synchronizer id is different. Even more informative is the deadlock summary at the top that tells us what thread holds each lock. We can see that the two deadlocked threads are holding the lock the other thread is trying to obtain.

**Tip** Always name your threads in multithreaded applications according to their function. Anyone needing to look at a thread dump later, will thank you.

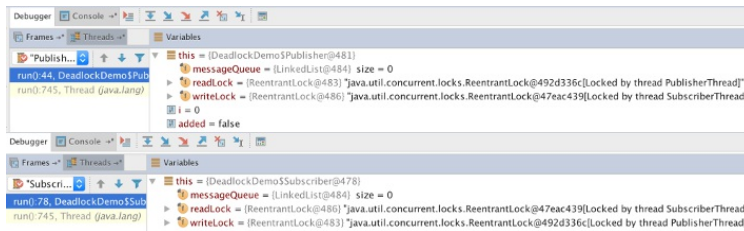
2. This should already give us plenty of information on how the deadlock occurs. If it is still unclear how our code reached a deadlock, we can then try debugging with breakpoints just before we hit the lines provided by the thread dump. When we have a theory of what is wrong, we can try reproducing the scenario by using the [dependency between breakpoints](#).
3. We can now create a Suspend Thread breakpoint on one of those threads and verify, using another thread dump snapshot, the other thread reached its deadlock position.



Now

we can inspect the state just before one of the threads gets deadlocked.

4. Another option is to put suspend thread breakpoints on both threads and switch between them. Inspecting the states of the `Publisher` and `Subscriber` in this example will show us the confusion that caused the deadlock.



5. When we inspect our lock instances we can see that the concurrent code was actually correct, but we confused the read lock and write lock when we passed them to the two objects. Look at the lock instances ids in the image above.
6. Indeed, when we then inspect the constructions (where we injected those locks) we can see the bug:

```
ThreadGroup threadGroup = new ThreadGroup("Demo");

new Thread(threadGroup, new Subscriber(messageQueue, readLock, writeLock), "SubscriberThrea

//passing locks in the wrong order will cause deadlock between publisher and subscriber
new Thread(threadGroup, new Publisher(messageQueue, writeLock, readLock), "PublisherThread"
```

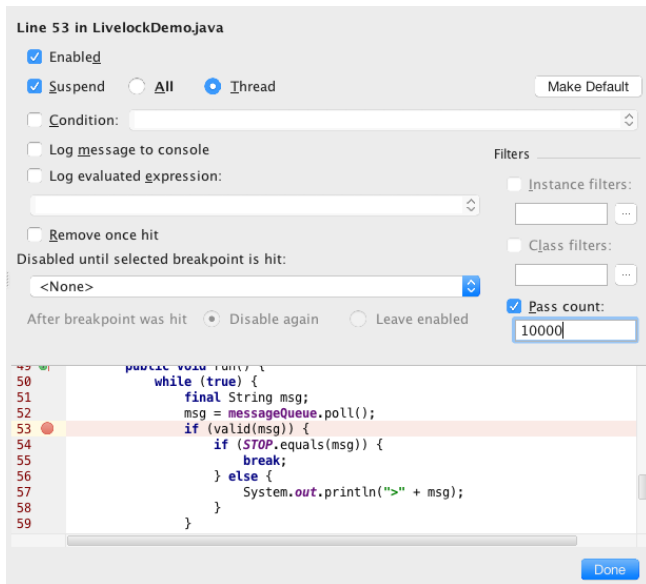
## Detecting a livelock

A livelock is a scenario where threads are not blocked, but still unable to make a progress. From the outside, a livelock should behave just like a deadlock, but because the threads are not blocked, the snapshot (thread dump) will not alert us on any deadlock.

1. One strategy to try before starting debugging, is to repeat the Thread Dump several times then compare the stack traces for various threads. This should give us a clear view of the problematic areas in the code, in most cases a loop that the code cannot escape from.



2. If we're still unsure, we can use a Pass Count with a large number that we assume will only be reached in a livelock situation.

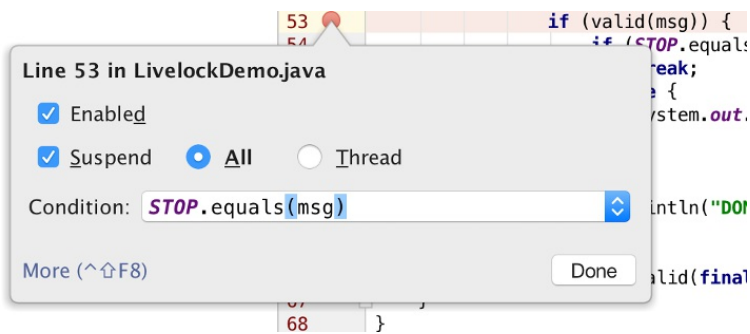


We can also Step

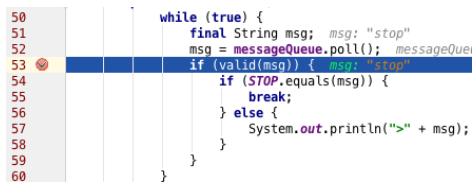
through the code and verify exactly what area of code is being executed repeatedly but not progressing.

- At this point we can use a Conditional Expression to capture the point in the execution when we enter the livelock situation (i.e when the application reaches a state that will prevent it from escaping the executed code block).

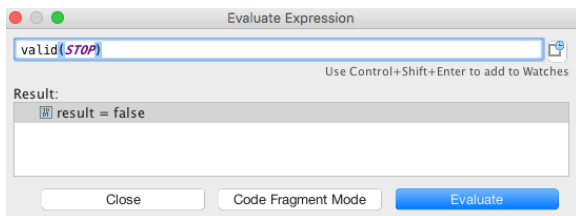
In this example, we assume that the STOP message failed to break us from the loop, so either it was never sent or that it was not handled so we'll introduce a breakpoint with a condition that looks for a STOP message.



- Our breakpoint is hit, meaning the STOP message was sent but not handled.



- We step in, inspect the state with Evaluate Expression and find the bug. The 'valid' method does not think STOP is a valid message and puts us in this livelock scenario.



IntelliJ IDEA provides support for several language-specific [testing frameworks](#) . This section covers the issues that are common for all the supported testing frameworks:

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## Introduction

The libraries for JUnit and TestNG are shipped with IntelliJ IDEA, but are not included in the classpath of your project or module by default. Consequently, when a test class is created, the references to the `TestCase` class or test annotations are not resolved.

To add the necessary library to the classpath, you can use the general procedure of [adding a dependency to a module](#). The corresponding libraries are located in the following directories:

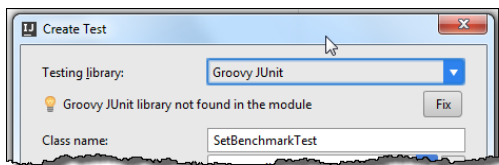
- JUnit libraries ( `junit.jar` and `junit-4.11.jar` ): `<IntelliJ IDEA directory>\lib`.
- TestNG library ( `testng-jdk15.jar` ): `<IntelliJ IDEA directory>\plugins\testng\lib`.

IntelliJ IDEA can add the necessary library to the classpath automatically. The corresponding features are available when [creating a test for a class](#) or when [writing the code for a test](#).

## Adding test libraries

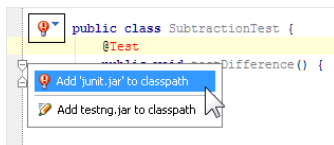
### To add a test library to the classpath when creating a test for a class

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the line containing the class declaration.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` to view the available [intention actions](#).
3. Select Create Test.
4. In the Create Test dialog, to the right of the text informing you that the corresponding library is not found, click Fix.



### To add a test library to the classpath when writing the code for a test

1. In the source code of a test class, place the cursor within an unresolved reference to `TestCase` or annotation.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` to view the available [intention actions](#).
3. Select Add <library> to classpath.



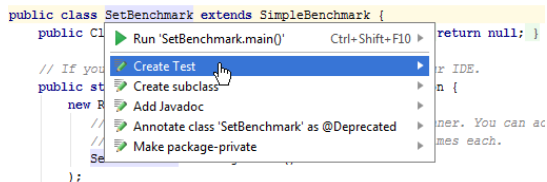
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## To create a test class using the intention action

To create test cases for the supported testing frameworks, you can use the Create Test [intention action](#).

1. Open the class you want to create a test for in the editor, and place the cursor on the class name.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` to invoke the list of available intention actions.
3. Choose Create Test from the list.



4. In the [Create Test dialog](#):

- a. Select the testing library to be used.

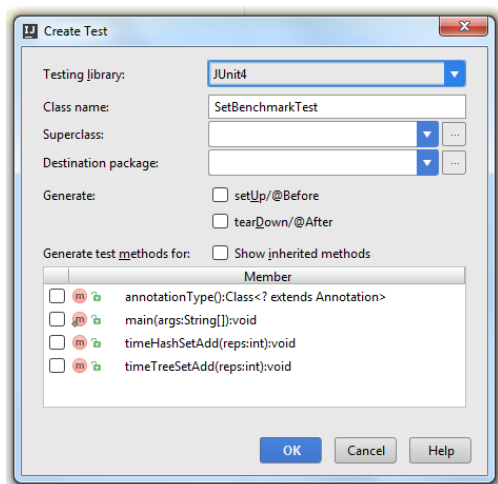
If the selected library is missing from your module, click the Fix button. The corresponding library will be automatically added to the module libraries.

- b. Define the name and location of the test class to be generated.

- In the Class name field, specify the name of the stub test class to be generated.
- In the Superclass field, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the appropriate super class for JUnit3. For JUnit 4 and TestNG, this field is blank.
- In the Destination package field, define where the generated test class should be placed.

- c. Specify whether you want the `setUp()` / `tearDown()` methods (for JUnit), or the `@Before` / `@After` annotations to be generated.

- d. In the table that shows the list of all methods of the source class, select the ones you want to generate test methods for.



## To create a test class using navigation

1. Open the class you want to create a test for in the editor, and place the cursor on the class name.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Test`.
  - On the context menu, choose `Go to | Test`.

If the target test doesn't exist, you will be prompted to create it. Refer to [Navigating Between Test and Test Subject](#) for details.

To create stub test methods in JUnit test classes, you can use the IntelliJ IDEA code generation feature.

**Note** To create a test class with a complete set of test methods and fixtures, use the [Create Test](#) intention action.

## Creating a stub test method in a JUnit test class

1. Open the corresponding JUnit test class in the editor.
2. Place the cursor where you want a new test method to be generated.
3. Press `Alt+Insert` and select Test Method from the Generate menu.



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## Introduction

You can run your tests (test cases, test suites, etc.) using run/debug configurations, in the way similar to running ordinary applications.

To create the necessary run/debug configurations, you can use the general procedure (see [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configuration](#)) or various shortcuts available in IntelliJ IDEA. Using these shortcuts (implemented as context menu commands) you can create the run/debug configurations for:

- An individual test case.
- All tests in a directory or a package.
- Selected test classes which may be located in the same or different directories, packages or modules.  
This option is available only for JUnit.
- An individual test method.

**Note** You can run your tests even without creating the run/debug configurations for them. To do that, use the Run ([Ctrl+Shift+F10](#)) or the Debug command in corresponding context menus.

As a result, temporary run/debug configurations will be generated which you can then save.

## Creating run/debug configuration for tests


### To create a run/debug configuration for tests, follow these general steps:

1. To start creating the run/debug configuration, open the context menu for the item or items of interest and select the appropriate Create command. So, depending on what you want to create the run/debug configuration for, do one of the following:
  - If you want to create the run/debug configuration for an individual test, or all tests in a directory or a package:
    1. Right-click the corresponding test class, directory or package in the [Project Tool Window](#).
    2. Select the Create ... command from the context menu.  
The command name depends on your current selection in the Project tool window and may look something like:
      - Create "All Tests" for a source or test directory.
      - Create "Tests in '<package\_name>'" for a package.
      - Create "<test\_name>" for a test class.
  - If you want to create the run/debug configuration for selected tests:
    1. Select the tests of interest in the [Project Tool Window](#).
    2. Right-click one of the selected tests to open the context menu.
    3. In the context menu, select Create "<first\_test\_name> and <n> more".
  - If you want to create the run/debug configuration for a test method:
    1. Open the test class containing the method of interest in the editor.
    2. To open the context menu, right-click somewhere within the method code.
    3. In the context menu, select Create "<method\_name>()".

**Note** A similar context menu command is available for the whole test class in the editor. To open the context menu for the class, right-click somewhere outside the area occupied by the code of the methods (for example, in the line containing the class declaration).

2. In the dialog that opens, specify the run/debug configuration parameters and click OK. For more information, see the corresponding dialog description for [JUnit](#) or [TestNG](#).

**Tip** To distinguish between the context menu commands for JUnit and TestNG, the following icons are used:

-  for JUnit.
-  for TestNG.

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## Introduction

Generally, IntelliJ IDEA runs and debugs tests in the same way as other applications, by running the run/debug configurations [you have created](#) . When doing so, it passes the specified test classes or methods to the test runner.

In many cases, you can initiate a testing session from a context menu. For this purpose, the Run and Debug commands are provided in certain context menus. For example, these commands are available for a test class, directory, or a package in the [Project Tool Window](#) . They are also available for a test class or method you are currently working on in the editor.

If you run a test for which there is no permanent run/debug configuration a temporary configuration is created. You can then save such a configuration using the [Run/debug configuration](#) dialog, if you want to reuse it later.

The tests run in the background, so you can execute several tests at the same time.

Each running configuration gets its own tab in the [Run tool window](#) (the [Test Results tab](#) ). One tab can aggregate several tests.

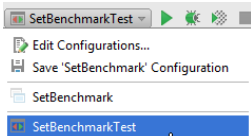
## Running or debugging a test


### To run or debug a test, follow these general steps:

To start running or debugging a test, you can use the main toolbar, or a context menu in the Project tool window or in the editor:

- Using the main toolbar:

1. Select the necessary run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar.



2. Click Run  or Debug  to the right of the list. (Alternatively, choose Run | Run ( [Shift+F10](#) ) or Run | Debug ( [Shift+F9](#) ) from the main menu.)

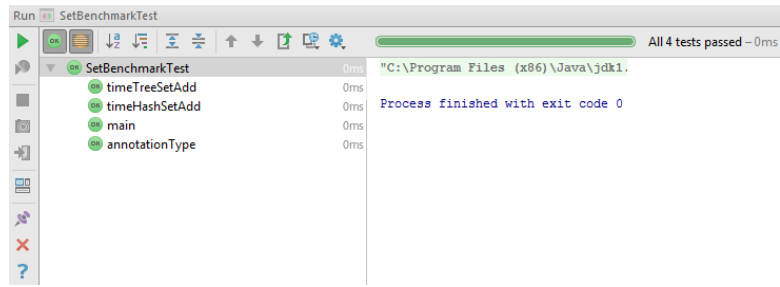
**Tip** To see the list of available run or debug configurations and to quickly select the one you want, you can use the following keyboard shortcuts: [Shift+Alt+F10](#) for the run configurations, or [Shift+Alt+F9](#) for the debug configurations.

- Using a context menu:

Right-click a test class in the Project tool window, or open it in the editor, and right-click the background. On the context menu, choose Run < class name> or Debug... .

**Tip** For a test method, open the class in the editor and right click anywhere in the method. The context menu suggests the command Run / Debug <method name> .

Test progress and results display in the dedicated **test runner tabs** of the Run tool window.



You can **rerun**, **terminate**, and **suspend** execution of tests same way as you do it for running applications. In addition to the common running actions, in the test runner you can:

- Navigate through the list of test cases using arrow keys.
- Navigate between failed tests using the **↓** and **↑** buttons or **Ctrl+Alt+Up** or **Ctrl+Alt+Down** keyboard shortcuts.
- View the total number of tests being run in the current session. The summary information is displayed in a message line on the top of the tool window. After completion of the tests, the message informs you about the number of failed tests and elapsed time.
- View testing progress in the progress bar.
- Show or hide information about the passed tests, using the **✔** button.
- Show the ignored tests in the tree view of all tests within the current run/debug configuration or test class using the **🚫** button.
- Navigate from the stack trace to the problem location in the source code by clicking the hyperlink in the Output pane.
- Enable and disable the following functionality by clicking the cog button **⚙** and selecting the relevant items from the context menu:
  - Monitoring execution of the current test.
  - Have the first failed test selected automatically upon completing the suit.
  - Navigating to the stack trace.
  - Automatic scrolling to the source code.
  - Have the corresponding source code opened at exceptions.
  - Have statistic shown in the Statistics pane.

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## Overview

Depending on the selected node in the tree view of tests, the Test Runner displays information on the various levels. In the Test Runner, you can view statistics of the tests, navigate to stacktrace, show or hide successful tests, and more.

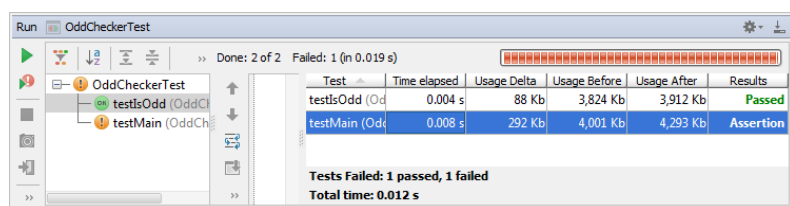
Use the [Testing toolbar](#) to control visual representation of the test results.

## Viewing statistics

The Statistics tab shows information about the elapsed time and memory usage of each test.

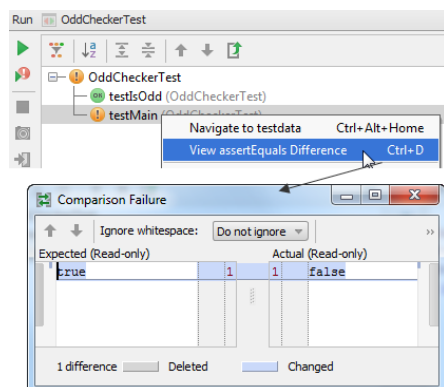
To view statistics, click  on the Testing toolbar to reveal the drop-down menu, and then click the Show Statistics check command.

The values displayed in the Statistics tab are not accurate and only give an approximate estimate of the test performance. For example, if a garbage collector works during the test run, the memory usage shown in the Statistics tab is wrong.





## Important note

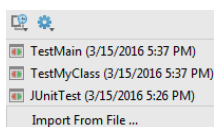
If a unit test contains string `assertEquals` failures, the test runner provides the ability to view differences between the compared strings. Choose the View assertEquals Difference on the context menu of the failed test that contains `assertEquals`, and explore differences in the [Differences viewer](#):




## Viewing the results of previously run tests

The results of a test session can be saved in two ways:

- Click  to have the results of the selected test saved in a file. In the [Export Test Results](#) that opens, specify the file to save the output in and the format in which the data will be saved. If you want to view the test results later, choose the **XML** format.
- IntelliJ IDEA keeps track of test sessions and saves test results in its internal memory. Click  to view the test results that you previously saved in an XML file or the results that IntelliJ IDEA has kept in its internal history. The pop-up menu that opens shows a list of internally saved results of test sessions, each item is supplied with the name of the run configuration and a time stamp.



- To view the results of a testing session from the IntelliJ IDEA history, select the item with the suitable run configuration and time stamp.
- To load the previously exported results, choose Import from file and then choose the required XML file in the dialog box that opens.


The loaded test results are shown in the tab and the name of the corresponding run configuration is displayed on the title bar. To re-run the tests from the loaded session, click .

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You can repeat your test session, or individual tests without leaving your [test runner tab](#) of the Run tool window. The tests are performed again using the same run configuration as in the initial run.

## Rerunning a testing session

Do one of the following:


- Click the rerun button  on the toolbar of the Run tool window.
- Use `Ctrl+F5` keyboard shortcut.

Note that you can [rerun the tests automatically](#).

## Rerunning an individual test

1. In the testing tab of the test runner, right click a test case node or a test.
2. On the context menu, choose Run <test target> .

## Rerunning a failed test

1. In the testing tab of the test runner, select a failed test.
2. In the [Run toolbar](#) , click Rerun Failed Tests .


## Debugging a failed test

1. In the [Test Runner tab](#) , press `Shift` and click Rerun Failed Tests .
2. Select Debug from the Restart Failed Tests popup.

The tests that have failed will be rerun in the debug mode.

You can abort a running test session at any time. So doing, all tests that are current running will stop immediately. The icons of the tests in the test runner reflect the statuses of the tests (passed, failed, aborted, or never run).

### **To stop a testing session, do one of the following**

- On the toolbar of the test runner, click the stop button .
- Use `Ctrl+F2` keyboard shortcut.

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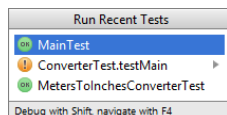
## Viewing the list of recently performed tests

If some tests were already performed, one can view them in a popup list.

### To view the list of recent tests, do one of the following:

- Use [Fine Action](#) or [Search Everywhere](#) , and type the word "recent".
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+Semicolon`

IntelliJ IDEA displays the list of recently performed tests, which includes successful test run configurations, and individual failed test.



## Rerunning the selected test

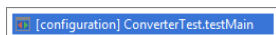
### To rerun a test

1. Select the desired test from the suggestion list.
2. Press `Enter` to rerun the selected test.

## Performing failed test

### To perform a failed test

1. Select the desired failed test.
2. Click ▶
3. On the submenu, click the desired test run configuration, or press `Enter` .



## Jumping to the test declaration

### To navigate to the declaration of the selected test

1. Select the desired test from the suggestion list.
2. Press `F4` to navigate to its declaration.

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## Basics

Measuring code coverage is available for testing, applications, and application server run/debug configurations.

The code coverage measuring can be performed using the following runners:

- IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner (recommended).
- [EMMA](#) open-source toolkit. Note that EMMA is not supported by the author any more, and works with Java 7 only when frame validation turned off (pass `-noverify` to the process).
- [JaCoCo](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner enables multi-mode analysis:

- Sampling mode enables collecting line coverage with negligible slow-down.
- Tracing mode enables accurate collection of the branch coverage, with the ability to track tests, view [coverage statistic](#) , and get additional information on each covered line.

For the other runners, only sampling mode is available.

Code coverage results are reflected in the dedicated [Coverage tool window](#) , in the Project view of the [Project Tool Window](#) , and in the editor. The tool windows show the following information:

- For a directory: the percentage of the covered classes and lines.
- For a class: the percentage of the covered methods and lines.

When a file is opened in the editor, each line is highlighted with regard to its code coverage status:

- Lines executed during simulation are marked green.
- Lines not executed during simulation are marked red.
- Covered lines with conditions are marked yellow in the tracing mode.

The coverage measurement results comprise a coverage suite . You can have the results of a new simulation merged with any existing suite. In this case, a line will be considered covered if it is covered by at least one of the simulations.


A coverage suite is generated every time a test or application with code coverage measurement is executed. It is possible to have an unlimited amount of coverage suites.

## Prerequisite

Make sure the **Code Coverage** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . If the plugin is disabled, the code coverage tabs will not be visible in the run/debug configuration dialogs.

## Running with code coverage

### To use code coverage in project, follow these general steps

1. Specify how you want to [process the coverage results](#) .
2. [Create tests](#) for the target code, if you are going to measure code coverage for testing.
3. [Configure code coverage measurement](#) in the desired run/debug configuration.
4. [Run with coverage](#) , using the dedicated command on the main menu Run | Run with Coverage , or  .
5. Once the run with coverage has been executed, you can
  - Use the [various coverage suites](#) .
  - [View code coverage data](#) .
  - [Generate code coverage report](#) .



IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to configure the various aspects of code coverage measurement. In this section:

- [Configuring the way coverage suites are processed](#)
- [Configuring code coverage measurement options](#)
- [Changing colors of the coverage highlighting](#)


## To configure code coverage behavior

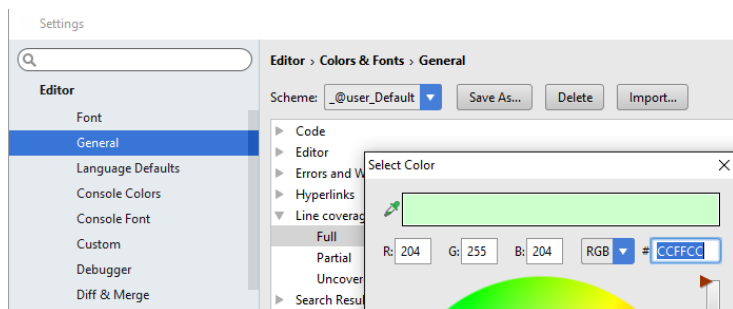
1. Open the [Settings/Preferences dialog box](#) , and then click Coverage under Build, Execution, Deployment . The [Coverage](#) page opens.
2. Define how the collected coverage data will be processed:
  - To have the Code Coverage dialog box shown every time you launch a new run configuration with code coverage, choose Show options before applying coverage to the editor .
  - To discard the new code coverage results, choose Do not apply collected coverage .
  - To discard the active suites and use the new one every time you launch a new run configuration with code coverage, choose Replace active suites with the new one .
  - To have the new code coverage suite appended to the active suites every time you launch a new run configuration with code coverage, choose Add to active suites .
3. Define the behaviour of the [Coverage](#) tool window when an application or test is run with coverage:
  - To have the Coverage tool window opened automatically, select the Activate Coverage View checkbox.
  - To open the Coverage tool window manually, clear the Activate Coverage View checkbox.

## To configure code coverage options

1. Open the [Edit Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box, add the desired run/debug configuration, and click the Code Coverage tab.
2. In the Code Coverage tab, define the following options:
  - From the Choose coverage runner drop-down list, select the desired code coverage runner. The available options are:
    - EMMA
    - IntelliJ IDEA
  - Choose the options for the selected runner:
    - For the EMMA runner, only the Sampling mode is available.
    - For the IntelliJ IDEA runner, you can choose between the Sampling or Tracing modes.
  - Specify the scope to measure code coverage for. Do one of the following:
    - To specify a class, click the Add Class button.
    - To specify a package, click the Add Package button.
  - To have code coverage statistic collected for folders with tests as well, select the Enable Coverage in Test Folders checkbox.


## To configure code coverage colors

1. Open the [Color Scheme](#) page of the editor settings. Alternatively, just click  in the statistics pop-up.
2. Expand Colors and Fonts node, and select General .
3. In the list of textual components, select the required type of coverage, for example, Full , Partial or Uncovered , and then choose the desired colors:



IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated action that allows you to perform run with code coverage measurement. The code coverage data are processed according to the option selected in the [Coverage](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box.

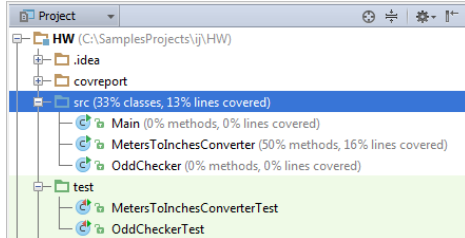
## To run with code coverage measurement

1. Do one of the following:
  - Open the desired file in the editor, and choose Run <name> with coverage on the context menu. When running tests with coverage, note that you can run the entire test class, or each individual test method, depending on the caret location.
  - Select the desired run/debug configuration, and then on the main menu choose Run | Run <run/debug configuration name> with coverage .
  - On the main toolbar, click  . This will launch the selected run/debug configuration.
2. If the Show options before applying coverage to the editor checkbox has been selected in the [Coverage](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box, choose whether you want to replace the active coverage suites, or add the collected data to the active suites, or do not want not apply coverage data. You can also opt to skip this dialog in the future.  
In case any other option has been selected, the respective action will be performed silently.
3. [Explore the collected coverage data](#) in the [Coverage Tool Window](#) .

Viewing code coverage helps you detect pieces of your source code that are not affected by simulation.

## To view code coverage results

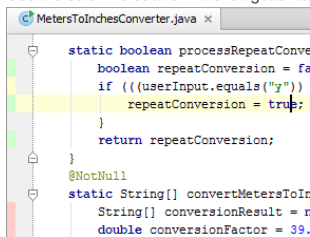
1. Do one of the following:
  - Run the desired class with coverage , select suite to show , and open class in the editor.
  - On the main menu, choose Analyze | Show Code Coverage Data .
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+F6` .
2. View coverage results:
  - In the Project tool window:



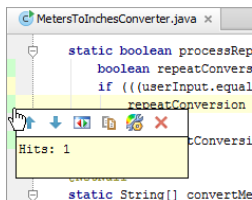
- In the dedicated Coverage tool window :

Element	Class, %	Method, %	Line, %
Main	0% (0/1)	0% (0/2)	0% (0/2)
MetersToInchesConverter	100% (1/1)	50% (2/4)	16% (5/30)
OddChecker	0% (0/1)	0% (0/4)	0% (0/6)

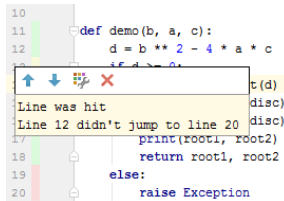
3. Open in the editor the files you want to explore.
4. Use the color indicators in the left gutter to detect the uncovered lines of code.



5. To find out how many times a line has been hit, click the line in the gutter area.



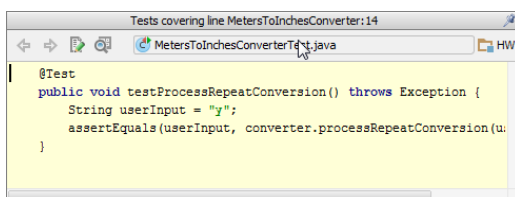
The pop-up window that opens shows the statistic for the line at caret. For lines with conditions, the pop-up window also provides statistic:



Use the following toolbar buttons:

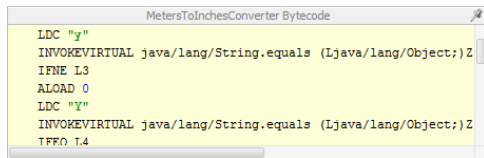
- : jump to the next/previous groups of covered or uncovered lines.
- : view JUnit tests that cover the line at caret.

The test that covers the line at caret, is shown in a pop-up window:





- This button is only available in the Tracing mode, and with the Track per test coverage checkbox selected.
- When pinned, this pop-up window converts into the Find tool window .

-  : show byte code of the current class in a pop-up window:



```
MetersToInchesConverter Bytecode
LDC "y"
INVOKEVIRTUAL java/lang/String.equals (Ljava/lang/Object;)Z
IFNE L3
ALOAD 0
LDC "y"
INVOKEVIRTUAL java/lang/String.equals (Ljava/lang/Object;)Z
IFEQ L4
```

- This button is only available, when Byte Code Viewer plugin that comes bundled with the product, is enabled.
- When pinned, this pop-up window converts into the Byte Code Viewer.
-  : open the [Color Scheme](#) settings, where you have to choose the node Line Coverage .
-  : hide coverage information.

6. Create missing tests, as described in the section [Creating Tests](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA provides a tool to select coverage suites for showing or hiding, adding and removing suites.

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## Accessing the Choose Coverage Suite

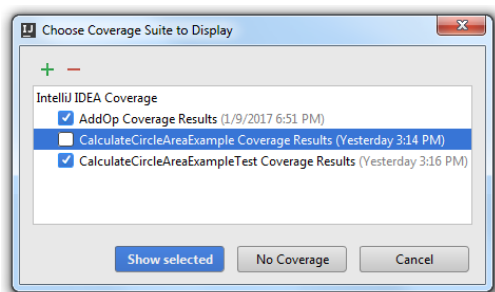
### To open the Choose Coverage Suite to Display dialog box, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose Analyze | Show Coverage Data .
- Press `Ctrl+Alt+F6` .

## Selecting coverage suites to show

### To select coverage suites to show

1. Open the Choose Coverage Suite to Display dialog box, as described above.
2. In the Choose Coverage Suite to Display dialog box, select the checkboxes next to the desired suites.



3. Click Show selected . The dialog box closes.
4. Open in the editor the classes, for which the coverage suites have been selected, and explore the coverage results.

## Hiding coverage suites

### To hide coverage suites

1. Open the Choose Coverage Suite to Display dialog box, as described above.
2. In the Choose Coverage Suite to Display dialog box, select the checkboxes next to the suites you want to hide.
3. Click No coverage . The dialog box closes. The coverage results are not shown for the target classes.

## Adding coverage suites from disk

### To add or delete a coverage suite


Consider a situation when a file that contains code coverage information, has been obtained from the build server. You can load this file from disk and make it available for review. Also, you can bring for examination the coverage suite that has been produced some time ago.

On the other hand, IntelliJ IDEA allows you to remove unnecessary coverage suites.

1. Open the Choose Coverage Suite to Display dialog box, as described above.
2. Add new suites or delete the existing ones:
  - Click `+` , and select the desired `*.es` file in the file chooser dialog.
  - Select one or more suites in the list, and click `-` . The selected suite will be deleted from the list, and from storage.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests two ways of generating HTML reports on the base of the code coverage measurement results: using the menu command, or using the [Coverage tool window](#) .

## To generate a code coverage report

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Analyze | Generate Coverage Report .
  - In the toolbar of the [Coverage tool window](#) , click  .
2. In the Generate Coverage Report dialog box that opens, specify the target directory where the generated report will be stored, and optionally select the checkbox Open generated HTML in browser .
3. Click Save . IntelliJ IDEA will store the generated report to the specified location, and also open it in the default browser, if the corresponding checkbox has been selected.

Please note that if you are going to save a code coverage report for one of the [multiple projects opened in the same window](#) , it is important to check the suggested target location, because IntelliJ IDEA suggests the previously used location.

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## Introduction

Whether you like to write your tests before writing production code, or like to create the tests afterwards, IntelliJ IDEA makes it easy to create and run unit tests. In this tutorial we're going to show how to use IntelliJ IDEA to write tests first ([Test Driven Development or TDD](#)).

## Prerequisites

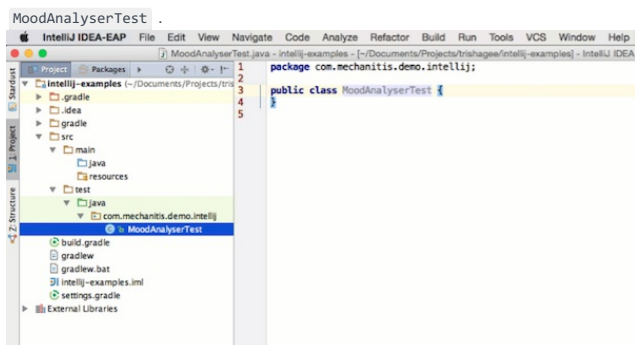
This tutorial assumes the following prerequisites:

- You have [created a Java project](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.
- You have folders for production and test code, either [created manually](#) or from when you [created the project](#).
- You have JUnit 4 on the classpath, either by [adding a test library](#), or adding a dependency in [Gradle](#) or [Maven](#).
- Your source and test roots are [correctly configured](#) - source roots will appear as blue folders, test folders will have a green background.
- You have [created the packages](#) you want in your project.

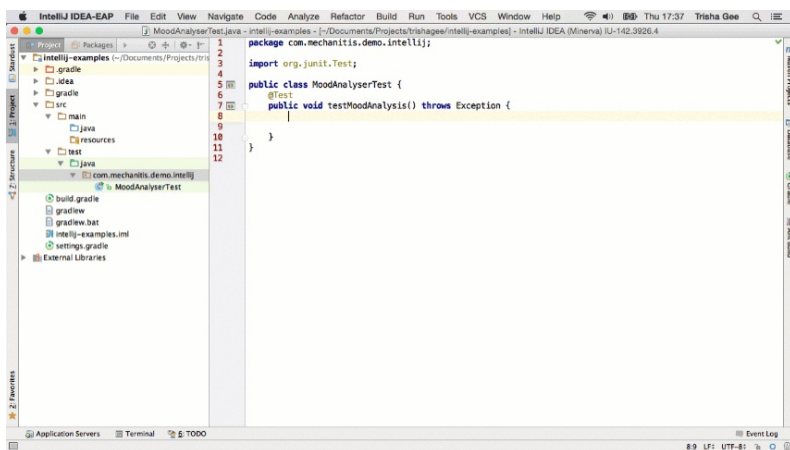
## Creating Your First Test

Given that we're writing our tests first without necessarily having the classes we're testing available to us yet, we'll create our first test via the project panel.

1. Right click on the package you want to create the test in and select New | Java Class .
2. Enter the test name - given we're testing using JUnit, this will likely be [Something]Test, for example



3. With the cursor placed somewhere inside the class's curly braces, press `Alt+Insert` .
4. Select Test Method | JUnit 4 from the menu. This will create a test method with the default template. Fill in a name for the test, press enter and the cursor will end up in the method body.

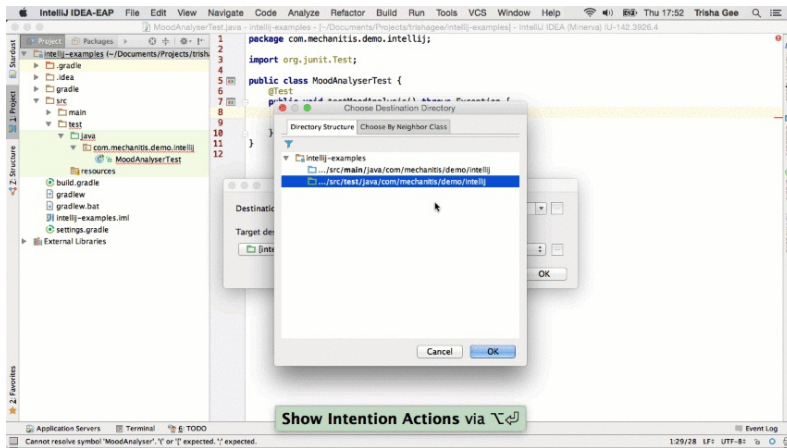


You can alter the [default test method template](#) - for example, if you wish to change the start of the method name from `test` to `should` .

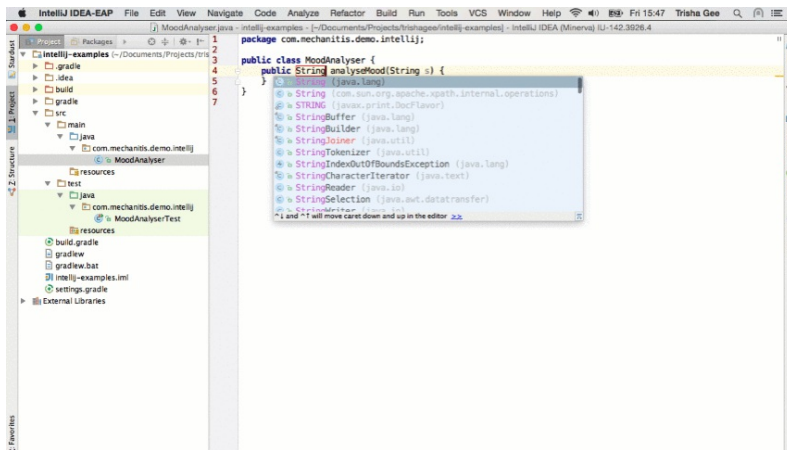
## Writing the Test Body

It may seem counter-intuitive to write test code for classes and methods that don't exist, but IntelliJ IDEA makes this straightforward while keeping the compiler happy. IntelliJ IDEA can create classes and methods for you if they don't already exist.

1. Write your tests describing what you want to achieve, pressing `Alt+Enter` on any classes that don't exist and selecting "Create class '[ClassName]'". This will give you a minimum implementation that keeps the compiler happy.



2. Continue writing the test body, including names of methods that you need that don't exist, again you can use `Alt+Enter` and select "Create method '[methodName]'" to have IntelliJ IDEA create a bare skeleton method.



As always, you can use IntelliJ IDEA's [refactoring tools](#) to create variables to store results in, and IntelliJ IDEA will import the most appropriate classes for you, if the correct libraries are on the classpath.

## Running the Tests

When following a TDD approach, typically you go through a cycle of [Red-Green-Refactor](#). You'll run a test, see it fail (go red), implement the simplest code to make the test pass (go green), and then refactor the code so your test stays green and your code is sufficiently clean.

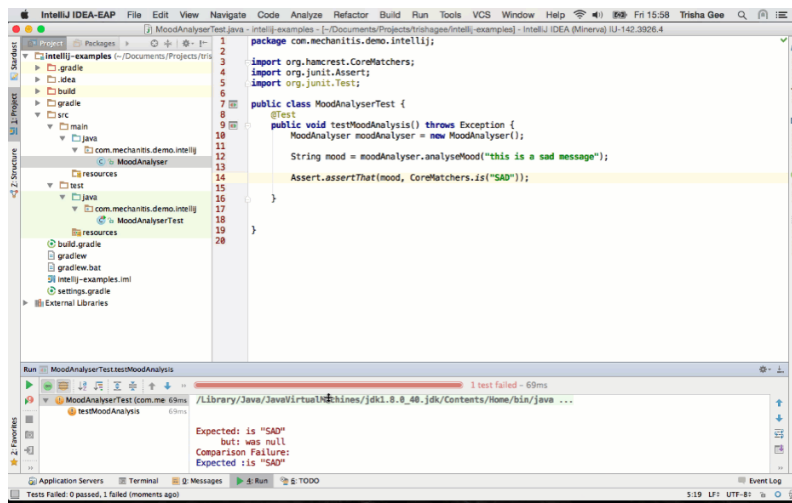
The first step in this cycle is to run the test and see it fail.

Given that we've used IntelliJ IDEA's features to create the simplest empty implementation of the method we're testing, we do not expect our test to pass.

- From inside the test, press `Ctrl+Shift+F10` to run this individual test.

The results will be shown in the [run dialog](#). The test name will have an icon next to it - either red for an exception, or yellow for an assertion that fails. For either type of failure, a message stating what went wrong is also shown.

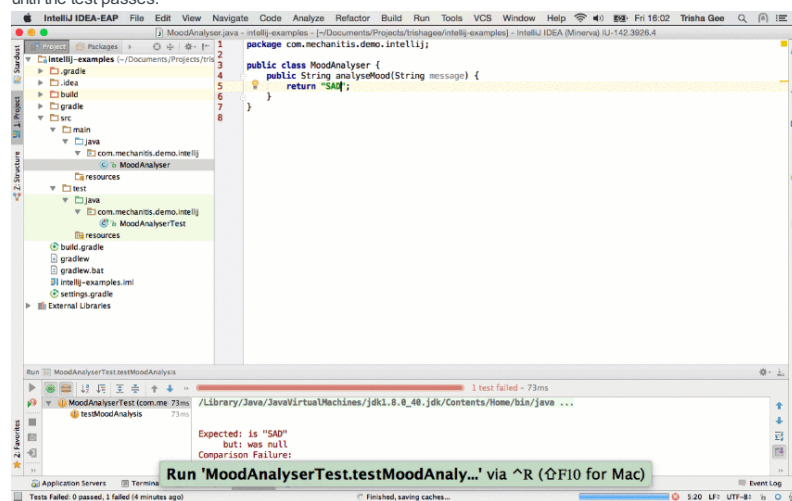




## Implementing the Code

The next step is to make the tests pass, which means implementing the simplest thing that works.

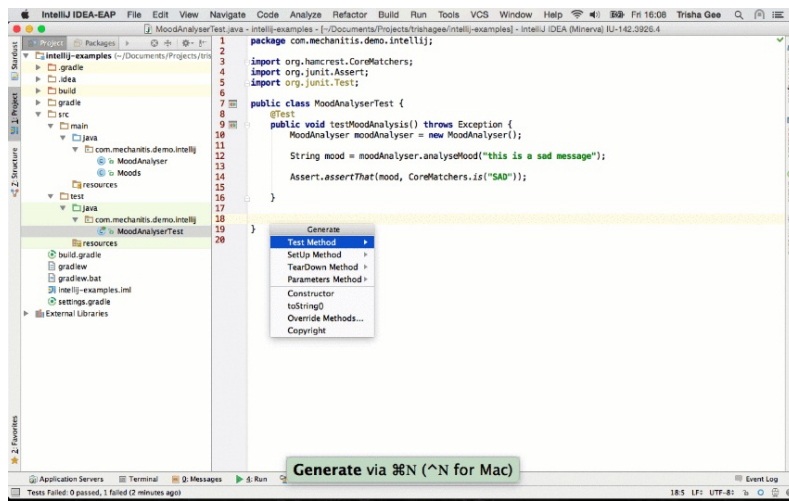
1. You can navigate to the code being tested using the usual methods - clicking through on the method name, pressing `Ctrl+Alt+B` while the cursor is on the method name, or pressing `Ctrl+Shift+T` to switch between the test and the production code.
2. Make the change to the method to make the test pass. Often with TDD, the simplest thing that works might be hard-coding your expected value. We will see later how iterating over this process will lead to more realistic production code.
3. Re-run the test, using `Shift+F10` to re-run the last test.
4. See the test pass - the icon next to the test method should go green. If it does not, make the required changes until the test passes.



## Iterate

Developing code is an iterative process. When following a TDD-style approach, this is even more true. In order to drive out more complex behaviour, we add tests for other cases.

1. In your test class, use `Alt+Insert` again to create a new test method.
2. Pick a second test case that specifies more requirements of the method you're testing. Remember that you can use IntelliJ IDEA's features to create classes and methods to keep the compiler happy.
3. Run this second test case, showing that it fails for the correct reason.
4. Change the code in the method being tested to make this test pass.
5. Re-run both the tests by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+F10` inside the test class, not inside a single method, and see that both tests now pass. If either test fails, make the changes needed to the code to ensure the tests pass.



## Summary

Writing your first test in a test-first style takes a small amount of setup - creating the test class, creating the test methods, and then creating empty implementations of the code that will eventually become production code. IntelliJ IDEA automates a lot of this initial setup.

As you iterate through the process, creating tests and then making the changes required to get those tests to pass, you build up a comprehensive suite of tests for your required functionality, and the simplest solution that will meet these requirements.

This section describes how to:

- [Configure compiler settings](#) .
- [Compile source files, modules or packages](#) .
- [Make a module](#) .
- [Make](#) or [rebuild](#) a whole project.
- [Work with the results of compilation](#) .
- [Package a Java module into a JAR file](#) .

Note that the way the module dependencies are ordered may be very important for the compilation to succeed. See [Configuring projects](#) .

The Java builder of IntelliJ IDEA builds, or brings together source files, external libraries, properties files and configurations to produce a living application. The builder uses a compiler that works according to the Java specification.

The compiler treats encountered problems as errors and warnings. Unlike errors, the warnings do not prevent successful compilation. Both warnings and errors are reported in the Messages window.

The following key principles underlie the notion of compilation:

- All compilation tasks are performed in a separate process, fully independent from the main IDE's process, to get rid of the "out of memory" and other resources contention.
- Java compiler is used "in-process" via Java API for better performance and more flexible annotation processors management.
- Compilation is automatically triggered by events from the file system of the IDE, if [such option is enabled](#) .

To build your project, you do not have to leave your editing environment: with IntelliJ IDEA you can compile, build and run your source code straight away.

Note that the way the module dependencies are ordered may be very important for the compilation to succeed. See [Configuring projects](#) .

In this part:

- [Compilation Types](#)
- [Supported Compilers](#)
- [Build Process](#)

IntelliJ IDEA suggests several ways of compiling and building applications. The corresponding commands are available in the Build menu.

- Compile <compilation\_scope>. All the source files in the specified scope are compiled. The scope in this case may be a file, a package, etc. Refer to the section [Compiling Target](#) for details.
- Build Project. All the source files in the entire project modified since the last compilation, are compiled. Dependent source files, if appropriate, are also compiled. Additionally, the tasks tied to the compilation or build process on the modified sources are performed. For example, EJB validation is performed, if the corresponding option is enabled on the [Validation page](#) . Refer to the section [Building Project](#) for details.
- Build Module. Compiles recursively are all the source files which have been modified since the last compilation in the selected module, as well as in all the modules it depends on. Refer to the section [Building Module](#) for details.
- Rebuild Project. All the source files in the project are recompiled. This may be necessary when the classpath entries have changed, for example, SDKs or libraries being used added, removed or altered. Refer to the section [Rebuilding Project](#) for details.

Currently IntelliJ IDEA supports the following Java compilers:

- Javac. This compiler is taken from the Java [SDK](#) currently assigned to the project.
- Eclipse. IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with the Eclipse compiler.
- [Ajc](#). This compiler is not included in IntelliJ IDEA distribution and should be downloaded separately.  
To use the compiler in IntelliJ IDEA, you also need to download, install, and enable the **AspectJ Support** plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Besides that, IntelliJ IDEA supports compilers for Flex, [Groovy](#), [Android DX](#). The corresponding plugins should be also downloaded, installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

Build process includes the following steps:

- Compiling source code in the source path of a module and placing results to the output path.
- Compiling source code in the test path of a module and placing results to the test output path.
- Creating copies of the resource files in the output path.
- Reporting problems in the Messages tool window.

With IntelliJ IDEA you can build your applications using [Ant](#) , [Maven](#) or [Gradle](#) .

- [Compilation output locations](#)
- [Specifying compilation output folders](#)
- [Configuring compiler settings](#)

## Compilation output locations

There are individual compilation output folders for your [sources](#) and [test sources](#) , and for each of your [modules](#) .

By default, the results of compilation are output to:

- Sources: `<ProjectFolder>/out/production/<ModuleName>`
- Tests: `<ProjectFolder>/out/test/<ModuleName>`

At the project level, you can change the `<ProjectFolder>/out` part of the output path. If you do so (say, specify some `<OutputFolder>` instead of `<ProjectFolder>/out` ) but don't redefine the paths at the module level, the compilation results will go to `<OutputFolder>/production/<ModuleName>` and `<OutputFolder>/test/<ModuleName>` .

At the module level, you can specify any desirable compilation output location for the module sources and tests individually.

## Specifying compilation output folders

The compilation output folders are specified in the Project Structure dialog ( [File | Project Structure](#) ).

Project default folder. Select [Project](#) . In the Project compiler output field, specify the corresponding path.

Module output folders. Select [Modules](#) , select the module of interest, and select [Paths](#) . The controls that you want are in the upper part, under [Compiler output](#) .

## Configuring compiler settings

You can modify the list of recognized resources, exclude certain paths from compilation, select the desired compiler, configure annotation processing, etc.

1. [Open the Settings / Preferences dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. On the [Compiler page](#) (the Build, Execution, Deployment section), you may want, for example, to modify the regular expression that describes the extensions of the files to be recognized as resources (the Resource patterns field). Use semicolons ( `;` ) to separate individual patterns. See the [list of wildcard characters and examples](#) .
3. On the [Excludes page](#) , specify the files and folders that shouldn't be included in compilation. Use `+` to add items to the list.  
Note:
  - If an excluded path is a dependency of the source code being compiled, this path will be included in compilation and processed by the compiler as required.
  - If a file contains errors and fails to compile, but it is not important for the current project state, or if you want to skip some files and not to include them in the output directory, you can exclude such files from compilation.
4. On the [Java Compiler page](#) , check if the compiler being used is the one that you want. If necessary, select a different compiler.

**Tip** If you are not happy with the version of the Eclipse compiler bundled with IntelliJ IDEA you can replace this compiler directly in the IntelliJ IDEA distribution with the one you've downloaded from the [Eclipse download page](#) . Note, however, that the name of the corresponding archive should match the pattern `ecj-*.jar`

5. On the [Annotation Processors page](#) , [configure the annotation processing parameters](#) .
6. Apply the changes and close the dialog.



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- [Compiling all source files in a target](#)
- [Tips and tricks](#)

## Compiling all source files in a target

### To compile all source files in the specified target


1. Select a file, module, or package.
2. On the main menu, choose Build | Rebuild 'target' , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F9` .

## Tips and tricks

### When performing compilation, note that:

- When called from the editor, this method compiles the current file.
- You can compile any module separately. All modules the current one depends on will be compiled as well.

### To cancel the process, do one of the following:

- Middle-click on the progress bar
- Click 
- Press `Ctrl+F2` , and select the process from the pop-up menu.



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- [Making a module](#)
- [Cancelling build](#)


## Making a module

### To make a module

1. Select the desired module, or any source file or directory within this module.
2. On the main menu choose Build | Make Module 'name' .

## Cancelling build

### To cancel the process, do one of the following:

- Middle-click on the progress bar
- Click 
- Press `Ctrl+F2` , and select the process from the pop-up menu.



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## Making a project

### To make a project, do one of the following

- On the main menu choose Build | Build Project 'name' .
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+F9` .

## Cancelling build

### To cancel the process, do one of the following:

- Middle-click on the progress bar
- Click 
- Press `Ctrl+F2` , and select the process from the pop-up menu.



Before packaging a Java module into a JAR file, you need to configure a JAR artifact. See [Working with Artifacts](#) .

## To build a JAR file from a module


1. On the main menu, choose Build | Build Artifact .
2. From the drop-down list, select the desired artifact of the type JAR .

**Tip** The list shows all the artifacts configured for the current project. To have all the configured artifacts built, choose the Build all artifacts option.

## To rebuild a project

- On the main menu choose Build | Rebuild Project .

## To cancel the process, do one of the following:

- Middle-click on the progress bar
- Click 
- Press `Ctrl+F2` , and select the process from the pop-up menu.



IntelliJ IDEA reports compilation and building results in the [Messages tool window](#) that displays information about the errors and warnings, providing each type of problem with its own icon and a pair of numbers that represent the row and column, where the problem occurred. In addition, the Messages tool window lets you jump from the error message to the actual location in the source code.

This section describes how to:

- [Jump from an error message to the respective problem location in the source code](#) .
- [Navigate through the list of error messages](#) .
- [Save compilation report as a text file](#) .





## To jump from an error message to the problem location in the source code

Do one of the following:



- Double-click the error message.
- When Autoscroll to Source  button is released, it is enough to single-click the error message.
- On the context menu of the error message choose Jump to Source .
- Press  .

## To navigate through the list of error messages in the Messages window

Do one of the following:

- Click  or  buttons in the toolbox of the Messages window.
- Press  or  .

## To save compilation results in a text file

1. In the toolbox of the Messages window, click the Export to Text  button, or press  .
2. In the Export Preview dialog, specify the target file, and click Save .

**Tip** Use the Copy button to place selected fragments of the error report to the Clipboard.

To be able to compile an application, you need to specify a build JDK. A build JDK can be configured on a project level. If you have a complex project, you may want to configure different JDKs for different modules.

This topic explains how IntelliJ IDEA selects a build JDK if multiple JDKs are defined, and how to configure them:

- [How does IntelliJ IDEA know which JDK to use?](#)
- [Configuring build JDK](#)

## How does IntelliJ IDEA know which JDK to use?

This section explains the algorithm of choosing a build JDK by IntelliJ IDEA if multiple JDKs are configured on the per-module basis. IntelliJ IDEA does the following to determine which JDK to use for compilation:

- IntelliJ IDEA checks all JDKs used in the project (i.e. the JDKs defined on both the project and module levels).
- IntelliJ IDEA calculates the latest of these JDKs. This is necessary to make sure that all modules can be compiled.
- If the version of the latest JDK configured is lower than 1.6, the JDK version used for running IntelliJ IDEA will be used. This limitation is related to the fact that the compiler API used by IntelliJ IDEA for building projects is supported starting from JDK 1.6.
- Although a specific version of the compiler will be used (in accordance with the selected JDK version), each separate module will be compiled using javac's cross-compilation feature against the libraries of the JDK defined for this particular module in the project settings. This protects you from a situation when a module is compiled against newer libraries than those for which dependencies are set.

## Configuring build JDK

1. Open the [Project Structure dialog](#).
2. Do one of the following:
  - To set a build JDK for an entire project, select Project in the left pane. On the right, under Project SDK, select the required SDK from the drop-down list.
  - To set a build JDK for a specific module, select Modules in the left pane, then select the required module in the central pane and specify a JDK in the Module SDK drop-down list.

If you haven't created any projects before and specified the path to the JDK, click [New](#), select JDK and browse for the JDK installation folder in the [dialog that opens](#).

Note that you can also override the project- or module-level JDK settings for a particular debug or testing session by editing the appropriate [Run/Debug Configuration](#).

In this section:

- Annotation Processors Support
  - [Basics](#)
  - [Annotation profiles](#)
- [Configuring Annotation Processing](#)

## Basics

If you use some custom annotation processors in your project to generate sources and files, validate code and produce warnings, IntelliJ IDEA enables you to easily invoke these processors as a part of the [compilation process](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to:

- Obtain annotation processors right from the project classpath, or from the specified location.
- Adjust the set of modules which should be covered by annotation processing of a certain profile.
- Store annotation processing results relative to the specified location.
- Perform annotation processing.

When processing annotations is [enabled](#) , the annotations are processed by the compiler in course of compilation.

## Annotation profiles

Annotation processing is performed on the base of the annotation profiles .

A profile is a set of configuration options for annotation processing (use of the annotation processor, location of the annotation processing output, specific annotation processors and their parameters).

The default profile always exists. All the modules comprising a project by default use this profile. When new profiles are created, modules can be associated with them. Thus, several modules can be grouped to use one type of annotation processing.



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- [Creating annotation profile](#)
- [Associating a module with a profile](#)
- [Configuring annotation profile](#)

## Creating annotation profile

### To create an annotation profile

1. In the [Annotation Processors](#) page, click **+**.
2. In the Create new profile dialog box, specify the [profile](#) name.


To delete a profile, select it in the list, and click **-**. So doing, all modules, associated with this profile, are moved to the default profile.

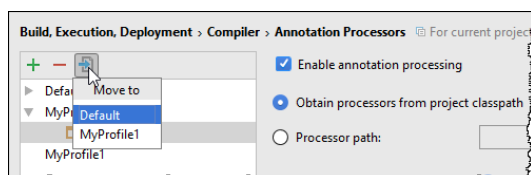
The default profile cannot be deleted.

## Associating a module with a profile

### To associate a module with an annotation profile

By default, all the modules of a project are associated with the default profile.

1. Select a module in the list of modules under a profile.
2. Click , or press **F6**.
3. From the drop-down list, select the target profile to move the selected module to.



## Configuring annotation profile

### To configure annotation processing for a profile, follow these steps

1. In the [Annotation Processors](#) page, select the desired annotation profile.
2. Enable processing annotations by selecting the corresponding checkbox.
3. Do the following:
  - Choose location of the annotation processors. You can opt to use annotation processor from the classpath, or specify its location by choosing it from the [Select Path](#) dialog box.
  - In the Directory name field, type the name of the directory where the annotation processor output will be stored. If the field is left blank, the files generated by the annotation processor will be stored under the project output directory. When the name is specified, the directory with this name will be created under the content root after automatic annotation processing during compilation.
  - Specify the fully-qualified names of the processors to be launched. If nothing is specified, then IntelliJ IDEA will launch all the processors detected in the specified location.
  - Specify additional parameters to be passed to the annotation processors.

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- [Examples](#)

See also, [Project Structure / Artifacts](#) .

## What is an artifact?

An artifact is an assembly of your project assets that you put together to test, deploy or distribute your software solution or its part. Examples are a collection of compiled Java classes or a Java application packaged in a Java archive, a Web application as a directory structure or a Web application archive, etc.

An artifact can be an archive file or a directory structure that includes the following structural elements:

- Compilation output for one or more of your modules
- Libraries included in module dependencies
- Collections of resources (web pages, images, descriptor files, etc.)
- Other artifacts
- Individual files, directories and archives.

## Working with artifact configurations

Artifacts are generated according to artifact configurations. The artifact configurations are managed in the Project Structure dialog ( [File | Project Structure | Artifacts](#) ).

The key part of configuring an artifact is specifying the artifact structure and contents on the [Output Layout tab](#) .

## Building artifacts

You can initiate building an artifact yourself: [Build | Build Artifacts](#) .

You can as well build an artifact by executing a run/debug configuration:

In the corresponding run/debug configuration, add the `Build <ArtifactName>` artifact task to the Before launch task list. The artifact will be built automatically when you execute the run/debug configuration ( [Run | Run](#) or [Run | Debug](#) ).

Including the Build artifact task in a run/debug configuration makes sense when the run/debug configuration somehow uses the corresponding artifact, e.g. starts the application packaged in a JAR artifact or deploys a WAR or EAR artifact to an application server.

By default, an artifact, when built, is placed into the `out/artifacts/<artifact_dir>` folder.

## Build options (Build, Rebuild, etc.)

When building an artifact ( [Build | Build Artifacts](#) ), you have the following options:

- Build. When used for the first time, the whole artifact is built. Each next time you use this option, only the part of the artifact affected by the changes you have made since the last build is built and added to the output folder.
- Rebuild. Build the whole artifact as if for the first time. Technically, this is [Clean](#) followed by [Build](#) .
- Clean. Delete all the contents of the artifact output directory.
- Edit. Edit the [artifact configuration](#) .

## Running JAR artifacts

To run Java applications packaged in Java archives (JARs), IntelliJ IDEA provides the JAR Application run configurations. To create such a run configuration:

1. Open the Run/Debug Configurations dialog (e.g. [Run | Edit Configurations](#) ).
2. Click [+](#) and select JAR Application .

## Deploying artifacts to application servers and cloud platforms

Many of the artifact formats (e.g. WAR, Exploded WAR, EAR, Exploded EAR) are suitable for deployment to application servers and cloud platforms. Here is how you deploy such artifacts:

1. In a server or cloud run/debug configuration, specify the artifact to be deployed. (Use the Deployment tab or field.)
2. Execute the run/debug configuration or use the Deploy command ([+](#)) in the Application Servers , Run or Debug tool window.

## Examples

Examples of the procedures discussed on this page can be found in the following tutorials:

- [Creating, Running and Packaging Your First Java Application](#)
- [Developing a Java EE Application](#)



The functionality described on this page and in the entire chapter [Working with Web Servers: Copying Files](#) is available only in the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

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- [Interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and servers](#)

## Basics

Among numerous ways to configure your development and production environments the most frequent ones are as follows:

- The Web server is installed on your computer. The sources are under the server document root (for example, `/htdocs`), and you do your development right on the server.
- The Web server is installed on your computer but the sources are stored in another folder. You do your development, then copy the sources to the server.
- The Web server is on another computer (remote host). Files on the server are available through the FTP/SFTP/FTPS protocol, through a network share, or a mounted drive.

Now let's see how to use IntelliJ IDEA in the above environment configurations. IntelliJ IDEA assumes that all development, debugging, and testing is done on your computer and then the code is deployed to a production environment.

Please note the following:

- The reason to stick to this "local development - deployment" model lies in the way IntelliJ IDEA provides its coding assistance which includes code completion, code inspections & validations, code navigation, etc. All this functionality is based on the **index of the project files** which IntelliJ IDEA builds when the project is loaded and updates on the fly as you edit your code.
- To provide efficient coding assistance, IntelliJ IDEA needs to re-index code fast, which requires fast access to project files. The latter can be ensured only for **local** files, that is, files that are stored on you hard disk and are accessible through the file system. Therefore IntelliJ IDEA does not support the mode when you access your files over a network folder (very often it becomes slow and unresponsive, performs random look-ups for no obvious reason, etc).

## Interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and servers

Interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and servers is controlled through **server access configurations**. Anytime you are going to use a server, you need to define a **server access configurations**, no matter whether your server is on a remote host or on your computer.

Taking into account all the above, let's define the following basic concepts related to synchronization between IntelliJ IDEA and servers.

- An **in-place server** is a server whose **document root** is the parent of the project root, either immediate or not. In other words, the Web server is running on your computer, your project is under its document root, and you do your development directly on the server.
- A **local server** is a server that is running in a local or a mounted folder and whose **document root** is **NOT** the parent of the project root.
- A **remote server** is a server on another computer (remote host).
- The **server configuration root** is the highest folder in the file tree on the **local** or **remote** server accessible through the server configuration. For **in-place** servers, it is the project root.
- A **local file/folder** is any file or folder under the project root.
- A **remote file/folder** is any file or folder on the server, either local or remote.

Suppose you have a project `C:/Projects/My_Project/` with a folder `C:/Projects/My_Project/My_Folder` and a local server with the document root in `C:/xampp/htdocs`. You upload the entire project tree to `C:/xampp/htdocs/My_Project`. In the terms of IntelliJ IDEA, the folder `C:/Projects/My_Project/My_Folder` is referred to as **local** and the folder `C:/xampp/htdocs/My_Project/My_Folder` is referred to as **remote**.

- **Upload** is copying data from the project **TO** the server, either local or remote.
- **Download** is copying data **FROM** the server to the project.

After you have configured synchronization with a server, you can upload, download, and manage files on it directly from IntelliJ IDEA. Moreover, you can suppress uploading or downloading specific files or entire folders. Finally, you can optimize you workflow by configuring content roots so specific folders are not involved in indexing, which significantly saves project indexing time.

Synchronization with servers, uploading, downloading, and managing files on them are provided via the Remote Hosts Access bundled plugin, which is by default enabled. If the plugin is disabled, activate it in the Plugins page of the Settings dialog box. For details, see [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Note that the plugin is available only for the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

The functionality described on this page and in the entire chapter [Working with Web Servers: Copying Files](#) is available only in the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

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## Before you start

Synchronization with servers, uploading, downloading, and managing files on them are provided via the Remote Hosts Access bundled plugin, which is by default enabled. If the plugin is disabled, activate it in the Plugins page of the Settings dialog box. For details, see [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Note that the plugin is available only for the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA distinguishes among **in-place**, **local**, and **remote** servers, however the meaning of these terms in the context of IntelliJ IDEA slightly differs from their common meaning:

- An **in-place server** is a server whose **document root** is the parent of the project root, either immediate or not. In other words, the Web server is running on your computer, your project is under its document root, and you do your development directly on the server.
- A **local server** is a server that is running in a local or a mounted folder and whose **document root** is **NOT** the parent of the project root.
- A **remote server** is a server on another computer (remote host).

For more information about possible configuration of the production and development environment and working with servers from IntelliJ IDEA, see [Deploying your application](#).

## Server access configuration

IntelliJ IDEA controls interaction with Web servers through **server access configurations**. Anytime you are going to use a server, you need to define a server access configurations, no matter whether your server is on a remote host or on your machine.

A **server access configuration** defines:

- The server type ( **in-place**, **local**, or **remote** ).
- The computer (host) where the server is running. For **in-place** and **local** servers, IntelliJ IDEA presupposes that it is the current computer where your project is.
- The server access configuration root : the highest folder in the server hierarchy that can be accessed through the server configuration.
- The URL address to access the server configuration root. Both the **HTTP** and the **HTTPS** protocols are supported. To access a server through **HTTPS**, you need to acquire a certificate file `<certificate_name>.cert` signed by a recognized **authority** and import this certificate in the [truststore/keystore](#) of the Oracle JRE (Java Runtime Environment) on which IntelliJ IDEA runs. Note that self-signed certificates are rejected as unsafe.

### To import a certificate in Oracle JRE:

1. Open the embedded Terminal and type the following command:

```
<jre_home>/bin/keytool.exe -importcert -keystore <path to jre truststore/keystore> -file
```

If you are using the **Oracle JRE** bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, the default path to the truststore/keystore is

```
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts or  
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/cacerts .
```

Otherwise it is `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts` or `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/cacerts` .

2. When asked to enter a password for the truststore/keystore, specify the default one `changeit` .
3. Open the `IntelliJ IDEA.exe.vmoptions` file in the `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin` and add the following line to it:

```
-Djavax.net.ssl.keyStore=<path to keystore>
```

4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA.

Learn more at [Java6](#) and [Java7](#) .

- The protocol to transfer the data through.
- Correspondence between local (project) folders, destination folders on the server, and URL addresses to access the data on the server. This correspondence is called **mapping** .

You can define as many configurations as necessary, thus enabling flexible switching between upload/download setups.

The functionality described on this page and in the entire chapter [Working with Web Servers: Copying Files](#) is available only in the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

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- [Creating a server configuration: specifying its name, type, and visibility](#)
- [Configuring access to an in-place server: specifying the URL address of the server document root](#)
- [Specifying the project root folder and the URL address to access it](#)

## Basics

An **in-place server** is a server whose **document root** is the parent of the project root, either immediate or not. In other words, the Web server is running on your computer, your project is under its document root, and you do your development directly on the server.

To configure access to the server in this set-up, you only need to specify the URL address of the sever **document root**, appoint the project root folder, and specify the URL address to access it.

## Creating a server configuration: specifying its name, type, and visibility

1. Open the [Deployment](#) page by doing one of the following:
  - Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Deployment under Build, Execution, Deployment.
  - Choose Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu.
2. In the left-hand pane, that shows a list of all the existing server configurations, click the Add toolbar button **+**. The [Add Server dialog box](#) opens.
3. Specify the server configuration name in the Name text box. From the Type drop-down list, choose the server configuration type In-place. Use the Up and Down keyboard keys to scroll through the list of server configuration types.
4. Use the Visible only for this project checkbox to configure the visibility of the server access configuration (deployment configuration).
  - Select the checkbox to restrict the use of the configuration to the current project. Such configurations cannot be reused outside the current project, they do not appear in the list of available configurations in other projects.
  - When the checkbox is cleared, the configuration is visible in all IntelliJ IDEA projects and the settings from, including SSH credentials, can be reused.
5. Click OK. The Add Server dialog box closes and you return to the [Connection](#) tab of the [Deployment](#) node.

## Configuring access to an in-place server: specifying the URL address of the server document root

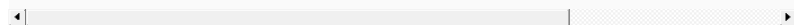
In the Web server root URL text box, type the URL address associated with the **document root** of your Web server as defined in the Web server configuration file. This URL address will be the starting point for building the URL address of your application. Both the **HTTP** and the **HTTPS** protocols are supported.

To access a server through **HTTPS**, you need to acquire a certificate file `<certificate_name>.cert` signed by a recognized **authority** and import this certificate in the [truststore/keystore](#) of the **Oracle JRE (Java Runtime Environment)** on which IntelliJ IDEA runs. Note that self-signed certificates are rejected as unsafe.

### To import a certificate in Oracle JRE:

1. Open the embedded Terminal and type the following command:

```
<jre_home>/bin/keytool.exe -importcert -keystore <path to jre truststore/keystore> -file <f
```



If you are using the **Oracle JRE** bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, the default path to the truststore/keystore is

```
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts or
```

```
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/cacerts .
```

Otherwise it is `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts` or `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/cacerts` .

2. When asked to enter a password for the truststore/keystore, specify the default one `changeit` .
3. Open the `IntelliJ IDEA.exe.vmoptions` file in the `<IntelliJ IDEA installation_folder>/bin` and add the following line to it:


```
-Djavax.net.ssl.keyStore=<path to keystore>
```

4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA.

Learn more at [Java6](#) and [Java7](#) .

For example, the [Apache httpd](#) server configuration file is `httpd.conf` . The default document root is the `htdocs` folder and the default URL address to access the data in it is `http://localhost` . If you have changed the default port `80` , you have to specify the port explicitly: `http://localhost:<port>` .

## Specifying the project root folder and the URL address to access it

1. Switch to the [Mappings](#) tab.
2. In the Local path text box, specify the full path to your project root folder. Type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and choose the folder in the dialog box, that opens.
3. In the Web path on server text box, type the path to the project root folder relative to the server document root specified in the server configuration file. As you type, IntelliJ IDEA dynamically builds the URL address through which your project root folder will be accessible and shows it as a link in the Project URL read-only field. To check that the URL address is constructed correctly and ensures access to the project root, click the link.



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## Basics

A **local server** is a server that is running in a local or a mounted folder and whose **document root** is **NOT** the parent of the project root.

To configure access to the server in this set-up, you need to specify the following:

1. The **server configuration root** folder and the URL address to access it.
2. Correspondence between the **project root folder**, the folder on the server to copy the data from the **project root folder** to, and the URL address to access the copied data on the server. This correspondence is called **mapping**.

## Creating a server configuration: specifying its name, type, and visibility

1. Open the [Deployment](#) page by doing one of the following:
  - Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Deployment under Build, Execution, Deployment.
  - Choose Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu.
2. In the left-hand pane, that shows a list of all the existing server configurations, click the Add toolbar button . The [Add Server dialog box](#) opens.
3. Specify the server configuration name in the Name text box. From the Type drop-down list, choose the server configuration type Local or mounted folder.  
When editing the server configuration name in the Name text box, use the Up and Down keys on your keyboard to change the preselected server access to type in the Type drop-down list.
4. Use the Visible only for this project checkbox to configure the visibility of the server access configuration (deployment configuration).
  - Select the checkbox to restrict the use of the configuration to the current project. Such configurations cannot be reused outside the current project, they do not appear in the list of available configurations in other projects.
  - When the checkbox is cleared, the configuration is visible in all IntelliJ IDEA projects and the settings from, including SSH credentials, can be reused.
5. Click OK. The Add Server dialog box closes and you return to the [Connection](#) tab of the [Deployment](#) node.  
Click the Use as Default toolbar button  to have IntelliJ IDEA silently apply the current configuration in the following cases:
  - [Automatic upload of changed files](#).
  - [Manual upload of files](#) without choosing the target host.
  - [Comparing local files and folders](#) with their remote versions.

## Specifying the server configuration root and the URL address to access it

1. In the Folder text box of the Upload/download project files area, specify the **server configuration root**.  
The **server configuration root** is the highest folder in the file tree on the server that can be accessed through the server configuration. The easiest way is to use the **document root** of your Web server as defined in the Web server configuration file. However you can appoint any other existing folder under the **document root**.
2. In the Web server root URL text box of the Browse files on server area, specify the URL address of the **server configuration root**. This URL address will be the starting point for building the URL address of your application.  
Depending on your choice of the **server configuration root**, do one of the following:
  - Type the URL address associated with the **document root** of your Web server as defined in the Web server configuration file.
  - Type the URL address in the format `<URL of the server document root>/<path to the relevant folder relative to the server document root>`.

Both the HTTP and the HTTPS protocols are supported.

To access a server through HTTPS, you need to acquire a certificate file `<certificate_name>.cert` signed by a recognized authority and import this certificate in the [truststore/keystore](#) of the Oracle JRE (Java Runtime Environment) on which IntelliJ IDEA runs. Note that self-signed certificates are rejected as unsafe.

### To import a certificate in Oracle JRE:

1. Open the embedded Terminal and type the following command:

```
<jre_home>/bin/keytool.exe -importcert -keystore <path to jre truststore/keystore> -file
```

If you are using the **Oracle JRE** bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, the default path to the truststore/keystore is

```
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts or
```

```
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/cacerts .
```

Otherwise it is `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts` or

```
<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/cacerts .
```

2. When asked to enter a password for the truststore/keystore, specify the default one `changeit` .
3. Open the `IntelliJ IDEA.exe.vmoptions` file in the `<IntelliJ IDEA_installation_folder>/bin` and add the following line to it:

```
-Djavax.net.ssl.keyStore=<path to keystore>
```

4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA.

Learn more at [Java6](#) and [Java7](#) .

## Example of specifying a server configuration root

For example, the [Apache httpd](#) server configuration file is `httpd.conf` , according to it, the default **document root** is the `htdocs` folder, and the default URL address to access the data in it is `http://localhost` . For the sake of simplicity, let's suppose that you are using the [XAMPP](#) package and it is installed in the root of the `C:/` drive.

So if you decide to copy your project files directly under the **server document root** , your **server configuration root** will be `C:\xampp\htdocs` and its URL will be `http://localhost:<port>` .

You can establish a more complicated folder structure on the server, for example, to have `MySite1` and `MySite2` folders under the **server document root** . In this case the you will have to decide which of these folders you will use in the current configuration, let it be `MySite2` . Accordingly, the **server configuration root** will be `C:\xampp\htdocs\MySite2` and its URL address will be `http://localhost:<port>\MySite2` .

## Mapping project folders with folders on the server and the URL addresses to access them

Configure **mappings** , that is, set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. The easiest way is to map the entire project root folder to a folder on the server, whereupon the project folder structure will be repeated on the server, provided that you have selected the Create Empty directories checkbox in the [Options dialog box](#) . "For more details, see [Customizing Upload/Download](#) .

1. Switch to the Mappings tab.
2. In the Local Path text box, specify the full path to the desired folder in the project tree. In the simplest case it is the project root.
3. In the Deployment Path text box, specify the folder on the server where IntelliJ IDEA will upload the data from the folder specified in the Local Path text box. Type the path to the folder relative to the **server configuration root** . If the folder with the specified name does not exist yet, IntelliJ IDEA will create it, provided that you have selected the Create Empty directories checkbox in the [Options dialog box](#) . For more details, see [Customizing Upload/Download](#) .
4. In the Web Path text box, type the path to the folder on the server relative to the **server configuration root** . Actually, type the relative path you typed in the Deployment Path text box.

## Example of mapping project folders with folders on the server

For example, if your project is `C:\My_Projects\Mapping_project` , the **server document root** is `C:\xampp\htdocs` , the **server configuration root** is `C:\xampp\htdocs\MySite2` , and its URL address is `http://localhost:<port>\MySite2` , fill in the fields as follows:

1. In the Local Path text box, type `C:\My_Projects\Mapping_project` .
2. In the Deployment Path text box, type `Mapping_project` .
3. In the Web Path text box, type `Mapping_project` .

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## Basics

A **remote server** is a server on another computer (remote host).

To configure access to the server in this set-up, you need to specify the following:

1. Connection settings: server host, port, and user credentials.
2. The **server configuration root** folder and the URL address to access it.
3. Correspondence between the **project root folder**, the folder on the server to copy the data from the **project root folder** to, and the URL address to access the copied data on the server. This correspondence is called **mapping**.


## Creating a server configuration: specifying its name, type, and visibility

1. Open the [Deployment](#) page by doing one of the following:
  - Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Deployment under Build, Execution, Deployment.
  - Choose Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu.
2. In the left-hand pane, that shows a list of all the existing server configurations, click the Add toolbar button . The [Add Server dialog box](#) opens.
3. Specify the server configuration name in the Name text box. From the Type drop-down list, choose the server configuration type depending on the protocol you are going to use to exchange the data with the server.
  - FTP: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the [FTP file transfer protocol](#).
  - SFTP: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the [SFTP](#) file transfer protocol.
  - FTPS: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the FTP file transfer protocol over SSL (the [FTPS](#) extension).

When editing the server configuration name in the Name text box, use the Up and Down keys on your keyboard to change the preselected server access to type in the Type drop-down list.

4. Use the Visible only for this project checkbox to configure the visibility of the server access configuration (deployment configuration).
  - Select the checkbox to restrict the use of the configuration to the current project. Such configurations cannot be reused outside the current project, they do not appear in the list of available configurations in other projects. For example, if this checkbox is selected in an SFTP configuration, you cannot use your SSH credentials from it when you configure a remote interpreter.
  - When the checkbox is cleared, the configuration is visible in all IntelliJ IDEA projects and the settings from, including SSH credentials, can be reused.

See [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

5. Click OK. The Add Server dialog box closes and you return to the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog box. Click the Use as Default toolbar button  to have IntelliJ IDEA silently apply the current configuration in the following cases:
  - [Automatic upload of changed files](#).
  - [Manual upload of files](#) without choosing the target host.
  - [Comparing local files and folders](#) with their remote versions.

## Specifying user credentials defined during registration on the host


1. Specify the registration mode:
  - To login in a regular mode, specify the login in the User name text box.
  - To enable [anonymous access](#) to the server with your email address as password, select the Login as anonymous checkbox.
2. Specify the way to authenticate to the server:
  - For **FTP server**, type your password and select the Save password checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember it.
  - For **SFTP server**, choose the way to authenticate to the server. Do one of the following:
    - To access the host through a password, choose Password from the Auth type drop-down list, specify the password, and select the Save password checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember it.
    - To use [SSH authentication](#) via a key pair, choose Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY). To apply this authentication method, you need to have your private key on the client machine and your public key on the remote server you connect to. IntelliJ IDEA supports private keys generated using the [OpenSSH](#) utility. Specify the path to the file where your **private key** is stored and type the passphrase (if any) in the corresponding text

boxes. To have IntelliJ IDEA remember the passphrase, select the Save passphrase checkbox.

- If your SSH keys are managed by a credentials helper application (for example, [Pageant](#) on Windows or [ssh-agent](#) on Mac and Linux), choose Authentication agent (ssh-agent or Pageant).
- For **FTPS server**, specify your user name and password and choose the security mechanism to apply.
  - Choose Explicit to have the [explicit \(active\) security](#) applied. Immediately after establishing connection, the FTP client on your machine sends a command to the server to establish secure control connection through the default FTP port.
  - Choose Implicit to have the [implicit \(passive\) security](#) applied. In this case, security is provided automatically upon establishing connection to the server which appoints a separate port for secure connections.

**Tip** See the [Generating a new SSH key and adding it to the ssh-agent](#) tutorial for details on working with SSH keys.

## Enabling connection to the server and specifying the server configuration root

1. Specify the host name of the FTP/SFTP/FTPS server to exchange data with and the port to which this server listens. The default values are:
  - 21 for FTP and FTPS
  - 22 for SFTP
2. In the Root path text box, specify the **server configuration root** relative to your **user home** which was defined when you registered your account. This folder will be the highest one in the folder structure accessible through the current server configuration. Do one of the following:
  - Accept the default value `/`, which points at the **user home** folder on the server.
  - Type the path manually.
  - Click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the Choose Root Path dialog box that opens.
  - Click the Autodetect button and have IntelliJ IDEA detect the user home folder settings on the FTP/SFTP server and set up the root path according to them. The button is only enabled when you have specified your user name and password.
3. In the Web server root URL text box, type the URL address to access the server configuration root (The **server configuration root** is the highest folder in the file tree on the **local** or **remote** server accessible through the server configuration. For **in-place** servers, it is the project root.). Both the **HTTP** and the **HTTPS** protocols are supported. To access a server through **HTTPS**, you need to acquire a certificate file `<certificate_name>.cert` signed by a recognized **authority** and import this certificate in the [truststore/keystore](#) of the **Oracle JRE (Java Runtime Environment)** on which IntelliJ IDEA runs. Note that self-signed certificates are rejected as unsafe.

### To import a certificate in Oracle JRE:

1. Open the embedded Terminal and type the following command:

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```

```
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```

Otherwise it is `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts or`

```
<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/cacerts .
```

2. When asked to enter a password for the truststore/keystore, specify the default one `changeit`.
3. Open the `IntelliJ IDEA.exe.vmoptions` file in the `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin` and add the following line to it:

```
-Djavax.net.ssl.keyStore=<path to keystore>
```

4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA.

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4. Click the Open button to make sure that the specified URL address is accessible and points at the correct Web page.

## Mapping local folders to folders on the server and the URL addresses to access them

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1. Switch to the Mappings tab.
2. In the Local Path text box, specify the full path to the desired folder in the project tree. In the simplest case it is the project

root.

3. In the Deployment Path text box, specify the folder on the server where IntelliJ IDEA will upload the data from the folder specified in the Local Path text box. Type the path to the folder relative to the **server configuration root** . If the folder with the specified name does not exist yet, IntelliJ IDEA will create it, provided that you have selected the Create Empty directories checkbox in the [Options dialog box](#) . For more details, see [Customizing Upload/Download](#) .
4. In the Web Path text box, type the path to the folder on the server relative to the **server configuration root** . Actually, type the relative path you typed in the Deployment Path text box.

## Overloading the deployment destination by configuring nested mappings

You can configure separate mappings for a specific folder under the your project root to have the contents of this folder synchronized with another location on the remote host.

Suppose you have configured the mappings as follows:

Local Path	Deployment Path
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<project_root>	ftp://.../htdocs/my_project
<project_root>/my_folder	ftp://.../htdocs/my_folder

Then the files in your project will be uploaded as follows:

Local Path	Deployment Path
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<project_root>/file1.js	ftp://.../htdocs/my_project/file1.js
<project_root>/my_folder/file2.js	ftp://.../htdocs/my_folder/file2.js

instead of ftp://.../htdocs/my\_project/my\_folder/file2.js

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## Basics

In addition to the mandatory settings that ensure successful upload and download in various project - server set-ups, you can choose additional options to customize interaction with the server. Most of these options apply to all types of **server access configuration**. For FTP/FTPS/SFTP server configurations, you can specify additional protocol-specific options.

### Setting common upload/download options

1. Open the [Options](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | Deployment | Options .
  - Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Build, Execution, Deployment node, and then click Options under Deployment .
2. In the Options dialog box that opens, specify additional settings:
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA skip specific files or entire folders during upload/download, in the Exclude items by name text box, specify the patterns that define the names of these files and folders. Use semicolons as delimiters. Wildcards are welcome.  
The exclusion is applied recursively. This means that if a matching folder has subfolders, the contents of these subfolders are not deployed either.  
  
For more details about excluding files and folders from upload/download, see [Excluding Files and Folders from Upload/Download](#) .
  - Specify the details of the upload/download procedure by selecting or clearing the corresponding checkboxes.

### Specifying additional protocol-specific customization options for FTP/SFTP/FTPS servers

1. Open the [Deployment](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - Choose Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu.
  - Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Deployment under Build, Execution, Deployment .
2. In the [Deployment](#) dialog box, click the Advanced Options button and specify additional uploading settings in the Advanced Options dialog box that opens:
  - To set the client to the [passive mode](#) , select the Passive mode checkbox. In this mode, the client on your machine connects to the server to inform about being in the passive mode, receives the port number to listen to, and established data connection through the port with the received number. This mode is helpful when your machine is behind a firewall.
  - To have the hidden files and directories (those with names that start with a dot `.` ) shown in the [Server Browser Tool Window](#) , select the Show Hidden Files checkbox.
  - Select the Compatibility mode checkbox to ensure [compatibility in child file naming](#) with your FTP server. This option is helpful if the remote FTP server reports the following error:

```
Invalid descendant file name <file name>
```

Selecting this option may slow down synchronization with the server.

- Use the Retrieve accurate files timestamps drop-down list to specify the [MDTM](#) FTP command calling policy to retrieve the last-modified time of a given file on the remote host. The available options are:
  - Always - select this option to have MDTM called for every file shown in the [Remote Host](#) tool window.
  - On copy - select this option to have MDTM called in the following cases:
    - To check whether a file is up to date when the Overwrite up-to-date files checkbox in the [Options](#) dialog box is cleared.
    - To preserve the actual time stamp of a file during download.
  - Never - select this option to suppress calling MDTM.
- Select the Limit concurrent connections checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA restrict the number of connections to be supported simultaneously and specify the maximum number of allowed connections in the text box.
- In the Control encoding text box, specify the encoding that matches the encoding used by your server. Accept the default value if you are not sure that it supports **UTF-8** encoding.
- Select the Always use LIST command checkbox to use the standard `LIST` command for listing instead of the `MLSD` command. This lets you avoid problems, for example, failure during upload with the **Invalid descendent file name** exception if the FTP server supports `MLSD` and returns `cdir` .
- In the Send keep alive message each text box, specify how often you want IntelliJ IDEA to send commands to the server to reset the timeout and thus preserve the connection.
- From the Use keep alive command drop-down list, choose the commands to be sent to the server to reset the timeout

and thus preserve the connection.

- On some **SFTP** servers, the **SSH banner** may be enabled. Every time a connection is established, a pop-up window with an information message may be shown and to continue you would need to click OK .

To suppress showing the information pop-up window, select the Ignore info messages checkbox.

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## Basics

Suppressing uploading, downloading, and synchronization for files or folders with sources ensures that the sources are protected against accidental update. When applied to non-sources, it saves system resources because huge amounts of media, caches, or temporal files are no longer copied hither and thither.

You may need to suppress upload/download in the following cases:

1. You are going to work with externally created and uploaded source code. To process these remote sources in IntelliJ IDEA, you have to download them and arrange them in a project. However, there are some sources that you should not update at all. On the other hand, the folders on the remote host also may contain huge amounts of media, caches, temporal files, that you actually do not need in your work.
2. You have already downloaded the data from the server and arranged them in a IntelliJ IDEA project. However, for this or that reason, you need to have some files or folders on the server protected against upload/download, for example, to prevent accidental overwriting.
3. The local copy of an application contains both source code and other data that you do not need to upload. Besides, you want to protect some sources against overwriting by mistake. In this case, you can suppress upload/download for all files and folders that should not be uploaded.

There are two ways to **exclude folders** from upload/download:

- Explicitly, by marking the corresponding paths as excluded in the [Remote Host](#) tool window or in the [Excluded Paths](#) tab of the [Deployment dialog box](#).
  1. The names of all the not-excluded folders and files are displayed on green background. The names of excluded items are displayed without background.
  2. In the [Remote Host](#) tool window, you can exclude both entire folders and specific files.
- **By name**, that is, by specifying [patterns that determine the names](#) of files and folders to be excluded in the Exclude Items by Name text box of the [Options](#) dialog box.

**Separate files** can be protected against upload/download only through [excluding them by name](#).

**Note** In either case, the exclusion is applied recursively. This means that if the path to a folder is explicitly marked as excluded or the folder name matches the pattern, the contents of all its subfolders, if any, are also protected against upload/download.


## Excluding a folder on server from upload/download after project creation

1. Choose the required folder right in the [Remote Host](#) tool window:
  1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host or View | Tool Windows | Remote Host.
  2. In the [Remote Host](#) tool window that opens, select the relevant [server configuration](#) from the drop-down box.
  3. Select the folder to exclude and choose Exclude Path on the context menu of the selection.
2. Add the required folder to the list of excluded paths:
  1. Open the [Deployment](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
    - Choose Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu.
    - Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Deployment under Build, Execution, Deployment.
  2. In the [Deployment](#) dialog box, switch to the [Excluded Paths](#) tab. The tab shows the list of the previously excluded local and remote folders.
  3. Click the Add deployment path button. An empty line is added to the list.
  4. Click the Browse button `...`. The Select remote excluded path dialog box that opens shows the data on the host accessed through the selected server configuration. Select the required folder.
  5. When you OK, you return to the [Excluded Paths](#) tab, where the selected remote folder is added to the list.

## Excluding a local folder from upload/download

1. Open the [Deployment](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - Choose Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu.
  - Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Deployment under Build, Execution, Deployment.
2. In the [Deployment](#) dialog box, switch to the [Excluded Paths](#) tab. The tab shows the list of the previously excluded local and remote folders.
3. Click the Add local path button. In the empty line that is added to the list, specify the location of the folder to be protected



against upload/download. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the required folder in the [dialog that opens](#) .

## Excluding files and folders from upload/download by name

1. Open the [Options](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Tools | Deployment | Options .
- Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Build, Execution, Deployment node, and then click Options under Deployment .

2. In the [Options](#) dialog box that opens, specify the patterns that define the names of these files and folders in the Exclude items by name text box. Use semicolons as delimiters. Wildcards are welcome.

The exclusion is applied recursively. This means that if a matching folder has subfolders, the contents of these subfolders are not deployed either.

## Removing the exclusion mark

To return a file or folder to upload/download, select it and choose Remove Path from Excluded on the context menu of the selection. Returning a folder to upload/download automatically affects all its subfolders and files.

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## Basics


Once you have [set up synchronization](#) between your local application sources and the application sources on a server, you can create new folders, move, rename, and delete existing files and folders. You can also [compare](#) files and folders on the server with their local versions.

For the sake of simplicity, any file or folder in your IntelliJ IDEA project is called **local** and any file or folder on the server is called **remote**, even if the server is actually installed on your machine. For details, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#).

Although IntelliJ IDEA supports direct editing of individual non-project files on servers, to keep your local and remote sources synchronized, configure automatic upload using the >Upload changed files automatically to the default server drop-down list in the [Options](#) dialog box.

Access to servers is controlled through [server configurations](#) of the type FTP, FTPS, SFTP, or Local or Mounted Folder.

## Accessing a server

1. Open the [Remote Host tool window](#) by choosing *Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host or View | Tool Windows | Remote Host* on the main menu.
2. Select the required deployment server from the drop-down list. The tool window shows a tree view of files and folders under the **server root**. If no relevant server is available in the list, click , and in the Deployment dialog box that opens [configure access to the required server](#).

## Handling files and folders on the server

From the Remote Host tool window, you can create, move, rename, and delete files and folders on the server.

### To create a folder

Select the parent directory and choose Create Folder on the context menu.

### To remove a file or folder

Select the required file or folder and choose Delete on the context menu.

### To rename a file or folder

Select the required file or folder in the tree view, choose Rename on the context menu, and specify the new name in the Rename dialog box that opens.

**Tip** Alternatively, select the required file or folder and drag it to the new location.

### To move a file or folder

1. Select the file or folder to move and choose Cut on the context menu.
2. Select the new parent folder and choose Paste on the context menu. Then confirm the changes in the Move remote Items dialog box that opens.

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## Uploading files and folders

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following main ways to upload project files and folders to a deployment server:


- **Manually**, at any time through a menu command.
- **Automatically**, every time a file is updated, or before starting a debugging session, or during commit to your version control system.

### How do I upload a file or folder manually?


In the Project tool window, select this file or folder, choose Upload to on the context menu, and then select the target deployment server from the list.


### How do I upload a file or folder to the default server manually?

In the Project tool window, select this file or folder and then choose Upload to <default deployment server> on the context menu of the selection.

**Tip** If the area is folded, click  to expand it.

### How do I upload checked-in files immediately after commit?

1. [Start checking in your changes](#).
2. In the After Commit area, choose the target server from the Upload file to drop-down list. Choose one of the existing deployment servers or create a new one: click  and [configure access to the relevant server](#) in the [Deployment](#) dialog box that opens.
3. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically upload checked in files to the chosen server, select the Always use selected server checkbox.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA considers a local file changed as soon as it is saved either automatically or manually (File | Save All or ) , see [Saving and Reverting Changes](#). Changed files can be automatically uploaded only to the [default deployment server](#).

### How do I configure automatic upload of changed files to the default server:

1. Open the [Options dialog](#) ( File | Settings | Build, Execution, Deployment | Deployment | Options for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Build, Execution, Deployment | Deployment | Options for macOS).
2. From the Upload changed files automatically to the default server list, choose when you want IntelliJ IDEA to upload changed files:
  - To upload any manually or automatically saved file, choose Always .
  - To upload only manually saved files, choose On explicit save action .
  - To suppress automatic upload, choose Never .

## Downloading files and folders

Files and folders can be downloaded only **manually**.

### How do I download a file or folder?

In the Remote Hosts tool window, select the required file or folder and choose Download from here on the context menu of the selection.

### How do I download a file from the default deployment server?

On the main menu, choose Tools | Deployment | Download from <default server configuration> .

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## Basics

Correspondence between files and folders in your IntelliJ IDEA project and their versions on a server is set through [deployment server mappings](#) . For the sake of simplicity, any file or folder in your IntelliJ IDEA project is called **local** and any file or folder on the server is called **remote** , even if the server is actually installed on your machine. For details, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) .



## Accessing a server

1. Open the [Remote Host tool window](#) by choosing *Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host* or *View | Tool Windows | Remote Host* on the main menu.
2. Select the required deployment server from the drop-down list. The tool window shows a tree view of files and folders under the **server root** . If no relevant server is available in the list, click  , and in the Deployment dialog box that opens [configure access to the required server](#) .

## Comparing files and folders on the server with their local versions

Each remote file or folder is [mapped](#) to one and only one local file or folder. Therefore for each remote file or folder, IntelliJ IDEA unambiguously detects its local version so you can compare them at any time.

### To compare a remote file with its local version

1. Open the [Remote Host tool window](#) ( *Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host* or *View | Tool Windows | Remote Host* ) and select the required deployment server from the drop-down list.
2. Select the file in question, and then choose Compare with local version on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the [Differences Viewer for Files](#) dialog box, that opens, explore the differences and apply them, if necessary, using the  and  buttons. For details, see [Viewing Differences Between Files](#) .



### To compare a remote folder with its local version

1. Open the [Remote Host tool window](#) ( *Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host* or *View | Tool Windows | Remote Host* ) and select the required deployment server from the drop-down list.
2. Select the folder in question and choose Sync with local on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the [Differences Viewer for Folders](#) that opens, explore the differences and synchronize the files, where applicable, as described in [Comparing two folders in the Difference Viewer](#) .

## Comparing local files and folders with their versions on the server

Because local file or folder can be mapped to an unlimited number of remote counterparts, IntelliJ IDEA can uniquely identify remote versions of local files or folders only when they are mapped through the [default deployment server](#) . If no such default deployment server is appointed, you have to choose the relevant configuration manually.

### To compare a local file with its remote version

1. Select the file in question in the [Project](#) tool window.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose *Deployment | Compare with Deployed Version on <default server access configuration>* .
3. In the [Differences Viewer for Files](#) dialog box, that opens, explore the differences and apply them, if necessary, using the  and  buttons. For details, see [Viewing Differences Between Files](#) .

### To compare a local folder with its remote version

1. Select the folder in question in the [Project](#) tool window.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose *Sync with Deployed to <default deployment server>* if a default server is appointed. Otherwise, choose *Sync with Deployed to* and then choose the relevant server from the list.
3. In the [Differences Viewer for Folders](#) that opens, explore the differences and synchronize the files, where applicable, as described in [Comparing two folders in the Difference Viewer](#) .


## Comparing and synchronizing two folders in the Difference Viewer

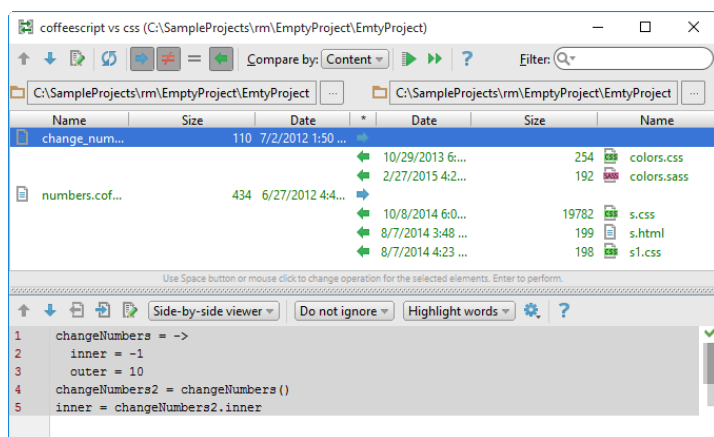
IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated [Differences Viewer for Folders](#) for comparing files in remote folders and their local versions against the file size, content, or timestamp. Besides exploring differences, the tool also provides interface for synchronizing the contents of folders.

- The Item List shows the contents of the local and remote folders. Use the [toolbar buttons](#) to narrow down or widen the set of items to show. For example, show or hide files that are present only locally or remotely, equal files, different files, files [excluded from synchronization](#) , etc.





- The contents of the remote folder are always shown in the right-hand pane and the contents of its local version are always shown in the left-hand pane.
- The contents of the selected file are shown in the lower pane, with the differences being color-highlighted.
- The remote files in the Difference Viewer have the status `read-only` . This means that you cannot update them directly in the Difference Viewer . Make all the necessary changes to the local version of the file in question and upload the updated file to the server.

#### To compare two folders




1. Specify the parameter for comparison. In the Compare by drop-down list, select one of the possible options (contents, size, or time stamp).
2. Filter the folders' contents. To do that, type filtering string in the Filter text field, and press `Enter` to apply it. Using the asterisk `*` wildcard to represent any number of characters is welcome.
3. To switch to another pair of folders to compare, update the fully qualified paths to them. Click the Browse button  next to the Paths read-only fields and choose the required folders in the [dialog box that opens](#) .
4. Explore the detected differences between files in the Differences Pane .



#### To synchronize the contents of two folders

1. For each pair of items, in the `*` field specifies the action to apply. Click the icon in the field until the required action is set.
  -  the file will be uploaded, possibly overwriting the remote version.
  -  the file will be downloaded, possibly overwriting the local version.
  -  the files are treated identical with regard to the selected criterion of comparison. No action will be performed by default.
  -  the files differ with regard to the selected criterion of comparison. No action will be performed by default. Explore the differences in the Differences Pane of the Difference Viewer and change the intended action by clicking the icon.

The remote files in the Difference Viewer have the status `read-only` . This means that you cannot update them directly in the Difference Viewer . Make all the necessary changes to the local version of the file in question and upload the updated file to the server.

  -  the file is present only locally or remotely and will be removed.
2. Do one of the following:
  - To synchronize the currently selected item, click the Synchronize Selected button  on the toolbar.
  - To synchronize all the items, click the Synchronize All button  on the toolbar.

The functionality described on this page and in the entire chapter [Working with Web Servers: Copying Files](#) is available only in the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

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## Introduction

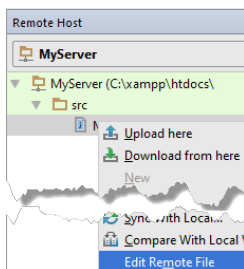
Once you've set up synchronization with a remote host, you can open individual files directly from the remote host and edit them in IntelliJ IDEA, without adding/downloading them to the local project. Note that for such files not included in a project, some IntelliJ IDEA features are not supported.

To take advantage of debugging, refactorings, and other advanced features, consider including the files into a project; see [Accessing Files on Web Servers](#) for details.

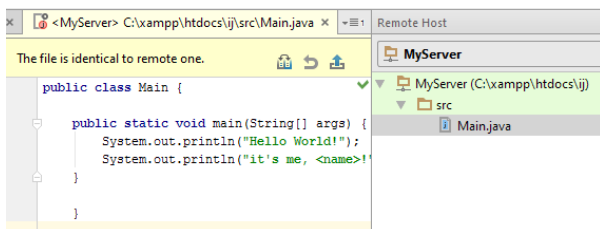
## Editing files on remote hosts

### To edit a file on a remote host

1. Open the [Remote Host tool window](#) by choosing *Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host* or *View | Tool Windows | Remote Host* on the main menu.
2. Select the required deployment server from the drop-down list. The tool window shows a tree view of files and folders under the **server root**. If no relevant server is available in the list, click , and in the Deployment dialog box that opens [configure access to the required server](#).
3. To start editing a file, double click its name or select the file name in the [Remote Host Tool Window](#), and choose *Edit Remote File* on the context menu:

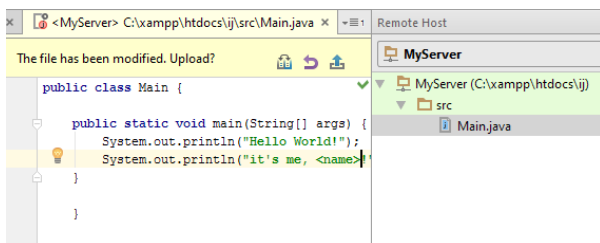





The file opens in the IntelliJ IDEA editor, without being added or downloaded to the local project.



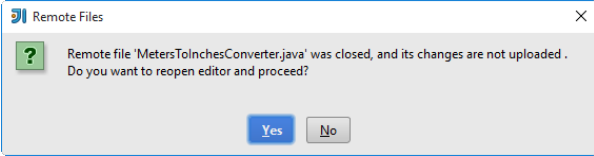
When you work with a remote file, a special toolbar appears at the top of the editor, showing the editing status ("The file is identical to the remote one" or "The file has been changed. Upload?").

Remote files can be easily distinguished from local ones by looking at the annotation, which includes the server name (in our case it is <MyServer>).



4. When you are done editing the file, do one of the following:
  - To upload the file to the remote host, click .
  - To compare the currently opened file with the last uploaded version, click . The files are opened in the standard IntelliJ IDEA [Difference Viewer](#), see [Differences Viewer for Files](#).
  - To discard the changes introduced to the file after the last upload, click .

As it has been mentioned above, an individual file is not added to a project. As a result, all the changes to it are discarded as soon as you close the file or the currently opened project unless these changes have been uploaded. To prevent losing your data accidentally, IntelliJ IDEA displays the following dialog box when you attempt to close the edited file or the entire project:



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- [Launching an SSH Terminal](#)

**Warning!** The following is only valid when SSH Remote Run Plugin is installed and enabled!

## Introduction

You can launch an **SSH Session** right from IntelliJ IDEA. By running commands in a dedicated SSH terminal, you can access data on a remote Web server or a Vagrant instance (virtual machine) via an SSH tunnel, mainly upload and download files.

## Preparing to work in the SSH Terminal

1. Make sure the **SSH Remote Run** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Make sure, an SSH server is available in the **destination environment**: a remote Web server or a Vagrant instance (virtual machine).
3. Register an account on the SSH server in the **destination environment** and generate a pair of SSH keys or a password, depending on the server policy.
4. Appoint the **destination environment** and specify the settings to establish connection with it.
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click SSH Terminal under Tools. The [SSH Terminal](#) page opens.
  2. In the Connection settings area, appoint the **destination environment**:
    - Current Vagrant: select this option to have the commands in the SSH Terminal executed on the currently running Vagrant virtual machine. For details, see [Vagrant](#).
    - Deployment server: select this option to have the commands in the SSH Terminal executed on the local or remote Web server accessible through one of the [server access configurations](#). From the drop-down list, choose the server access configuration that specifies the destination environment and the settings to establish connection to it.
      - Select server on every run: if this option is selected, you will have to choose the desired server access configuration from the pop-up window, every time you choose Tools | Start SSH Session on the main menu.
      - If the desired server access configuration does not appear in the drop-down list, click the link [Configure Servers](#), and define one in the [Deployment](#) page. For details, see the [Configuring Synchronization with a Remote Host](#) section.
  3. From the Default encoding drop-down list, select the desired encoding to be used in the SSH terminal.

## Launching an SSH Terminal

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Start SSH Session.
2. Depending on the connection settings, defined in the [SSH Terminal](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog, the following types of behavior are possible:
  - If the Current Vagrant option has been selected, the SSH Terminal will provide access to the currently running Vagrant virtual machine. For details, see [Vagrant](#).
  - If the option Deployment server has been selected, the SSH Terminal will provide control over the data on the local or remote Web server accessible through the **server access configuration** selected from the list. For details, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#).
  - If the option Select server on every run has been selected, IntelliJ IDEA will show a pop-up list to choose the desired **server access configuration** from.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with various third-party [compilers](#) that run in the background and translate Less, Sass, SCSS, and Stylus into CSS, or CoffeeScript into JavaScript, as well as compress JavaScript and CSS.


To use a compiler in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to configure it as a **File Watcher**. For each supported compiler, IntelliJ IDEA provides a predefined File Watcher template.

The output of a File Watcher is stored in a separate file. Each predefined template suggests the type of the output file depending on the compiler type. By default the output file is created in the same folder as the input file when the File Watcher is invoked for the first time, after that this file is only updated. However, in the Project tree view, the output file is shown under the original file which is shown as a node. This is done to improve visibility so you can easier locate necessary files.

File watchers have two dedicated **code inspections** :

- The **File watcher available** inspection is runs in every file where a predefined File Watcher is applicable. If the project has no relevant File Watcher configured, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to add one.
- The **File watcher problems** inspection is invoked by a running File Watcher and highlights errors specific for it.

## Creating a File Watcher

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)), choose File Watchers under Tools. The [File Watchers page](#) opens showing a list of File Watchers that are already configured in the project.
2. Click  and choose the predefined template from which you want to create a File Watcher. The choice depends on the compiler you are going to use. To use a compiler that is not on the list, choose Custom. The [New Watcher](#) dialog box opens.
3. In the Name text box, type the name of the File Watcher. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the name of the selected predefined template.


## Configuring the expected type and location of input files

**Tip** By default, the field shows the file type in accordance with the chosen predefined template.

**Tip** See [Scope](#) for details.

**Tip** This option is available only for Babel, Closure Compiler, Compass, Jade, Less, Sass / SCSS, Stylus, UglifyJS, and YUI Compressor JS.

Use the controls in the Files to watch area to define the range of files where you want to apply the File Watcher.

1. From the File type drop-down list, choose the expected type of input files. The File Watcher will consider only files of this type as subject for analyzing and processing. File types are recognised based on [associations between file types and file extensions](#).
2. Choose the Scope in which the File Watcher is applicable. Changes in these files will invoke the File Watcher either immediately or upon save or frame deactivation, depending on the status of the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox.  
Choose one of the predefined scopes from the drop-down list or click  and configure a custom scope in the Scopes dialog that opens.

### Optionally

Specify how you want the File Watcher to deal with dependencies. When the File Watcher is invoked in a file, IntelliJ IDEA detects all the files where it is included. For each of the detected files, in its turn, IntelliJ IDEA again detects the containing files. This operation is repeated recursively until IntelliJ IDEA reaches the files that are not included anywhere [within the specified scope](#). These files are referred to as **root files** (do not confuse with **content roots**).

- To run the File Watcher only against root files, select the Track only root files checkbox.
- Clear the checkbox to run the File Watcher against the file from which it is invoked and against all the files in which this file is recursively included within the specified scope.

Note that the Scope setting overrides the Track only root files checkbox setting: if a dependency is outside the specified scope, the File Watcher is not applied to it.

## Configuring interaction with the compiler


**Tip** `.jar` archives are also acceptable but defining `PATH` variables for them is not supported.

**Tip** When specifying the arguments, follow these rules:

- Use spaces as separators.
- If an argument contains spaces, enclose them or the entire argument in double quotes: `some "arg"` Or `"some arg"`.
- If an argument contains double quotes, use backslashes to escape them: `-Dmy_prop=\"quoted_value\"`.

**Tip** If you leave the field empty, IntelliJ IDEA uses the directory of the file where the File Watcher is invoked.


In the Tool to run on changes area, specify the compiler to use, the arguments to pass to it, the expected output file types, etc.

1. In the Program text box, specify the path to the executable file of the compiler ( `.exe` , `.cmd` , `.bat` , or other depending on the specific tool). Type the path in the text box, or click  and choose the path in the dialog that opens, click Insert Macro button and select the relevant macro from the list in the [Macros](#) dialog.
2. In the Arguments text box, define the arguments to pass to the compiler. Among other cases, use this text box to change the default output location, that is, specify a custom location where you want the compiler to store the files generated during compilation. Note that if you re-define the default output location here you need to clear the Create output file from stdout checkbox in the Advanced Options area because otherwise the content of your generated file will be overwritten by the compiler's output stream.
3. In the Output paths to refresh text box, specify the files where the compiler stores its output: the resulting source code, source maps, and dependencies. Based on these settings, IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the files generated through compilation.

Please note, that changing the value in this text box does not make the compiler store its output in another location. To do that, specify the desired output location in the Arguments text box: type the output paths using colons as separators or click the Insert Macro button to open the [Macros](#) dialog box and select the desired pattern from the list.

#### Optionally

1. Expand the Working Directory and Environment Variables hidden area.
2. Define the environment variables. For example, specify the `PATH` variable for the tool that is required for starting the compiler but is not referenced in the path to it. In most cases it is `Node.js` or `ruby.exe` . Such situation may happen if you installed the compiler in a custom installation folder manually but not through the Node Package Manager (npm) or `gem manager` .
3. In the Working Directory text box, specify the directory to which the compiler will be applied.

Because the tool is always invoked in the context of a file, the default working directory is the directory of the current file. The default working directory is specified in all predefined templates through a `$FileDir$` macros. To specify a custom working directory, type the path to it in the text box, or click  and choose the directory in the Select Path dialog box, or click Insert Macro and select the desired macro from the list in the [Macros](#) dialog box.

## Configuring advanced options

**Tip** Some compilers generate a `standard output stream (stdout)` file, others do not, which may lead to errors. Therefore it is strongly recommended that you preserve the default setting.

In the Advanced Options area, customize the default behaviour of the File Watcher.

1. Specify the events that will invoke the File Watcher:
  - To invoke the File Watcher as soon as any changes are made to the source code, select the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox.
  - When the checkbox is cleared, the File Watcher starts upon save ( `File | Save All` ) or when you move the focus from IntelliJ IDEA (upon frame deactivation).
2. Specify whether you want the File Watcher to interact with the IntelliJ IDEA syntax parser:
  - When the Trigger watcher regardless of syntax errors checkbox is selected, the File Watcher start regardless of the syntactical correctness of a file. The File Watcher will start upon update, save, or frame deactivation, depending on the status of the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox.
  - When the Trigger watcher regardless of syntax errors checkbox is cleared, the File Watcher ignores all triggers in files that are syntactically invalid and starts only in error-free files.
3. Use the Create output file from stdout checkbox to specify how you want to generate the output file.
  - When the checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA reads the native compiler output ( `standard output stream (stdout)` ) and generates the resulting files from it.
  - When the checkbox is cleared, the compiler writes its output directly to the files specified in the Output paths to refresh field.
4. In the Show console drop-down list, choose when you want the File Watcher to open the console.
  - Always: with this option, the console opens when the File Watcher starts.
  - Error: with this option, the File Watcher opens the console only if any errors occur during compilation.
  - Never: choose this option to suppress opening the console at all.

#### Optionally

Configure the output filters to distinguish the output of the File Watcher from other output. These filters make the basis for:

1. Displaying paths to the File Watcher output files as links in error and other messages and logs. When you click such link, the corresponding file is opened in the editor. For example, to get useful error messages displayed, specify the following expression in the Regular expression to match output field of the [Add/Edit Filter Dialog](#) :

```
$FILE_PATH$: $LINE$ $MESSAGE$
```

2. Error highlighting in the output files.

## Enabling and disabling File Watchers

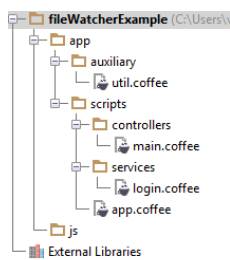
To toggle the enable/disable status of a File Watcher, select/clear the checkbox next to it on the File Watchers page of the Settings dialog box. If an error occurs while a File Watcher is running, the File Watcher is automatically disabled. To restore the status, enable the File Watcher manually.

When a File Watcher is enabled, it starts automatically as soon as a file to which compilation is applicable is changed or saved, see [Configuring advanced options](#).

## Examples of customizing the behaviour of a compiler

Any compiler is an external, third-party tool. Therefore the only way to influence a compiler is pass arguments to it just as if you were working in the command line mode. These arguments are specific for each tool. Below are two examples of customizing the default output location for the **CoffeeScript compiler**.

Suppose, you have a project with the following folder structure:



By default, the generated files will be stored in the folder where the original file is. You can change this default location and have the generated files stored in the `js` folder. Moreover, you can have them stored in a flat list or arranged in the folder structure that repeats the original structure under the `app` node.

- To have all the generated files stored in the output `js` folder without retaining the original folder structure under the `app` folder:

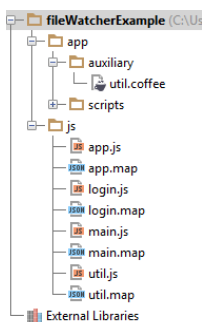
1. In the Arguments text box, type:

```
--output $ProjectFileDir\js\ --compile --map $FileName$
```

2. In the Output paths to refresh text box, type:

```
$ProjectFileDir\js\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.js:$ProjectFileDir\js\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.map
```

As a result, the project tree looks as follows:



- To have the original folder structure under the `app` node retained in the output `js` folder:

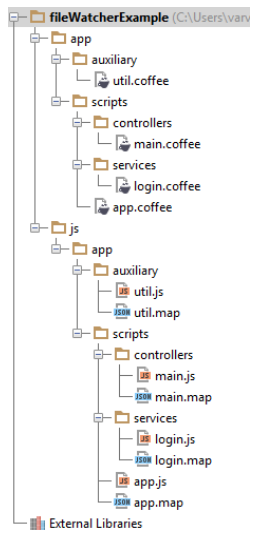
1. In the Arguments text box, type:

```
--output $ProjectFileDir\js\${FileDirRelativeToProjectRoot}\ --compile --map $FileName$
```

2. In the Output paths to refresh text box, type:

```
$ProjectFileDir$\js\${FileDirRelativeToProjectRoot}\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.js:$ProjectFileDir$\js
```

As a result, the project tree looks as follows:



In this part:

- [Dependencies Analysis](#)
- [Analyzing Dependencies Using DSM](#)
- [Viewing Structure and Hierarchy of the Source Code](#)
- [Analyzing Backward Dependencies](#)
- [Analyzing Cyclic Dependencies](#)
- [Analyzing Dependencies](#)
- [Analyzing Duplicates](#)
- [Analyzing Module Dependencies](#)
- [Analyzing External Stacktraces](#)
- [Analyzing Data Flow](#)
- [Validating Dependencies](#)

IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following means of analyzing dependencies in your projects:

- Analysis of usages, which helps you locate all references to a certain class, variable, method or parameter. This facility includes [search](#) and [view](#) usages across the project and [highlighting usages](#) in a file.
- Possibility to [view file structure](#) .
- Possibility to [explore hierarchy](#) of the types, methods, and method calls.
- Search for [repetitive code fragments](#) .
- Analysis of dependencies ([module](#) , [backward](#) , or [cyclic](#) ).
- Exploring complicated dependencies using [Dependency Structure Matrix Analysis](#) .

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In this section:

- [Analyzing Dependencies Using DSM](#)
- [DSM Analysis](#)
- [Accessing DSM Analysis](#)
- [Expanding Dependencies](#)
- [Exploring Dependencies](#)
- [Find Usages for Dependencies](#)
- [Limiting DSM Scope](#)

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the DSM Analysis functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the DSM Analysis check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEA settings ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ).

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This feature is only supported for Java!

While working on complicated projects that definitely have numerous dependencies, you might experience difficulties trying to understand where to look for the problems. You can perform dependencies analysis, but you have to know exactly which dependencies you would like to analyze. This is where DSM helps.

DSM stands for Dependency Structure Matrix - a method for exploring dependencies between program parts (modules, classes, etc.), and provides a compact matrix representation of a project.

DSM analysis helps you visualize the dependencies between the parts of a project (modules, classes etc.) and highlights the information flow within a project.

DSM analysis can be used to manage how changes will affect the project. For example, if one of the classes needs to be changed, you can identify all dependencies and see how the change will propagate through the project. A dependency structure matrix lists all of the parts of a project and dependencies between them.

Results of the DSM analysis display in the special [DSM view](#) .

**Tip** This functionality is only available when the DSMAnalysis plugin is enabled in your IntelliJ IDEA installation.



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This feature is only supported for Java!

## To invoke DSM

1. On the main menu, choose Analyze | Analyze Dependency Matrix . Note that this command becomes available on the menu if only the DSM Analysis plugin has been enabled. Refer to the [Plugins settings](#) page of the Settings dialog.
2. In the Specify Analyze Dependency Matrix Scope dialog, click the radio button that corresponds to the desired analysis scope.
3. Check the Include test sources checkbox, if you want to analyze the test sources. Click OK .

**Warning:** If your project class files are out-of-date, the analysis may result in incomplete or incorrect data. To avoid this, IntelliJ IDEA asks you whether you want to compile a project before continuing the DSM analysis.

4. When ready, the DSM View is opened in a new window, enabling you to examine dependencies.

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This feature is only supported for Java!

You can expand dependencies to examine them in more detail.

### **To expand dependencies**

1. In the DSM view, select the cell to explore.
2. Double-click the cell. This will expand both rows displaying dependencies in more detail.

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There is a possibility to limit view to selected dependencies only. Note that in contrary to Limit Scope , only classes which produce dependencies selected are left.

### **To explore dependencies**

1. In the DSM view, select the cell to explore.
2. Right-click the dependency and choose Explore Dependencies Between on the context menu. The classes that produce these dependencies will be opened in a new tab within the DSM view.

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This feature is only supported for Java!

You can open selected dependencies in [Find Usages view](#) for further source-code analysis.

### **To find usages for dependencies**

1. In the DSM view, select the dependency.
2. Right-click the dependency and choose Find Usages for Dependencies on the context menu.

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This feature is only supported for Java!

You can limit the scope of your DSM to the selected rows. Only these will remain in the new matrix.

### **To limit DSM scope**

1. In the DSM view, select the rows to remain.
2. Right-click the selected rows and choose Limit Scope To Selection in the menu. The limited scope will be opened in a new tab within the DSM view.

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to examine the hierarchy of classes, methods, and calls in the Hierarchy tool window, and explore the structure of source files in the Structure tool window.

- Both the Hierarchy and the Structure tool windows are available from the View menu.
- the Hierarchy tool window only becomes available, when a hierarchy is built.
- Hierarchies are built in the Navigate menu.

In this part:

- [Building Call Hierarchy](#)
- [Building Class Hierarchy](#)
- [Building Method Hierarchy](#)
- [Retaining Hierarchy Tabs](#)
- [Viewing Hierarchies](#)
- [Viewing Structure of a Source File](#)

You can build and view the hierarchy of callers and callees for a selected method in the [Hierarchy tool window](#) . Before viewing call hierarchy, you need to build at least one.

### **To build a hierarchy of method calls**

1. In the Editor, place the caret at the method declaration or usage. In the Project view, or another tool window, select the desired method.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Call Hierarchy` .
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+H` .

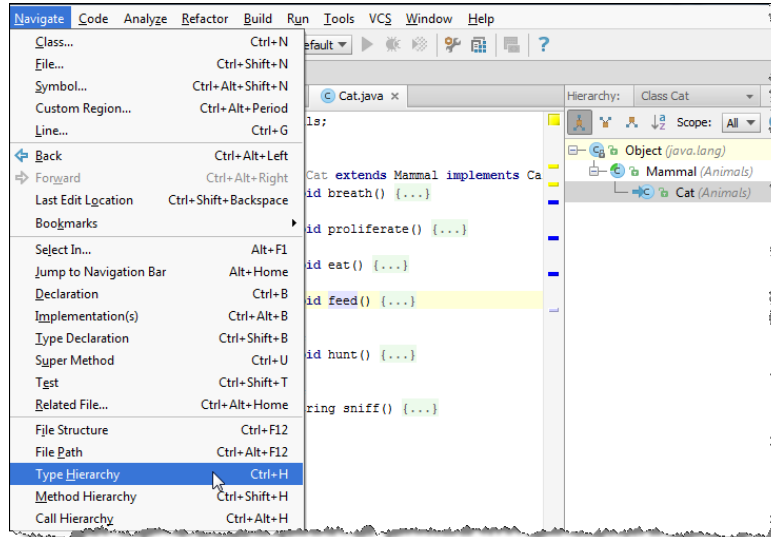
You can explore the hierarchy of parent and children classes of a selected class in the [Hierarchy tool window](#).

Note that the Hierarchy tool window only becomes available, when you build the class hierarchy, as described below.

## To build the hierarchy of classes

1. Select the desired class in the Project tool window, or open it in the editor.
2. On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Type Hierarchy` or press `Ctrl+H`.

The class hierarchy appears in the [Hierarchy tool window](#).





A method hierarchy makes it possible to examine a tree-view of the classes where a given method is:


- defined (+).
- not defined, but defined in the superclass (-).
- to be defined, because the class is not abstract (!).

## To build a method hierarchy

1. Select the desired method in the Project tool window, or place the caret at the method declaration in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Navigate | Method Hierarchy .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+H` .

By default, every time you build a new hierarchy, IntelliJ IDEA overwrites the current tab in the [Hierarchy](#) tool window. You can retain the contents of the desired tabs and have next hierarchies built in new tabs.

### **To retain a hierarchy tab**

- In the [Hierarchy](#) tool window, click the Pin Tab button  on the toolbar.

Once **built**, hierarchies can be brought up for close examination in the [Hierarchy tool window](#).

On this page:

## Showing the Hierarchy tool window

The Hierarchy tool window is not shown when there are no hierarchies to display. You have to build hierarchies first.

Refer to [Building Class Hierarchy](#), [Building Call Hierarchy](#), and [Building Method Hierarchy](#) to learn how to build hierarchies.

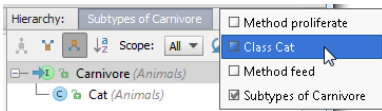
To open the Hierarchy tool window, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose View | Tool Windows | Hierarchy.
- Use `Alt+8` keyboard shortcut.

## Navigating between the tabs of the Hierarchy tool window



Do one of the following:

- Right-click the currently displayed tab, and choose Select Next Tab / Select Previous Tab on the context menu.
- Use the `Alt+Right` and `Alt+Left` keyboard shortcuts.
- Click the currently displayed tab, and choose the next tab to display.



## Toggling between views

Toggling between views means showing ascending or descending hierarchy (callee vs. caller methods, parent vs. children classes etc.) To toggle between views, use the toolbar of the Hierarchy tool window:

- Click  to show caller methods, or supertypes.
- Click  to show callee methods, or subtypes.

On this page:

- [Basics](#)
- [Viewing the structure of a file](#)
- [Viewing members](#)

## Basics

You can examine the structure of the file currently opened in the editor using the Structure tool window or the Structure pop-up window.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA shows all the classes, methods, etc. presented in the current file.

To have [other members displayed](#), click the corresponding buttons on the toolbar of the [Structure](#) tool window.

You can also have class members shown in the [Project](#) tool window.


## Viewing the structure of a file

### To view the file structure, do one of the following


- On the main menu, choose View | Tool Windows | Structure to show the [Structure tool window](#).
- Press Structure tool button to show the [Structure tool window](#).
- Press `Alt+7` to show the [Structure tool window](#).
- Press `Ctrl+F12` to show the [Structure popup](#).

## Viewing members

### To have class fields displayed

- Click  on the toolbar of the Structure tool window.

### To have inherited members displayed

- Click  on the toolbar of the Structure tool window.

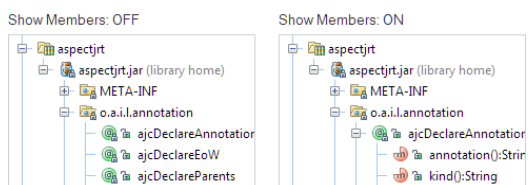
By default, IntelliJ IDEA shows only methods, constants, and fields defined in the current class. If shown, inherited members are displayed gray.

### To have included files displayed

- Click  on the toolbar.

### To have class members shown in the Project tool window

- Turn on the Show members item on the context menu of the Project tool window title bar. If this option is on, the files in the tree that contain classes turn into nodes. When such node is unfolded, the contained classes with their fields, methods, and other members of the selected item are shown.



With this type of analysis you can find another classes or modules in a certain scope of interest, that depend on the specified scope of analysis (a whole project, a module, a file, unversioned files etc.). Results of the analysis display in a dedicated tab of the [Dependency Viewer](#) .

Backward dependencies analysis might be considerably time-consuming, especially on large projects.

## To analyze a project for backward dependencies

1. On the main menu, choose Analyze | Analyze Backward Dependencies . The [Specify Backward Dependency Analysis Scope](#) dialog box opens.
2. In the Analysis Scope section, specify the part of your project, for which you would like to find the dependencies.
3. In the Scope of Interest section, specify the scope where the dependencies are sought for. You can select one of the pre-defined scopes from the drop-down list, or click the ellipsis button and create your own scope in the [Scopes dialog](#) .
4. Select the Include test sources checkbox, if you wish to analyze the test sources.
5. Click OK to run analysis. Productivity hints are displayed while the analysis is in progress. When ready, the [Dependency Viewer](#) opens a special tab, enabling you to examine dependencies.
6. In the left pane of the Dependency Viewer, select the node to be sought for. In the right pane select the scope to find usages of the selected node. Search results display in the lower pane of the tab.

Cyclic dependencies analysis enables you to detect any circular relationships between the packages in the specified scope. Results of analysis display in a dedicated tab of the [Dependency Viewer](#) .

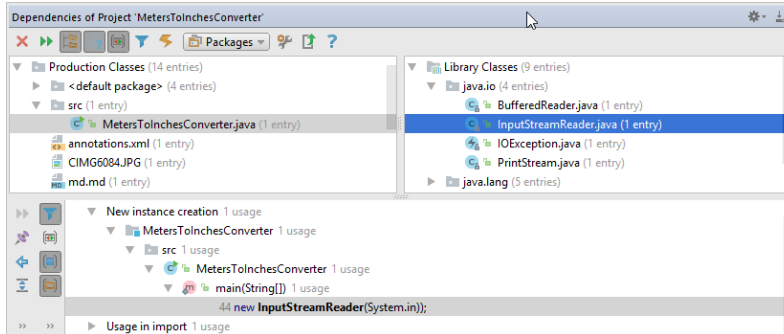
### **To analyze a project for cyclic dependencies**

1. On the main menu, choose Analyze | Analyze Cyclic Dependencies .
2. In the [Specify Cyclic Dependency Analysis Scope dialog](#) , select the desired scope of analysis.
3. Click OK to run the analysis. Productivity hints are displayed while the analysis is in progress. When ready, the [Dependency Viewer](#) opens a special tab, enabling you to examine the dependencies.
4. In the left pane of the Dependency Viewer, select the node to be sought for. In the right pane select the scope to find usages of the selected node. The search results display in the lower pane of the tab.

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to analyze the source code of your project and detect the dependencies, in which your application participates. The results of each dependencies analysis display in a separate tab of the [Dependencies Viewer](#).

## To analyze the dependencies in your project

1. On the main menu, choose Analyze | Analyze Dependencies. Alternatively, right-click the element you want to analyze - a package, a class etc. - and choose the same command on the context menu in the [Project Tool Window](#), or in the editor.
2. In the [Specify Dependency Analysis Scope](#) dialog box, select the desired scope of analysis.
3. Examine dependencies in the [Dependencies Viewer](#).



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

On this page:

- [Overview](#)
- [Searching for duplicates](#)
- [Detecting duplicates on-the-fly](#)

## Overview

IntelliJ IDEA helps you find repetitive blocks of code in a certain range. This range can be a single file, a project, a module, or a custom scope. Results of analysis display in the dedicated tab of the [Duplicates tool window](#).

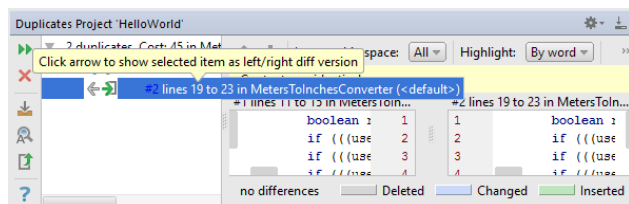
## Searching for duplicates

### To search for duplicates

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Analyze | Locate Duplicates.
  - Choose the Analyze | Locate Duplicates command on the context menu of the editor, or [Project Tool Window](#).
2. In the [Specify Code Duplication Analysis Scope dialog](#), specify the analysis scope (whole project, current file, uncommitted files (for the projects under version control), or some custom scope). In addition, you can include test sources into the analysis too. Click OK, when ready.
3. In the [Code Duplication Analysis Settings dialog](#), do the following:
  1. Select languages to perform analysis in.
  2. For each language, check the options to define your preferences for the analysis. For example, you can opt to request identical match for code fragments to be considered duplicates, or specify a certain limit below which the code constructs are not considered duplicates (to avoid reporting about each `if` construct in the source code).

Click OK.

4. In the [Duplicates tool window](#), explore search results.

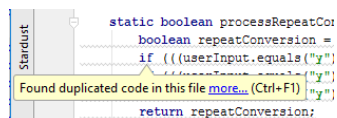


- View the list of duplicates in the left pane of the tool window.
- View differences between the found duplicates in the right pane. Use the arrow buttons to place the selected duplicate in one of the sections of the differences viewer and compare fragments of the code.
- Navigate to the duplicates in the editor, using Jump to Source or Show Source commands of the duplicates context menu.
- Eliminate duplicates from the source code by clicking and specifying the method name and parameters in the Extract Method dialog. This procedure is similar to the [Extract method refactoring](#), with the only difference that in case of duplicates analysis the repetitive blocks of code are found automatically.

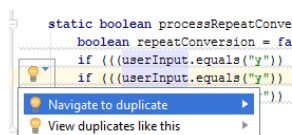
## Detecting duplicates on-the-fly

IntelliJ IDEA enables spotting duplicates on-the-fly. This is done by the [inspection](#) General | Duplicated Code.

If you stumble upon an existing duplicate, or somehow create one either by writing or pasting code, you will know it instantly:



Inspection is accompanied by quick fixes, which enable you to navigate to the detected duplicates, or view all of them in the [Find tool window](#):



Note that IntelliJ IDEA helps avoid locating duplicates in the generated sources.

To do that, select the checkbox ignore duplicated code in sources marked as generated in the inspection settings page:



Editor > Inspections For current project Reset

Profile: Project Default Manage

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- Test method is getter/setter
- Test method is not public
- Test method is static
- Test method should return void
- Test suite has no runner class specified
- Test suite is empty
- FreeMarker inspections
- General
  - Annotator (available for Analyze|Inspect C)
  - Default File Template Usage
  - Duplicated Code**
  - Inconsistent line separators
  - Injected References
  - Line is longer than allowed by code style
  - Problematic whitespace
  - Redundant suppression (available for Ana)
  - Structural Search Inspection
  - Syntax error (available for Analyze|Inspect)

Description

Finds duplicated code

Severity: Weak Warning In All Scopes

Options

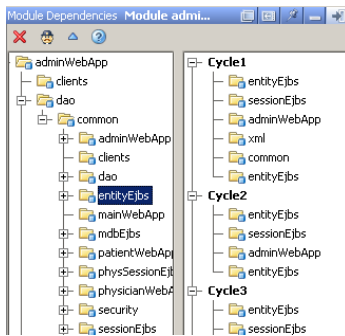
Ignore duplicated code in sources marked as generated


Module dependencies analysis shows all modules that exist in the specified scope, the relationships between these modules, as they are specified in the [Dependencies tab of the Project Structure dialog](#) , and the cyclic dependencies between the modules.

**Tip** You might want to use this type of analysis to make sure that the dependencies you have previously defined, still exist in your project.

## To analyze module dependencies

1. On the main menu, choose Analyze | Analyze Module Dependencies .
2. Specify the scope of analysis. You can opt to select the whole project, or a specific module.
3. Examine dependencies in the [Module Dependencies Tool Window](#)



4. Select a module in the tree view, and use the  toolbar button of the Module Dependencies tool window to [find the modules that depend on the selected one](#) .

On this page:

- [Overview](#)
- [Analyzing external stacktrace](#)

## Overview

You might want to analyze exceptions received by someone else, for example, QA engineers, or investigate a deadlock, or a hang-problem. Unlike the exceptions that you get in the debug mode or when running unit tests, these exceptions do not have links that help you navigate to the corresponding locations in the source code. Moreover, the source code can be scrambled.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can simply copy an exception or full thread dump, paste it to the Stacktrace Analyzer, explore information, and navigate to the corresponding source code.

## Analyzing external stacktrace

### To analyze an external stack trace or thread dump


1. On the main menu, choose Analyze | Analyze Stacktrace . .
2. In the Analyze Stacktrace dialog box that opens, paste the external stack trace or thread dump into the Put a stacktrace or a complete thread dump here: text area.
3. Specify whether you want to have the stacktrace unscrambled. To do that, select the Unscramble stacktrace checkbox, select the desired unscrambler and log file.
4. If the stacktrace text is corrupted (lines are cut or wrapped, or too long, etc.) after processing with some software (for example, a bug tracker or a mail client), click Normalize .
5. Click OK . The stacktrace is displayed in the [Run](#) tool window.

**Tip** In case of thread dump, IntelliJ IDEA will present all threads in a readable way and sort them to show first those most probably responsible for the deadlock or hang-problem in question.



Analyzing dependencies you might need to exclude some of them from the analysis process. In other words, you can create your own rules for dependencies analysis.

## To validate dependencies

1. In the toolbar of the [Dependency Viewer](#) , click the Edit Rules  button. [Dependency Validation dialog](#) is opened.
2. Define the scopes of prohibited and allowed usages:
  1. Click Add button in the Deny/Allow sections to add the default scope.
  2. Click a scope entry in the Deny/Allow usages of column and select one of the pre-defined scopes from the drop-down list, or click the ellipsis button and define scope in the [Scopes](#) dialog.
  3. Click a scope entry in the in / only in column, and select one of the pre-defined scopes, or click the ellipsis button and define scope in the [Scopes](#) dialog.
  4. Use Add and Remove buttons to make up the complete list.
3. Apply changes. Dependency analysis reruns with the new rules.

In this part you can find descriptions of procedures that are common to all supported version control systems, or specific to certain VCS integrations:

- [Concepts of Version Control](#)
- [Managing Projects under Version Control](#)
- [Accessing VCS Operations](#)
- [Enabling Version Control](#)
- [Configuring Version Control Options](#)
- [Common Version Control Procedures](#)
- [VCS-Specific Procedures](#)
- [Using Local History](#)
- [Comparing Files and Folders](#)

IntelliJ IDEA provides integration with several Version Control Systems (referred to as VCS in documentation). This includes both support of features specific for each VCS as well as unified interface and management for common VCS tasks.

In this part:

- [Supported Version Control Systems](#)
- [Unified Version Control Functionality](#)
- [Directory-Based Versioning Model](#)
- [Changelist](#)
- [Local, Repository, and Incoming Changes](#)
- [Local History](#)
- [Patches](#)
- [Shelved Changes](#)

The list of supported integrations of version control systems is determined by the set of currently enabled [plugins](#) .

The basic principles of getting started with the supported version control systems (VCS) in IntelliJ IDEA are rather similar, though some commands and settings are specific and conform to the version control system conventions. In addition to the common information, you can find VCS-specific procedures in the following sections:

- [Using Git integration](#)
- [Using Subversion Integration](#)
- [Using Mercurial Integration](#)
- [Using CVS Integration](#)
- [Using Perforce Integration](#)
- [Using TFS Integration](#)



In addition to support for general and individual VCS commands, IntelliJ IDEA provides several unique features that simplify and speed up the work with any version control system.

- For the projects with VCS support enabled, the standard VCS actions (commit, update, revert, show differences and show history) are added to the main toolbar.
- Commit and update an entire project.
- Uniform interface for configuring common version control system settings.
- Changelists support for all integrated version control systems.
- Next , Previous , Rollback , Show Difference actions are available from the dedicated gutter bar in changed locations.
- View revision history for file/directory.
- Automatic checkout of all affected files when refactoring.
- Advanced Version Control tool window, with multiple dedicated tabs: History, Status, Update Info, etc.

Mind the difference in terminology in the different version control systems. For example, to denote the check-in functionality, Git uses the term *commit* , Subversion uses *submit* , etc.

IntelliJ IDEA adopts a directory based model for version control association. A version control system is assigned to a project directory and/or additional directories that are part of or related to the project. Directories under version control are not required to be located under the project root. They can reside in any accessible location.

All the settings files in the `.idea` directory should be [put under version control](#) except the `workspace.xml`, which stores your local preferences. The `workspace.xml` file should be [marked as ignored by VCS](#).

A changelist is a set of changes in files that represents a logical change in source code. The changes specified in a changelist are not stored in the repository until committed (pushed).

Any changes made to the source files, are automatically included in the active changelist. Initially, the Default changelist is active, but you can make any other changelist active. The active changelist is displayed on top of the Version Control tool window, with the name being highlighted in bold font.

In addition to the Default changelist, you can create new changelists, delete existing ones (except for the Default changelist), and move files between changelists.

All modified, deleted, unversioned and other files are managed in the [Version Control tool window](#). From this window you can:

- Commit (push) changelists.
- Create new changelists (if you want to keep an eye on certain files and changes).
- Remove existing changelists and set the default changelists.
- Rollback modified files in changelists.
- Add the unversioned files and directories to the version control.
- Move files between changelists.
- Show differences on selected files.
- Refresh the list of VCS changes.
- Jump to the source code from within a changelist.
- Shelve (stash) and unshelve (unstash) changes.

IntelliJ IDEA distinguishes between three categories of changes: Local , Repository , and Incoming .

**Note** Repository and incoming changes are not supported by distributed version control systems, such as Git and Mercurial .

- Local changes : the changes that you have introduced to your local working copy, but have not yet checked in to the repository.
- Repository changes : The changes that you and other team members have checked into the repository
- Incoming changes : the changes that have been checked into the repository, but that you have not checked out locally yet.

All these types of changes are displayed in the respective tabs of the [Version Control](#) tool window. The information on changes is stored in the history cache. Configure the size of this cache and frequency of refreshing information in the [General VCS Settings](#) .

Your source code constantly changes as you edit, test, or compile. Any version control system tracks the differences between the committed versions, but the local changes between commits pass unnoticed. Local History is your personal version control system that tracks changes to your source code on your computer and enables you to compare versions and roll changes back, if necessary. Local History is always at your disposal, no steps are required to enable it.

**Local History** is independent of external version control systems and works with the directories of your project even when they are not under any VCS control. It applies to any structural artifacts: a project, a directory or package, a file, a class, class members, tags, or selected fragment of text.

Unlike usual version control systems, Local History is intended for your personal use, it does not support shared access.

With Local History, IntelliJ IDEA automatically tracks changes you make to the source code, results of refactoring, and state of the source code based on a set of predefined events (testing, deployment, commit or update).

Local History revisions are marked with labels, which are similar to versions in traditional version control systems. Labels based on predefined events are added to the local revisions automatically; besides that, you can put your own labels to the project artifacts to mark your changes. Reverting or viewing differences are performed against these labels.

Local History has certain limitations:

- Tracking local changes is only possible for textual files. Binary files do not have Local History.
- For files larger than 1 Mbyte, Local History tracks only the very fact of changes, but does not preserve the respective contents.
- Local History does not support shared access.

IntelliJ IDEA helps you create and apply patches to the source code. A patch is a file in the standard text format that has the \*.patch extension, and contains a list of differences between two sets of source files.

Patches only contain changes to textual files. Changes to binary files cannot be patched.

This concept is tightly related to the concept of [Shelved Changes](#) .

You can run into a situation when you are short of time to bring your source code to a certain required condition or you need to work on an urgent high priority task. In this case you might want to put some changes aside and continue working on a stable version.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can use shelves for storing postponed changes temporarily. In due time, the desired changes can be taken back from the shelf (unshelved).

IntelliJ IDEA enables shelving both separate files and entire changelists. Accordingly, you can unshelve entire shelves or specific files.

This section contains information related to sharing IntelliJ IDEA project files with the other developers:

- [Directory based project format](#)
- [Legacy project format](#)
- [Sharing run/debug configurations](#)
- [Sharing inspection profiles](#)
- [Project settings files to share](#)

## Directory based project format

The project settings are stored in the `.idea` directory. This format is used by all the recent IntelliJ IDEA versions by default. Here is what you need to **share** :

- All the files under `.idea` directory in the project root except `workspace.xml` and `tasks.xml` , storing user-specific settings.
- All the `.iml` module files that can be located in different module directories.

## Legacy project format

The project settings are stored in the `.ipr/.iml/.iws` files.

Share the project `.ipr` file and all the `.iml` module files, don't share the `.iws` file as it stores user specific settings.

## Sharing run/debug configurations

You might want to share [run/debug configurations](#) . To do that, just select the checkbox Share in the selected [run/debug configuration dialog box](#) .

The shared run/debug configurations are kept in separate xml files under `.idea\runConfigurations` folder, while the local run/debug configurations are kept in the `.idea\workspace.xml` .

## Sharing inspection profiles

To share inspection profiles, make sure to select the checkbox Share profile on the [Inspections](#) page of the Settings dialog.

The shared inspection profiles are stored in separate xml files under `.idea\inspectionProfiles` folder, while the local profiles are kept in the `.idea\workspace.xml` .

## Project settings files to share

The `config` directory has several subfolders that contain xml files with your personal settings. You can easily share your preferred keymaps, color schemes, etc. by copying these files into the corresponding folders on another IntelliJ IDEA installation. Prior to copying, make sure that IntelliJ IDEA is not running, because it can erase the newly transferred files before shutting down.

The following is the list of some of the subfolders under the `config` folder, and the settings contained therein.

Folder name	User Settings
<code>codestyles</code>	Contains <a href="#">code style schemes</a> .
<code>colors</code>	Contains <a href="#">editor colors and fonts customization schemes</a> .
<code>filetypes</code>	Contains user-defined <a href="#">file types</a> .
<code>inspection</code>	Contains <a href="#">code inspection profiles</a> .
<code>keymaps</code>	Contains IntelliJ IDEA <a href="#">keyboard shortcuts</a> customizations.
<code>options</code>	Contains various options, for example, feature usage statistics and macros.
<code>templates</code>	Contains user-defined <a href="#">live templates</a> .
<code>tools</code>	Contains configuration files for the <a href="#">user-defined external tools</a> .
<code>shelf</code>	Contains <a href="#">shelved changes</a> .

**Warning!** Be careful about sharing the following:

- Android artifacts that produce a signed build, as they contain keystore passwords.
- `dataSources.ids` , `datasources.xml` - these files can contain database passwords.

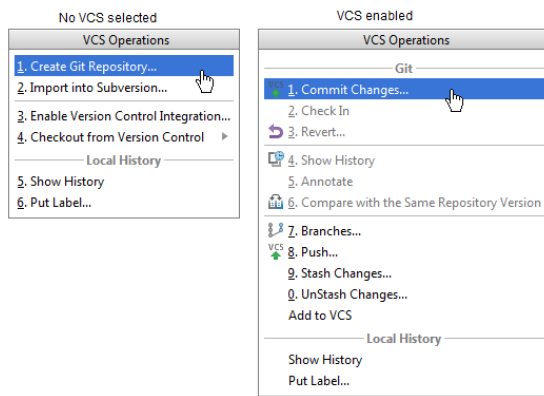
Also, consider not sharing the following:

- The `gradle.xml` file.
- The user dictionaries folder to avoid conflicts if another developer has the same name.



Use the VCS Operations Pop-up to quickly invoke most required commands.

Note that the composition of VCS commands available on the pop-up menu, depends on the specific VCS.



## To quickly invoke a VCS command using VCS Operations Pop-up

1. Open VCS Operations pop-up, in one of the following ways:
  - On the main menu, choose VCS | VCS Operations Pop-up .
  - Press `(Alt+Back Quote)` .
2. Choose command from the VCS Operations list. To do that, perform one of the following actions:
  - Click the desired command in the list.
  - Use up and down arrow keys to select the desired command, and then press `(Enter)` .
  - Press the number key that corresponds to the desired command in the list.

IntelliJ IDEA supports version control integration at two levels:

- At the IDE level, VCS integration is provided through a set of [bundled plugins](#) enabled by default.
- At the project level, VCS integration is enabled by associating project folders with one or several version control systems.

This section describes how to:

- [Associate a project root](#) with version control system.
- [Associate a directory](#) with version control system.
- [Change the associated VCS](#) for the project root or directory.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to quickly enable your project's integration with a version control system, and associate it with the project root. For instructions on how to associate separate project directories with different version control systems, refer to [Associating a Directory with a Specific Version Control System](#) .



### To assign a version control system to the project root

1. Choose VCS | Enable Version Control Integration on the main menu, or press `Alt+Back Quote` , and select Enable Version Control Integration... .
2. In the [Enable Version Control Integration](#) dialog box that opens, select a version control system from the drop-down list that you want to associate with your [project root](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA supports a [directory-based versioning model](#) , which means that each project directory can be associated with a different version control system.

## Associating a directory with a version control system

To associate a directory with a version control system, follow these steps:

1. Open [version control settings](#) ( File | Settings | Version Control ). This page shows a list of project directories and version control systems associated with them (if no directories have been added, the list only contains the project root).
2. Click the Add button  on the right.
3. In the Add VCS Directory Mapping dialog box that opens, select the Directory option. Type the path to the directory that you want to associate with a version control system, or click the Browse button  and select the directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .
4. From the VCS drop-down list, select the version control system that will be used to control the files in this directory. Note that this list only contains the version control systems for which the corresponding [plugins](#) are currently enabled.
5. Optionally, click the Configure VCS button that allows you to specify the settings for the selected version control system. The same settings are also available under the [Version Control settings](#) node.
6. Click OK to save the mapping and return to the Version Control page.

## Managing unregistered directories

For projects with Git or Mercurial integration enabled, IntelliJ IDEA scans project directories to check if there are Git/Mercurial repositories that are not controlled by the IDE. If such repositories are detected, IntelliJ IDEA displays a notification.

To add an unregistered root, click the Add roots link in the notification. Alternatively, open the [Version Control settings page](#) , select the unregistered root you want to add (they are marked grey) and follow the procedure [Associating a Directory with a Specific Version Control System](#) .

If you do not want to be notified about these roots again, click the Ignore link in the notification. Note that if new unregistered repositories are added to the project, IntelliJ IDEA will notify you about them.

## To change the version control system associated with a directory

1. Open the [Version Control](#) settings page. This settings page displays a table of directories with associated version control systems.
2. In the table, locate the row that corresponds to the directory which you want to put under another version control system.
3. Click the VCS column. From the drop-down list that appears, select a new version control system.

**Tip** Optionally, click the Configure VCS button. The Version Control Configurations dialog box opens where you can configure settings for the selected version control system (see the corresponding configuration settings in the [Version Control](#) settings page reference for details).

4. Click OK to save the new mapping and close the Version Control dialog box.

Configuring version control options involves:

- [Configuring General VCS Settings](#)
- [Configuring VCS-Specific Settings](#)

General version control settings apply to all version control systems integrated with IntelliJ IDEA. General settings are specified on the [Version Control](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box, and include defining actions that require confirmation, background operations, ignored files, issue navigation, and depth of history.

### To configure general version control settings, follow these general steps

1. Press [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control .
2. Specify which version control related actions should require [confirmation](#) .
3. Specify which operations should be performed in the [background](#) .
4. Create a list of [files to be ignored](#) by version control systems.
5. Configure [history cache handling](#) .
6. Define [issue navigation](#) rules to switch from check-in comments to corresponding issues in a bug tracking system.

You can define that certain version control related activities should be performed only upon confirmation from your side. The activities for which confirmation is required are specified in the [Confirmation](#) settings page.

## To specify which actions should require confirmation

1. Below the [Version Control](#) node in the settings, select the [Confirmation](#) page.
2. In the Files Creation/Deletion area, define how files created or deleted in IntelliJ IDEA should be added to or removed from a version control system. The available options are:
  - Show options before adding to version control
  - Add silently
  - Do not add
3. In the Display options dialog when these commands are invoked area, specify the commands, for which you want IntelliJ IDEA to display the Options dialog box. The available options are:
  - Check Out
  - Status
  - Get Latest Version
  - Update
  - Undo Check Out
4. Configure additional settings for working with changelists by selecting or clearing the corresponding checkboxes:
  - Specify whether the read-only state of files should require explicit cancellation.
  - Specify whether meaningful comments on committing files to the repository should be required.
  - Specify whether uncommitted changes should be moved to another changelist.
  - Specify whether and how to create a changelist if the commit operation fails.



You can enable background execution of certain version control related activities. These activities are specified in the [Background](#) settings page.

## To specify the operations to run in the background

1. Below the [Version Control](#) node in the settings, select the [Background](#) page.
2. Enable background execution of the necessary actions by selecting the corresponding checkboxes.  
Background execution can be set for the following actions:
  - [Update](#)
  - [Commit](#)
  - [Checkout](#)
  - Edit/Checkout
  - [Add /Remove](#)
  - [Revert](#)
  - [History Cache Handling](#)
  - Detecting "changed on server" conflicts

In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Defining a list of ignored files](#)

## Basics

Sometimes you may need to leave files of certain types unversioned. These can be VCS administration files, artifacts of utilities, backup copies, etc. You can create a global ignore list that will be stored in the workspace file and applied to all supported version control systems.


The files you want to ignore can be appointed explicitly by their names or through name patterns with wildcards. To ignore a directory, you need to specify the full path to it relative to the project root.

Use the [Ignored Files](#) settings page to list files that must be excluded from version control operations.

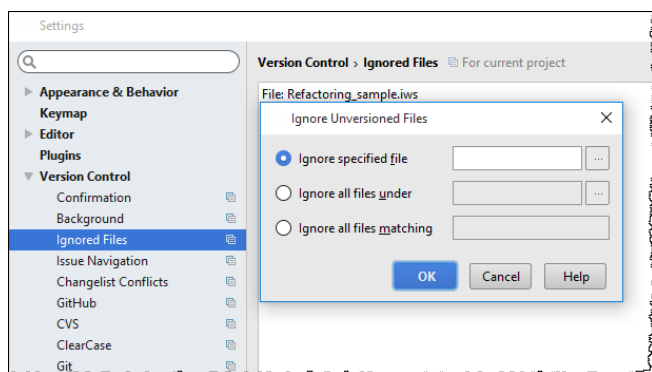
**Tip** If the version control system that you are using has its own ignore facilities, use the corresponding native command provided by the version control integration.





Note that once you've added a file to a version control system, ignoring it will have no effect. You need to remove it from your VCS first.

## Defining a list of ignored files

1. Open the [Ignored Files](#) settings page by doing one of the following:
  - Under the [Version Control](#) node of the [Settings](#) dialog box, click Ignored Files .
  - In the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window, click the Configure Ignored Files toolbar button  .

The Ignored Files dialog box opens.



2. Click  ( **Alt+Insert** ) to create a new entry, or select an existing entry and click  ( **Enter** ). The Ignore Unversioned Files dialog box opens.
3. Explicitly specify the files/directories to be ignored or define file name patterns. Do one of the following:
  - Choose the Ignore specified file option and specify the file name relative to the project root, for example, `my_folder/my_subfolder1/my_subfolder2/my_file` . Type the name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the Select File to Ignore dialog box.
  - Choose the Ignore all files under option and specify the directory whose contents should be ignored. Type the directory name relative to the project root, for example, `my_folder/my_subfolder1/` , or click Browse button  and select the desired folder in the Select Directory to Ignore dialog box.  
The rule is applied recursively to all subdirectories of the specified directory. If a directory has several subdirectories and you want only one of them ignored, specify the required directory explicitly, for example, `my_folder/my_subfolder1/my_subfolder2/` .
  - Select the Ignore all files matching option and type the pattern that defines the names of files to be ignored.  
Patterns that define files to ignore, make use of two wildcards.
4. Create as many entries as you need and close the dialog box.

**Tip** You can also add files to the ignore list on-the-fly by using the Ignore command on the context menu of a newly added file under the Unversioned Files node in the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window .

Two characters can be used as wildcards:

- `*` : to replace any string.
- `?` : to replace a single character.

For example, `*.iml` will ignore all files with the `iml` extension; `*.?ml` will ignore all files whose extension ends with `ml` .

You can configure handling of the history cache in the [Background](#) settings page.

### **To configure history cache handling**

1. Below the [Version Control](#) node in the settings, select the [Background](#) page.
2. Set the cache scope. Depending on the version control system you are using, do one of the following:
  - Specify the maximum number of changelists to be stored in the cache.
  - Specify the maximum number of days for a changelist to be stored in the cache.
3. Specify whether and how often (in minutes) you want your version control system to refresh the cache.

Certain settings are applicable to the version control systems assigned to the [whole project, or its directories](#) . The others are related to the selected version control systems. Use the respective VCS pages under the VCSs node of the [Settings](#) dialog box to define VCS-specific settings.

### **To configure VCS-specific settings, follow these general steps**

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control .
2. Click a page that corresponds to the VCS to be configured.
3. Set up options as required. For detailed information, see VCS-specific pages of the Version Control settings .

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to interact with the different version control systems (VCS). Regardless of which VCS you use, certain basic operations are common to all (or almost all) of them. This section covers these basic operations and explains how to perform them from within IntelliJ IDEA:

- [Adding Files to Version Control](#)
- [Browsing Contents of the Repository](#)
- [Getting Local Working Copy of the Repository](#)
- [Changing Read-Only Status of Files](#)
- [Checking In Files](#)
- [Checking Project Files Status](#)
- [Copying, Renaming and Moving Files](#)
- [Deleting Files from the Repository](#)
- [Handling Differences](#)
- [Handling Issues](#)
- [Managing Changelists](#)
- [Refreshing Status](#)
- [Reverting Local Changes](#)
- [Reverting to a Previous Version](#)
- [Shelving and Unshelving Changes](#)
- [Updating Local Information](#)
- [Using Patches](#)
- [Viewing Changes Information](#)
- [Accessing the Authentication to Server Dialog](#)

If a new file is created with IntelliJ IDEA in a directory that is already under version control, it automatically adds to the active changelist with the status Added. All you have to do, is to commit this change.

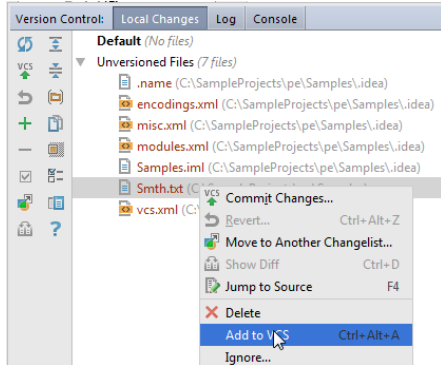
IntelliJ IDEA's behavior on adding files is configurable in the [General Settings tab](#) of the Version Control dialog.

If a new file is created outside of IntelliJ IDEA, or silent adding is disabled, you have to explicitly add it to the version control.

Another approach is VCS-specific. You can import an entire directory to your repository, provided that you have the corresponding access rights. This action is helpful for putting a whole project under version control.

## To explicitly add a file to version control

1. Select file in the Project tool window.
2. On the main Version Control menu or on the context menu of the selected file, choose <VCS> | Add .  
Alternatively, use the Version Control tool window. Select the desired files in the Unversioned files changelist in the Local Changes tab, and choose Add to VCS on the context menu, or just drag it to the target changelist.



3. Select the added file in the changelist and [check in \(commit\) changes](#) .

Prior to checking files out, you can browse the contents of the repository. This action is available for CVS, Git and SVN integrations.

- [Browsing CVS Repository](#)
- [Browsing Subversion Repository](#)

Browsing contents of CVS, Git and SVN repositories is always available, even when the respective VCS is not enabled in project. All you need is a valid user account.

In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Checking out](#)

## Basics

As soon as [version control support is enabled](#) in IntelliJ IDEA, you can retrieve the data from the repository. Depending on your purpose and workflow, choose one of the following approaches:

- [Check out](#) the repository sources of an existing project . Then set up version control in the project, if it has not been done before, and put the downloaded sources under control of the VCS used.
- [Check out](#) the repository sources to a location of your choice and have IntelliJ IDEA [create a project around them](#) . This does not require any extra steps from your side. IntelliJ IDEA arranges the downloaded sources in a project itself and suggests to open it as soon as the check-out is completed.

Upon your consent, [IntelliJ IDEA opens the newly created project](#) , where you only need to set up version control.

**Warning!** This approach is not available for Perforce integration.

## Checking out

The check-out procedure depends on the type of VCS you use. Refer to the following sections for details:

- [Retrieving Files from a CVS Repository](#)
- [Retrieving Files from an SVN Repository](#)
- [Cloning a Remote Git Repository](#)
- [Cloning a Remote Mercurial Repository](#)
- [Using Perforce Integration](#)



In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Enabling explicit removal of read-only status](#)
- [Changing writable status by icon](#)
- [Example](#)

## Basics

Different version control systems have different semantics for the action of removing read-only status from a file so that you can edit it. Some systems never put read-only status on local files at all unless specifically configured to do so (i.e. the system is configured to support the file locking model).

Different version control systems use different names for this action: check out , edit , Open for Edit , or Get . Regardless of the terminology used by your VCS, if it sets read-only status on your local working files, you can remove read-only status and make files writable from within IntelliJ IDEA, which will also take care of setting a lock on the server, or take whatever other action is required by the VCS, via the respective VCS integration.


This behavior is configurable in the [Confirmation](#) page of the Version Control settings.

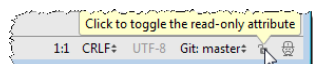
## Enabling explicit removal of read-only status

To enable explicit removal of read-only status:

- In the [Confirmation page](#) of the [Version Control settings](#) , check the option Show "Clear Read-Only Status" Dialog .

## Changing writable status by icon

You can make a file writable using the lock icon  in the Status bar. Open the desired file in the editor, and click the lock, as shown below:



## Example

Removing read-only status in Perforce looks as follows:

1. With the Show "Clear Read-Only Status" Dialog option enabled, an attempt to edit a file brings up the respective dialog box.

If you click the radio button Using file system , the file will not be added to the default changelist. If you click radio button Using version control integration , the file is added to the default changelist.

In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Checking changed files in](#)

## Basics


Different version control systems have different semantics for the action of uploading changed files to the repository. Two common terms are check in and commit .

In those version control systems, for example, [Git](#) , that distinguish between local and remote repositories, the term commit denotes uploading changes to a local repository. Uploading changes to a remote repository is referred to as push .




Regardless of the terminology, you can perform this operation with the VCS configured for a directory from within IntelliJ IDEA.

## Checking changed files in

### To check in (commit) changed files, perform these general steps

1. In the [Version Control](#) tool window, select one or more files you want to check in (commit) to version control.
2. Open the [Commit Changes](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - On the Version Control tool window toolbar, or on the main toolbar, click  .
  - Press `Ctrl+K` .
  - On the main menu, choose VCS | Commit Changes .
3. Review the changes to be committed in the [Details](#) pane. To do that, unfold the Details pane if it is hidden, and select the file in question in the [Changed Files](#) area.  
The Details pane shows the base version and the local copy of the selected file.

Examine the details of each change:

- To move to the next updated piece of code, click the Next Change button  .
  - To return to the previous updated code fragment, click the Previous Change button  .
  - To expand or narrow the context of an updated code fragment, position the cursor at the change in question, click the More/Less Lines button  , and then specify the number of lines to be shown above and below the current code fragment.
4. Add a commit comment. As you type, IntelliJ IDEA checks the spelling and highlights words in question, provided that the [Spelling code inspection](#) is enabled.
  5. Specify which actions should be performed on the files before and after submitting them to the repository.
  6. Click the Submit / Commit button to launch the [Check-in Changes](#) operations.

**Tip** For Git and Mercurial. To have the changes immediately pushed to your Git or Mercurial repository, do one of the following:

- Hover the mouse pointer over the Submit / Commit button and select Commit and Push on the context menu.
- From the Submit / Commit drop-down list, select Commit and Push .

7. To save the changes as a patch in a text file, hover the mouse pointer over the Submit / Commit button and select Create Patch on the context menu.

**Tip** Alternatively, use the Submit / Commit drop-down list to select the Create Patch item.

In the Create Patch dialog box, that opens, [configure the patch creation](#) .

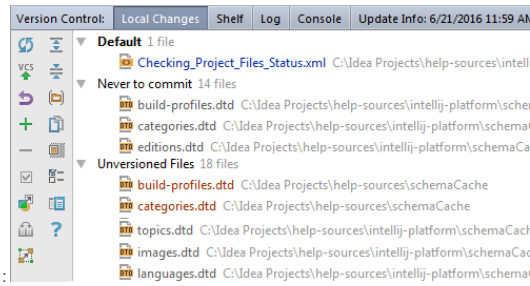
8. If any error occurs when trying to commit, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message. For example, you might have changed a file that has been already edited by another team member, or you might run into a branch conflict. In these cases, you need to [merge edits](#) , or [update your local copy](#) . The error messages are VCS-specific.

**Tip** Users of [JetBrains TeamCity](#) can obtain the TeamCity plugin for IntelliJ IDEA. Among the features of this plugin is Remote Run, which enables you to create a special *personal* build that does not affect the *real* build. Your changes are built and run through your test suite. If all tests are passed, your changes are automatically committed to version control.

Apart from [indicating the status](#) of the currently opened file relative to the repository, IntelliJ IDEA provides you with an accumulated view of the project files' statuses.

To view the differences between the current state of the project files and the repository, do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Refresh File Status .
2. Switch to the [Version Control tool window](#) and open the [Local Changes](#) tab.



The status of each file is indicated by the [color](#) :

There is no automatic renaming or moving files in the version control systems. Working with the clients, you have to manually copy a file to a new location, change its name, add to VCS and remove the old file. IntelliJ IDEA's refactoring features make it possible to easily move and rename files under version control, performing all actions involved in these functions.

In the Version Control tool window, next to the resulting files IntelliJ IDEA explicitly states: `renamed from <file name>` or: `copied from <package name>` .



## To copy, move or rename a file under version control

1. Select the desired file in the Project tool window, and perform refactoring procedures, as described in the sections:
  - [Copy/Clone](#)
  - [Move](#)
  - [Rename](#)


All added and deleted files are placed to a changelist.

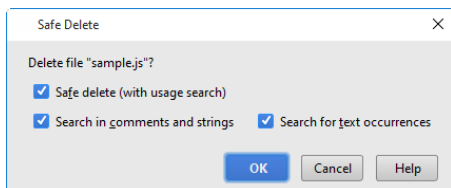
2. [Commit changes](#) to the repository.

**Tip** You can revert refactorings, using the Undo command.

If you delete a file under version control, it still exists in the repository until deletion is committed. A deleted file is placed to the active changelist, and is displayed in grey font.

## To delete a file

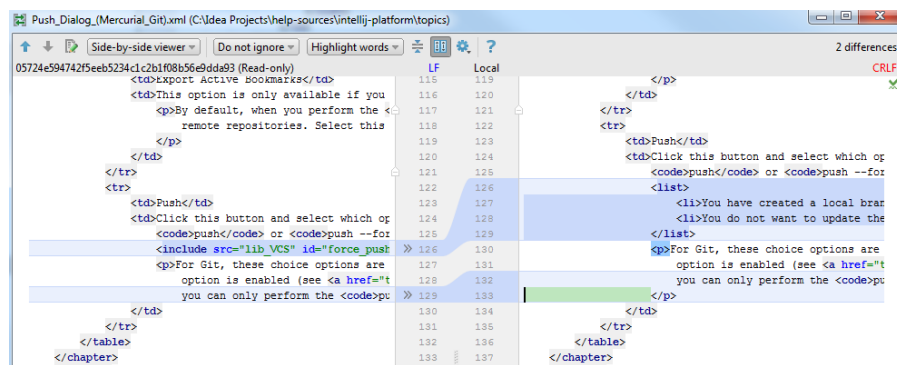
1. Select a file in any navigation view, and press  , or choose Delete on the context menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, you can opt to delete file without search for usages, or perform safe delete, to make sure that you are deleting an unused file, by checking Safe delete option. In this case, specify the refactoring options.



The encountered usages are reported in the Usages Detected dialog box. You can view and correct these usages in the Safe Delete tab of the Find tool window. The deleted files are added to a changelist.

3. [Commit changes](#) to the repository.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to examine the differences between two revisions of a file, or between its current local copy and the repository version. The differences are displayed in the [Differences viewer](#). This window allows you to compare files and versions, navigate and search through the changes, copy and edit the source code.



This section describes how to:

- [Compare file versions](#)
- [Integrate contents of different versions into a file](#)
- [Resolve conflicts between versions](#)
- [Integrate your local copy of a project into a revision in the repository](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to compare the local copy of a file with its repository versions. The following options are possible:

- [Compare your local copy with the repository version to which you have last synchronized](#)
- If somebody else has committed changes since your last update [compare your local copy with newest repository version](#)
- [Compare your local version with any repository version](#)

For some version control systems, it is possible to compare a file with a branch version. The differences are displayed in the [Differences viewer](#) .

**Note** You can explore changes to binary files in the same way as to textual files. For example, use this feature to check changes to images.

## Comparing with a repository version

### To compare with a repository version to which you last synchronized

1. Select a file in the [Project](#) tool window, or open it in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - From the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of a file, choose <VCS> | Compare with the same repository version .
  - Select a file in the [Local Changes tab](#) of the [Version Control](#) tool window, and choose Show Diff from the context menu.

## Comparing with the latest repository version


### To compare with the latest repository version

1. Select a file in the [Project](#) tool window, or open it in the editor.
2. On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of a file, choose <VCS> | Compare with the latest repository version .

## Comparing with the specified version of a file

### To compare with the specified version of a file

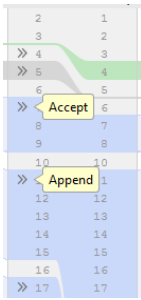
1. Select a file in the [Project](#) tool window, or open it in the editor.
2. On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of a file, choose <VCS> | Compare with .
3. In the File Revision pop-up window, click the version to compare with.

**Tip** Alternatively, use the [History](#) view of a file. Select the desired version, and choose Compare with Local on its context menu, or click  on the toolbar.

You may need to integrate the contents of different versions of a file, for example integrate changes from a certain branch into your local copy.

To integrate changes into your working copy, do the following:

1. Select the desired file and [compare it with a version](#).
2. In the [Differences Viewer](#), use the *chevron* buttons »« for any block of lines that existed in the read-only copy and were changed or deleted in your local copy. If you keep the `Ctrl` key pressed, the *chevron* buttons turn into . Click these buttons to apply changes to the current local version of the file.





You may need to integrate your local version of a project into a certain revision of that project in the repository.

Integrating a project is only available for projects that contain directories associated with Perforce or Subversion. If neither of these two VCSs is involved in your project, the Integrate Project command is disabled.

To integrate a project, do the following:

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Integrate Project . The [Integrate Project](#) dialog appears.
2. Select the [Perforce](#) or [Subversion](#) tab, and configure the merge options as required (see [Integrating SVN Projects or Directories](#) or [Integrating Perforce Files](#) respectively for details .

Depending on your version control system, conflicts may arise in different situations.

When you work in a team, you may come across a situation when somebody commits changes to a file you are currently working on. If these changes do not overlap (i.e. changes were made to different lines of code), the conflicting files are merged automatically. However, if the same lines were affected, your version control system cannot randomly pick one side over the other, and asks you to resolve the conflict.

Conflicts may also arise when merging, rebasing or cherry-picking branches.

## Non-Distributed Version Control Systems

When you try to edit a file that has a newer version on the server, IntelliJ IDEA informs you about that, showing a message pop-up window in the editor:

Outdated version. Modified by user1 on 8/6/2016 10:31 PM: zzz [Show Diff](#) [Update Project](#)

In this case, you should update your local version before changing the file, or merge changes later.

If you attempt to commit a file that has a newer repository version, the commit fails, and an error is displayed in the bottom right corner telling you that the file you are trying to commit is out of date.

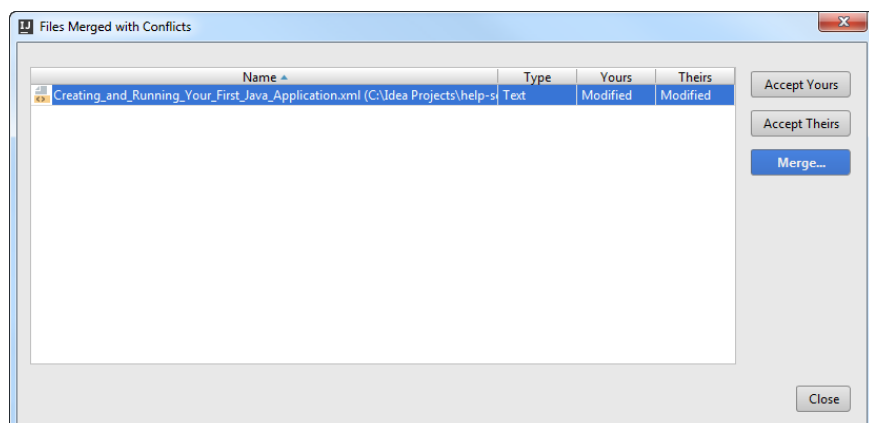
**Tip** The failed commit behavior is regulated by the Create changelist on failed commit drop-down list in the [Version Control | Confirmation](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences](#) dialog.

If you synchronize a file that already has local changes with a newer repository version committed by somebody else, a conflict occurs. The conflicting file gets the **Merged with conflicts** status. The file remains in the same changelist in the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window, but its name is highlighted in red. If the file is currently opened in the editor, the file name on the tab header is also highlighted in red.

## Distributed Version Control Systems






Under distributed version control systems, such as Git and Mercurial, conflicts arise when a file you have committed locally has changes to the same lines of code as the latest upstream version and when you attempt to perform one of the following operations: [pull](#), [merge](#), [rebase](#), [cherry-pick](#), [unstash](#), or [apply patch](#).

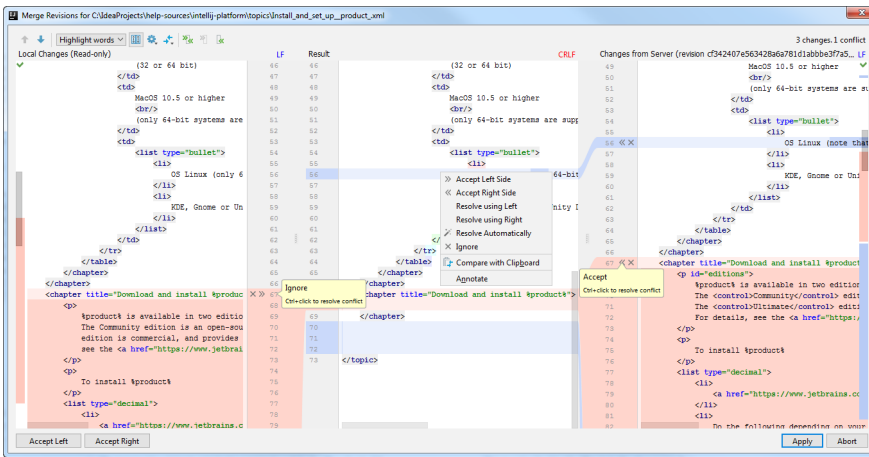
If there are conflicts, these operations will fail and you will be prompted to accept the upstream version, prefer your version, or merge the changes manually:



IntelliJ IDEA provides a tool for resolving conflicts locally. This tool consists of three panes. The left pane shows the read-only local copy; the right pane shows the read-only version checked in to the repository. The central pane shows a fully-functional editor with the results of merging and conflict resolving are displayed. Initially, the contents of this pane is the same as the **base revision** of the file, that is, the revision from which both conflicting versions are derived.

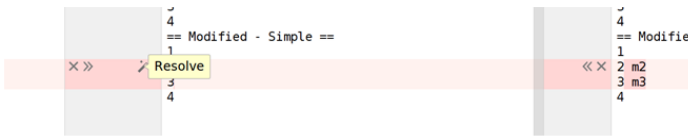
To resolve conflicts, do the following:

1. Click Merge in the Files Merged with Conflicts dialog, or select the conflicting file in the editor and choose VCS | <your\_VCS> | Resolve Conflicts from the main menu.
2. To automatically merge all non-conflicting changes, click  (Apply All Non-Conflicting Changes) on the toolbar. You can also use the  (Apply Non-Conflicting Changes from the Left Side) and  (Apply Non-Conflicting Changes from the Right Side) to merge non-conflicting changes from the left/right parts of the dialog respectively.
3. To resolve a conflict, you need to select which action to apply (accept  or ignore ) to the left (local) and the right (repository) version, and check the resulting code in the central pane:



For simple conflicts (for example, if the beginning and the end of the same line have been modified in different file revisions), the Resolve option is available that allows merging the changes in one click:

Such conflicts are not resolved with the Apply All Non-Conflicting Changes action since you must make sure that they are resolved properly.

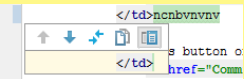


4. It may also be useful to compare different versions to resolve a conflict. Use the toolbar button to invoke the list of options. Note that Base refers to the file version that the local and the repository versions originated from (initially displayed in the middle pane), while Middle refers to the resulting version.
5. Review merge results in the central pane and click Apply .

**Tip** You can configure IntelliJ IDEA to always apply non-conflicting changes automatically instead of telling it to do so from the Merge dialog. To do this, in the **Settings/Preferences dialog** , expand the **Tools | Diff Merge** node in the left pane and select the **Automatically apply non-conflicting changes** option.

**Tip** You can also right-click a conflict and use the commands from the popup menu. The **Resolve using Left** and **Resolve using Right** commands provide a shortcut to accepting changes from one side and ignoring them from the other side respectively.

**Tip** You can manage changes in the central pane using a toolbar that appears when you hover the mouse cursor over a change marker in the gutter and then click it. The toolbar is displayed together with a frame showing the previous contents of the modified line:



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## Introduction

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can connect your check-in comments with the bug tracker or any issues data base and navigate from committed changes to the issues related to these changes.

To enable this navigation, you need to specify a so called **issue navigation pattern** , which means:

1. Figure out an **issue ID pattern** , that is, a format according to which you will reference issues in commit messages, and define this issue pattern using a regular expression.
2. Define the link to the referenced issue by combining the URL address of your tracking system and a regular expression to identify the issue ID.

In other words, an **issue navigation pattern** maps an **issue ID pattern** in commit messages and URL addresses of referenced issues. As soon as IntelliJ IDEA encounters a match to the issue ID pattern in a commit message, the match is displayed as a link in the **Changes** and **Version Control** tool windows. If you mention several issues, all of them will show up as links.

Clicking such link opens the matching issue in the browser according to the defined link.

## Example

**Issue ID pattern** The regular expression that defines the format in which issues are referenced in commit messages.

```
[A-Z]+\-\d+
```

This regular expressions matches all character strings that consist of two substrings separated by an n-dash character:

1. Substring 1: An unlimited number of upper case alphabetic characters.
2. Substring 2: An unlimited number of digital characters.

**Issue link pattern** A combination of the URL address of your issue tracking system and a regular expression that identifies issues in it.

```
http://mytracker/issue/$0
```

Here `$0` indicates a back reference to the entire match. This means that as soon as IntelliJ IDEA detects a match in a commit message, it is added to the URL address of the tracker as is.

**Matching issue ID** IntelliJ IDEA detects the following reference to an issue in the commit message of interest:

```
MYPROJECT-110
```



**Composed issue link** In accordance with the above issue navigation pattern, the detected matching reference is added to the URL of the tracker as is, so the link to the referenced issue is composed as follows:

```
http://mytracker/issue/MYPROJECT-110
```



## Enabling navigation from commit messages to issues

### To enable navigating from commit messages to issues related to them

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control | Issue Navigation .
2. On the [Issue Navigation](#) page that opens, configure a list of **issue navigation patterns** by setting correspondence between issue patterns in commit messages and URL addresses of referenced issues.

- If you are using [JIRA](#) or [our bug tracking system YouTrack](#) , click the Add JIRA pattern  or Add YouTrack Pattern  respectively, and type the URL to the installation of bug tracking system in question.

IntelliJ IDEA adds the regular expression that defines such pattern automatically.

- For other issue tracking systems, click the Add button  to create a new entry or select an existing entry and click the Edit button. In the Add Issue Navigation Link dialog box that opens, specify the following:
  1. The **regular expression** that defines the **issue pattern** in a commit message.
  2. The **replacement expression** that defines the URL to access the corresponding referenced issue.
- To remove an **issue navigation pattern** , select it in the list and click Remove  .

## Navigating from a commit message to an issues

### To navigate from a commit message to the related issues

1. Open one of the following views:
  - Local Changes , Incoming , or Log tab of the Version Control tool window.
  - History tab of the Version Control tool window.
  - [Changes Browser](#) .
2. Find the commit of interest and click the hyperlink to the related issue.

This section describes how to:

- [Create](#) , [delete](#) and [rename](#) changelists.
- [Assign active changelists](#) .
- [Group items in a changelist](#) .
- [Move files between changelists](#) .
- [Jump from an item in a changelist to the corresponding source code in the editor](#) .

Active changelist is the one to which the changed files are added automatically. The name of the active changelist is highlighted in bold font.

### **To assign an active changelist**

1. Select a changelist in the Version Control tool window.
2. On the context menu of the selected changelist, click Set Active Changelist .

## To create a new changelist

1. In the toolbar of the Version Control tool window, click **+** button.

**Tip** You can also use one of these alternatives:

- Right-click anywhere in the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window and choose New Changelist on the context menu.
- Press **Alt+Insert** .



2. In the New Changelist dialog, specify the name of the new changelist, and optional comment.

3. Click OK .




When a [changelist](#) is deleted, all changes are moved to the active changelist.

## To delete a changelist


1. In the [Version Control tool window](#) , select a changelist to be deleted.
2. In the toolbar of the Version Control tool window, click  . Alternatively, right-click the changelist node and choose Delete Changelist on the context menu, or just press  key.
3. If the changelist is not empty, you are prompted to confirm deletion and move uncommitted items to the active changelist. If you attempt to delete an active changelist, you are prompted to specify another. If Perforce is used for a certain directory, deleting the default changelist is not allowed.

Within each node of the [Version Control tool window](#), you can display the modified files as a flat list, or as a directory tree.

### To toggle grouping items by directories, do one of the following

- On the toolbar of the Version Control tool window, click  .
- Use `Ctrl+P` keyboard shortcut.

## To move items between changelists in the Version Control tool window

1. In the [Version Control](#) tool window, select one or more desired items in a changelist. Use the **Ctrl** and **Shift** keys for multiple selection.
2. Choose Move to Another Changelist on the context menu of the selection.  
You can also use one of these alternatives:
  - Click the Move to Another Changelist button  on the toolbar of the tool window.
  - Press **F6**.
  - Drag the selected items to the target changelist.
3. In the Choose Changelist dialog box, specify the changelist to move the selected items to:
  - If the target changelist exists, click the Existing Changelist option and select the desired changelist from the drop-down list.
  - To create a changelist, click the New Changelist option, type the name of the new changelist, and optionally provide a description.

## To navigate from an entry in the changelist to the source code

1. In the Version Control Tool Window, expand a changelist and select the desired entry.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Jump to Source , or press **F4** .

## To rename a changelist

1. Select a changelist in the Version Control Tool Window.
2. On the context menu, choose Edit Changelist .
3. In the Edit Changelist dialog, specify the new name and optional description, and click OK , or use the `Shift+F6` keyboard shortcut.

This feature is helpful if a server, that holds the sources of the project files, is down. The statuses of files and directories become irrelevant, and you are unable to work with the local copy of the project. To avoid such situation, you need to refresh the status of your source files.




When this command is applied, IntelliJ IDEA refreshes the status of each file, no matter whether the file has been changed from IntelliJ IDEA itself or using any other application.

When working under [Perforce](#) control, you can run refresh in two modes:

- **Standard Refresh** takes into consideration only the changes made through the IntelliJ IDEA integration with Perforce. This improves performance because does not require connecting to the server. However, this approach does not let you know about the changes made outside IntelliJ IDEA, for example, right through the `p4v client` application.
- **Force Refresh** considers all the changes made to project, both from IntelliJ IDEA and from any other application, for example, right through `p4v client` .

The status of a file is refreshed only in accordance with the changes in your local workspace. Any changes on the server can be reflected only through [synchronization](#) .


## To refresh the status of files in your project, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose VCS | Refresh File Status .
- In the Version Control tool window, press `Ctrl+F5` .
- In the Version Control tool window, click the Refresh toolbar button  .
- For [Perforce](#) integration, do one of the following:
  - To run **Standard Refresh** , click the Refresh toolbar button  or press `Ctrl+F5` .
  - To run **Force Refresh** , click the Force Refresh toolbar button  .

When you modify, add, or delete files, which are under version control, you are always able to revert such changes, rolling back the file's contents to what it was before the last successful update, check out, or commit.

The exact name of the command (revert or roll back), and the type of the action performed when you revert changes, depend on the file status and VCS used for a particular directory.


### **To revert local changes, do one of the following**

- In the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window, select one or more items in the relevant [changelist](#), then choose Revert on the context menu of the selection or click the Revert button  on the toolbar of the Version Control tool window.
- Select the file to be reverted and choose the relevant VCS-specific revert (roll back) command on the VCS | <VCS> menu.

You can restore any previous version of a file, using the History view of a file. So doing, the current content of the file is replaced with the copy of the older content. After such operation, you have to commit the file to bring the repository up to date.

The exact name of the command (revert or roll back) depends on the specific VCS.

### **To revert a file to its previous version**

1. Select the desired file in the Project tool window, and [open its history](#) .
2. In the History tab, select the desired revision.
3. On the context menu of the selected entry, choose Get , or click the  button on the toolbar.




Shelving is temporarily storing pending changes you have not committed yet. This is useful, for example, if you need to switch to another high priority task and you want to set your changes aside to work on them later.



With IntelliJ IDEA, you can shelve both separate files and entire changelists.

Once shelved, a change can be applied as many times as you need by unshelving and subsequently restoring it on the shelf.

## Put changes to a shelf

1. Open the Version Control tool window (  ) and switch to the Local Changes tab.
2. Select the files or a changelist you want to put to a shelf. On the main Version Control menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose **Shelve changes**.
3. In the **Shelve Changes** dialog, review the list of modified files.
4. In the **Commit Message** field, enter the name of the shelf to be created and click the **Shelve Changes** button.

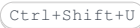

**Tip** You can switch to a different changelist from the **Shelve Changes** dialog by choosing the **Changelist** drop-down.


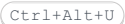
You can also shelve changes silently, without displaying the **Shelve Changes** dialog. To do this, select a file or a changelist you want to shelve, and click the **Shelve Silently** icon , on the toolbar, or press . The name of the changelist containing the changes you want to shelve will be used as the shelf name.

**Tip** To avoid ending up with numerous shelves with the same name (such as **Default**, for example), you can simply drag-and-drop a file or a changelist from the **Local Changes** tab to the **Shelf** tab, wait a second until it's activated, and edit the new shelf name on-the-fly when you release the mouse button.

## Unshelve changes


Unshelving is moving postponed changes from a shelf to a pending changelist. Unshelved changes can be filtered out from view or removed from the shelf.

1. In the **Shelf** tab of the Version Control tool window, select a changelist or files you want to unshelve.
2. Press  or choose **Unshelve** from the context menu of the selection.
3. In the **Unshelve Changes** dialog that opens, specify the changelist you want to restore the unshelved changes to in the **Name** field. You can select an existing changelist from the drop-down list or type a name for a new changelist to be created containing the unshelved changes. You can enter the description of the new changelist in the **Comment** field (optional).  
If you want to make the new changelist active, select the **Set active** option. Otherwise, the current active changelist remains active.
4. If you want IntelliJ IDEA to preserve the context of a task associated with the new changelist on its deactivation and restore the context then the changelist becomes active, select the **Track context** option (see [Managing tasks and contexts](#) for details).
5. If you want to remove the changes you are about to unshelve, select the **Remove successfully applied files from the shelf** option. The unshelved files will be removed from this shelf and added to another changelist and marked as applied. They will not be removed completely until deleted explicitly by clicking the  icon on the toolbar, or selecting **Clean Already Unshelved** from the context menu.
6. Click **OK**. If conflicts occur between the patched version and the current version, resolve them as described in [Resolving Conflicts](#).


You can also unshelve changes silently, without displaying the **Unshelve Changes** dialog. To do this, select a file or a changelist you want to unshelve, and click the **Unshelve Silently** icon , on the toolbar, or press . The unshelved files will be moved to the active pending changelist.

**Tip** You can also drag-and-drop a file or a changelist from the **Shelf** tab to the **Local Changes** tab to unshelve it silently.

## Restore unshelved changes

IntelliJ IDEA lets you reapply unshelved changes if necessary. All unshelved changes can be reused until they are removed explicitly by clicking the  icon on the toolbar, or selecting **Clean Already Unshelved** from the context menu.

To restore applied changes on the shelf do the following:

1. Make sure that the **Show Already Unshelved**  toolbar option is enabled.
2. Select the files or the shelf you want to restore.
3. On the context menu of the selection, choose **Restore**.

## Apply external patches

You can import patches created inside or outside IntelliJ IDEA and apply them as shelved changes.

1. In the **Shelf** tab of the Version Control tool window, choose **Import Patches** from the context menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, select the patch file to apply. The selected patch appears in the **Shelf** tab as a shelf.
3. Select the newly added shelf with the patch and choose **Unshelve Changes** from the context menu of the selection.

## Automatically shelve base revision

It may be useful to configure IntelliJ IDEA to always shelve base revisions of files that are under Git version control. To do

this, open the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), select the Version Control | Shelf node on the left and select the Shelf base revisions of files under distributed version control systems option.

If this option is enabled, the base revision of files will be saved to a shelf that will be used during a [3-way merge](#) if applying a shelf leads to conflicts. If it is disabled, IntelliJ IDEA will look for the base revision in the project history, which may take a while; moreover, the revision that the conflicting shelf was based on may be missing (for example, if the history was changed as a result of the [rebase](#) operation).

## Change the default shelf location

By default, the shelf directory is located under your project directory. However, you may want to change the default shelf location. This can be useful, for example, if you want to avoid deleting shelves accidentally when cleaning up your working copy, or if you want to store them in a separate repository allowing shelves to be shared among your team members.

1. Open the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) and select the Version Control | Shelf node on the left.
2. Click the Change Shelves Location button and specify the new location in the dialog that opens.
3. If necessary, select the Move shelves to the new location option to move existing shelves to the new directory.

Watch this video tutorial on how to benefit from shelves to be able to switch to a different task without losing unfinished work:

The Update command enables you to synchronize the contents of your local files with the repository. You can invoke this command on:

- [Single or multiple files and directories](#)
- [An entire project](#)

Depending on the updating options, the update procedure may take place silently. If all files are up-to-date, you will be notified about that. Otherwise, the [Update Info tab](#) opens in the [Version Control tool window](#) where you can [group the information](#) as required.

On this page:

- [Updating files and folders](#)
- [Updating a project](#)
- [Grouping update information by packages or changelists](#)



## Updating files and folders

1. Select one or more files and folders to be updated in any navigation view (for example, in the [Project Tool Window](#) .
2. On the main Version Control menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose <VCS>| Update .
3. In the Update dialog specify the update options, which are different for the supported version control systems, and click OK .

## Updating a project

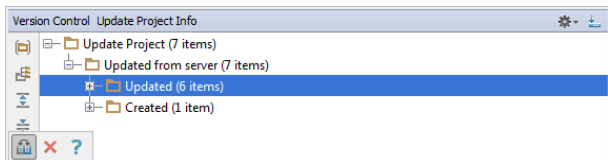
1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose VCS | Update project
  - Press `Ctrl+T` .
  - On the main menu, click `VCS` .
2. In the Update dialog, click the tab for your version control system.
3. Specify the update options, which are different for the supported version control systems and click OK .

## Grouping update information by packages or changelists

To group the update information by packages or changelists, use the [Group By Package](#)  and [Group By Changelist](#)  buttons on the toolbar of the Update Info tab.

Note the difference in the appearance of the tab:

- Grouped by packages



- Grouped by changelists



Grouping by changelists is not available if the project is under Git or Mercurial control.

In this section:


- [Applying Patches](#)
- [Creating Patches](#)

Postponed changes stored in a patch file can be applied to the target file or directory later. If the source code was edited after creating the patch, conflicts may arise. IntelliJ IDEA suggests a handy way to resolve such conflicts and merge the patch with the changes.


When a patch is opened, IntelliJ IDEA detects files with the same name as the modified files. For each detected file, IntelliJ IDEA compares the path to it relative to the base directory, with the path from the patch, and chooses the closest match. If no matching path is found, the file is considered to be located in the project base directory and is highlighted in red.

You can apply changes to files stored in different locations from those specified in the patch by mapping an arbitrary directory as the base one, or stripping off the leading directories.

## To apply a patch

1. On the main menu, choose **VCS | Apply patch**.
2. In the **Apply Patch** dialog box that opens, specify the fully qualified name of the patch file. Type the name manually or click the **Browse** button  and locate the desired patch file in the **Select Patch File** dialog box.


You can also drag and drop a file or an email attachment to the **Apply Patch** dialog, and it will be selected automatically.


3. Configure the patch presentation layout. To have changes shown in a flat view, press the **Group by Directory** toolbar button .


Release the button to have changes shown in a directory tree view.

4. To have a change applied, select the checkbox next to it.


5. To have a change applied to a modified file that has been moved to another location, specify the new file location.


- To map another base directory, select the desired file, directory, or a group files/directories and click the **Map base directory** toolbar button . In the **dialog that opens** choose the directory relative to which file names will be interpreted.

- To remove leading directories from the path, click the **Strip Directory** toolbar button  as many times as many leading directories you need to strip. The number of removed slashes is indicated in square brackets.

- To revert the last strip directory action, click the **Restore Directory** toolbar button . Click the button as many times as many previously stripped leading directories you need to restore.

- To revert all the strip directory actions in the selection, click the **Reset Directories** toolbar button .

- To have all the leading directories stripped and have the changes applied to the file with the specified name in the base directory, click the **Remove Directories** toolbar button .

6. To view the differences and possible conflicts between your local working copy, the repository version, and the patch in the **Differences Viewer for Files**, select the desired change and click the **Show Differences** button .

7. To **resolve conflicts** between the patched and the current versions, if any, in both versions select the changes to be merged to the resulting file, and then click **Apply**.

Note that you apply a patch that contains a lot of files and causes numerous conflicts, you can cancel applying the patch by clicking **Abort**, and then select whether you want to abort, skip or cancel the remaining conflicts.

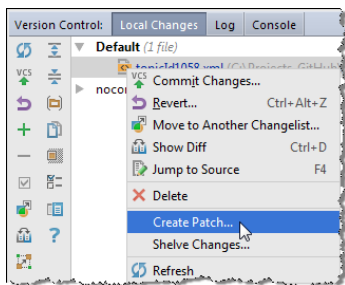
You can also copy a patch file content and apply it by choosing **VCS | Apply Patch from Clipboard** from the main menu. This is convenient when you receive a patch by email, for example, and do not want to save it. For **Git format** patches, IntelliJ IDEA extracts the commit message and the author and automatically fills the corresponding fields in the **Commit Changes** dialog.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests two ways of creating patches:

- On the base of revisions, either local or committed to the repository
- On the base of revisions stored in the local history.

## To create a patch file

1. In the [Local Changes](#) tab or the [Repository](#) tab of the Version Control tool window, select a change or changelist you want to create a [patch](#) for.
2. On the main Version Control menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose Create patch .



3. In the [Create Patch](#) dialog box that opens, review the list of changed files, and make sure that the files to be included in the patch are selected.


**Tip** You can specify the desired changelist immediately in the Create Patch dialog box: click Changelist combo box in the upper right corner, and select the desired changelist.

4. Add a commit comment.

**Tip** As you type, IntelliJ IDEA checks the spelling and highlights erroneous words.

This functionality is available if the ['Spelling' code inspection](#) is enabled.

5. Click Create patch .

You can also create patch on the base of your local history. To do that, open the local history view for the desired directory, file or code fragment, as described in the section [Using Local History](#) , right-click the desired revision, and choose the Create Patch command on the context menu, or click the create patch button  on the toolbar.

This sections explains different ways to keep track of the changes that you and your teammates introduce to the source code.

## Reviewing project history

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to review all changes made to the project sources that match the specified filters.



For distributed version control systems, such as Git and Mercurial, you can view project history in the [Log tab](#) of the [Version Control](#) tool window.

For centralised version control systems, such as Subversion, Perforce, CVS, ClearCase, and TFS, project history is available in the [Repository tab](#) of the [Version Control](#) tool window.


## Tracking changes to a file in the editor

As you modify a file that is under version control, all changes are highlighted in the editor with **change markers** that appear in the left gutter next to the modified lines and show the type of changes introduced since the last synchronization with the repository. When you commit the modified file to the repository, the change markers disappear.

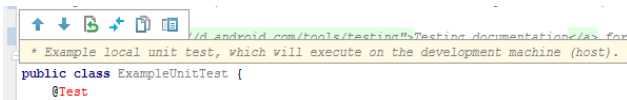
The changes you introduce to the text are color-coded:

-  line added.
-  line changed.

**Tip** You can customize the default colors for line statuses. To do this, open the Settings dialog ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)) and select Editor | Color Scheme | VCS on the left.

When you delete a line, the following marker appears in the left gutter: .

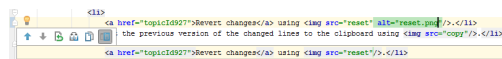
You can manage changes using the dedicated toolbar. To invoke it, hover the mouse cursor over a change marker and then click it. The toolbar is displayed together with a frame showing the previous contents of the modified line:



You can perform the following operations:

### Item Tooltip and Shortcut



Item	Shortcut	Description
Previous Change / Next Change	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Down</a> <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Up</a>	Use these buttons to navigate between changes.
Rollback	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Z</a>	Click this icon to rollback the changes. Note that all changes to the file since its last revision will be reverted, not just the current line.
Show Diff	<a href="#">Ctrl+D</a>	Click this icon to explore the differences between the current and the repository version of the current line in the <a href="#">Diff for Range</a> dialog.
Copy	<a href="#">Ctrl+C</a>	Click this icon to copy the previous version of the modified line to the clipboard.
Show Detailed Differences		Toggle this icon to change the way differences to modified lines are presented when you click the <b>line changed</b> change marker. If enabled, the differences are highlighted with the corresponding color:



## Comparing local changes with the repository version

Apart from [navigating](#) through your local changes within a file in the editor, you can review these changes compared to the base revision of the file in question.

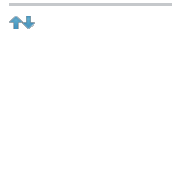
You can review changes in one of the following ways:


- In the Change Details pane in the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window. Select a file you want to review in the Local Changes tab and click the Preview Diff  button on the toolbar.
- In the [Differences Viewer](#). To invoke the Differences Viewer do one of the following:
  - Select a file you want to review in the Local Changes tab and press [Ctrl+D](#)
  - Click the Show Diff icon  on the toolbar.
  - Right-click a file you want to review and select Show Diff or `<your_VCS> | Compare With Latest Repository Version` from the context menu.


The left pane shows the affected code as it was in the base revision, and the right page shows the affected code after changes have been made.

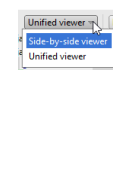
Use the toolbar buttons and controls to navigate between changes and configure the appearance of the Change Details pane or the Differences Viewer :


**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
and  
**Shortcut**


	<p>Previous Difference / Next Difference Shift+F7 F7</p>	<p>Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference. When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to click the arrow buttons <b>F7</b> / <b>Shift+F7</b> once more and compare other files, depending on the <a href="#">Go to the next file after reaching last change</a> option in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer settings</a> .  This behavior is supported only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window.</p>
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	<p>Compare Previous/Next File Alt+Left Alt+Right</p>	<p>Click these buttons to compare the local copy of the previous/next file with its update from the server.  <b>Note</b> These controls are only available if more than one file has been modified locally.</p>
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	<p>Jump to Source F4</p>	<p>Click this button to open the selected file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer .</p>
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<p>Viewer type</p> 		<p>Use this drop-down list to choose the desired viewer type. The side-by-side viewer has two panels; the unified viewer has one panel only. Both types of viewers enable you to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Edit code. Note that one can change text <i>only</i> in the right-hand part of the default viewer, or, in case of the unified viewer, in the lower ("after") line, i.e. in your local version of the file.</li> <li>- Perform the Apply/Append/Revert actions.</li> </ul>
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<p>Whitespace</p> 		<p>Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This option is selected by default.</li> <li>- Trim whitespaces : (<code>"\t"</code>, <code>" "</code>) , if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.</li> <li>- If two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the <a href="#">By word</a> mode.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.</li> <li>- Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- all whitespaces (as in the 'ignore whitespaces' option)</li> <li>- all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only</li> <li>- all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.</li> </ul> <p>For example, changing <code>a b c</code> to <code>a \n b c</code> is not highlighted in this mode.</p> </li> <li>- Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).</li> </ul>
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<p>Highlighting mode</p> 		<p>Select the way differences granularity is highlighted.</p> <p>The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted</li> <li>- Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted</li> <li>- Highlight split changes : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.</li> </ul> <p>For example, <code>A \n B</code> vs. <code>A X \n B X</code> will be treated as two changes instead of one.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not highlight : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.</li> </ul>
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	<p>Collapse unchanged fragments</p>	<p>Click this button to collapse all unchanged fragments in both files. The amount of non-collapsible unchanged lines is configurable in the <a href="#">Diff &amp; Merge settings</a> page.</p>
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	<p>Synchronize scrolling</p>	<p>Click this button to simultaneously scroll both differences panes; if this button is released, each of the panes can be scrolled independently.</p>
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	<p>Editor settings</p>	<p>Click this button to invoke the list of available settings. Select or clear this options to show or hide whitespaces, line numbers and indent guides, to use or disable the use of soft wraps, and to set the highlighting level.  These commands are also available from the context menu of the differences viewer gutter.</p>
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	<p>Show diff in external tool</p>	<p>Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page.</p>
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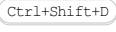

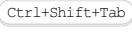




This button only appears on the toolbar when the Use external diff tool option is enabled in the [External Diff Tools](#) settings page.

	Help	Click this button to show the corresponding help page.
		
N/A	Annotate	<p>This option is only available from the context menu of the gutter.</p> <p>Use this option to explore who introduced which changes to the repository version of the file in question, and when. The annotations view lets you see detailed information for each line of code, such as the version from which this line originated, the ID of the user who committed this line, and the commit date.</p> <p>You can <a href="#">configure the amount of information displayed in the annotations pane</a> .</p> <p>For more details on annotations, refer to <a href="#">Viewing Changes Information</a></p>

The most useful shortcuts are the following:

#### ShortcutDescription

	Use this keyboard shortcut to show the popup menu of the most commonly user diff commands.
	Use this keyboard shortcut to switch between the left and the right panes.
	Use this keyboard shortcut to select the position obtained by  in the opposite pane.
	Use this keyboard shortcut to undo/redo a merge operation. Conflicts will be kept in sync with the text.

## Viewing changes history for a file or selection

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to review changes made to files or even fragments of source code. The Show History and the Show History for Selection commands are available from the main VCS menu and from the context menu of files.

The change history for a file is displayed in the dedicated [History tab](#) of the [Version Control](#) tool window.

The change history for a selection of code is displayed in a separate window, in the form of the [differences viewer](#) .

## Viewing the History for a File








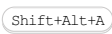



Do one of the following:








- Open a file in the editor. Then, on the main VCS menu or on the context menu of the editor tab, choose <VCS> | Show History .
- In the Project tool window, right-click a file and choose <VCS> | Show History from the context menu.

The [History](#) tab for the selected file appears in the Version Control tool window, the name of the file is shown on the title bar of the tab.

You can use the [toolbar](#) buttons to compare the selected revision with the local version, compare classes from the selected revision, checkout the selected revision from your VCS, annotate the selected revision, etc.:

#### ItemTooltip and Shortcut Description

	Compare	Click this button to compare the selected revision of a file with its previous revision in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> . 
	Show Diff with Local	Click this button to compare the selected revision of a file with its local copy in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> .
	Create Patch	Click this button to create a patch from the selected revision.
	Get	Click this button to retrieve the selected revision. If the local copy has already been modified, IntelliJ IDEA prompts to overwrite the local version, or cancel the operation.
	Annotate	Click this button to open the selected revision of a file in the editor with annotations.
	Show All Affected Files	Click this button to open the Paths Affected in Revision dialog where you can view all files that were modified in the selected revision. 
	Copy Revision Number	Click this button to copy the revision number of the commit that the selected file belongs to to the clipboard.
	Compare all classes from revision on UML	Click this button to view all classes of the selected revision as a UML Class diagram. See section <a href="#">Viewing Changes as Diagram</a> . 

	Open in GitHub	Click this button to open the page that corresponds to the selected commit on <a href="#">GitHub</a> .
	Show All Branches	Click this button to display changes from branches other than the current one.
	Show Branches	<div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px; border: 1px solid #ccc;"> <b>Note</b> This option is only available if you are using Perforce for version control.         </div> Click this button to show branches.
	Show All Revisions Submitted In Selected Changelist	<div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px; border: 1px solid #ccc;"> <b>Note</b> This option is only available if you are using Perforce for version control.         </div> Click this button to display the list of all revisions committed in the same changelist as the selected revision of a file.
	Refresh	Click this button to refresh the current information.
	Show Details	Click this button to show the commit message for the selected revision.
	Close	Click this button to close the current history tab.

Ctrl+Shift+F4

## Viewing the History for a Selection

1. In the editor, select a fragment of the source code.
2. Choose <VCS> | Show History for Selection from the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection.





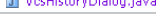





The history for the selected fragment will open in a separate window.

## Checking file status

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to check the status of project files relative to the repository. File status shows you which operations have been performed on the file in question since you last synchronized with the repository.

You can check the status of a file in any interface element (e.g. the editor, or various tool windows) by the color used to highlight the file name.

**Tip** You can customize the default colors for file statuses in [Colors and Fonts](#) settings page.

Color	File Status	Description
Black	Up to date	File is unchanged. 
Gray	Deleted	File is scheduled for deletion from the repository. 
Blue	Modified	File has changed since the last synchronization. 
Green	Added	File is scheduled for addition to the repository. 
Violet	Merged	File is merged by your VCS as a result of an update. 
Brown	Unversioned	File exists locally, but is not in the repository, and is not scheduled for adding. 
Olive	Ignored	File will be ignored in any VCS operation. 
Light brown	Hijacked	File is <b>modified without checkout</b> . This status is valid for the files under Perforce, ClearCase and VSS. modified without checkout . 
Red	Merged with conflicts	During the last update, file was merged with conflicts. 
Lilac	Externally deleted	File is deleted locally, but was not scheduled for deletion, and still exists in the CVS repository. 
Dark cyan	Switched	The file is taken from a different branch than the whole project. This status is valid for CVS and SVN.

## Using annotations

### What are VCS annotations?

Annotation is a form of file presentation that shows detailed information for each line of code. In particular, for each line you can see the version from which this line originated, the user ID of the person who committed this line, and the commit date. The annotated view helps you find out who did what and when, and trace back the changes.

Annotating lines of code is available for ClearCase, TFS, Mercurial, Git, CVS, Perforce and Subversion.

The Annotate command is available from VCS-specific nodes of the Version Control menu, the context menu of the Editor left gutter, file context menus, and the [file history](#) view.

When annotations are enabled, the left gutter looks similar to the following example:

```

315 fa821526 10/14/2015 Gasparyan
316 fa821526 10/14/2015 Gasparyan
317 d3c36cc1 5/19/2015 cheptssov
318 d3c36cc1 5/19/2015 cheptssov
319 28824a5c 10/14/2016 RayShade
320 2107bc7f 10/5/2015 Megorskaya
321 2107bc7f 10/5/2015 Megorskaya
322 6c81cac0 4/10/2017 Gasparyan
323 2107bc7f 10/5/2015 Megorskaya
324 6c81cac0 4/10/2017 Gasparyan
325 d3c36cc1 5/19/2015 cheptssov
326 d3c36cc1 5/19/2015 cheptssov
327 d3c36cc1 5/19/2015 cheptssov
328 dcf38ba 1/20/2017 Gasparyan

```

**Tip** Annotations for lines modified in the current revision, are marked with bold type and an asterisk.

### Configuring the amount of information shown in the annotations pane

1. Enable annotations and right-click the annotations gutter.
2. Select View in the context menu and select or deselect the following options:
  - Revision : select this option if you want to see the number of the changelist within which the annotated changes were checked in.
  - Date : select this option if you want to see the date when the annotated changes were checked in.
  - Author : select this option if you want to see the name of the user who checked in the annotated changes.
  - Commit number : select this option if you want to see the revision number of the current file.
  - Colors : use this control to toggle between the following highlighting modes:
    - Author : select this option if you want to highlight changes made by different authors with different colors.
    - Order : select this option if you want annotation colors to indicate how long ago a change was made. The entire file history is divided into several time periods containing an equal number of commits, and each time period is assigned its own color. The most recent changes are highlighted in green, while the oldest changes are highlighted in red:

```

36 2/8/2017 Megorskaya *
37 10/21/2016 Megorskaya
38 2/8/2017 Megorskaya *
39 5/19/2015 cheptssov
40 5/19/2015 cheptssov
41 2/8/2017 Megorskaya *
42 2/8/2017 Megorskaya *
43 2/8/2017 Megorskaya *
44 2/8/2017 Megorskaya *
45 2/8/2017 Megorskaya *

```

- Hide : select this option if you do not want to use color highlighting. In this case, all annotations will be displayed in gray.
- Names : use this control to select how user names will be displayed. The following options are available:
  - Last name
  - First name
  - Full name

3. To view a commit message for an annotated change, hover the mouse cursor over an annotation. A tooltip will appear showing the commit message for the corresponding change:

```

1/25/2016 Megorskaya <1>To view
5/19/2015 commit c0f815fec1a998c55a38eb53fee263f4698709e
10/14/2016 Author: Irina.Megorskaya
1/25/2016 Date: 1/25/2016 12:39 PM
1/25/2016
5/19/2015 https://youtrack.jetbrains.com/issue/IDEA-147758

```

**Note** The amount of information displayed in the tooltip depends on the version control system you are using and is not affected by the [annotation settings](#).

### Annotating previous revisions

IntelliJ IDEA lets you annotate not only the current file revision, but also it's previous revisions. The following options are available from the context menu of the annotations gutter:

- Annotate Revision : this option is useful if you want to check what a file looked like after a particular change was committed. To do this, right-click this change and select Annotate Revision from the context menu.
- Annotate Previous Revision : this option is useful if you find yourself in a situation when the last change in a particular line

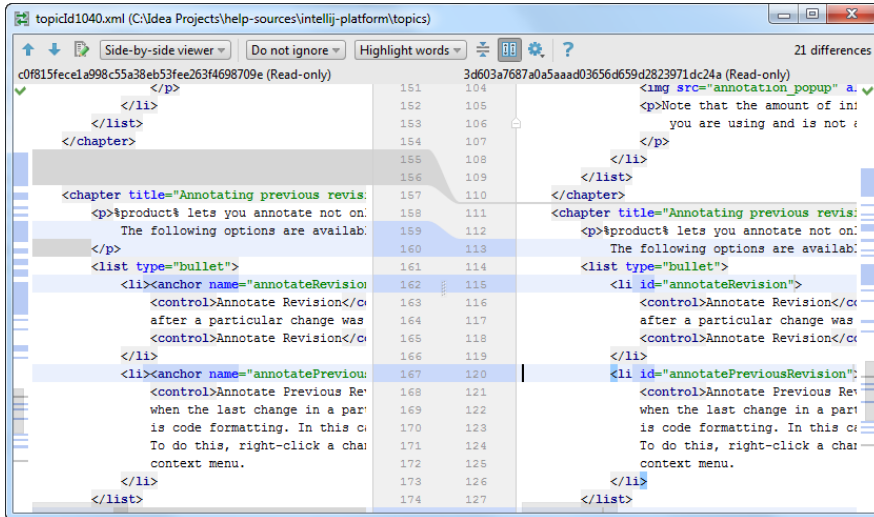
is meaningless, for example if all that was changed is code formatting. In this case, you can check what the previous revision of the file looked like. To do this, right-click a change and select Annotate Previous Revision from the context menu.

You can also annotate a particular file from the [file history](#) view. In the History tab, select the file version you want to review, right-click the corresponding line and select Annotate from the context menu.

## Viewing the differences between revisions

To review the differences between the annotated version of a file and its previous version, position the cursor on an annotation, right-click it and select Show Diff from the context menu. IntelliJ IDEA opens the [Differences Viewer for Files](#) :

To review the differences between the annotated version of a file and its previous version, position the cursor on an annotation, right-click it and select Show Diff from the context menu. IntelliJ IDEA opens the Differences Viewer :



## Navigating to log

If you are using Git for version control, you can also jump from the annotations view to the corresponding commit in the [Log](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window.


To do this, position the cursor on an annotation, right-click it and select Select in Git log from the context menu. You can also use the Copy revision number command to located a revision in the log.

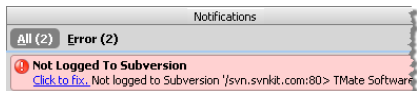
For projects hosted on <https://github.com/>, the Open on GitHub command is also available that takes you to the corresponding commit.

For a number of reasons of various nature you may be not authenticated to the remote server while the authentication dialog box does not appear, as you might expect. Instead, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding message in a pop-up window in the bottom-left corner of the editor.

**Tip** The authentication dialog appears immediately only when you attempt to access a URL address outside your working copies. This feature applies to Perforce, Subversion, and CVS.

## To access the authentication dialog box

1. Click the Notifications Pending button  on the Status bar.
2. In the Notifications pop-up window that opens, click the link Click to fix .



3. In the authentication dialog box that opens, specify your credentials.

In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA provides a unified approach to version control operations, as described in the previous sections. Nevertheless, there are certain VCS-specific features and peculiarities that the user should be aware of. Find helpful tips and notes in the following sections:

- [Using Git integration](#)
- [Using CVS Integration](#)
- [Using Mercurial Integration](#)
- [Using Perforce Integration](#)
- [Using Subversion Integration](#)
- [Using TFS Integration](#)

Before you can [enable Git version control for an existing local project](#) , or [clone a Git project from a remote repository](#) , do the following:

1. [Download](#) and install Git.
2. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), select Version Control | Git in the left pane and specify the path to the Git executable.
3. [Set passwords for remote Git repositories](#)

## Set passwords for Git remotes

Every time you interact with a remote Git repository (for example, during a [pull](#) , [update](#) , or [push](#) operation), it requires authorization. You can [configure IntelliJ IDEA to remember your passwords](#) , so that you do not have to specify your credentials each time authorization is required. The type of authentication depends on which network protocol is used by the remote repository you are trying to access: [HTTP](#) or [SSH](#) .



If you are using HTTP to access a remote, Git requests credentials from a credential helper when you perform an operation that requires authentication. If no credential helper is found, it returns a prompt to the IDE. If you have [configured a password policy](#) , IntelliJ IDEA looks for credentials in the passwords database. If there is no passwords database, it displays a prompt and you have to enter your login and password.

If your remote uses the SSH protocol, in addition to configuring a password policy, you can choose whether you want to use a native or a built-in SSH executable. To do this, in the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), select Version Control | Git on the left. From the SSH executable drop-down list, select one of the following options:

- Built-in : all authorization is performed on the IDE side.
  - If login and password are used for authentication, authorization is performed in accordance with the [selected password policy](#) .
  - If an SSH key without a passphrase is used for authentication, IntelliJ IDEA will access the `~/.ssh/config` file and get the key from there.
  - If authentication requires an SSH key with a passphrase, Git looks for it in the credential helper, and, if no credential helper is found, it returns a prompt to the IDE. If you have configured a [password policy](#) , IntelliJ IDEA looks for credentials in the passwords database. If there is no passwords database, it displays a prompt and you have to enter SSH key and a passphrase.
- Native : all authorization is performed on Git side. No prompt will be displayed, so choose this authorization type if you are using SSH without a passphrase, or the passphrase is saved in a credentials helper, or there is an SSH agent.

## Configure a password policy

1. In the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), select Appearance and Behavior | System Settings | Passwords on the left.
  2. Select how you want IntelliJ IDEA to process passwords for Git remote repositories:
    - In native Keychain : select this option to use native Keychain to store your passwords. This setting is only available for MacOS and Linux.
    - In KeePass : select this option to use the [KeePass password manager](#) to store your passwords. When you use the KeePass password manager , a master password will be used to access the file that stores individual passwords. Once IntelliJ IDEA remembers your passwords, it will not ask for them unless you need to access the passwords database. Enter the password that will be used to access the `c.kdbx` file in the MasterPassword field. You can change the default location of the `c.kdbx` file in the Database field.

To import a `c.kdbx` file, click  and select Import from the drop-down menu, or click  and specify the path to a local file containing your passwords.
- If you want to remove the existing passwords from the database, select Clear .
- Do not save, forget passwords after restart : select this option if you want your passwords to be reset after you close IntelliJ IDEA.

## Check out a project from a remote host (clone)

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to check out (in Git terms clone ) an existing repository and create a new project based on the data you've downloaded.

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Checkout from Version Control | Git , or, if no project is currently opened , choose Checkout from Version Control | Git on the Welcome screen (select the GitHub option for projects hosted on <https://github.com> ).
2. In the Clone Repository dialog, specify the URL of the remote repository you want to clone (you can click Test to make sure that connection to the remote can be established).
3. In the Parent Directory field, specify the path where the folder for your local Git repository will be created.
4. In the Directory Name field, specify the name of the folder into which the repository will be cloned.
5. Click Clone . If you want to create a IntelliJ IDEA project based on the sources you have cloned, click Yes in the confirmation dialog. Git root mapping will be automatically set to the project root directory.

## Put an existing project under Git version control

Apart from [cloning a remote repository](#) , you can create a local repository based on an existing project's sources.

To import an entire project into a single Git repository that will reside in the project root, do the following:

1. Open the project that you want to put under Git.
2. From the main menu, choose VCS | Enable Version Control Integration .
3. In the dialog that opens, select Git from the drop-down list and click OK .

If your project contains several modules that you want to put into different Git repositories, do the following:

1. Open the project that you want to put under Git.
2. From the main menu, choose VCS | Import into Version Control | Create Git Repository .
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the directory where a new Git repository will be created.

**Note** Git does not support external paths, so if you choose a directory that is outside your project root, make sure that the folder where the repository is going to be created also contains the project root.

## Add files to the local repository

After you have [initialized a Git repository](#) for your project, you need to add project data to it.

1. Open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Local Changes tab.
2. Put any files in the Unversioned Files changelist under version control by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+A` or selecting Add to VCS from the context menu. You can either add the entire changelist, or select separate files.

If you have enabled Git integration for your project, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to add each newly created file under Git version control (you can change this behavior in the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) under Version Control | Confirmation ). If you want certain files to always remain unversioned, you can [configure Git to ignore them](#) .

**Tip** You can also add files to your local Git repository from the Project tool window. Select the files you want to add, and press `Ctrl+Alt+A` or choose Git | Add from the context menu.



## Exclude files from version control (ignore)

Sometimes you may need to leave files of certain types unversioned. These can be VCS administration files, artifacts of utilities, backup copies, etc.

**Note** Once you've added a file to Git version control, ignoring it will have no effect. You need to remove it from the Git repository first.

You can ignore files through IntelliJ IDEA, and the IDE will not suggest adding them to Git and will highlight them as ignored. However, since this is done on the IDE side, Git treats such files as unversioned, so if you need to perform any operations outside IntelliJ IDEA, or share your project, it is also recommended to add a list of files you want to ignore to the `gitignore` file (for instructions, see <https://git-scm.com/docs/gitignore> ).

To configure a list of files that you don't want to be tracked by Git in IntelliJ IDEA, do the following:

1. Either:
  - Choose File | Settings from the main menu, and select Version Control | Ignored Files in the left pane.
  - Open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Local Changes tab. Click the Configure Ignored Files icon  on the toolbar.
2. Click the Add button  on the toolbar.
3. In the Ignore Unversioned Files dialog, specify the files/directories that you want to ignore, or define file name patterns:
  - Ignore specified file : specify the file name relative to the project root.
  - Ignore all files under : specify the directory whose contents should be ignored relative to the project root. The rule is applied recursively to all subdirectories.
  - Ignore all files matching : type the pattern that defines the names of files to be ignored. The rule is applied to all directories under the project root.Two characters can be used as wildcards:
  - `*` : to replace any string.



- `?` : to replace a single character.

For example, `*.iml` will ignore all files with the `iml` extension; `*.?.ml` will ignore all files whose extension ends with `ml`.

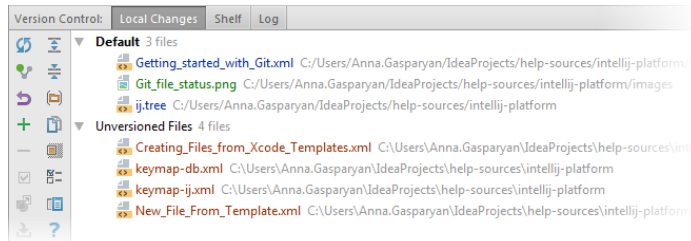
**Note** Using wildcards in combination with slashes (`/`) to restrict the scope to a certain directory is not supported.

**Tip** You can also add files to the ignore list on-the-fly by using the Ignore command on the context menu of a newly added file under the Unversioned Files node in the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window.

## Check project status


IntelliJ IDEA allows you to check the status of your local working copy compared to the repository version of the project. It lets you see which files have been modified, which new files have been added to the VCS, and which files are not being tracked by Git.

Open the Version Control tool window (`Alt+9`) and switch to the Local Changes tab:



- The Default changelist shows all files that have been modified since you last synchronized with the remote repository (highlighted in blue), and all new files that have been added to the VCS but have not been committed yet (highlighted in green).
- The Unversioned Files changelist shows all files that have been added to your project, but that are not being tracked by Git.



For more info on changelists, see [Group changes into different changelists](#).

**Tip** If you want **ignored files** to be also displayed in the Local Changes view, click  on the toolbar.

## Track changes to a file in the editor

You can also track changes to a file as you modify it in the editor. All changes are highlighted with change markers that appear in the left gutter next to the modified lines, and show the type of changes introduced since you last **synchronized with the repository**. When you commit changes to the repository, change markers disappear.

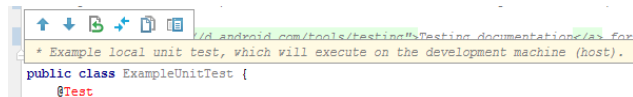
The changes you introduce to the text are color-coded:



-  line added.
-  line changed.

**Tip** You can customize the default colors for line statuses. To do this, open the Settings dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`) and select Editor | Color Scheme | VCS on the left.

When you delete a line, the following marker appears in the left gutter: .

You can manage changes using a toolbar that appears when you hover the mouse cursor over a change marker and then click it. The toolbar is displayed together with a frame showing the previous contents of the modified line:



You can rollback changes by clicking  (note that all changes to the file since its last revision will be reverted, not just the current line), and explore the differences between the current and the repository version of the current line by clicking .

## Add a remote repository

To be able to collaborate on your Git project, you need to configure remote repositories that you **fetch** data from and **push** to when you need to share your work.

If you have **cloned a remote Git repository**, for example from [GitHub](#), the remote is configured automatically and you do not have to specify it when you want to synchronize with it (i.e. when you perform a **pull** or a **push** operation).

**Note** The default name Git gives to the remote you've cloned from is `origin`.

However, if you **created a Git repository** based on local sources, you need to add a remote repository for other contributors to be able to push their changes to it, and for you to be able to share the results of your work.

Invoke the Push dialog when you are ready to push your commits by selecting VCS | Git | Push from the main menu, or

1. Invoke the Push dialog when you are ready to push your commits by selecting VCS | Git | Push from the main menu, or press `Ctrl+Shift+K`.
2. If you haven't added any remotes so far, the Define remote link will appear instead of a remote name. Click it to add a remote.
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the remote name and the URL where it will be hosted, and click OK.

**Tip** You can also add a remote from the Push dialog by clicking an existing remote's name.

In some cases, you also need to add a second remote repository. This may be useful, for example, if you have cloned a repository that you do not have write access to, and you are going to push changes to your own [fork](#) of the original project. Another common scenario is that you have cloned your own repository that is somebody else's project fork, and you need to synchronize with the original project and fetch changes from it. In this case:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Remotes. The Git Remotes dialog will open.
2. Click the Add button `+` on the toolbar or press `Alt+Insert`.
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the remote name and URL and click OK.

Learn more from this video:

To edit a remote (for example, to change the name of the original project that you have cloned), select it in the Git Remotes dialog and click the Edit button `E` on the toolbar, or press `Enter`.

To remove a repository that is no longer valid, select it in the Git Remotes dialog and click the Remove button `-` on the toolbar, or press `Alt+Delete`.

**Tip** You can also edit a remote from the [Push Dialog](#) by clicking its name.

Before you can share the results of your work by [pushing your changes to the upstream](#) , you need to synchronize with the remote repository to make sure your local copy of the project is up to date. You can do this in one of the following ways: [fetch changes](#) , [pull changes](#) , [update your project](#) .

## Fetch changes

When you fetch changes from the upstream, all new data from commits that were made since you last synced with the remote repository is downloaded into your local copy. This new data is not integrated into your local files, and changes are not applied to your code.

Fetches changes are stored as a remote branch, which gives you a chance to review them before you [merge](#) them with your files. Since fetch does not affect your local development environment, this is a safe way to get an update of all changes to a remote repository.

To fetch changes, from the main menu choose VCS | Git | Fetch .

## Pull changes

Pulling changes from a remote repository is a convenient shortcut for [fetching](#) and subsequently [merging](#) changes. When you pull , you not only download new data, but also integrate it into your local working copy of the project.

To pull changes, do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Pull . The Pull Changes dialog opens.
2. If your project has several Git repositories, select the path to the local repository that you want to update from the Git Root drop-down list.
3. If you have several remotes configured for your repository, select the URL of the remote that you want to pull data from in the Remote drop-down list.
4. Select the branches that you want to fetch changes from and merge into the branch that is currently checked out.
5. From the Strategy drop-down list, select the [merge strategy](#) that will be used to resolve conflicts that occur during merge.
6. Select the following if necessary:
  - No commit : select this option if you do not want IntelliJ IDEA to automatically commit merge results. In this case, you can inspect them and adjust if necessary.
  - No fast forward : select this option to generate a merge commit even if the merge was resolved as a fast-forward (i.e. only the branch pointer was updated).
  - Squash commit : select this option to create a single commit on top of the current branch instead of merging one or more branches. It produces the working tree and index state as if a real merge took place, but it does not actually make a commit or move the HEAD.
  - Add log information : select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to populate the log message with one-line descriptions from the actual commits that are being merged in addition to branch names.
7. Click Pull to fetch and apply changes from the selected remote repository.

## Update your project

If you have several project roots, or want to fetch changes from all branches each time you sync with the remote repository, you may find updating your project a more convenient option.

When you perform the update operation, IntelliJ IDEA [pulls](#) changes to all project roots and branches, and [merges](#) them into your local working copy (equivalent to pull ).

To update your project, do the following:


1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Update Project or press `Ctrl+T` . The Update Project dialog opens.
2. Select the update type (this strategy will be applied to all roots that are under Git version control):
  - Merge : select this option to perform [merge](#) during the update. This is equivalent to running `git fetch` and then `git merge` , or `git pull --no-rebase` .
  - Rebase : select this option to perform [rebase](#) during the update. This is equivalent to running `git fetch` and then `git rebase` , or `git pull --rebase` (all local commits will be put on top of the updated upstream head).
  - Branch Default : select this option if you want to apply different update strategies for different branches. You can specify the default update type for each branch in the `branch.<name>` section of the `.git/config` configuration file.
3. Specify a method that will be used to save your changes while cleaning your working copy before the update so that your uncommitted changes can be restored after the update is completed:
  - Using Stash : select this option to save local changes in a [git stash](#) . This is useful if you need to apply patches with stashed changes outside IntelliJ IDEA, as they are generated by Git itself.
  - Using Shelve : select this option to put local changes to a [shelf](#) . Shelving is done by IntelliJ IDEA, and patches generated from shelved changes are normally applied inside IntelliJ IDEA.

**TIP** If you choose not to show the Update Project dialog in the future, and then at some point you want to modify the default update strategies, in Setting | Version Control | Confirmation select Update under Display options dialog when these commands are invoked , and modify the update strategy the next time you perform an update.

After you've [added new files to the Git repository](#), or modified files that are already under Git version control and you are happy with their current state, you can share the results of your work. This involves [committing](#) them locally to record the snapshot of your repository to the project history, and then [pushing](#) them to the remote repository so that they become available to others.

## Commit changes locally

1. Invoke the commit dialog in one of the following ways:

- Press `Ctrl+K`.
- In the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window, select a changelist or files you want to commit and click the Commit Changes button  on the toolbar or select Commit Changes on the context menu of the selection.
- On the main menu, choose VCS | Commit or VCS | Git | Commit File.

The Commit Changes dialog lists all files that have been modified since the last commit, and all newly added unversioned files.

2. Enter a commit message and select the Before Commit actions you want IntelliJ IDEA to perform before committing the selected files to the local repository.

3. Select the following options in the Git section if necessary:

- Author: if you are committing changes made by another person, you can specify the author of these changes.
- Amend commit: select this option if you want to add the local changes to the latest commit (see [Combine staged changes with the previous commit \(amend commit\)](#) for details).
- Sign-off commit: Select this option if you want to sign off your commit, i.e. to certify that the changes you are about to check in have been made by you, or that you take the responsibility for the code in question.  
When this option is enabled, the following line is automatically added at the end of the commit message: **Signed off by:**  
`<username>`

4. Click the Commit button or hover the mouse over this button to display one of the following available commit options:

- Commit and Push: [push](#) the changes to the remote repository immediately after the commit.
- Create Patch: [generate a patch](#) based on the changes you are about to commit. In the Create Patch dialog that opens, type the name of the patch file and specify whether you need a reverse patch.
- Remote Run: [run your personal build](#). This option is only available when you are logged in to [TeamCity](#). Refer to [TeamCity plugin documentation](#) for details.

**Tip** If you realize you need to edit the commit message, you can do so before you've pushed this commit. See [Edit a commit message](#).

**Tip** You can customize the rules applied to commit messages, such as a blank line between the subject and the body, and the maximum message length. To do this, in the Settings dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), select Version Control | Commit Dialog on the left.

There is also a quick fix and the Reformat action that allow you to wrap a long line or reformat the commit message.

**Note** You can invoke the Commit Changes dialog even if there are only Unversioned files present in the project, for example added from outside IntelliJ IDEA.

## Push changes to a remote repository

Before pushing your changes, [sync with the remote](#) and make sure your local copy of the repository is up-to-date to avoid conflicts.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to upload changes from the current branch to its [tracked branch](#) or to any other remote branch.

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+K` or choose VCS | Git | Push from the main menu. The Push Commits dialog opens showing all Git repositories (for multi-repository projects) and listing all commits made in the current branch in each repository since the last push.

If you have a project that uses multiple repositories that are not controlled synchronously, only the current repository is selected by default (for details on how to enable synchronous repositories control, refer to [Version Control Settings: Git](#)).

2. If there are no remotes in the repository, the Define remote link appears. Click this link and specify the remote name and URL in the dialog that opens. It will be saved and you can edit it later via VCS | Git | Remotes (for details, see [Add a remote repository](#)).

3. If you want to modify the target branch where you want to push, you can click the branch name. The label turns into a text field where you can type an existing branch name, or create a new branch. You can also click the Edit all targets link in the bottom-right corner to edit all branch names simultaneously.

Note that you cannot change the local branch: the current branch for each selected repository will be pushed.

4. If you want to preview changes before pushing them, select the required commit. The right-hand pane shows the changes included in the selected commit. You can use the toolbar buttons to examine the commit details.

5. Click the Push button when ready and select which operation you want to perform from the drop-down menu: Push or Force push.

These choice options are only available if the Allow force push option is enabled (see [Version Control Settings: Git](#)), otherwise, you can only perform the `push` operation.

**Note** If the author of a commit is different from the current user, this commit is marked with an asterisk.

**Tip** You can also switch to the editing mode by pressing `Enter` or `F2` for the selected element.

**Tip** You can press `Ctrl+Q` for the selected commit to display extra info, such as the commit author, time, hash and the commit message.

**Tip** If you select an entire repository, all files from all commits will be listed in the right pane.

If the same file was modified within several commits, it will only be listed once if you select these commits or the entire repository, and if you invoke the [Differences Viewer for Files](#) for this file, all changes will be zipped together.

If `push` is rejected because your working copy is outdated, IntelliJ IDEA displays the Push Rejected dialog, provided that the Auto-update if push of the current branch was rejected option in the [Git settings](#) page of the Settings dialog is not selected. Do the following:

1. If your project uses several Git repositories, specify which of them you want to update. If you want to update all repositories, no matter whether `push` was rejected for them or not, select the Update not rejected repositories as well option. If this option is cleared, only the affected repositories will be updated.
2. If you want IntelliJ IDEA to apply the update procedure silently the next time push is rejected using the update method you choose in this dialog, select the Remember the update method choice and silently update in the future option. After you leave this dialog, the Auto-update if push of the current branch was rejected checkbox in the [Git settings](#) page of the Settings dialog will be selected, and the applied update method will become the default one.

To change the update strategy, deselect this option to invoke the Push Rejected dialog the next time push of the current branch is rejected, apply a different update procedure, and select the Remember the update method choice option once again.

3. Select the update method ([rebase](#) or [merge](#)) by clicking the Rebase or Merge button respectively.

## When do I need to use force push?

When you run `push`, Git will refuse to complete the operation if the remote repository has changes that you are missing and that you are going to overwrite with your local copy of the repository. Normally, you need to perform `pull` to synchronize with the remote before you update it with your changes.

The `--force push` command disables this check and lets you overwrite the remote repository, thus erasing its history and causing data loss.

A possible situation when you may still need to perform `--force push` is when you rebase a pushed branch and then want to push it to the remote server. In this case, when you try to push, Git will reject your changes because the remote ref is not an ancestor of the local ref. If you perform `pull` in this situation, you will end up with two copies of the branch which you then need to merge.

**Warning!** Rebasing a pushed branch and modifying its history should be avoided unless absolutely necessary (for example, if you've accidentally pushed some sensitive data).

If you decide to force push the rebased branch and you are working in a team, make sure that:

- Nobody has pulled your branch and done some local changes to it
- All pending changes have been committed and pushed
- You have the latest changes for that branch


IntelliJ IDEA allows you to trace back all changes in your project so that you can locate the author of changes, review the differences between different file versions, and [safely roll back and undo](#) changes if necessary.

## Review project history

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to review all changes made to the project sources that match the specified filters. To view project history, open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Log tab. It shows all changes committed to all branches and remote repositories.

**Tip** You can assign a custom shortcut for the Show VCS Log action in Settings | Keymap | Version Control Systems to open the Log tab.

Use the search field to search through the list of commits by entering full commit names or messages or their fragments, revision numbers, or regular expressions. You can also filter the commits by branch, user, date and folder (or root and folder for multi-root projects).

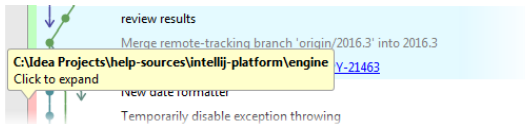
You can also click the Go to Hash/Branch/Tag icon  on the toolbar or press `Ctrl+F` and specify a commit hash, tag or the name of a branch you want to jump to (you will be taken to the latest commit in that branch).

**Tip** You can quickly switch the focus to the search field by pressing `Ctrl+L`.

Note that clicking an arrow takes you to the next commit in a long branch:




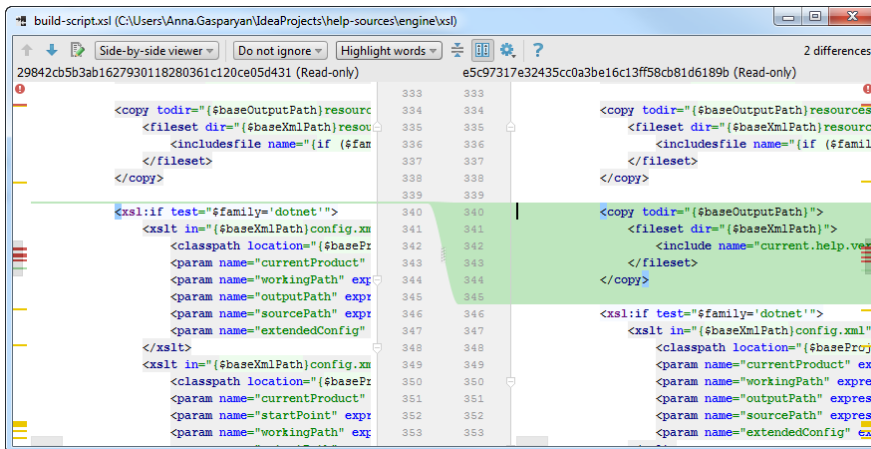
In multi-repository projects, the colored stripe on the left indicates which root the selected commit belongs to (each root is marked with its own color). Hover the mouse cursor over the colored stripe to invoke a tip that shows the root path:



## Review file history


If you need to review all changes made to a specific file, and identify what exactly was modified in each revision, do the following:

1. Select the required file in any view (in the Project tool window, in the editor, in the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window, etc.).
2. Select Git | Show History from the main VCS menu or from the context menu of the selection. The History tab is added to the Version Control tool window showing the history for the selected file and allowing you to review and compare its revisions.
3. To identify which changes were introduced in a specific revision, select it in the list and press `Ctrl+D` or click the  button on the toolbar. The Differences Viewer will open showing what has changed in this file revision:



## Review the differences between the local and a committed version

If you need to check how a committed file revision is different from its local version, do the following:

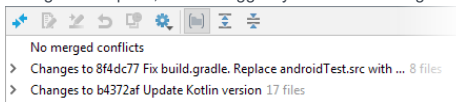
1. Open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Log tab.
2. Select the commit you are interested in, and in the right pane select the file in question.
3. Click the  button on the toolbar.


## Review how changes were merged


IntelliJ IDEA allows you to review how changes were [merged from one branch to another](#) , and how exactly conflicts (if any) were [resolved](#) during a merge:

In the Log view, select the merge commit you are interested in:

- If no conflicts were detected and resolved during the merge, IntelliJ IDEA will display the corresponding message in the Changed Files pane, and will suggest you to review changes originating from both parents:



Select the required file from one of the nodes and click the Show Diff icon on the toolbar  or press `Ctrl+D` . The [Differences Viewer](#) will show a two-panel diff allowing you to compare the current version with the selected parent.

- If conflicts occurred during the merge, the Changed Files pane will show you a list of files merged with conflicts. Select the required file and Show Diff icon on the toolbar  or press `Ctrl+D` . The [Differences Viewer](#) will show a three-panel diff allowing you to compare the current version with each of its parents, and see how exactly conflicts were resolved.

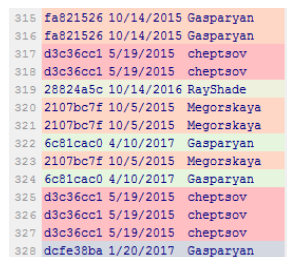
## Locate code author (annotate/blame)

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to figure out who introduced which changes to a file by using annotations . Annotation is a form of file presentation that shows detailed information for each line of code, including the revision from which this file originated, the user ID of the person who committed this line, and the commit date. The annotated view helps you find out who did what and when, and trace back the changes.

You can get the annotated view of a file opened in the editor, in the Differences Viewer , or selected in any tool window. The Annotate command is available from the context menu ( Git | Annotate ) or from the left gutter context menu of the editor or the Differences Viewer .

**Tip** If you often use the Annotate command, you can assign a custom shortcut to it. To do this, open the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) and click Keymap on the left. Locate the Annotate command under Version Control | Git , right-click it and select Add Keyboard Shortcut .

When annotations are enabled, the left gutter looks similar to the following example:



Annotations for lines modified in the current revision, are marked with bold type and an asterisk.

You can configure the amount of information displayed in the annotations view by right-clicking the annotations gutter and selecting View from the context menu.

**Tip** To view a commit message for an annotated change, hover the mouse cursor over an annotation. A tooltip will appear showing the commit message for the corresponding change.

**Tip** You can jump from the annotations view to the corresponding commit in the Log tab of the Version Control tool window (use the Select in Git log command from the context menu of an annotation), or, if your project is hosted on GitHub , to the corresponding commit on <https://github.com> (use the Open on GitHub command).

## Annotate a previous revision

IntelliJ IDEA lets you annotate not only the current file revision, but also its previous revisions. The following options are available from the context menu of the annotations gutter:

- Annotate Revision : this option is useful if you want to check what a file looked like after a particular change was committed.
- Annotate Previous Revision : this option is useful if you find yourself in a situation when the last change in a particular line is meaningless, for example if all that was changed is code formatting. In this case, you can check what the previous revision of the file looked like.

You can also annotate a particular file from the History view. In the History tab, select the file version you want to review, right-click the corresponding line and select Annotate from the context menu.

Watch this video to learn more on how you can benefit from using annotations:





Instead of committing your changes, you can put them in a `.patch` file that you can apply to your sources later, or send by email, etc.

## Create a patch


To create a patch based on uncommitted changes, do the following:

1. Open the Version Control tool window (`Alt+9`) and switch to the Local Changes tab.
2. Select a file or a changelist based on which you want to create a patch.
3. Select Create Patch from the context menu or from the main VCS menu.
4. In the dialog that opens, make sure that all changes you want to include in the patch are selected, enter a commit comment (optionally) and click Create Patch.
5. In the Patch File Settings dialog, modify the default patch file location if necessary, and click OK.

If you do not need to save a patch to a file, and want, for example, to send it by email or through a messenger, you can select Copy as Patch to Clipboard from the context menu of the selected file or changelist, and then paste it to a message body.




**Tip** You can also create a patch by invoking the Commit Changes dialog, selecting the changes you want to include in the patch, hovering the mouse cursor over the Commit button and selecting Create Patch.

You can also create a patch based on changes that have already been committed. To create a patch from an entire commit, locate it in the Log view, and select Create Patch from the context menu. If you need to create a patch on a single file, and the corresponding commit contains multiple files, do the following:

1. Select the required file in any view (in the Project tool window, in the editor, in the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window, etc.).
2. Select Git | Show History from the main VCS menu or from the context menu of the selection. The History tab is added to the Version Control tool window.
3. Right-click a revision and choose Create Patch from the context menu, or click the Create Patch icon  on the toolbar.

## Apply a patch

To apply changes stored in a file to your sources, do the following:

1. Select VCS | Apply patch from the main menu.
2. In the Apply Patch dialog that opens, specify the path to the `.patch` file you want to apply.
3. If necessary, click the Map base directory icon  to specify a directory relative to which file names in the patch file will be interpreted. You can map a base directory to a single file, directory, or to a selection.
4. If the source code was edited after a patch was created, conflicts may arise. To check if you patch can be applied without conflicts, click the Show Diff icon  or press `Ctrl+D`. If there are conflicts, the corresponding lines will be highlighted in red.
5. If you want to apply changes to files stored in different locations from those specified in the patch, you can strip off the leading directories by using the Strip Directory button .
6. Select an existing changelist where you want to add the patch from the drop-down list, or specify the name of a new changelist in the Name field, and, optionally, enter a comment to this changelist.
7. If you want to make this changelist active, select the Set active option.
8. If you want IntelliJ IDEA to preserve the context of a task associated with the new changelist on its deactivation and restore the context when the changelist becomes active, select the Track context option (see [Managing tasks and contexts](#) for details).

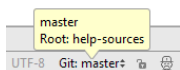
**Tip** You can drag-and-drop a file or an email attachment to any place in the editor.

You can also copy a patch file content and apply it by choosing VCS | Apply Patch from Clipboard from the main menu. This is convenient when you receive a patch by email, for example, and do not want to save it. For [Git format](#) patches, IntelliJ IDEA extracts the commit message and the author and automatically fills the corresponding fields in the Commit Changes dialog.

In Git, branching is a powerful mechanism that allows you to diverge from the main development line, for example, when you need to [work on a feature](#) , or freeze a certain state of a code base for a release, etc.

In IntelliJ IDEA, all operations with branches are performed in the Git Branches popup. To invoke it, do one of the following:

– Click the Git widget in the Status bar:



– Invoke the VCS Operations popup by choosing VCS Operations Popup from the main menu, or press

`Alt+Back Quote` and select Branches there.

– From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Branches .

– Right-click any file in the editor, and in the context menu choose Git | Repository | Branches .

If you have many branches, you can choose whether you want to display all of them in the Branches popup, or just the favorites. To do this, toggle the Show Only Favorites and the Show x More commands at the bottom of the Branches popup.

To mark a branch as a favorite, hover the mouse cursor over the branch name, and click the star outline that appears on the left:  . The `master` branch is marked as a favorite by default.

The name of the branch that is currently checked out is displayed in the Git widget in the Status bar.

If you have a multi-rooted repository, you can enable synchronous branch control, which means that all branch operations (such as checkout, merge, delete, etc.) will be performed simultaneously as if it were a single repository. If an operation fails at least in one of the repositories, IntelliJ IDEA prevents branches from diverging by suggesting you to roll back this operation in the repositories where it was successful. You can enable synchronous branch control in the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`) under Version Control | Git .

## Create a new branch

If you want to create a new branch, for example to [work on a new feature](#) , do the following

1. In the Branches popup, choose New Branch .
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the branch name, and make sure the Checkout branch option is selected if you want to switch to that branch.

The new branch will start from the current HEAD. If you want to start a branch from a previous commit instead of the current branch HEAD, select this commit in the Log and select New Branch from the context menu.

## Checkout a branch as a new local branch

If you want to work in a branch created by someone else, you need to check it out to create a local copy of that branch:

1. In the Branches popup, select a branch that you want to check out locally from Remote Branches , or Common Remote Branches if your project has several roots and [synchronous branch control](#) is enabled, or from Repositories | Remote Branches if it is disabled, and choose Checkout as new local branch from the list of available operations.
2. Enter a new name for this branch if necessary, or leave the default name that corresponds to the remote branch, and click OK .

## Switch between branches

When [multitasking](#) , you often need to jump between branches to commit unrelated changes. To switch to a different branch, in the Branches popup, select the branch that you want to switch to under Local Branches and choose Checkout from the list of available operations. What happens next depends on whether there are conflicts between your local changes that you have not committed yet, and the branch that you are going to check out:

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA saves your [context](#) (i.e. a set of opened files associated with a branch, as well as the current run configuration and [breakpoints](#) ) provided that the Restore workspace on branch switching option is enabled in the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`) under Version Control | Confirmation . When you switch to a different branch, IntelliJ IDEA automatically restores your context associated with that branch.


- If your working tree is clean (i.e. you have no uncommitted changes), or your local changes do not conflict with the specified branch, this branch will be checked out (a notification will pop up in the bottom-right corner of the IntelliJ IDEA window).
- If your local changes will be overwritten by checkout, IntelliJ IDEA displays a list of files that prevent you from checking out the selected branch, and suggests to choose between Force Checkout and Smart Checkout . If you click Force Checkout , your local uncommitted changes will be overwritten and you will lose them.


If you click Smart Checkout , IntelliJ IDEA will [stash](#) uncommitted changes, check out the selected branch, and then unstash the changes. If a conflict occurs during the unstash operation, you will be prompted to merge the changes. For details, see [Resolve conflicts](#) .

## Compare branches

If you want to check how two branches have diverged from each other, you can compare them. To do this, from the Branches popup select the branch that you want to compare with the current branch, and choose Compare from the list of available operations.

In the dialog that opens, the Log tab shows a list of all commits that exist in one branch and do not exist in the other. When

you select a commit, the right pane displays a list of files that were affected by this commit. You can click the Show Diff icon  on the toolbar to see how exactly the selected file was changed in this commit.

The Files tab shows a list of all files that have diverged between the two branches. Clicking  shows the differences between the selected file in the current branch and in the branch you are comparing it with.

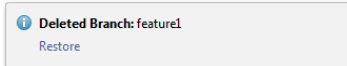
**Tip** Click the Swap branches link to toggle which branch is considered as a base against which you are comparing the other branch. The base branch is displayed on the left.

## Delete branches

After you have [integrated the changes](#) from a feature branch into the main line of development, you can delete the branch you do not need anymore:

1. [Invoke the branches popup](#) and select the branch you want to delete.
2. Choose Delete from the submenu.

After you have deleted a branch, a notification will be displayed in the bottom-right corner from which you can restore the deleted branch:



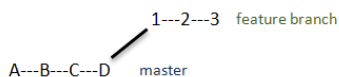
If the branch contained commits that have not yet been merged to its upstream branch or to the current branch, it will still be deleted immediately (equivalent to the `git branch --D` or `git branch --delete --force` command), but the notification will also contain a link allowing you to view the unmerged commits.

If the deleted branch was tracking a remote branch, you will also be able to remove the remote branch from this notification.

In Git, there are several ways to integrate changes from one branch into another: [Merge branches](#) , [Rebase branches](#) , or [Apply separate commits from one branch to another \(cherry-pick\)](#) .

## Merge branches

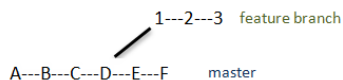
Suppose you have created a [feature branch](#) to work on a specific task, and want to integrate the results of your work into the



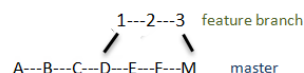
main code base after you have completed and tested your feature:

Merging your branch into master is the most common way to do this.

It is very common that while you are working in your feature branch, your teammates continue to commit their work to master:



When you run `merge` , the changes from your feature branch are integrated into the HEAD of the target branch:

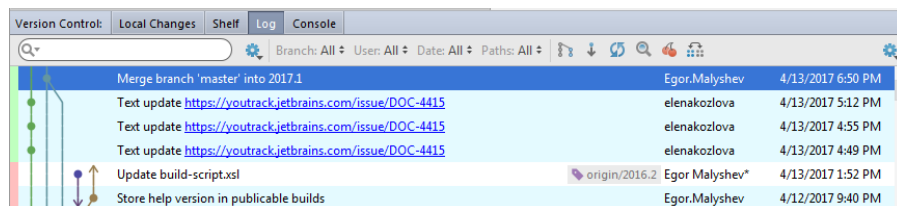


Git creates a new commit (M) that is referred to as a merge commit that results from combining the changes from your feature branch and master from the point where the two branches diverged.

To merge branches, do the following:

1. [Switch to the target branch](#) that you want to integrate the changes to.
2. [Invoke the branches popup](#) , and select the branch that you want to merge into the target branch.
3. Choose Merge from the submenu.

If your working tree is clean (i.e. you have no uncommitted changes), and no conflicts occur between your feature branch and the target branch, Git will merge the two branches, and the merge commit will appear in the Log :



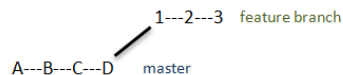
If conflicts occur between your branch and the target branch, you will be prompted to resolve them (see [Resolve conflicts](#) for details).

If you have local changes that will be overwritten by merge, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest performing Smart merge . If you select this option, IntelliJ IDEA will [stash](#) uncommitted changes, perform merge, and then [unstash](#) the changes.

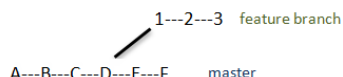
## Rebase branches

When you `rebase` a branch onto another branch, you apply the commits from the first branch on top of the HEAD commit in the second branch instead of [merging](#) them into the target branch.

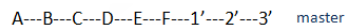
Suppose you have created a feature branch to work on a specific task and make several commits to that branch:



While you develop in your branch, your teammates continue to commit their work to master:



When you perform the `rebase` operation you integrate changes you have done in your feature branch to the `master` branch by applying your commits on top of the current HEAD commit in `master` :



### To rebase the current branch on top of another branch

To rebase the branch that is currently checked out on top of another branch, do the following:

1. [Invoke the branches popup](#) and select the branch the you want to rebase the current branch onto.

2. Choose Rebase onto from the list of available actions.

**Tip** You can resume an interrupted rebase operation by choosing `VCS | Git | Continue Rebasing` from the main menu, and cancel an unfinished rebase operation by choosing `VCS | Git | Abort Rebasing`.

## To rebase a branch on top of the current branch

To rebase a branch on top of the branch that is currently checked out, do the following:

1. [Invoke the branches popup](#) and select the branch that you want to rebase on top of the current branch.
2. Choose Checkout with Rebase from the list of available actions.

For details on how to skip or squash commit during a rebase, refer to [Edit project history by performing interactive rebase](#).

Watch this video to see how a merge or a rebase operation are reflected in the Log view:

## Apply changes from a specific commit to another branch (cherry-pick)

Sometimes you only need to apply a single commit to a different branch instead of rebasing or merging an entire branch.

This may be useful, for example, if you are working in a feature branch and want to integrate a hotfix from `master` that was committed after the two branches have diverged. Or you may want to backport a fix to a previous release branch, etc.



IntelliJ IDEA allows you to do so by using the Cherry-pick action:

1. [Switch to the target branch](#) that you want to integrate the changes to.


2. Open the Version Control tool window (`Alt+9`) and switch to the Log tab.

3. Locate the commit containing the changes you want to cherry pick.

Note that the log lists all commits. To reduce the number of items in the list, you can filter commits by branch, user or date.

You can also click the Highlight non-picked commits button  to grey out the commits that have already been applied to the current branch. If you know the commit hash, or are looking for a tagged commit, you can also use the Go to Hash / Branch / Tag action (press `Ctrl+F` in the Log view, or click  on the toolbar).

4. Select the required commit. Use the information in the Commit Details area if necessary.

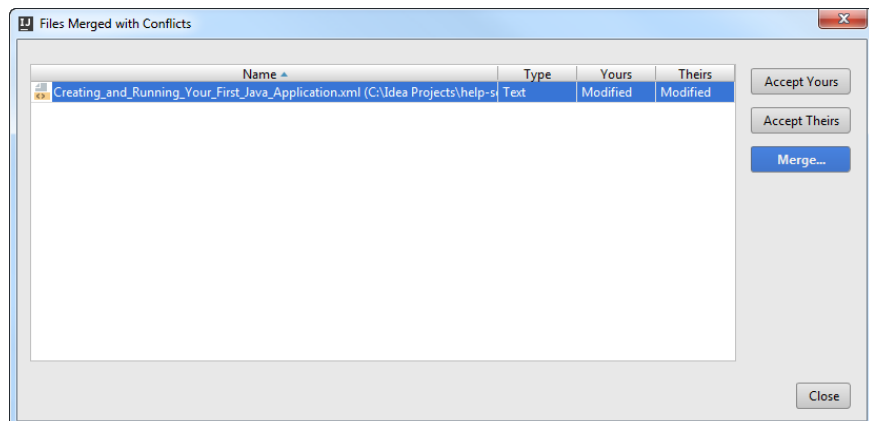
5. Click the Cherry-pick button  on the toolbar. IntelliJ IDEA will display the Commit Changes dialog with the automatically generated commit message. If you want to review the changes or even modify the code before committing it to the target branch, you can do so in the difference viewer available from this dialog.

6. When done, click Commit to cherry-pick the selected changes.

Note that if you click Cancel, a separate changelist will be created with the selected changes that you can see in the Local Changes tab. You can review these changes and commit them later if necessary.

When you work in a team, you may come across a situation when somebody pushes changes to a file you are currently working on. If these changes do not overlap (i.e. changes were made to different lines of code), the conflicting files are merged automatically. However, if the same lines were affected, Git cannot randomly pick one side over the other, and asks you to resolve the conflict.

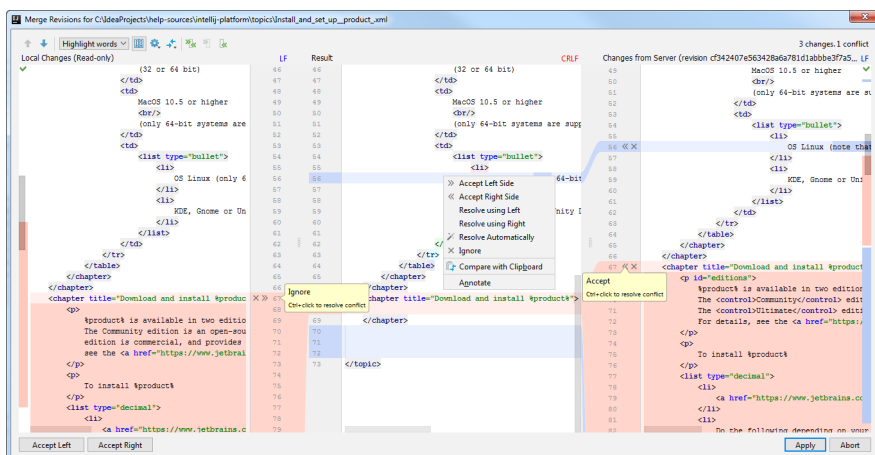
In Git, conflicts may arise when you attempt to perform one of the following operations: [pull](#), [merge](#), [rebase](#), [cherry-pick](#), [unstash changes](#) or [apply a patch](#). If there are conflicts, these operations will fail, and you will be prompted to accept the upstream version, prefer your version, or merge the changes:



IntelliJ IDEA provides a tool for resolving conflicts locally. This tool consists of three panes. The left pane shows the read-only local copy; the right pane shows the read-only version checked in to the repository. The central pane shows a fully-functional editor where the results of merging and resolving conflicts are displayed. Initially, the contents of this pane are the same as the **base revision** of the file, that is, the revision from which both conflicting versions are derived.

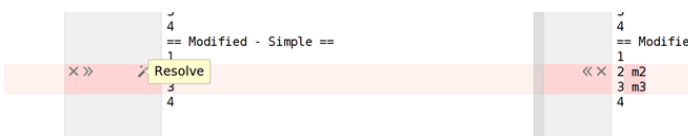
To resolve conflicts, do the following:

1. Click Merge in the Files Merged with Conflicts dialog, or select the conflicting file in the editor and choose VCS | <your\_VCS> | Resolve Conflicts from the main menu.
2. To automatically merge all non-conflicting changes, click (Apply All Non-Conflicting Changes) on the toolbar. You can also use the (Apply Non-Conflicting Changes from the Left Side) and (Apply Non-Conflicting Changes from the Right Side) to merge non-conflicting changes from the left/right parts of the dialog respectively.
3. To resolve a conflict, you need to select which action to apply (accept or ignore ) to the left (local) and the right (repository) version, and check the resulting code in the central pane:



For simple conflicts (for example, if the beginning and the end of the same line have been modified in different file revisions), the Resolve option is available that allows merging the changes in one click:

Such conflicts are not resolved with the Apply All Non-Conflicting Changes action since you must make sure that they are resolved properly.



4. It may also be useful to compare different versions to resolve a conflict. Use the toolbar button to invoke the list of options. Note that Base refers to the file version that the local and the repository versions originated from (initially displayed in the middle pane), while Middle refers to the resulting version.
5. Review merge results in the central pane and click Apply.

**Tip** You can configure IntelliJ IDEA to always apply non-conflicting changes automatically instead of telling it to do so from the Merge dialog. To do this, in the [Settings/Preferences dialog](#), expand the Tools | Diff Merge node in the left pane and select the Automatically apply non-conflicting changes option.

**Tip** You can also right-click a conflict and use the commands from the popup menu. The Resolve using Left and Resolve using Right commands provide a shortcut to accepting changes from one side and ignoring them from the other side respectively.

**Tip** You can manage changes in the central pane using a toolbar that appears when you hover the mouse cursor over a change marker in the gutter and then click it. The toolbar is displayed together with a frame showing the previous contents of the modified line:



## Handle conflicts related to LF and CRLF line endings

Quite often, people working in a team and contributing to the same repository use different operating systems. This may result in problems with line ending, because Unix, Linux and MacOS use `LF`, and Windows uses `CRLF` to mark the end of a line.

IntelliJ IDEA displays the discrepancies in line endings in the Differences Viewer, so you can fix them manually. If you want Git to solve such conflicts automatically, you need to set the `core.autocrlf` attribute to `true` on Windows and to `input` on Linux and MacOS (for more details, see [Dealing with line endings](#)). You can change the configuration manually by running `git config --global core.autocrlf true` on Windows or `git config --global core.autocrlf input` on Linux and macOS.

However, IntelliJ IDEA can automatically analyze your configuration, warn you if you are about to commit `CRLF` into a remote repository, and suggest setting the `core.autocrlf` setting to `true` or `input` depending on your operating system.

To enable smart handling of `LF` and `CRLF` line separators, open the Settings dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), and select the Version Control | Git node on the left. Enable the Warn if CRLF line separators are about to be committed option.

After you have enabled this option, IntelliJ IDEA will display the Line Separators Warning Dialog each time you are about to commit a file with `CRLF` separators, unless you have set any related [Git attributes](#) in the affected file (in this case, IntelliJ IDEA supposes that you clearly understand what you are doing and excludes this file from analysis).

In the Line Separators Warning Dialog, click one of the following:

- Commit As Is to ignore the warning and commit a file with `CRLF` separators.
- Fix and Commit to have the `core.autocrlf` attribute set to `true` or `input` depending on your operating system. As a result, `CRLF` line separators will be replaced with `LF` before the commit.

If, at a later time, you need to review how exactly conflicts were resolved during a merge, you can locate the required merge commit in the Log view, select a file with conflicts in the Commit Details pane in the right, and click `+` or press `Ctrl+D` (see [Review how changes were merged](#) for details).

Sometimes you need to switch between different tasks with things left unfinished and then return back to them. IntelliJ IDEA provides you with a few ways to conveniently work on several different features without losing your work:

– You can [stash](#) or [shelve](#) pending changes.

Stashing changes is very similar to shelving. The only difference is in the way patches are generated and applied. Stashes are generated by Git, and can be applied from within IntelliJ IDEA, or outside it. Patches with shelved changes are generated by IntelliJ IDEA and are also applied through the IDE. Also, stashing involves all uncommitted changes, while when you put changes to a shelf, you can select some of the local changes instead of shelving them all.

– You can [keep changes related to different tasks or features in different changelists](#) .

– You can create [branches to work on different unrelated features](#) .


## Shelve changes

Shelving is temporarily storing pending changes you have not committed yet. This is useful, for example, if you need to switch to another high priority task and you want to set your changes aside to work on them later.



With IntelliJ IDEA, you can shelve both separate files and entire changelists.

Once shelved, a change can be applied as many times as you need by unshelving and subsequently restoring it on the shelf.

## Put changes to a shelf

1. Open the Version Control tool window () and switch to the Local Changes tab.
2. Select the files or a changelist you want to put to a shelf. On the main Version Control menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose **Shelve changes** .
3. In the **Shelve Changes** dialog, review the list of modified files.
4. In the **Commit Message** field, enter the name of the shelf to be created and click the **Shelve Changes** button.



**Tip** You can switch to a different changelist from the **Shelve Changes** dialog by choosing the **Changelist** drop-down.



You can also shelve changes silently, without displaying the **Shelve Changes** dialog. To do this, select a file or a changelist you want to shelve, and click the **Shelve Silently** icon , on the toolbar, or press  . The name of the changelist containing the changes you want to shelve will be used as the shelf name.

**Tip** To avoid ending up with numerous shelves with the same name (such as **Default** , for example), you can simply drag-and-drop a file or a changelist from the **Local Changes** tab to the **Shelf** tab, wait a second until it's activated, and edit the new shelf name on-the-fly when you release the mouse button.

## Unshelve changes

Unshelving is moving postponed changes from a shelf to a pending changelist. Unshelved changes can be filtered out from view or removed from the shelf.

1. In the **Shelf** tab of the **Version Control** tool window, select a changelist or files you want to unshelve.
2. Press  or choose **Unshelve** from the context menu of the selection.
3. In the **Unshelve Changes** dialog that opens, specify the changelist you want to restore the unshelved changes to in the **Name** field. You can select an existing changelist from the drop-down list or type a name for a new changelist to be created containing the unshelved changes. You can enter the description of the new changelist in the **Comment** field (optional).  
If you want to make the new changelist active, select the **Set active** option . Otherwise, the current active changelist remains active.
4. If you want IntelliJ IDEA to preserve the context of a task associated with the new changelist on its deactivation and restore the context then the changelist becomes active, select the **Track context** option (see [Managing tasks and contexts](#) for details).
5. If you want to remove the changes you are about to unshelve, select the **Remove successfully applied files from the shelf** option. The unshelved files will be removed from this shelf and added to another changelist and marked as applied. They will not be removed completely until deleted explicitly by clicking the  icon on the toolbar, or selecting **Clean Already Unshelved** from the context menu.
6. Click **OK** . If conflicts occur between the patched version and the current version, resolve them as described in [Resolving Conflicts](#) .

You can also unshelve changes silently, without displaying the **Unshelve Changes** dialog. To do this, select a file or a changelist you want to unshelve, and click the **Unshelve Silently** icon , on the toolbar, or press  . The unshelved files will be moved to the active pending changelist.

**Tip** You can also drag-and-drop a file or a changelist from the **Shelf** tab to the **Local Changes** tab to unshelve it silently.

## Restore unshelved changes

IntelliJ IDEA lets you reapply unshelved changes if necessary. All unshelved changes can be reused until they are removed explicitly by clicking the  icon on the toolbar, or selecting **Clean Already Unshelved** from the context menu.

To restore applied changes on the shelf do the following:

1. Make sure that the **Show Already Unshelved**  toolbar option is enabled.



2. Select the files or the shelf you want to restore.
3. On the context menu of the selection, choose Restore.

## Apply external patches

You can import patches created inside or outside IntelliJ IDEA and apply them as shelved changes.

1. In the Shelf tab of the Version Control tool window, choose Import Patches from the context menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, select the patch file to apply. The selected patch appears in the Shelf tab as a shelf.
3. Select the newly added shelf with the patch and choose Unshelve Changes from the context menu of the selection.

## Automatically shelve base revision

It may be useful to configure IntelliJ IDEA to always shelve base revisions of files that are under Git version control. To do this, open the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), select the Version Control | Shelf node on the left and select the Shelve base revisions of files under distributed version control systems option.

If this option is enabled, the base revision of files will be saved to a shelf that will be used during a [3-way merge](#) if applying a shelf leads to conflicts. If it is disabled, IntelliJ IDEA will look for the base revision in the project history, which may take a while; moreover, the revision that the conflicting shelf was based on may be missing (for example, if the history was changed as a result of the [rebase](#) operation).

## Change the default shelf location

By default, the shelf directory is located under your project directory. However, you may want to change the default shelf location. This can be useful, for example, if you want to avoid deleting shelves accidentally when cleaning up your working copy, or if you want to store them in a separate repository allowing shelves to be shared among your team members.

1. Open the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) and select the Version Control | Shelf node on the left.
2. Click the Change Shelves Location button and specify the new location in the dialog that opens.
3. If necessary, select the Move shelves to the new location option to move existing shelves to the new directory.

Watch this video tutorial on how to benefit from shelves to be able to switch to a different task without losing unfinished work:

## Stash changes

Sometimes it may be necessary to revert your working copy to match the HEAD commit but you do not want to lose the work you have already done. This may happen if you learn that there are upstream changes that are possibly relevant to what you are doing, or if you need to make some urgent fixes.

Stashing involves recording the difference between the HEAD commit and the current state of the working directory (stash). Changes to the index can be stashed as well.

Unstashing involves applying a stored stash to a branch.

You can apply a stash to an existing branch or create a new branch on its basis.

A stash can be applied as many times as you need to any branch you need, just [switch to the required branch](#) . Keep in mind that:

- Applying a stash after a series of commits results in conflicts that need to be resolved.
- You cannot apply a stash to a "dirty" working copy, that is a working copy with uncommitted changes.

## Save changes to a stash

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Stash Changes .
2. In the Stash dialog that opens, select the appropriate Git root and make sure that the correct branch is checked out.
3. In the Message field describe the changes you are about to stash.
4. To stash local changes and bring the changes staged in the index to your working tree for examination and testing, select the Keep index option.
5. Click Create Stash .

## Apply a stash

To apply a stash, do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Unstash Changes.
2. Select the Git root where you want to apply a stash, and make sure that the correct branch is checked out.
3. Select the stash you want to apply from the list.  
If you want to check which files are affected in the selected stash, click View .
4. To remove the selected stash after it is applied, select the Pop stash option.
5. To apply stashed index modifications as well, select the Reinstale Index option.
6. If you want to create a new branch on the basis of the selected stash instead of applying it to the branch that is currently checked out, type the name of that branch in the As new branch field.

**Note** This operation may fail if you have conflicts. This happens because conflicts are stored in the index where you can no longer apply the changes in their original state.

To remove a stash, select it in the list and click Drop . To remove all stashes, click Clear .

## Group changes into different changelists

When you are working on several related features, you may find it convenient to group changes into different changelists. This approach has its pros and cons as opposed to using [feature branches](#) to work on multiple tasks.

Pros :

- You can easily switch between different logical sets of changes and commit them separately from each other.
- Unlike using branches for the same purpose, you have all your changes at hand without having to switch between branches which can take a while if your project is really large.
- It's convenient to test how different features work together.
- You can remote-run a changelist on a build server.


Cons :

- While using changelists may seem a more lightweight option compared to branches, it's not safe as there's no backup for your changes until you have committed and pushed them. If something happens to your local working copy, all your changes will be lost as they are not part of Git project history.
- Using changelists only works if changes do not overlap. If different tasks affect the same file, you cannot separate these changes and put them into separate changelists.
- No atomic testing of features is possible.
- No collaboration on the same feature is possible. Also, you cannot make contributions from different machines unless you send patches with changes through email, which may not be very convenient.

All changelists are displayed in the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window. All modified files are automatically placed in the active changelist, which is the Default changelist unless you have created a different one and made it active.

To create a new changelist, click  on the toolbar.

To make a non-default changelist active, right-click it and choose Set Active Changelist from the context menu.

To move changes between changelists, select the file you want to move and click  on the toolbar, or choose Move to Another Changelist from the context menu.

1. Select the Set active option if you want to make the changelist with the changes you are about to discard the active changelist.
2. Select the Track context option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember your context and reload currently opened files in the editor when this changelist becomes active.

**Tip** You can also drag-and-drop files between changelists.

## Use feature branches

A branch in Git represents an independent line of development, so if you are working on a separate feature that you want to complete and test before you are ready to share the results of your work and integrate them into `master`, doing it in a feature branch is the best solution. This way you can make sure unstable code is not committed to the main code base of your project, and you can easily switch to other tasks if necessary.

Pros :

- As opposed to using changelists to group changes, using feature branches is safe. After you've committed changes to Git, they become part of Git project history, so you can always restore your commit through [Git reflow](#) even if you corrupt your working tree. After you've pushed your changes, they are backed up.
- You can develop parallel non-related features and test them atomically.
- When you've finished development in your branch, you can [reorder or squash commits](#), so that your history is linear and clean.
- It is easy to collaborate on your feature, or develop it from different machines.

Cons :

- It can take time to switch branches on really large projects.
- It's not very convenient to test related features together.
- You have to learn a [workflow for using feature branches](#) and integrating your changes into the main code base.

There are two major approaches for using feature branches and integrating your changes into the main code base:

- the [merge option](#)
- the [rebase option](#)

## Use merge to integrate changes from a feature branch

The major benefit of the merge option is full traceability, as commits merged into the main code base preserve their original hash and author, and all commits that are part of one feature can be grouped together.

This workflow is good for projects where committing changes to the main code base involves [pull requests](#) or an hierarchical approval procedure, as existing branches are not changed in any way.

The main drawback of this approach is that extraneous merge commits are created each time you need to incorporate changes, which intensely pollutes project history and makes it difficult to read.

The merge option workflow involves the following steps:

1. [Create a branch](#) for your separate line of development.
2. [Commit](#) your changes while you develop.
3. [Push](#) your branch to a remote repository. This should be done for backup, and so that you can collaborate or work from different machines.
4. Switch to a different branch when you need to perform work that is not related to your feature.
5. Have your feature reviewed and tested, and make the necessary fixes.
6. When you are ready to integrate the results of your work into the main branch (e.g. `master` ), do the following:
  - a. [Merge](#) your feature branch into the main code base.
  - b. [Delete the feature branch](#) .
  - c. Push.

## Use rebase to integrate changes from a feature branch

The major benefit of this option is that you get a clean project history that is easy for others to read and understand. Your log does not contain unnecessary merge commits produced by the `merge` operation, and you get linear history that is easy to navigate and search through.

When deciding to adopt this workflow, you should keep in mind, however, that `rebase` rewrites project history as it creates new commits for each commit in the original feature branch, so they will have different hashes, which obstructs traceability.

The rebase option involves the following steps:

1. [Create a branch](#) for your separate line of development.
2. [Commit](#) your changes often while you develop.
3. [Push](#) your branch to a remote repository. This should be done for backup, and so that you can collaborate or work from different machines.
4. [Rebase](#) your feature branch onto `master` from time to time. It only makes sense to do this if your feature branch is a long one. This is useful to:
  - make sure your feature branch and `master` do not fall too far apart.
  - avoid resolving numerous conflicts when you finally integrate your changes into the main code base. When you rebase regularly, you can resolve conflicts iteratively and do not end up struggling with a long diff.
  - speed up checking out branches, as switching between branches gets slower as soon as they diverge sufficiently.

Rebasing involves the following steps:

- a. [Fetch](#) changes from the remote, or [pull](#) changes into the `master` branch.
  - b. [Rebase](#) your branch onto `master` .
  - c. [Force push](#) the results of the `rebase` operation to your feature branch.
5. Switch to `master` when you need to perform work that is not related to your feature. When you turn back to your feature branch, perform Checkout with rebase .
  6. Have your feature reviewed and tested, and make the necessary fixes.
  7. Perform Interactive Rebase when your feature has been completed. This allows you to [reorder and squash](#) commits to make your feature branch history look nice and clean.
  8. When you are ready to integrate the results of your work into the main branch (e.g. `master` ), do the following:
    - a. [Checkout](#) the `master` branch.
    - b. [Merge](#) your branch with `master` . Since `master` has not diverged, Git will just move the pointer forward to the latest commit of the feature branch instead of creating a new merge commit (this is referred to as a fast-forward merge).
    - c. [Delete the feature branch](#) .
    - d. [Push](#) .

**Tip** It makes sense to use your initials or your nickname (if it's short) as a prefix for your feature branches names. This way you can always easily find all your branches using speed search in the Branches menu.

## Revert uncommitted changes

You can always undo the changes you've done locally before you have committed them:

1. Open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Local Changes tab.
2. In the active changelist, select one or more files that you want to revert, and select Revert from the context menu, or press `Ctrl+Alt+Z` . All changes done to the selected files since the last commit will be undone, and they will disappear from the Local Changes view.

## Undo the last commit

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to undo the last commit in the current branch (i.e. HEAD):

1. Open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Log tab.
2. Select the last commit in the current branch and choose Undo Commit from the context menu.
3. In the dialog that opens, select a changelist where the changes you are going to discard will be moved. You can either select an existing changelist from the Name drop-down list, or specify the name of a new changelist (the commit message is used by default).
4. Select the Set active option if you want to make the changelist with the changes you are about to discard the active changelist.
5. Select the Track context option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember your context and reload currently opened files in the editor when this changelist becomes active.

**Note** You cannot undo a commit if it was pushed to a protected branch, i.e. a branch to which `push --force` is not allowed. You can configure the list of protected branches in the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) under Version Control | Git.

## Revert a pushed commit

If you notice an error in a specific commit that has already been pushed, you can revert that commit. This operation results in a new commit that reverses the effect of the commit you want to undo. Thus, project history is preserved, as the original commit remains intact.

1. Locate the commit you want to revert in the Log view, right-click it and select Revert from the context menu. The Commit Changes dialog will open with an automatically generated commit message.
2. If the selected commit contains several files, and you only need to revert some of them, deselect the files you do not want to touch.
3. Click Commit to commit a changeset that reverts changes to the selected files in this particular commit.

## Reset a branch to a specific commit

If you notice an error in a set of recent commits and want to redo that part, you can roll back your repository to a specific state. This is done by resetting the current branch HEAD to a specified commit (and optionally resetting the index and working tree if you prefer not to reflect the undo in the history).

1. Open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Log tab.
2. Select the commit that you want to move HEAD onto and select Reset Current Branch to Here from the context menu.
3. In the Git Reset dialog that opens, select how you want your working tree and the index to be updated and click Reset :
  - Soft : all changes from commits that were made after the selected commit will be staged (i.e. they will be moved to the Local Changes view so that you can review them and commit later if necessary).
  - Mixed : changes made after the selected commit will be preserved but will not be staged for commit.
  - Hard : all changes made after the selected commit will be discarded (both staged and committed).
  - Keep : committed changes made after the selected commit will be discarded, but local changes will be kept intact.

## Get a previous revision of a file

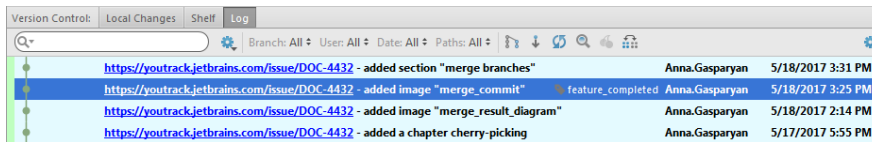
If you need to revert a single file instead of discarding a whole commit that includes changes to several files, you can return to a particular version of that file:

1. Select the required file in any view (in the Project tool window, in the editor, in the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window, etc.).
2. Select Git | Show History from the main VCS menu or from the context menu of the selection. The History tab is added to the Version Control tool window showing the history for the selected file and allowing you to review and compare its revisions.
3. When you've identified the revision you want to roll back to, select it in the list and choose Get from the context menu.

Git allows you to attach tags to commits to mark some points in the project history as being important, so that you can refer to them in the future. For example, you can tag a commit that corresponds to a release version, instead of [creating a branch](#) to capture a release snapshot.

## Assign a tag to a commit

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Tag .
2. In the Tag dialog that opens, under Git Root , select the path to the local repository in which you want to tag a commit, and specify the name of the new tag.
3. In the Commit field, specify the commit that you want to tag. You can enter the commit hash, or use an expression, for example: `<branch>~<number of commits backwards between the latest commit (HEAD) and the required commit>` (Refer to Git [commit naming](#) conventions for details).
4. If you enter some comment in the Message field, an annotated tag will be created instead of a regular one. Meta-data for annotated tags contains the name of the user who created them, so they allow you to check who placed them.
5. Click Create Tag . The tag will be shown in the Log view:



**Note** If the Compact References View option is enabled under Quick Settings in the Log toolbar, tag names are hidden behind branch names and are not visible.


**Tip** You can also right-click a commit in the Log view and select New Tag from the context menu if you do not need to specify any additional options.

## Reassign an existing tag

If you've placed a tag on a wrong commit, and want to reassign it (for example, to indicate a commit for a release version), do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Tag .
2. In the Tag dialog, in the Tag Name field specify the name of an already existing tag that you want to reassign.
3. Select the Force option.
4. In the Commit field, specify the commit where the tag shall be moved and click Create Tag .

## Jump to a tagged commit

1. Open the Version Control tool window ( `Alt+9` ) and switch to the Log tab.
2. Click the Go To Hash/Branch/Tag icon  on the toolbar, or press `Ctrl+F` .
3. Enter the tag name ( `code completion` suggests tag names as you type) and press `Enter` .

## Check out a tagged commit

Suppose you marked a commit that corresponds to a release version with a tag, and now you want to review the snapshot of your project at that point in time. You can do this by checking out a tagged commit. Do one of the following:

- [Locate](#) the tagged commit that you want to checkout, right-click it and select Checkout Revision from the context menu.
- [Invoke the branches popup](#) , click Checkout Tag or Revision and type in the tag name.

Note that this operation results in a [detached HEAD](#) , which means you are no longer in any branch. You can use this snapshot for inspection and experiments. However, if you want to commit changes on top of this snapshot, you will need to [create a branch](#) .


Git allows you to edit your project history if at some point you need to rewrite your commits as if you made them in a different way.

## Combine staged changes with the previous commit (amend commit)

Sometimes you may find yourself in a situation when you commit too early and forget to add some files or notice an error in the last commit that you want to fix without it being reflected in the project history.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to do this by using the Amend commit option that combines the previous commit with the current changes, and you end up with a single commit instead of two different commits.

To amend the previous commit, do the following:

1. [Invoke the Commit changes](#) dialog and select the changes that you want to use to fix up the previous commit.
2. Either press `Ctrl+K`, click  on the toolbar, or select Commit from the context menu.
3. In the Commit Changes dialog that opens, select the Amend commit option on the right before committing your changes.

## Edit a commit message

If the only thing you need to change is a commit message, you can edit it without making any other changes:

**Note** This action can only be applied to commits that have not been pushed yet.

1. Locate the commit whose message you want to edit in the Log view, right-click it and select Rework from the context menu, or press `F2`.
2. In the dialog that opens, enter a new commit message and click OK.

## Edit project history by performing interactive rebase

Git allows you to edit project history for the sake of making it linear and meaningful by performing interactive rebase. This allows you to clean up a messy commits history by altering individual commits, changing their order, squashing commits into one, skipping commits that contain extraneous changes, etc. before you integrate changes from your [feature branch](#) to another branch.

**Warning!** Keep in mind that re-writing the commits history may lead to data loss.

## Edit the history of the current branch

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to edit a series of recent commits in the current branch before you [apply the changes to a different branch](#).

1. In the Log tab of the Version Control tool window select the oldest commit in the series of commits you want to edit, right-click it and select Interactively Rebase from Here.  
The Interactive Rebase dialog will be displayed containing the list of all commits in the current branch that were made after the selected commit.
2. Use the Action drop-down list to apply the following actions to commits:
  - Pick : applies the selected commit as is.
  - Edit : select this option to edit the files affected by this commit or the commit message before applying this commit.
  - Skip : ignores the selected commit.
  - Squash : select this option to combine the selected commit with the previous one.
  - Reword : select this option to edit the commit message before applying this commit.
  - Fixup : select this option to combine the selected commit with the previous one and use the message from the previous commit with the "fixup!" prefix.
3. Use the Move Up and Move Down buttons to modify the order in which commits should be applied.

## Edit a branch history and integrate it into another branch

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to [rebase](#) a branch on top of another branch and edit the source branch history before you apply the changes.

1. From the main menu select VCS | Git | Rebase.
2. Select the branch you want to rebase in the Branch field, and the target branch in the Onto field.
3. In the From field, select the commit starting from which you want to apply the selected branch to the new base.
4. Make sure the Interactive option is selected, and click Rebase.  
The Interactive Rebase dialog will be displayed containing the list of all commits in the current branch that were made after the selected commit.
5. Use the Action drop-down list to apply the following actions to commits:
  - Pick : applies the selected commit as is.
  - Edit : select this option to edit the files affected by this commit or the commit message before applying this commit.
  - Skip : ignores the selected commit.
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6. Use the Move Up and Move Down buttons to modify the order in which commits should be applied.



IntelliJ IDEA allows you to manage projects controlled by Git that are hosted on [GitHub](#) without leaving the IDE.

**Note** Commands used to manage GitHub projects from within IntelliJ IDEA are only available if you have a GitHub project specified as your project remote.

## Register a GitHub account in IntelliJ IDEA

To retrieve data from a repository hosted on [GitHub](#), and to be able to share your projects, you need to register your GitHub account in IntelliJ IDEA. You can also create an account on GitHub without leaving the IDE if you do not have one yet.

In either case, IntelliJ IDEA remembers your login and password, so you do not have to specify your credentials each time you [retrieve data](#) from a remote, or [push](#) your commits.

## Register an existing GitHub account

GitHub offers [two-factor authentication](#) to improve the protection of user accounts.

If you enable two-factor authentication and you use SSH to access your repositories, you can choose any authentication type - password or token.

If you use the HTTPs protocol to access your remote repositories on GitHub, you need to configure an [Access token](#) and use it to authenticate, otherwise remote Git operations will fail. When prompted for credentials, either enter the token as your username and leave the password field empty, or specify the token instead of your password.

To register your account, do the following:

1. Invoke the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) and select Version Control | GitHub in the left pane.
2. Select the type of authentication that you want to use from the Auth Type drop-down list:
  - Password . If this option is selected and you have [two-factor authentication](#) enabled in your GitHub account settings, you will be asked to enter an authentication code each time IntelliJ IDEA requires you to log in to your GitHub account.
  - Token (recommended by GitHub for authentication from third-party applications, as it does not require IntelliJ IDEA to remember your password).
3. Specify your credentials depending on the selected authentication type, and click OK .

## Create a new GitHub account

1. Invoke the Settings dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) and select Version Control | GitHub in the left pane.
2. Click the Sign up link.
3. On the Sign up for GitHub page that opens in the browser, choose the account plan (free or paid), and specify the requested information. When you are done creating an account, the GitHub Welcome Page is displayed.
4. Return to GitHub settings and specify your credentials for IntelliJ IDEA to register them.

## Checkout a project from GitHub

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to check out (clone) a repository from GitHub and create a new project based on it:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Checkout from Version Control | GitHub .
2. In the Clone Repository dialog that opens, specify the URL of the repository that you want to clone, or select a repository from the list that contains all GitHub projects associated with your account and the organization that your account belongs to.
3. In the Parent Directory field, specify the path where the folder for your local Git repository will be created.
4. In the Directory Name field, specify the name of the folder into which the repository will be cloned.
5. Click Clone . If you want to create a IntelliJ IDEA project based on the sources you have cloned, click Yes in the confirmation dialog. Git root mapping will be automatically set to the project root directory.

## Share a project on GitHub

If you want to add a remote repository for your project on [GitHub](#), do the following:

1. Open the project you want to share.
2. From the main menu, choose VCS | Import into Version Control | Share Project on GitHub .  
If you have already [registered your login and password](#) in IntelliJ IDEA, connection to GitHub will be established using these credentials.

If you have not registered your GitHub credentials in IntelliJ IDEA, the Login to GitHub dialog opens. Specify your login and password, or create a new account there.

3. When connection to GitHub has been established, the Share Project on GitHub dialog opens. Specify the new repository name and enter a description of your project's main functionality.  
You can select the Private option if you do not want to allow public access to your repository for other GitHub users (note that this option is unavailable for free accounts).
4. Click Share to initiate a new repository and upload project sources to it.


## Contribute to somebody else's projects

If you want to contribute to a project hosted on GitHub that you do not have rights to push to, follow this workflow:

- a. [Create a fork](#) of the project you want to contribute to, i.e. a copy of the original repository on GitHub.
- b. [Clone](#) this fork to create a local repository.

- c. Make changes to your copy of the original project.
- d. When you are ready to share the results of your work, [rebase](#) your fork on the current HEAD of the master branch in the original project to make sure your changes do not conflict with new commits that were pushed after you created your fork.
- e. [Create a pull request](#) so that you can tell others about the changes you've made, and ask for comments or review. Note that a pull request is merged into the original repository only after approval.

## Fork a project

Open the project that you want to fork on [GitHub](#) and click .

A copy of the original project will be created under your account. To make changes to this project, you need to [clone](#) it to create a local repository.

Watch this video tutorial on how to keep your fork of a project up to date:

## Rebase a fork

From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Rebase my GitHub fork . Your fork will be rebased onto the HEAD commit in the `master` branch of the original project you created your fork from.

## Create a pull request

By creating a pull request, you tell others about the changes you've pushed to your fork, so that they can be reviewed, discussed, and integrated into the base branch. To create a pull request, do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Git | Create Pull Request . The Create Pull Request dialog opens.
2. Under Base Fork , specify the project that you want to send the pull request to. Either select a repository from the list populated by IntelliJ IDEA, or click Select Other Fork .
3. Under Base Branch , specify the branch in the target project that your changes will be applied to. Click Show Diff to review the list of commits that will be included in the pull request. To view a commit details, select it and switch to the Log tab of the Version Control tool window, where you can see a list of files included in the selected commit, view diff, etc.
4. Specify the name for your pull request in the Title field, and, optionally, provide a description of the changes to be applied through your request.

## Share code by using gists

Gists allow you to share your code. You can share code snippets, entire files, or even applications. You can also use gists to save and share console output when running, debugging, or testing your code.

To create a gist, do the following:

1. Select a code fragment in the editor, or files and folders in the Project tool window. To save console output to a gist, right-click anywhere in the tool window or tab that contains that output.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Create Gist .
3. In the Create Gist dialog that opens, specify the name for your gist under Filename , and enter a description of the code you are going to publish.
4. Select the Private option to create the so-called secret gist. Secret gists are not searchable and do not show up in [Discover](#) . They can only be used for your own purposes, as you cannot share them.  
If you want to create a public gist, make sure this option is deselected. Public gists are searchable, and they show up in [Discover](#) where people can browse newly appearing gists. Use public gists if you want other people to be able to find and see your code.
5. If you want to create an anonymous gist, select the Anonymous option. Anonymous gists can be both public or private.
6. If you want to open the newly created gist in your default browser, select the Open in browser option and click OK .

**Note** Once you have created a gist, you cannot convert it from secret to public or vice versa.

**Note** You cannot delete an anonymous gist from a web browser. To have it deleted, you will need to contact GitHub support and provide them with the URL of the gist you want to remove.

## Jump to the GitHub version of a file

You can jump from the IntelliJ IDEA to the GitHub version of a file. IntelliJ IDEA detects which branch is currently active, and opens the GitHub copy of the selected file in the corresponding branch.

To view the remote copy of a file, select it in the editor or in the Project view, and choose Open on GitHub from the context menu of the selection. The remote version of the file in the current branch will open in the browser.

With the CVS integration enabled, you can perform basic CVS operations from inside IntelliJ IDEA.

**Note** The information provided in the topics listed below assumes that you are familiar with the basics of CVS version control system.

In this section:

- [Using CVS Integration](#)
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [CVS support](#)
- [Browsing CVS Repository](#)
- [Checking Out Files from CVS Repository](#)
- [Configuring CVS Roots](#)
- [Configuring Global CVS Settings](#)
- [Ignoring Files](#)
- [Importing a Local Directory to CVS Repository](#)
- [Resolving Commit Errors](#)
- [Updating Local Information in CVS](#)
- [Using CVS Watches](#)
- [Working Offline](#)
- [Working with Tags and Branches](#)

## Prerequisites

- IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with the CVS plugin. This plugin is turned on by default. If it is not, make sure that the plugin is enabled.
- IntelliJ IDEA CVS integration does not require a standalone CVS client. All you need is an account in your CVS repository.
- CVS [integration is enabled](#) for the current project root or directory.

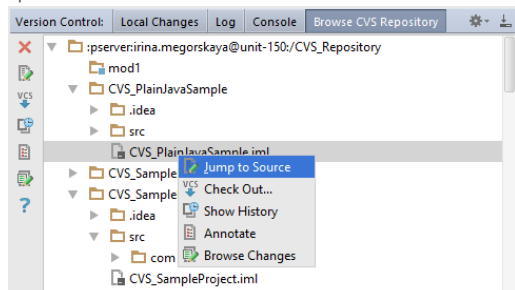
## CVS support

- When CVS integration with IntelliJ IDEA is enabled, the CVS item appears on the VCS menu, and on the context menus of the [Editor](#) and the [Project Tool Window](#) .
- The files in the folders under the CVS control are highlighted according to their status. See [File Status Highlights](#) for file status highlighting conventions.
- Modifications results are shown in the [Version Control tool window](#) .
- When using CVS integration, it is helpful to open the [Version Control](#) tool window. The [Console](#) tab displays the following data:
  - All commands generated based on the settings you specify through the IntelliJ IDEA user interface.
  - Information messages concerning the results of executing generated CVS commands.
  - Error messages.



You can browse any CVS repository and modify the structure of the currently open project, or a different one. Browsing contents of a repository is always available, even when CVS is not enabled in project. All you need is a valid user account.

## To browse the CVS repository and modify its structure

1. Open a project. Then, choose VCS | Browse VCS Repository | Browse CVS Repository... on the main menu. The Select CVS Root Configuration dialog is opened.
2. Select a root from the list of configured CVS roots, or click Configure to specify a new one , and then click OK . The Browse CVS Repository tab opens in the CVS tool window at the bottom of the Editor.
3. Browse the desired CVS repository and perform jump to source, checkout, browse changes and annotate operations for files and folders.



Icons for the tree nodes denote their respective types. For example:

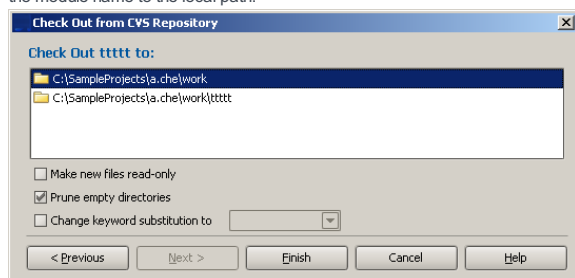
-  means a CVS directory.
-  denotes a CVS module.

Icons appearing next to the files will denote the corresponding file types.

Checking out action helps you obtain a writable copy of the repository, which you can edit as required. After making the necessary changes, you can publish results by committing, or checking in, to the repository. This section describes CVS-specific checkout procedure.

## To check out files from a CVS repository

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Checkout from Version Control .
2. On the submenu, choose CVS .
3. In the [Checkout From CVS Repository dialog](#) , select the desired CVS configuration, and click Next . If the necessary CVS configuration is not available, click Configure to [create a new one](#) .
4. Select the elements to check out, and click Next .
5. Specify the checkout destination directory where the local copy of the repository files will be created and click Next .  
If you are checking out sources for an existing project, the destination folder should be below a project [content root](#) .
6. If you have selected an element of a CVS module to check out, the last page of the wizard suggests to add the module name to the local path:



7. Set up CVS checkout options, or accept defaults, and click Finish .
8. IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create a project based on the sources, checked out from version control.  
If you accept the suggestion, the [New Project from Existing Code Wizard](#) starts.


CVS roots are global IntelliJ IDEA properties. Once configured, a CVS root is available regardless of which project is currently opened. This is helpful if you need to check out an entire project from CVS.

You can define multiple CVS root configurations for future use and edit them whenever necessary. Alternatively, you can configure CVS roots when [checking out](#) files or directories from or [importing](#) them to a CVS repository.

From this section you will learn how to:

- Configure a [new CVS root](#)
- [Modify](#) a CVS root
- Configure a CVS root [based on an existing](#) configuration
- [Remove](#) a CVS root configuration



### To configure a CVS root, follow these general steps:

1. [Open the CVS Roots](#) dialog box.
2. Click the Add button  on the toolbar.
3. Specify the [CVS root string](#) .
4. Specify the [version to work with](#).
5. Specify [additional connection settings](#) .
6. Click the Test connection button to check that the specified settings ensure establishing successful connection to the CVS server.
7. Click OK to apply the specified settings and close the dialog box.


### To modify an existing CVS root configuration

1. [Open the CVS Roots](#) dialog box.
2. Select the CVS root to modify.
3. Edit the settings as while [configuring a new](#) CVS root.  
Changes made here apply to the current CVS root configuration only.

### To configure a new CVS root based on an existing configuration

1. [Open the CVS Roots](#) dialog box.
2. Select the CVS root to be used as the basis for a new configuration.
3. Click the Copy button  on the toolbar or press  . The selected configuration is copied as a new CVS root.
4. [Edit](#) the newly created CVS root configuration, as required.

### To remove a CVS root configuration

1. [Open the CVS Roots](#) dialog box.
2. Select the CVS root you want to remove and click the Remove button  on the toolbar.

You can access the CVS Roots dialog box in several ways, depending on the general task you are currently performing.

**To open the CVS Roots dialog box, do one of the following:**

- When [checking out](#) files or directories from a CVS repository: on the main menu, choose VCS | Checkout from Version Control | CVS and in the dialog box that opens click the Configure button.
- When [importing](#) files or directories to a CVS repository: on the main menu, choose VCS | Import into CVS and in the dialog box that opens click the Configure button.
- When defining a CVS root to use in the future : open a file which is already under CVS control and choose VCS | CVS | Configure CVS Roots on the main menu.



CVS root strings are specified in the CVS Root text box of the CVS Roots dialog box.

The CVS Root string syntax is:

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[ :method: ] [ [user] [ :password ] @ ] hostname [ : [port] ] / path / to / repository .
```

You can obtain the valid string from your system administrator, or assemble the CVS root parameters into a correct string manually, or use the Edit by Field functionality, as described below.

### **To assemble the CVS Root parameters**

1. In the CVS Roots dialog box, click the Edit by Field button next to the CVS Root text box. The Configure CVS Root Field by Field dialog box opens.
2. Choose the connection method and specify the user name, port, host, and repository. See the Configure CVS Root Field by Field dialog box reference for details.
3. Click OK . The dialog box closes and you return to the CVS Roots dialog box. The CVS Root text box displays the specified parameters assembled in a valid string.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to check out the latest (HEAD) revision to work with. However, you can synchronize your local working copy with any previous revision from the repository.


**Tip** Make sure that the CVS root field is filled in with valid data.

## To specify the version to work with

1. In the Use Version section of the CVS Roots dialog box, select the criterion to search for the desired version.

The available options are:

- By tag
- By date

2. Click the Browse button  next to the selected option and do one of the following depending on the selected search criterion:

- If you have selected By tag , select the desired tag from the list of tags that opens. The list displays the tags obtained from the CVS server according to the specified CVS root string.
- If you have selected By date , select the date and time in the calendar that opens.

You can also type the desired revision number, tag, or date in the text box next to the selected option.

You can flexibly configure connection to the CVS server using additional settings. The set of relevant options depends on the [connection method](#) specified in the CVS root string. The available additional options for each of the supported connection methods are displayed in the lower part of the CVS Roots dialog box.

For a module associated with CVS you can specify global CVS settings, which includes character set, location of the password file, connection timeout etc.

### To configure CVS global settings for a directory associated with CVS

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | CVS | Global Settings .
2. In the Global CVS Settings dialog box that opens, specify the global settings and click OK .

**Tip** Alternatively, you can define global CVS settings when [configuring a CVS root](#) . To invoke the [Global CVS Settings](#) dialog box, click the [Global Settings](#) button in the [CVS Roots](#) dialog box.

If you want your CVS integration to ignore certain unversioned files under CVS-associated directories, and skip them when performing update, import etc., add these files to the CVS ignore list, which is stored in the `.cvsignore` file.

The way CVS integration handles unversioned files depends on the [general settings for file creation](#). If the new files, created with IntelliJ IDEA, are not put under version control automatically, you can add them to the ignore list using CVS command.

You can put the `.cvsignore` file under CVS version control, and it will be recognized by all CVS clients.

## To include an unversioned file to the ignore list

1. Select an unversioned file under a CVS-associated directory (by default, such files are brown).
2. On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose `CVS | Ignore`. If `.cvsignore` file is not under CVS version control, proceed to the next step. If `.cvsignore` already exists and is under version control, IntelliJ IDEA adds the file in question to the ignore list silently.
3. If you want to put the ignore list under version control, in the `Add File .cvsignore to CVS` dialog box, click `Add to CVS` and optionally specify the desired [keyword substitution](#).

**Tip** If you want to remove a file from the ignore list, you can only do it manually. Open the `.cvsignore` file for editing by pressing `F4`, and remove the lines for the files that should not be ignored by CVS.

You can import an entire directory to your CVS repository, provided that you have the corresponding access rights. This action is helpful for putting a whole project under version control.

Import to the repository is always available, even when CVS is not enabled in project.

## To import a directory into CVS repository

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Import into CVS .
2. On the first page of the [Import into CVS](#) wizard, select the target CVS root. If the desired target repository does not exist, you can create a new one. To do that, click [Configure](#) , and [define the desired CVS root](#) . Click [Next](#) .
3. On the second page of the wizard, select the target directory in the repository, and click [Next](#) .
4. On the third page of the wizard, select the local directory that will be imported into the CVS repository. Click [Next](#) .
5. In the [Customize Keyword Substitution](#) page, specify the [keyword substitution rule](#) for the files imported into the repository, and click [Next](#) .
6. Specify the required [import settings](#) . The fields of this page correspond to CVS command-line arguments for `import` , and additional options that define the checkout status of the imported directory.
7. Click [Finish](#) .

In the section [Checking In Files](#) , you have learnt how to check in (commit) your changes to the repository. In this section you can find examples of CVS-specific error messages and suggestions on resolving conflicts.

If any error occurs when trying to commit, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message. For example:

- If you have a modified file, which has been already changed on the server by someone else, since your last synchronization, you will get the following error:

```
Error: cvs server: Up-to-date check failed for 'source/com/...'
```

In this case you would need to [merge](#) your local copy with the current revision in the repository. When the copies are merged, and all possible conflicts are [resolved](#) , so that the file is assigned the merged status, you can safely commit it to the repository.

- If you try to commit a file marked with a sticky tag, or sticky date, the CVS server will detect an attempt to *change the past* , and the error looks as follows:

```
Error: cvs server: sticky tag '1.1' for file 'source/com/impl/ManagerImpl.java& is not a branch
```

To solve the problem, you need to update with resetting sticky data; in this case your changes will be merged with the most recent revision of the file. After resolving possible conflicts (by calling the Merge command) you will be able to commit the files.


From the [Updating Local Information](#) topic, you have learnt the general procedure. CVS integration provides a special [Update File / Directory](#) dialog box with the options that map directly to the corresponding CVS command-line options of the `update` command. Refer to the [CVS documentation](#) for details.

This section will consider the CVS-specific procedure and several of the options in terms of their presentation in IntelliJ IDEA.

## To update local information

1. Select one or more files and/or directories in any navigation view (for example, [Project Tool Window](#)).
2. On the main menu, select VCS | Update Project or on the context menu of the selection choose CVS | Update File (Directory). The Update dialog for a project or file opens. In case of project update, select CVS tab.
3. Specify the following options:  
Branch Merging

You can choose to merge your local file(s) with the counterpart(s) in one or two CVS branches. In the CVS command-line interface, this is the `-j` option.

The option *Don't Merge* is selected by default, as merging across branches is not commonly needed. If you choose one of the other options, one or both of the text fields are enabled (depending on the choice of options). Clicking the Browse button  next to each field opens the Select Tag dialog box which lists all the branch tags maintained by the repository on the CVS server. Locate the branch you want to merge with, select it in the list, and click OK.

### Use Version

You can optionally update your local system from some different revision. You can choose a revision by its tag or by its date. The Default option synchronizes with your file's current revision, as this is the most common synchronization. The other options for Use Version are:

- By tag (-r): When updating a single file, you can choose the revision either by Revision or Tag. When you choose this option, the text field and corresponding ellipsis button are enabled. Enter a revision number or tag in the text field, or click the ellipsis button and select either a revision or a tag in the resulting dialog.

When updating multiple files (selected individually, or when invoking update on a directory), you can only select the revision by Tag.

- By date (-d): You can update from the revision of a specific date. This is possible whether you are invoking update on one file or multiple files or directories. When you choose this option, the date defaults to the current date. To specify a different date, click the ellipsis button and specify the desired date in the Choose Date dialog which appears.

### Reset sticky data (-A)

If the last checkout or update of the selected file(s) was from some revision that was specified by tag or date, the tag/date information is *sticky* for the file(s). If you now want to update these sticky-tagged files from the *HEAD* revision, select this option in combination with selecting the Default option in *Use Version* so that the sticky information is removed.

### Change keyword substitution to

If checked, this is converted to the `-k` CVS parameter. Refer to [CVS Options: Default keyword substitution for text files](#) for details.

### Do not show this dialog in the future

Select this option if you want the update operation take place silently. For details see CVS Options.

To have IntelliJ IDEA show this dialog box before update again:

1. Open the [Version Control - Confirmation](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.
2. In the Display Option dialogs when these commands are invoked area, select the Update checkbox.



CVS integration of IntelliJ IDEA helps coordinate the activities of team members, who concurrently work on the same files or directories.

CVS watches enable you to notify the users of a CVS repository whenever a file has been opened for editing, or committed. If you watch a file or directory for changes and commits, you are added to the list of watchers.

Usage the commands related to watches depends on configuration of the `CVSROOT/notify` file.

Edit and Unedit commands change read-only status of the files or directories under CVS. If the sources were checked out with the option `-c`, you can apply Edit command to make them writable. In this case you are added to the list of editors. When you are done with editing, use Unedit command to restore read-only status. So doing, you are removed from the list of editors. If watching is configured, the watchers will receive email notification about these events.

In fact, the option Use read-only flag for not edited files in the CVS provides the same functionality automatically. If this option is checked, Unedit always applies to the source files after commit.

Edit and Watch commands apply to all the files you have selected in the current view (including all the files in any selected directory), or to the current file in the editor if you invoked the command there.

This section describes how to:

- [Access Edit and Watch commands](#)
- [Change read-only status of a file or directory](#)
- [View the other persons who edit the same file or directory](#)
- [Set watch on a certain event for a file or directory and thus add yourself to the list of watchers](#)
- [Enable or disable watching](#)
- [View the other persons who watch the same file or directory](#)

## To access Edit and Watch commands

1. In one of the tool windows, select the desired files or directories, or open a file in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose VCS | CVS | Edit and Watch
  - On the context menu, choose CVS | Edit and Watch

## To get write access to a file or directory

1. [Open Edit and Watch menu](#).
2. Choose Edit on the submenu. Edit Options dialog box is displayed.
3. If you want to gain exclusive write access, check the option Reserved edit (-c). Click OK.

## To restore read-only status of a file or directory

1. [Open Edit and Watch menu](#).
2. Choose Unedit on the submenu.

## To view the other persons who edit the same file or directory

1. [Open Edit and Watch menu](#).
2. Choose Show Editors on the submenu. This will display the list of all users who have run the Edit command on the same file or directory.

## To set watch on a file or directory

1. [Open Edit and Watch menu](#).
2. Choose Add Watch on the submenu.
3. In the dialog box that opens, select the type of action you would like to be notified about:
  - Edit: you will notified whenever Edit is applied to a watched file or directory.
  - Unedit: you will notified whenever Unedit is applied to a watched file or directory.
  - Commit: you will notified whenever Commit is applied to a watched file or directory.
  - All: you will notified whenever any of the above commands is applied to a watched file or directory.

## To remove watch from a file or directory

1. [Open Edit and Watch menu](#).
2. Choose Remove Watch on the submenu.

3. In the dialog box that opens, select the type of action for which you would like to skip notification (Edit, Unedit, Commit or All).

### **To suspend or resume watching**

1. [Open Edit and Watch menu](#) .
2. Choose Watch Off or Watch On on the submenu.

### **To view the list of users who are watching the same files or directories**

1. [Open Edit and Watch menu](#) .
2. Choose Show Watchers on the submenu.

Offline mode in CVS makes it possible to ignore network errors. When this mode is enabled, you will not receive any notifications about connection problems.

### **You can go to offline mode in two ways**

- When a connection error occurs, IntelliJ IDEA informs you about that. With the first successful transaction, offline modes automatically turns off.
- Using the CVS menu command on the main Version Control menu, or a context menu: VCS | CVS | Work Offline .

From within IntelliJ IDEA, you can create and delete CVS tags and branches. The names of the tags and branches must start with a letter, and contain only alphanumeric characters.

Branch and tag commands apply to all the files you have selected in the current view (including all the files in any selected directory), or to the current file in the editor if you invoked the command there.


This section describes how to:

- [Access the tags and branches commands](#) .
- [Create a branch](#) in the repository on the base of the current revision.
- [Tag a revision in you local working directory](#) .
- [Delete a tag](#) .


## To access tags and branches commands

1. In one of the tool windows, select the desired files or directories, or open a file in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose VCS | CVS
  - On the context menu, choose CVS
3. On the submenu, choose the appropriate command ( Create Branch , Create Tag , or Delete Tag )


## To create a branch

1. [Invoke](#) the Create Branch command.
2. In the Create Branch dialog box, specify the name of the new branch. To do that, type the name in the Branch name field, or click the Browse button  and select the desired name from the list of existing CVS tags.
3. Optionally, specify the following:
  - Select the Override existing checkbox, if you want to move an existing tag to a new branch, as defined by the option `-F` of `rtag` CVS command.
  - Select the Switch to this branch checkbox to switch your local working copy to the branch specified in the Branch name field.

## To create a new tag

1. [Invoke](#) the Create Tag command.
2. In the Create Tag dialog box, specify the new tag name. To do that, type the name in the Tag name field, or click the Browse button  and select the desired name from the list of CVS tags.
3. Optionally, specify the following:
  - Select the Override existing checkbox, if you want an existing tag to point to the current revision, as defined by the option `-F` of `rtag` CVS command.
  - Select the Switch to this tag checkbox to switch your local working copy to the tag specified in the Tag name field.

## To delete a tag

1. [Invoke](#) the Delete Tag command.
2. In the Delete Tag dialog box, specify the name of the tag you want to delete. To do that, type the name in the Tag name field, or click the Browse button  , and select tag name from the list of the current tags in the repository.

With the Mercurial integration enabled, you can perform basic Mercurial operations from inside IntelliJ IDEA.

**Note** The information provided in the topics listed below assumes that you are familiar with the basics of Mercurial version control system.

In this section:

- Using Mercurial Integration
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [Mercurial support](#)
- [Adding Files To a Local Mercurial Repository](#)
- [Setting Up a Local Mercurial Repository](#)
- [Managing Mercurial Branches and Bookmarks](#)
- [Switching Between Working Directories](#)
- [Pulling Changes from the Upstream \(Pull\)](#)
- [Pushing Changes to the Upstream \(Push\)](#)
- [Tagging Changesets](#)

## Prerequisites

- [Mercurial](#) is installed on your computer.
- The location of the Mercurial executable file `hg.exe` is correctly specified on the Mercurial page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box.  
If you followed the standard installation procedure, the default location is `/opt/local/bin` or `/usr/local/bin` for Linux and macOS and `/Program Files/TortoiseHG` for Windows.

It is recommended that you add the path to the Mercurial executable file to the `PATH` variable. In this case, you can specify only the executable name, the full path to the executable location is not required.

- Mercurial [integration is enabled](#) for the current project root or directory.

If you want to use a remote repository, create a Mercurial hosting account first. You can access the remote repository through a pair of `ssh keys` or apply the username/password and keyboard interactive authentication methods supported by the Mercurial integration.

## Mercurial support

- When Mercurial integration with IntelliJ IDEA is enabled, the Mercurial item appears on the VCS menu, and on the context menus of the [Editor](#) and the [Project Tool Window](#).
- The files in the folders under the Mercurial control are highlighted according to their status. See [File Status Highlights](#) for file status highlighting conventions.
- Modifications results are shown in the [Version Control tool window](#).
- When using Mercurial integration, it is helpful to open the [Version Control](#) tool window. The [Console](#) tab displays the following data:
  - All commands generated based on the settings you specify through the IntelliJ IDEA user interface.
  - Information messages concerning the results of executing generated Mercurial commands.
  - Error messages.

After a Mercurial repository for a project is [initialized](#) , you need to add the project data to it:

- If you have specified Mercurial as the version control system for your project in the Settings dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to put each new file under Mercurial control during the file creation.  
To have Mercurial ignore some types of files, [configure files to ignore](#) .
- You can [add all unversioned](#) files to Mercurial control or [select files to add](#) .

### **To add all currently unversioned files to Mercurial control**

1. Switch to the [Version Control](#) tool window.
2. In the [Local Changes](#) tab, navigate to the Unversioned Files node and choose Add to VCS from the context menu.


### **To add specific file(s) to a local Mercurial repository, do one of the following:**

- Switch to the [Version Control](#) tool window, expand the Unversioned Files node, and select the files to be added. From the context menu, choose Add to VCS .
- Switch to the [Project](#) tool window and select the files to be added. From the context menu, choose Mercurial | Add to VCS .


Although Mercurial provides high flexibility in arranging data and your work with repositories, the following scenarios are most commonly used for setting up a local Mercurial repository:

- [Clone](#) an existing remote repository and create a new project with the downloaded data.
- [Create a local repository](#) which you can push to a remote location later, if necessary.

## To clone a remote Mercurial repository

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Checkout from Version Control | Mercurial . The Clone Mercurial Repository dialog box opens.
2. In the Mercurial Repository URL text box, type the URL of the remote repository which you want to clone.
3. Click the Test Repository button next to the Mercurial Repository URL text box to check that connection to the remote repository can be established successfully.
4. In the Parent Directory text box, specify the directory where you want IntelliJ IDEA to create a folder for your local Mercurial repository. Use the Browse button  button, if necessary.
5. In the Directory Name text box, specify the name of the new folder into which the repository will be cloned. Click Clone .
6. Create a new project based on the cloned data by accepting the corresponding suggestion displayed by IntelliJ IDEA.

## To create a local Mercurial repository

1. Open the project you want to store in a repository.
2. On the main menu, choose VCS | Import into Version Control | Create Mercurial Repository . The [Create Mercurial Repository](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the location of the new repository.
  - To have the repository created in the project root, choose the Create repository for the whole project option. IntelliJ IDEA will create the `.hg` directory in the project root folder. This option is selected by default.
  - To have a new repository created in another location, choose the Select where to create repository option and specify the path to the repository location in the text box below. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the Select directory for hg init dialog box that opens.

**Warning** Mercurial does not support external paths. So if you choose another directory, note that it must contain the tree where the project root resides.

If you choose a directory which is already under Mercurial control, IntelliJ IDEA opens the Directory Is Under hg dialog box, where you can choose to create a repository in the specified location or to stay in the parent repository.

4. Put the required files under Mercurial version control. The files appear in the [Version Control](#) tool window under the Default node.  
Note that if you specify Mercurial as the version control system for a directory in the [Version Control](#) dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to put each new file in this directory under Mercurial control.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can use both [named branches](#) and [light-weight branches \(bookmarks\)](#) . IntelliJ IDEA provides interface for creating, merging, and switching between branches and bookmarks, see [Switching Between Working Directories](#) . You can also run commands in the embedded Terminal , see [Working with Embedded Local Terminal](#) .

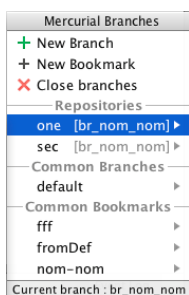
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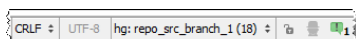
For information about switching between branches and bookmarks, see [Switching Between Working Directories](#) .

## Opening the Branches pop-up list

Most of the operations with branches and bookmarks are invoked from the Branches pop-up list.

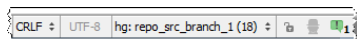


The list shows all the Mercurial repositories under the project root, all the named branches, and all the bookmarks in them. The current repository and the current bookmark are marked with a tick. The name of the current named branch is shown in the dedicated hg area on the Status bar:



To open the Branches pop-up list, do one of the following:

- On the Status bar, click the name of the current named branch in the dedicated hg area.



- On the main menu, choose VCS | Mercurial | Branches .
- On the context menu of the Editor or Version Control tool window, choose Mercurial | Branches .

## Creating a named branch

1. In the Branches pop-up list, click New Branch .
2. In the Create New Branch dialog box that opens, specify the name of the new branch.

The new branch immediately becomes active and its name is shown on the Status bar in the hg area.

## Creating a bookmark

1. In the Branches pop-up list, click New Bookmark .
2. In the [New Bookmark dialog box](#) that opens, specify the name of the bookmark to be created.
3. Specify, whether you want to switch to the new bookmark immediately or not.
  - To activate the new bookmark and thus enable tracking and updating the light-weight branch the bookmarks identifies, leave the Inactive checkbox cleared. The new bookmark immediately becomes active and its name is marked with a tick in the Branches pop-up list.
  - To have an inactive bookmark created, that is, to remain in the current light-weight branch (bookmark) or named branch and switch to the new bookmark later, select the Inactive checkbox.

## Closing a branch

According to [Mercurial workflows](#) , when you are done with a feature development and do not expect any further changes, you close the corresponding branch. A closed branch is not displayed among active branches, in the [Log view](#) , etc. To close a branch, do the following:

1. In the Branches popup, click Close branch . The [Commit changes dialog](#) will be displayed.
2. Click Commit and Close . All changes will be committed and the current branch will be closed.



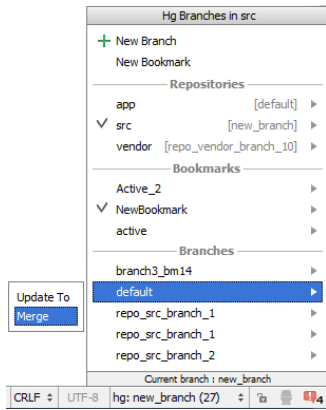
Note that if you have several repositories listed in the Repositories section, the corresponding menu option will toggle to Close branches and the `close` operation will be applied to all of them.

## Merging named branches and bookmarks

You can merge a named branch or a bookmark with another named branch, another bookmark, or a specific changeset identified by a tag or a revision number.

– Merging a named branch or a bookmark with another named branch or bookmark means merging with its **head**.

Merging with named branches and bookmarks can be invoked through the menu item `VCS | Mercurial | Merge`, which opens the Mercurial-specific Merge dialog box of from the Branches pop-up list.



– Merging a named branch or a bookmark with a changeset means merging the branch **head** with the specified changeset.

A changeset can be identified either by a revision number or a tag, see <https://www.mercurial-scm.org/wiki/Tag>.

Merging a named branch or a bookmark with a specific changeset can be invoked **only** through `VCS | Mercurial | Merge`.

For definitions and Mercurial-specific details regarding the merge operation itself, see <https://www.mercurial-scm.org/wiki/Merge>.

By default, **Mercurial** requires that before merge the current working directory should be **clean**, that is, it should not contain any uncommitted changes. Otherwise the merge operation fails and IntelliJ IDEA shows the corresponding error message. The message also recommends that you clean the current working directory by running the `hg merge <target branch, bookmark, or changeset> -C` to discard the uncommitted changes.

If your current working copy is not clean, you can either commit the changes or shelve them as described in [Shelving and Unshelving Changes](#).

## Merging a named branch or bookmark with another named branch or bookmark

Merging a named branch or a bookmark with another named branch or bookmark means merging with its **head**.

1. Make sure, your current working directory is **clean**, that is, it does not contain any uncommitted changes. Commit or shelve the changes, if any.
2. Invoke merge by doing one of the following:
  - In the Branches pop-up list, click the name of the branch or bookmark to merge with, then choose Merge on the pop-up menu:
  - Choose `VCS | Mercurial | Merge` on the main menu or `Mercurial | Merge` on the context menu of the Editor. In the Merge dialog box that opens:
    1. Choose the target repository from the Repository drop-down list which shows all the Mercurial repositories available under the current project root.
    2. Choose the Branch or Bookmark option and choose the named branch or bookmark to merge the current working directory with.
3. Resolve conflicts. As soon as a conflict takes place, the Files Merged with Conflicts dialog box opens with a list of conflicting files. Use the controls of the dialog box to resolve the problems:
  - To have the version of the current working directory preserved, click Accept Yours.
  - To have the version of the branch you are merging with preserved, click Accept Theirs.
  - To resolve the conflicts manually, click Merge and use the Conflict Resolution Tool, as described in [Resolving Conflicts](#).

If no conflicts arise during merge, the operation passes silently and the merge log is shown in the Version Control tool window.

## Merging a named branch or bookmark with a changeset

Merging a named branch or a bookmark with a changeset means merging the branch **head** with the specified changeset. A changeset can be identified either by a revision number or a tag, see <https://www.mercurial-scm.org/wiki/Tag>.

[scm.org/wiki/Tag](http://scm.org/wiki/Tag) .

1. Make sure, your current working directory is **clean** , that is, it does not contain any uncommitted changes.  
Commit or shelve the changes, if any.
2. Choose VCS | Mercurial | Merge on the main menu or Mercurial | Merge on the context menu of the Editor .
3. In the Merge dialog box that opens:
  1. Choose the target repository from the Repository drop-down list which shows all the Mercurial repositories available under the current project root.
  2. Choose the Tag or Revision option and choose the tag or specify the hash or revision number to merge the current working directory with. To copy a hash, open the Log tab of the Version Control tool window, select the relevant branch and revision, and then choose Copy Hash on the context menu of the selection.
4. Resolve conflicts. As soon as a conflict takes place, the Files Merged with Conflicts dialog box opens with a list of conflicting files. Use the controls of the dialog box to resolve the problems:
  - To have the version of the current working directory preserved, click Accept Yours .
  - To have the version of the branch you are merging with preserved, click Accept Theirs .
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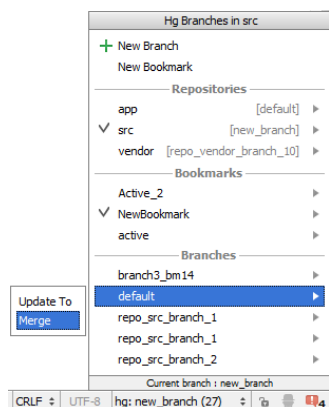
The Mercurial integration with IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to switch update the repository's [working directory](#) to the specified [changeset](#) or a specific [line of development](#) . Changesets can be identified by their hashes or by previously assigned [tag identifiers](#) .

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You can update a named branch or a bookmark to another named branch, another bookmark, or a specific changeset identified by a tag or a revision number.

- Updating a named branch or a bookmark to another named branch or bookmark means updating to its **head** .  
Updating to named branches and bookmarks can be invoked through the menu item VCS | Mercurial | Update to , which opens the Mercurial-specific Switch Working Directory dialog box of from the Branches pop-up list.



- Updating a named branch or a bookmark to a changeset means updating the branch **head** to the specified changeset. A changeset can be identified either by a revision number or a tag, see <https://www.mercurial-scm.org/wiki/Tag> .  
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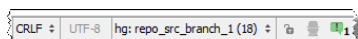
By default, **Mercurial** requires that before update the current working directory should be **clean** , that is, it should not contain any uncommitted changes. Otherwise the update operation fails and IntelliJ IDEA shows the corresponding error message. The message also recommends that you clean the current working directory by running the `hg update <target branch, bookmark, or changeset> -C` to discard the uncommitted changes.

If your current working copy is not clean, you can either commit the changes or shelve them as described in [Shelving and Unshelving Changes](#) . IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to discard any uncommitted changes when the update operation is already invoked. This option is available only in the Mercurial-specific Switch Working Directory dialog box.

## Opening the Branches pop-up list

To open the Branches pop-up list, do one of the following:

- On the Status bar, click the name of the current named branch in the dedicated hg area.



- On the main menu, choose VCS | Mercurial | Branches .
- On the context menu of the Editor or Version Control tool window, choose Mercurial | Branches .

## Switching to another named branch or bookmark

Updating a named branch or a bookmark to another named branch or bookmark means updating to its **head** .

1. Make sure, your current working directory is **clean** , that is, it does not contain any uncommitted changes.  
Commit or shelve the changes, if any.  
If you invoke update through the Switch Working Directory dialog box, you can also prevent conflicts by having any uncommitted changes discarded.
2. Invoke update by doing one of the following:
  - In the Branches pop-up list, click the name of the branch or bookmark to update to, then choose Update to on the pop-up menu:
  - Choose VCS | Mercurial | Update to on the main menu or Mercurial | Update to on the context menu of the Editor .  
In the Switch Working Directory dialog box that opens:
    1. Choose the target repository from the Repository drop-down list which shows all the Mercurial repositories available under the current project root.
    2. Choose the Branch or Bookmark option and choose the named branch or bookmark to update the current working directory to.
    3. To prevent failures during update if the current working directory is not clean, select the Overwrite locally

modified files (no backup) check box. The uncommitted changes will be discarded.

## Switching to another changeset

1. Make sure, your current working directory is **clean**, that is, it does not contain any uncommitted changes. Commit or shelve the changes, if any.  
If you invoke update through the Switch Working Directory dialog box, you can also prevent conflicts by having any uncommitted changes discarded.
2. Invoke update by doing one of the following:
  - In the Branches pop-up list, click the name of the branch or bookmark to update to, then choose Update to on the pop-up menu:
  - Choose VCS | Mercurial | Update to on the main menu or Mercurial | Update to on the context menu of the Editor .In the Switch Working Directory dialog box that opens:
  1. Choose the target repository from the Repository drop-down list which shows all the Mercurial repositories available under the current project root.
  2. Choose the Branch or Bookmark option and choose the named branch or bookmark to update the current working directory to.
  3. To prevent failures during update if the current working directory is not clean, select the Overwrite locally modified files (no backup) check box. The uncommitted changes will be discarded.
3. Resolve conflicts. As soon as a conflict takes place, the Files Merged with Conflicts dialog box opens with a list of conflicting files. Use the controls of the dialog box to resolve the problems:
  - To have the version of the current working directory preserved, click Accept Yours .
  - To have the version of the branch you are merging with preserved, click Accept Theirs .
  - To resolve the conflicts manually, click Merge and use the Conflict Resolution Tool , as described in [Resolving Conflicts](#) .If no conflicts arise during update, the operation passes silently and the update log is shown in the Version Control tool window.

Refreshing a local Mercurial repository with the changes from the remote repository ( Pull ) involves retrieving changes and applying them to the local data . The Mercurial integration with IntelliJ IDEA provides interface for specifying the mandatory Pull settings and for customizing the Pull procedure.

### **To pull changes from a remote repository**

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Mercurial | Pull Changesets . The [Pull](#) dialog box opens.
2. Specify the required URL address of the source remote repository.

Do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Mercurial | Push . The [Push Commits dialog](#) opens showing all Mercurial repositories (for multi-repository projects) and listing all commits made in the current branch in each repository since the last push. If you have a project that uses multiple repositories that are not controlled synchronously, only the current repository is selected by default. For details on how to enable synchronous repositories control refer to [Version Control Settings: Mercurial](#) .
  2. If necessary, you can modify the path to the remote repository by clicking it. The label turns into a text field where you can type the new path or invoke completion by pressing `Ctrl+Space` . If there are no remotes in the repository, the Define remote link appears. Click this link and specify the remote name and URL in the dialog that opens.
  3. If you want to preview changes before pushing them, select the required commit. The right-hand pane shows the changes included in the selected commit. You can use the toolbar buttons to [examine the commit details](#) .
- Note** If the author of a commit is different from the current user, this commit is marked with an asterisk.
5. If you want to push active bookmarks with your commits (they are not sent to the remote repositories by default), select the Export Active Bookmarks option.
  6. Click the Push button when ready and select which operation you want to perform from the drop-down menu: `push` or `push --force` .

**Tip** You can also switch to the editing mode by pressing `Enter` or `F2` for the selected element.

**Tip** You can press `Ctrl+Q` for the selected commit to display extra info, such as the commit author, time, hash and the commit message.

**Tip** If you select an entire repository, all files from all commits will be listed in the right pane.

If the same file was modified within several commits, it will only be listed once if you select these commits or the entire repository, and if you invoke the [Differences Viewer for Files](#) for this file, all changes will be zipped together.

## Using force push

When you run `push` , Mercurial will refuse to complete the operation if the remote repository has changes that you are missing and that you are going to overwrite with your local copy of the repository. Normally, you need to perform `pull` to synchronize with the remote before you update it with your changes.

The `--force push` command disables this check and lets you overwrite the remote repository, thus erasing its history and causing data loss.

A possible situation when you may still need to perform `--force push` is when you rebase a pushed branch and then want to push it to the remote server. In this case, when you try to push, Mercurial will reject your changes because the remote ref is not an ancestor of the local ref. If you perform `pull` in this situation, you will end up with two copies of the branch which you then need to merge.


**Warning!** Rebasing a pushed branch and modifying its history should be avoided unless absolutely necessary (for example, if you've accidentally pushed some sensitive data).

**Warning!** Using the `--force` will lead to all new heads being pushed on all branches, which is likely to cause confusion for your team.

If you decide to force push the rebased branch and you are working in a team, make sure that:

- Nobody has pulled your branch and done some local changes to it
- All pending changes have been committed and pushed
- You have the latest changes for that branch

IntelliJ IDEA supports both **local** and **global** tags. **Local** tags are stored in the file `.hg/localtags` in the repository, **global** tags are stored in the file `.hgtags` .

Currently tagging specific changesets is supported only in the command line mode in the embedded Terminal . To launch the Terminal , hover your mouse pointer over  in the lower left corner of the IDE, then choose Terminal from the menu (see [Working with Embedded Local Terminal](#) for details) . After commit, tags appear in the Log tab of the Version Control tool window.

For more information about Mercurial tags, see [Mercurial Documentation: Tag](#) .

## Tagging a repository

IntelliJ IDEA provides UI for tagging the current repository which means assigning a tag to its **tip** . The created tag is **global** , is stored in the file `.hgtags` . After commit, the tag appears in the Log tab of the Version Control tool window.

1. Open the Tag dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose VCS | Mercurial | Tag Repository .
  - On the context menu of the Editor , choose Mercurial | Tag Repository .
2. In the Tag dialog box that opens, specify the tag name. The name must be unique.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

With the Perforce integration enabled, you can perform basic Perforce operations from inside IntelliJ IDEA.

**Note** The information provided in the topics listed below assumes that you are familiar with the basics of Perforce version control system.

In this section:

- Using Perforce Integration
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [Preliminary steps](#)
  - [Perforce support](#)
- [Enabling and Configuring Perforce Integration](#)
- [Handling Modified Without Checkout Files](#)
- [Integrating Perforce Files](#)
- [Resolving Conflicts with Perforce Integration](#)
- [Showing Revision Graph and Time-Lapse View](#)
- [Using Multiple Perforce Depots with P4CONFIG](#)
- [Working Offline](#)
- [Checking Perforce Project Status](#)
- [Attaching and Detaching Perforce Jobs to Changelists](#)

## Prerequisites

- A Perforce client is installed on your computer.
- You have an account with the Perforce depot.

### To start using Perforce integration, perform the following preliminary steps

1. Create a client spec using your Perforce client.
2. Get source files from the Perforce depot using your Perforce client.
3. As soon as the local working copy is on your computer, [associate your local directory with Perforce](#) .  
After that you will be able to open source files for edit, and perform the usual Perforce-related tasks using IntelliJ IDEA.

## Perforce support

- When Perforce integration with IntelliJ IDEA is enabled, the Perforce item appears on the VCS menu, and on the context menus of the [Editor](#) and the [Project Tool Window](#) .
- The files in the folders under the Perforce control are highlighted according to their status. See [File Status Highlights](#) for file status highlighting conventions.
- Modifications results are shown in the [Version Control tool window](#) .
- When using Perforce integration, it is helpful to open the [Version Control](#) tool window. The [Console](#) tab displays the following data:
  - All commands generated based on the settings you specify through the IntelliJ IDEA user interface.
  - Information messages concerning the results of executing generated Perforce commands.
  - Error messages.



The Perforce Integration is disabled by default. If you want to perform Perforce-related operations right from IntelliJ IDEA, enable the integration at the IDE level and associate the project root or specific directories with Perforce. The general procedure is described in the section [Enabling Version Control](#).

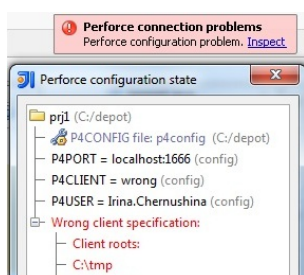
In this section:

- [Enabling Perforce integration for a project or directory](#)
- [Configuring Perforce integration settings](#)

## To enable Perforce integration for a project or directory

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control.
2. In the [Version Control](#) page, that opens, point to the desired root.
3. From the VCS drop-down list, choose Perforce.

If you specify a wrong client workspace, and your project roots do not match with the workspace roots, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up window with a warning.




Click [Inspect](#) to view and fix the discrepancies.

## To configure Perforce integration

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control | Perforce.
2. To establish live connection to the Perforce server, select the Perforce is online checkbox.
3. Specify which credentials you want to use for connecting to the Perforce server.
  - To use the connection settings from your `P4CONFIG` files, choose the Use `P4CONFIG` or default connection option.  
If you are using `P4CONFIG` files for configuration, IntelliJ IDEA shows what config files it has found and what other default settings are used. This way you can be sure that your `P4CONFIG` files are detected and taken into account.
  - To configure connection manually, choose the Use connection parameters option and specify the following settings in the corresponding text boxes:
    1. The **Port** the Perforce client will listen to.
    2. The **Client name**.
    3. Your **User name** and **Password** to authenticate to the server.
4. To use ticket-based authentication, select the Login authentication checkbox. Otherwise, password-based authentication will be used. In either cases IntelliJ IDEA uses the login name and password specified in the dialog box or stored in the `P4CONFIG` files.
5. To attempt to log on the Perforce server without authentication, select the Try to login silently checkbox.
6. To have IntelliJ IDEA create a `P4.output` file and store the output of Perforce commands in it, select the Dump Perforce Commands to: checkbox.
7. Specify the path to the Perforce executable file. Click Test Connection to make sure your settings ensure successful connection.
8. In the Timeout field, specify the lapse of time in seconds during which IntelliJ IDEA waits for response from the server. If the server does not respond in due time, the user is prompted to disable integration.
9. To enable displaying the branch history of a specified file, including all file branch points, edits, and merges, select the Show branching history checkbox.
10. To have IntelliJ IDEA point at committed changes that are also integrated to other changelists and provide information on the target changelists that received the content in question, select the Show integrated changelists in committed changes checkbox.
11. To get the user interface for attaching and detaching Perforce jobs to changelists, select the Enable Perforce Jobs Support checkbox.

If you are going to modify or delete a file under Perforce version control, the read-only status of such file should be removed. IntelliJ IDEA takes care of automatically making files writable. However, you can change read-only status manually, which may happen in a number of ways; for example:

- [With the Clear Read-Only Status dialog enabled](#) , you make a file writable using file system.
- When a read-only file is opened in the editor, you double-click lock icon  in the status bar.
- You remove read-only attribute externally, using file properties.

In these cases, the file gets status Modified without checkout and appears in the [Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window](#) .

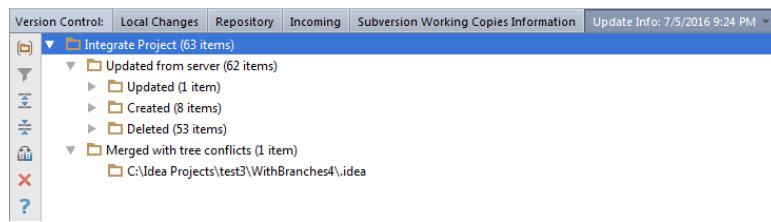
### **To resolve 'modified without checkout' files**

1. In the [Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window](#) , expand Modified without Checkout node, and select the desired file.
2. On the context menu of the file, choose Check Out . The file becomes writable, and moves to the active changelist.

You can merge changes between the branches into your local working copy, using the branch specification, or a changelist.

The Integrate Project command is available for both Perforce and Subversion integrations.

Integration results display in the Integrate Info tab of the Version Control tool window. Context menu of a file enables you to compare versions, view history and annotations, browse changes and more.



## To integrate a Perforce branch into a project

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Integrate Project .
2. In the Integrate dialog box, select the Perforce tab (if both Perforce and Subversion integrations are used in this project).
3. Select the sources to be merged, and the desired revision.
4. Define VCS-specific merge options.
5. Click OK .

As described in the section [Resolving Conflicts](#) , the conflicts might occur in course of team work. Perforce integration makes use of the following commands:

- Resolve enables you to resolve a conflict to a specific file.
- Resolve All applies to all files in a changelist that have merge status.

### **To resolve conflicts for the files under Perforce version control**

1. In the [Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window](#) , select a conflicting file, or a whole conflict node.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Resolve or Resolve All . Files Merged with Conflicts dialog box appears.
3. If you want to accept server version and overwrite your local changes, click Accept Theirs . If you want to force your changes to the repository, click Accept Yours . Clicking Merge opens the merge tool, where you can [accept or discard](#) each change individually.
4. Once the conflicts are successfully resolved, [commit](#) your local version to the repository.

Using Perforce integration, you can view the Revision Graph or Time-lapse View for a file without leaving the IDE, provided that `p4v.exe` is installed on your computer.

### **To show Revision Graph or Time-lapse View for a file**

1. Select the desired file in any navigation tool window, or open it in the editor.
2. On the main Version Control menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Perforce , and then select Revision Graph , or Time-Lapse View on the submenu.
3. With the first invocation, enter password in the login dialog box.

If your project contains directories that are stored in the different Perforce depots, you might need to switch between them. IntelliJ IDEA uses P4CONFIG to automatically switch to the respective depot as you use a Perforce-versioned directory.

P4CONFIG is an environment variable that contains the name of P4CONFIG file without a path. If a certain directory is associated with Perforce, IntelliJ IDEA seeks for P4CONFIG file in this directory and its parents; if the file is not found, it is sought in the bin directory of IntelliJ IDEA installation. When a P4CONFIG file is found, IntelliJ IDEA uses the settings contained therein, to connect to the respective Perforce depot.

A sample P4CONFIG file might consist of such lines:

```
P4CLIENT=MyClient  
P4USER=MySelf  
P4PORT=ida:3456
```

### **To use multiple Perforce depots in a project, follow these general steps**

1. Create a P4CONFIG file in each directory associated with Perforce.
2. Create environment variable P4CONFIG that contains file name without a path.

In this section:

- [Offline mode basics](#)
- [Going offline](#)
- [Going online](#)

## Offline mode basics

The Perforce plugin keeps a log of VCS operations performed while offline, and replays the log when the user comes back online. The log of operations is stored in the `.iws` file and persists between IntelliJ IDEA restarts.

While offline, you can perform the following operations, which will be automatically replayed in online mode:

- Edit
- Add/Copy
- Delete
- Move/Rename
- Revert
- Move to another changelist
- View Committed/Incoming changes (displaying cached information only).

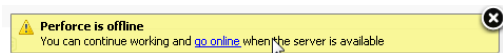
The following operations are not supported in offline mode: update, commit, integrate, tracking of the unversioned, locally deleted and *modified without checkout* files (unversioned files are shown as *unchanged*), and any other operations that require server connection.

**Tip** The performance of IntelliJ IDEA Perforce integration in offline mode is considerably better than in online mode (because no server calls are required), so you might want to use offline mode even though connection to the Perforce server is successful.

## To go to offline mode, do one of the following

- **Automatically**, when the Perforce server becomes unavailable. IntelliJ IDEA switches to the offline mode automatically, and displays an offline notification in a pop-up window. To enable this behaviour, select the Switch to offline mode automatically if Perforce is unavailable checkbox in the **Perforce** page of the **Settings** dialog box.
- Manually at anytime, by choosing **VCS | Perforce** and select **Work Offline** on the main menu.

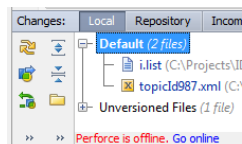
When offline mode is activated, the following notification balloon appears:



This balloon fades after a while; **Perforce is offline** message appears at the bottom of the **Local Changes** tab of the Version Control tool window.

## To return to online mode, do one of the following

- Choose **VCS | Perforce** and clear **Work Offline**.
- In the offline notification balloon, click the **Go online** link.
- In the **Local Changes** tab of the Version Control tool window, click the **Go online** link:



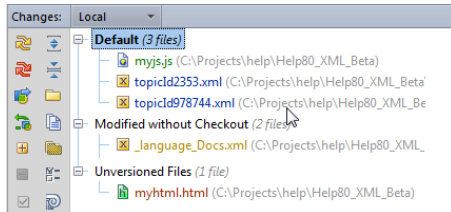
Besides indicating the [current file status](#) relative to the repository, IntelliJ IDEA integration with Perforce provides you with the accumulated view of the project files' statuses.

In this section:

- [Viewing the statuses of project files](#)
- [Refreshing file status](#)

## To view differences between the current state of the project files and the repository

1. Open the required project.
2. On the main menu, choose VCS | Refresh File Status .
3. Switch to the Version Control tool window, tab [Local](#) .





The status of each file is indicated by the [color](#) in which the path to the file is displayed.

## To refresh the statuses of project files

IntelliJ IDEA provides two refresh modes for statuses of files under Perforce control.

- **Standard Refresh** takes into consideration only the changes made through the IntelliJ IDEA integration with Perforce. This improves performance because does not require connecting to the server. However, this approach does not let you know about the changes made outside IntelliJ IDEA, for example, right through the `p4v client` application.
- **Force Refresh** considers all the changes made to project, both from IntelliJ IDEA and from any other application, for example, right through `p4v client` .

1. Switch to the Version Control tool window, tab [Local](#) .
2. Do one of the following:
  - To run **Standard Refresh** , click the Refresh toolbar button  or press `Ctrl+F5` .
  - To run **Force Refresh** , click the Force Refresh toolbar button  .



The Perforce integration with IntelliJ IDEA provides you with a user interface for attaching and detaching Perforce [jobs](#) to changelists.

Note that the integration does not support creation of Perforce jobs.

To get access to working with Perforce jobs, select the Enable Perforce Jobs Support checkbox on the [Perforce](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.



From this topic you will learn how to:

- Attach jobs to changelists:
  - [At any stage](#) of your work from the [Local](#) tab.
  - [During commit](#) from the [Commit Changes](#) dialog box.
- Find the desired job to attach to a changelist using:
  - The [standard search](#) functionality, which enables you to specify numerous search criteria and thus to flexibly configure the search procedure.
  - The [quick search](#) functionality, which enables you to have the found job linked to the changelist automatically.



**Tip** This functionality is helpful when you need to attach only one job to a changelist and you either know the exact name of the desired job or at least can specify a search pattern for the name.

- [Detach](#) jobs from changelists.


## To find and link a job at any stage of your work

1. Open the [Local](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window.
2. Select the changelist you want to link a job to.
3. From the context menu of the changelist, choose Edit Associated Jobs .
4. Find the desired job. Do one of the following:
  - To use the [standard search](#) functionality, click the  button.
  - To use the [quick search](#) functionality, click the  button.
5. View the details of the found job and click OK .

## To find and link a job during commit

1. In the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window, select the changelist you want to link a job to and open the [Commit Changes](#) dialog box.
2. Find the desired job using the controls in the Jobs area. Do one of the following:
  - To use the [standard search](#) functionality, click the  button.
  - To use the [quick search](#) functionality, click the  button.
3. View the details of the found job and continue the [commit](#) procedure.


## To find a job using the standard search functionality

1. In the dialog box that opens or in the Jobs area of the [Commit Changes](#) dialog box, click the  button. Which dialog box you are currently in depends on whether you are linking jobs [during commit](#) or at any [other stage](#) of work.
2. In the dialog box that opens, specify the desired search parameters.

**Tip** At least one of the fields should be filled in.
3. Click the Search button. The jobs that match the specified criteria are shown in the Search Results list. To view the details of a job, select it in the list.
4. Select the desired job and click OK . The dialog box closes and you return to the dialog box where you started the search:
  - The [Commit Changes](#) dialog box, if you are linking jobs [during commit](#) .
  - The Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist dialog box, if you are linking jobs at any [other stage](#) stage of work.

## To quickly find and link one job


1. Open the Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist dialog box or switch to the Jobs area of the [Commit Changes](#) dialog box.

The dialog box to be used depends on whether you are linking jobs [during commit](#) or at any [other stage](#) of work.
2. In the text box, type the desired job name search pattern and click the  button. The job is found and automatically linked to the current changelist.

If no job matching the specified pattern is found, the corresponding information message is displayed.

**Warning** The details of jobs that are found and linked through the quick search functionality are available only in the Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist dialog box.

## To detach a job from a changelist

- In the Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist dialog box or in the Jobs area of the Commit Changes dialog box, select the desired job and click the  button.

The dialog box to be used depends on whether you are detaching jobs [during commit](#) or at any [other stage](#) of work.

With the Subversion integration enabled, you can perform basic Subversion operations from inside IntelliJ IDEA.

IntelliJ IDEA currently supports integration with Subversion 1.9 and below.

IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with the Subversion plugin. If you are using SVN 1.7 or below, this plugin is enough for Subversion integration. If you are using SVN 1.8 or higher, you also need to [download](#) and install the command line client on your machine. In this case, make sure the Use command line client option is selected in the [Subversion settings page](#) .

## Subversion support

- When Subversion integration with IntelliJ IDEA is enabled, the Subversion item appears on the VCS menu, and on the context menus of the [Editor](#) and the [Project Tool Window](#) .
- The files in the folders under the Subversion control are highlighted according to their status. See [File Status Highlights](#) for file status highlighting conventions.
- Modifications results are shown in the [Version Control tool window](#) .
- When using Subversion integration, it is helpful to open the [Version Control](#) tool window. The [Console](#) tab displays the following data:
  - All commands generated based on the settings you specify through the IntelliJ IDEA user interface.
  - Information messages concerning the results of executing generated Subversion commands.
  - Error messages.

The Subversion server does not require user authentication on every request. When you use Subversion integration in IntelliJ IDEA, you only need to answer the authentication challenge of the server if it is required by the authentication and authorization policies. Upon successful authentication, your credentials are saved on disk, in `~/.subversion/auth/` on Unix systems or `<USER> \HOME> \.subversion_IDEA` on Windows and macOS.

When an authentication challenge comes from the server, the credentials are sought for in the disk cache; if the appropriate credentials are not found, or fail to authenticate, you are prompted to specify your login and password.

If necessary, you can opt to delete all credentials stored in the cache for the http, svn and ssh+svn protocols.


### To delete credentials from disk

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Version Control .
2. Open the [Subversion settings page](#) and click the Clear Auth Cache button.

Prior to checking files out, you can browse the contents of a Subversion repository. The Subversion Repository browser enables you to add or discard repository locations, view the history of files and folders, check out files and folders, navigate to the source code, browse changes, create branches or tags, etc.

Browsing the contents of a Subversion repository is always available, even when Subversion is not enabled in your project. All you need is a valid user account.

### To browse the contents of a Subversion repository

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Browse VCS Repository | Browse Subversion Repository .
2. The SVN Repositories tool window will open.
3. If no repositories have been specified so far, click  in the toolbar and specify the repository URL in the New Repository Location dialog that opens.
4. Browse the repository. If authentication is required, enter your credentials in the Authentication Required dialog that opens when you first try to expand the top node.

By checking out files from a Subversion repository, you obtain a [local working copy of the repository](#) , which you can edit. After making the necessary changes, you can publish the results by [committing, or checking in](#) your changes to the repository.

To check out files from a Subversion repository, do the following:

1. On the main menu, choose [VCS | Checkout from Version Control | Subversion](#) .
2. In the [Check Out From Subversion](#) dialog box, expand the desired repository location and select the element you want to check out.
3. Click the Checkout button.
4. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the destination directory where the local copy of the repository files will be created, and click OK .  
If you are checking out sources for an existing project, the destination folder should be below the project [content root](#) .
5. In the SVN Checkout Options dialog box, specify the following settings:
  - Revision to be checked out (HEAD or a selected revision).
  - Whether you need to check out the nested directories.
  - Whether you need to include the external locations.

Click OK .

**Tip** This action is also available from the [SVN Repositories tool window](#) . Right-click a directory and choose the required command from the context menu.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create a project based on the sources checked out from version control.

The Cleanup command in Subversion can be helpful in the following situations:

- Your local working copy is in an inconsistent state because a Subversion command was interrupted.
- The timestamp of a file has changed while its content remains intact.

To clean up the local working copy, do one of the following:

- Select the desired file or directory in the [Project](#) tool window and choose Subversion | Cleanup from the context menu of the selection.
- Open the desired file in the editor and choose VCS | Subversion | Cleanup from the main menu.
- Select the desired file or directory in the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window and choose Subversion | Cleanup from the context menu of the selection.

In addition to the common file versions comparison options, the Subversion integration with IntelliJ IDEA provides a special command that enables you to compare a file from your local working copy with its version in the selected branch.

To compare a file with its version in a specified branch, do the following:

1. Select the desired file in the [Project Tool Window](#), or open it in the editor.
2. From the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Subversion | Compare with Branch .
3. In the Compare with Branch pop-up, select the desired branch. The Compare with Branch dialog in the form of the [Differences Viewer for Files](#) appears.

**Tip** This action is also available in the SVN Repositories browser. Right-click the desired directory and choose the corresponding command from the context menu.



A working copy is a directory that contains a collection of files which you can use as your private work area, as well as some extra files, created and maintained by Subversion. For example, each directory in your working copy contains an administrative directory named `.svn`.

You can have local working copies created with Subversion 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, or 1.9. IntelliJ IDEA handles all these formats, giving you a choice to upgrade to the new format or preserve the legacy one.

Switching to another Subversion format is always associated with a specific working copy (directory) under the Subversion control. In other words, one cannot upgrade to a newer Subversion format at the IDE level, but only to a directory under Subversion control.

**Tip** To check VCS association, go to [File | Settings | Version Control](#) where all mappings between the project directories (or the entire project) and VCSs are listed.

To change the format of the local working copy, do the following:

1. Open the [Version Control](#) tool window by doing one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose [View | Tool Windows | Version Control](#).
  - Press `Alt+9`.

2. Switch to the [Subversion Working Copies Information](#) tab.

This tab is only available, when the current project sources are entirely or partially under Subversion control.

3. Scroll to the information on the required directory and click the [Change](#) link.

**Note** Note that Subversion 1.9 can be used with the local working copy version 1.8, so in this case the [Change](#) link will not appear.

4. In the [Convert Working Copy Format](#) dialog box, that opens, select the desired format option.

Subversion stores the http proxy settings in the `servers` file in the user's runtime configuration area (`~/ .subversion/auth/` on Unix systems or `<USER HOME>/Application Data/Subversion/auth/` on Windows).

You can configure the Subversion proxy settings in two ways:

- [Edit the servers file](#) manually.
- Configure proxy settings directly from IntelliJ IDEA. Do the following:
  1. Open the Version Control | Subversion page of IntelliJ IDEA settings (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), and then open the Network tab.
  2. Click the Edit Network Options button and specify the proxy settings in the [Edit Subversion Options Related to Network Layers](#) dialog box that opens.

Subversion repository locations are global IntelliJ IDEA properties. It means that the configured repository locations will be available no matter if a project is open or not, which is useful if you need to check out an entire project from Subversion. You can define multiple Subversion repository locations for future use.


To configure a Subversion repository location, do the following:

1. Open the [SVN Repositories tool window](#) by choosing `VCS | Browse VCS Repository | Browse Subversion Repository` from the main menu.
2. In the SVN Repositories tool window choose `New | Repository Location` from the context menu, or click the `+` button on the toolbar.
3. In the New Repository Location dialog, specify the repository URL.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to compose a list of parent folders of the branches you work with. This list will be displayed every time you perform any operation with branches, for example, when you synchronize your local working copy, compare branches, etc.




Branches are configured in the [Configure Subversion Branches](#) dialog box.

To configure Subversion branches, do the following:

1. Access the [Configure Subversion Branches dialog](#) in the [Version Control](#) tool window, switch to the [Subversion Working Copies Information](#) tab, and then click the [Configure Branches](#) link.
2. In the Trunk location field, specify the URL of your repository trunk. Type the address or click the [Browse](#) button  and select the trunk location in the [Select Repository Location](#) dialog that opens. This dialog shows a tree of all branches and tags under the [repository root](#).
3. In the Branch locations area, make up a list of folders where the branches you need in your work are stored. Use the [+](#) and [-](#) buttons to add/remove branches to/from the list.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to create branches or tags on the basis of your local working copies, or their repository versions.

To create a branch or a tag in a Subversion repository, do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose **VCS | Subversion | Branch or Tag** . Alternatively, select the source folder in the [SVN Repositories tool window](#) and choose the Branch or Tag command from the context menu.
2. In the [Create Branch or Tag dialog](#) that opens, in the Copy From section, specify the source folder that will be copied to a branch or a tag. You can use your local working copy, or a repository location.  
If a repository location is selected as the source:
  - Click  to fill the Repository Location field with the path to the project location.
  - Specify the revision to base the new branch on. This can be the HEAD revision, or a revision with the specified number.  
If the Specified option is selected, type the revision number, or click  and find the desired revision in the Subversion Changes Browser .
3. In the Copy To section, specify the destination where the branch or the tag will be created. If you use the base URL, specify the name of the new branch or tag. If you opt to create a branch or tag in another repository location, type its URL, or click  and select the destination from the [Select Repository Location](#) dialog.
4. Optionally, enter a comment a click OK .

You might need to obtain a *clean* local copy of the Subversion working tree without the `.svn` catalogs. Instead of checking files out and then manually deleting the administrative directories, you can use the Export command available in the Subversion repository browser.

To export a directory from a Subversion repository, do the following:

1. In the main menu, select VCS | Browse VCS Repository | Browse Subversion Repository to open the [SVN Repositories](#) tool window.
2. Right-click a directory you want to export and choose Export from the context menu.
3. In the Select Path dialog that opens, specify the destination directory and click OK .
4. In the SVN Export Options dialog that opens, check the Export and Destination paths and specify the following options:
  - Depth : use this drop-down list to specify the range of recursion into Subversion subdirectories. The available options are:
    - working copy : select this option to get files/directories from the repository subtrees that have not been checked out yet.
    - empty : select this option to involve only the current file.
    - files : select this option to involve files from the current folder.
    - immediates : select this option to involve direct children of the current file.
    - infinity : select this option to enable full recursion.
  - Replace existing files : select this option to replace files in the destination directory with the exported sources.
  - Include external locations : select this option to include external references into the export.
  - Override 'native' EOLs with: : use this drop-down list if you want to override the `svn:eol-style=native` property. This is useful if team members sharing the same repository use different operating systems, which may result in problems with line endings. The following options for line separators are available:
    - None : this option is selected by default, and keeps the `svn:eol-style=native` property unchanged.
    - LF : select this option if you are using unix
    - CRLF : select this option if you are using Windows
    - CR : select this option if you are using macOS

You can import an entire directory to your Subversion repository provided that you have access rights. This is helpful for putting a whole project under version control.

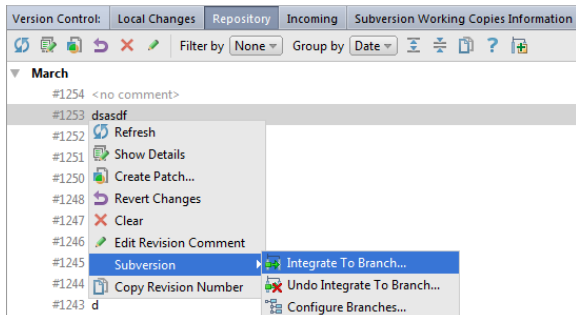
Import to the repository is always available, even if Subversion integration is not enabled for your project.

To import a directory to a Subversion repository, do the following:


1. From the main menu, choose **VCS | Import into Version Control | Import into Subversion**.
2. In the **Import into Subversion** dialog that opens, select the target Subversion repository. If the desired target repository location is not in the list, click the **+** button to add it (for more details, see [Configuring Subversion Repository Location](#)). Click **Import**.
3. In the **Select Path** dialog that opens, specify the directory you want to import and click **OK**.
4. In the **SVN Import Options** dialog that opens, check the **Import to** and **Import from paths** and specify the following options:
  - **Depth** : use this drop-down list to specify the range of recursion into Subversion subdirectories. The available options are:
    - **working copy** : select this option to get files/directories from the repository subtrees that have not been checked out yet.
    - **empty** : select this option to involve only the current file.
    - **files** : select this option to involve files from the current folder.
    - **immediates** : select this option to involve direct children of the current file.
    - **infinity** : select this option to enable full recursion.
  - **Include ignored resources** : select this option to include files that have been added to the Subversion ignore list and are not subject to version control into the import.
5. Optionally, enter a commit message, or select one from the **Recent Messages** drop-down list and click **OK**.

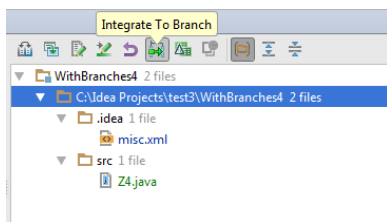
IntelliJ IDEA allows you to integrate changes into a selected branch, and commit the results of such integration to the repository. Do the following:

1. In the **Version Control** tool window, switch to the **Repository** tab .
2. Right-click the changelist you want to integrate, and select **Subversion | Integrate to Branch** from the context menu:



If you want to integrate separate files instead of the whole changelist, select them in the **Changed Files** pane and choose **Subversion | Integrate To Branch** from the context menu.

If you are using SVN 1.5 or higher both on the server and in your local working copy, select the relevant changelist/file(s) in the **Changelists** or **Changed Files** pane and click  on the toolbar.



The **Integrate to Branch** dialog opens displaying the URL addresses of the source and target branches and a list of available local working copies.

3. From the **Integrate into working copy** list, select the path to the local working copy into which the selected changelist will be integrated.

To add a path to the list, click the **+** button.

To remove a path from the list, click the **-** button.

**Note** Make sure the specified working copy directory is under Subversion version control!

4. To preview the merge result by enabling the `--dry-run` switch of the `svn` command, select the **Try merge**, but make no changes checkbox.

If this checkbox is not selected, sources are merged silently.

5. Click **OK** . The **Commit Changes** dialog opens.

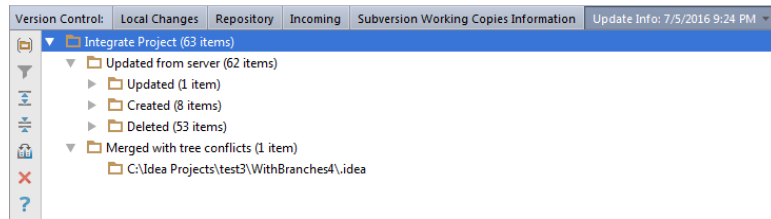
6. Review the summary, specify the necessary options, and **run commit** .




Integrating projects or directories in Subversion means merging the differences between the two specified revisions into your working copy.

The Integrate Project command is available for both Subversion and Perforce.

Integration results are displayed in the Update Info tab of the [Version Control tool window](#) . The context menu of a file allows you to compare versions, view file history and annotations, browse changes, etc.



To integrate different sources into one Subversion project, do the following:

1. From the main menu, choose VCS | Integrate Project . The [Integrate Project](#) dialog opens.
2. If both Subversion and Perforce are used as version control systems in your project, select the Subversion tab.
3. In the Source 1 and Source 2 fields, specify the sources to be merged and select the revision. If you check the Specified option, you can click the Browse button  and select a revision from the Changes Browser .
4. If necessary, select the following merge options and click OK :
  - Use ancestry : if this option is selected, **ancestry** of files will be noticed (this corresponds to the `svn merge` command). If unchecked, any relations between files and directories will be ignored (corresponds to `svn diff` ).
  - Try merge but make no changes : select this option to preview merge results by enabling the `--dry--run` option of the SVN command. If unchecked, sources will be merged silently.
  - Depth : use this drop-down list to specify the range of recursion into Subversion subdirectories. The available options are:
    - working copy : select this option to get files/directories from the repository subtrees that have not been checked out yet.
    - empty : select this option to involve only the current file.
    - files : select this option to involve files from the current folder.
    - immediates : select this option to involve direct children of the current file.
    - infinity : select this option to enable full recursion.

A [Feature Branch](#) is intended for working on a particular feature. It is normally constituted of data downloaded from the trunk, and is integrated back into the trunk when work on the feature is completed. You can apply all changes or select a subset of changes. IntelliJ IDEA creates a changelist with the merged changes and offers it for commit.

To integrate changes from a branch, do the following:

1. Open the [Version Control tool window](#) and switch to the [Subversion Working Copies Information tab](#) .
2. Click the Merge from link and select the source of changes from the popup menu. The available options are:
  - trunk : select this option to merge changes from the trunk to the current branch.
  - branches : select this option to apply changes from a specific branch to the current branch. Select the source branch from the Branches popup.
  - tags : select this option to apply changes from a specific branch to the current branch. Select the source branch from the Tags popup.

**Tip** To edit the list of branches, choose the Configure branches option and update the list of branches in the [Configure Subversion Branches](#) dialog box that opens.

3. In the Merge from <branch\_name> dialog box that opens, specify the scope of changes to apply.
  - To have all changes applied, click the Merge all button.
  - To have a subset of changes applied, click the Select revisions to merge button. In the list of revisions that is displayed, appoint the revisions to apply changes from by selecting checkboxes next to the desired revisions. To have the selected changes applied, click the Merge selected button.

**Tip** To have all changes applied regardless of the selection, click the Merge all button.

4. In the Files merged with conflicts , view the list of files where problems occurred during the merge procedure and [resolve the problems](#) using the following buttons:

- Accept Yours - click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA force your changes.
- Accept Theirs - click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA overwrite your changes.
- Merge - click this button to open the merge tool and [resolve the conflicts](#) there.

Though Subversion integration allows you to successfully modify and merge files changed by different team members, sometimes it makes sense to lock files (for example, images) to avoid overwriting changes.

To lock a file:

1. Select the file you want to lock in the [Project Tool Window](#) or open it in the editor.
2. From the main menu, select VCS | Subversion | Lock from the main menu, or Subversion | Lock from the context menu of the selection.
3. Enter a lock comment in the [Lock File](#) dialog that opens.

To unlock a file, select the file you want to unlock, or open it in the editor, and choose VCS | Subversion | Unlock from the main menu, or Subversion | Unlock from the context menu of the selection.

**Tip** To forcibly break a lock set by somebody else, select the Steal Existing Lock checkbox.

If a conflict occurs in a file under the Subversion version control, conflict markers are added to the conflicting file, and three auxiliary unversioned files are created in your local working copy:

- filename.mine : the copy of your local file without conflict markers.
- filename.rOld : the base revision you have last synchronized to.
- filename.rNew : the latest version on the server.

Conflicting files are marked with red in the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window. In the [Update Info](#) tab, they are grouped in the Merged with conflicts list and are also marked with red.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can resolve conflicts in two ways:

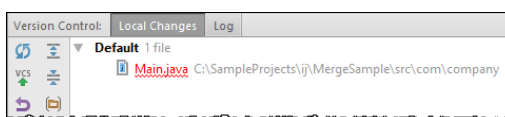
- Semi-automatically, using a merge tool.
- Manually in the editor. After that, you need to manually mark the processed files as conflicts-free.

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- [To mark a file as resolved](#)

## To resolve a text conflict using the merge tool

1. In the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window, select the conflicting file:



2. On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose [Subversion | Resolve Text Conflict](#) . The [Files Merged with Conflicts](#) dialog appears.

3. If you want to accept the server version and overwrite your local changes, click [Accept Theirs](#) . If you want to force your changes to the repository, click [Accept Yours](#) . Clicking [Merge](#) opens the merge tool, where you can [accept or discard](#) each change individually. As a result, the file is automatically marked as resolved, and auxiliary files are deleted.

**Tip** You can click the column header to sort the conflicting files by name.

4. Once the conflicts have been successfully resolved, commit your local version to the repository.

## To resolve a text conflict manually

Open the conflicting file in the editor, and do one of the following:

- Edit the contents within the conflict markers as required.
- Copy one of the auxiliary files on top of your working file.

## To mark a file as resolved

1. Do one of the following:

- Select the file in the [Project](#) tree or in the [Local Changes](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window, and choose [Subversion](#) , and then choose [Mark Resolved](#) on the context menu of the selection.
- With the conflicting file opened in the editor, right-click the mouse anywhere in the editor tab. On the context menu choose [Subversion](#) , and then choose [Mark Resolved](#) .
- On the main menu, choose [VCS | Subversion | Mark Resolved](#) .

2. In the [Mark Resolved](#) dialog box that opens select the file in question.

3. Click the [Mark Resolved](#) button.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the Subversion sharing directories feature. The **Share Directory** command is applied to the content roots. When such content root is shared, a new directory is created in the specified location of the Subversion repository, checked out to the local directory you want to share, and the contents of the local directory is added to the repository. As a result, the local directory contains a valid working copy of the repository.

To share a directory via the Subversion repository, do the following:

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , select an unversioned directory that is the content root of a module associated with Subversion.
2. From the main menu, select Subversion | Share Directory .
3. Specify the target repository location where the directory shall be shared.

If you are using Subversion 1.5 or higher on the server and in your local working copy, you can take advantage of the extended Merge Info functionality implemented through the [Merge Info](#) pane of the [Version Control tool window](#), the [Repository tab](#).

With this functionality, instead of browsing all changelists within a certain period, you can define a set of changelists to display. This is done by specifying a pair of branches in the repository (source and target), whereupon IntelliJ IDEA shows only the changelists from the source branch that have been integrated into the target branch.

Additionally, you can specify various filtering options to minimize the number of extraneous changelists.

Finally, integration and managing integration status are also available directly from the Merge Info pane.

The extended browsing functionality includes:




- [Defining the Set of Changelists to Display](#)
- [Filtering Out Extraneous Changelists](#)
- [Integrating Files and Changelists from the Version Control Tool Window](#)
- [Viewing and Managing Integration Status](#)

**Tip** Before enabling the extended Merge Info functionality, make sure you are using SVN Server 1.5 or higher.

If you are using SVN 1.4 or lower, to enable the Merge Info functionality, you need to [change the format of your local working copy](#) first.




With the extended [Merge Info](#) functionality, you can limit the set of changelists to be displayed in the [Changelists](#) pane to changelists that have been integrated from one specific branch to another. These branches are referred to as "source" and "target" respectively.




To define the set of branches you want to display, do the following:

1. Open the [Version Control tool window](#) and switch to the [Repository tab](#).
2. To open the Merge Info pane, click the Highlight Integrated button  on the toolbar.
3. In the From field, specify the URL address of the source branch.
4. In the To field, specify the path to the target branch. If necessary, use the Browse button  to open the [Select Branch](#) dialog.
5. Specify the path to the local [working copy](#) to which you are going to apply patches created based on the selected changelists. If necessary, use the Browse button  to open the Configure Working Copy Paths dialog box.

With the extended [Merge Info](#) functionality, you can limit the number of changelists displayed in the Changelists pane by applying the following filters:

**Tip** Filtering out integrated/not integrated changelists is available only when integration status is highlighted.




Otherwise the Filter out integrated button  and Filter out not integrated button  are disabled. To enable integration status highlighting, click the Highlight Integrated button  on the toolbar.

- To display only the changelists that have not been integrated into the working copy, click the Filter out integrated button  on the toolbar.
- To display only the changelists that have been integrated into the working copy, click the Filter out not integrated button  on the toolbar.
- To hide the changelists that are [managed in another VCS](#) or are located under another root, click the Filter out others button  on the toolbar.
- To display only the changelists that were committed by a specific user, select User in the Filter by drop-down list. Then select the required user name.
- To display only the changelists applied to a specific module or folder, select Structure in the Filter by drop-down list. Then select the required location.
- To group changelists by users who committed them, or by commit dates, select the corresponding option in the Group by drop-down list.







You can integrate changelists or files into your local working copy directly from the Version Control tool window.


Do the following:

1. In the Changelists pane, select the required changelist. If necessary, you can select several changelists at a time.
2. Do one of the following:
  - To integrate an entire changelist, click the Integrate to Branch button  on the Merge Info pane toolbar.
  - To integrate a particular file from the selected changelist, select the file in the Changed Files pane and click the Integrate to Branch button  on the Merge Info pane toolbar.
  - To revert the last integration of the selected changelist into the working copy, click the Undo Integrate to Branch button  on the toolbar.

With the extended [Merge Info](#) functionality, you can view and update changelists' integration status.



Subversion stores the information on whether a changelist has been integrated into the local working copy or not. Based on this data, IntelliJ IDEA informs you on the integration status of a specific changelist by displaying one of the following icons next to it:

-  integrated
-  not integrated
-  integration status unknown
-  common history

To have the integration status displayed, click the Highlight Integrated button  on the Merge Info pane toolbar.

You can change the integration status of a changelist without actually integrating it into the working copy or reverting the previous integration. This will affect only the administrative data.

To toggle the integration status of a changelist, do one of the following:

- To mark a changelist as Integrated, select it and click the Mark As Merged button  on the Merge Info pane toolbar.
- To mark a changelist as Not integrated, select it and click the Mark As Not Merged button  on the Merge Info pane toolbar.



Subversion integration enables you to work with Subversion-specific properties without leaving IntelliJ IDEA.

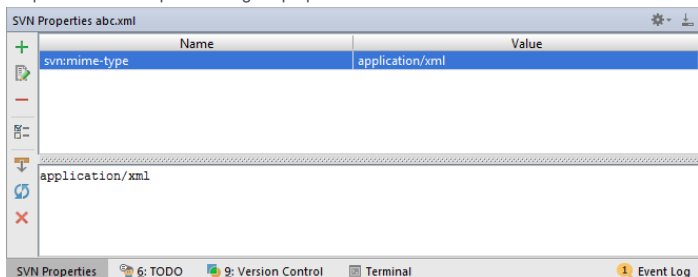
Once defined, the properties of a file or a directory are displayed in the SVN Properties view. In this view you can explore and change the existing properties and their values, or create new ones using the toolbar buttons or context menu commands.

This section describes how to:


- [View properties of a file or directory from within IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Create a new property, or change the value of an existing property](#)
- [Set up a keyword property](#)
- [Delete a property](#)
- [Resolve property conflicts](#)

## To view the properties of a file or directory

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#), select the desired file or directory under the SVN version control.
2. From the main VCS menu, or from the context menu of the selection, choose Subversion | Edit Properties. The SVN Properties view will open showing the properties of the selected file:




3. Use the toolbar buttons or the context menu commands to create, edit or delete properties, as described in the procedures below.

**Tip** If you want the SVN Properties view to preserve its contents as you navigate through your project or edit files, make sure that the Follow Selection button  is not pressed; otherwise the view will show the properties for the currently selected or edited file.


## To create a new property, or set the value for an existing property

1. Open the [SVN Properties view](#).


**Tip** Use the Set property command on the Subversion menu to define a single property.

2. Click the add button  on the toolbar of the SVN Properties view, or choose the Add property command on the context menu. The [Set Property](#) dialog box appears.
3. In the Property name field, type the name of the new property, or select one from the drop-down list.
4. Choose the Set property value option, and specify the desired value in the text area below.
5. To apply the changes to all subdirectories of the selected directory, select the Update properties recursively checkbox.
6. Click OK.

## To set up the svn: keywords property

- In the SVN Properties view for a file, click .
- In the SVN Keywords dialog box, check the keywords to be included in the property.
- Click OK.

## To delete a property


1. Select the property you want to delete.
2. Click  on the toolbar.

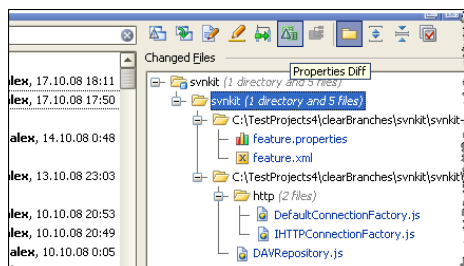
You can also delete a property from the Set Property dialog. To do this:

1. In the Property name field, select the property to be deleted.
2. Select the Delete property radio-button.
3. If you want this property to be deleted from all files and subdirectories of the selected directory, select the Update properties recursively option.

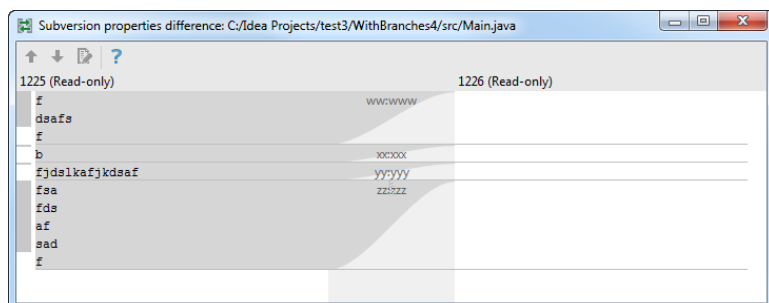
With IntelliJ IDEA, you can view differences in properties between a file in the [local copy](#) and in the [repository](#) or between [two revisions](#) of a file in the local copy.

## To view property difference between the local copy and the repository version

1. Open the Version Control tool window and switch to the [Repository](#) tab.
2. In the [Changed Files](#) pane, select the file for which you want to view property differences.
3. Choose Properties Diff on the context menu of the selection or click  on the toolbar.

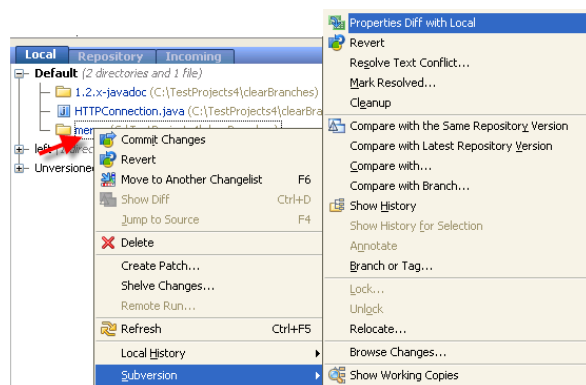


4. In the Subversion properties difference viewer, explore the differences:

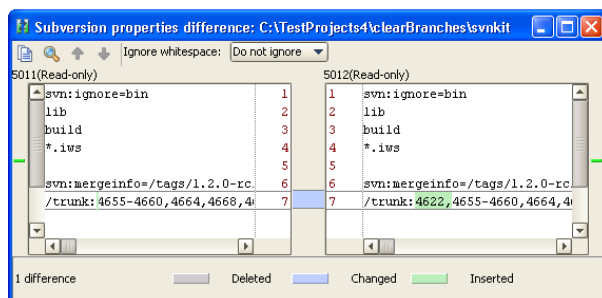


## To view property difference between two revisions in the local copy

1. Open the Version Control tool window and switch to the [Local](#) tab.
2. Select the file for which you want to view property differences between revisions and choose Subversion | Properties Diff with Local in the context menu.



3. In the Subversion properties difference viewer explore the differences:




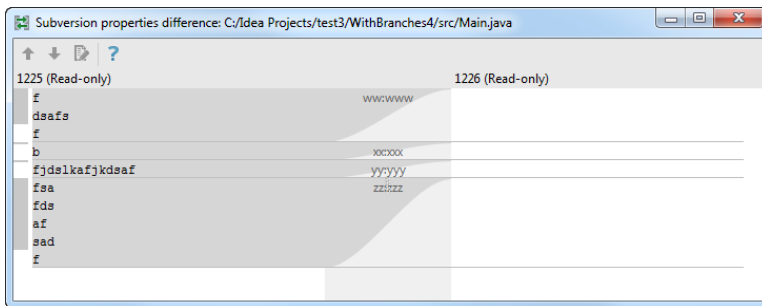
A **property conflict** is reported during synchronization with the server when IntelliJ IDEA detects differences between the properties of a local file or folder and their server version. IntelliJ IDEA does not attempt to resolve property conflicts automatically, and displays the conflicting files and folders under the Merged with property conflicts node in the [Update Info](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window. You have to resolve property conflicts manually and then tell IntelliJ IDEA to treat the corresponding files and folders as conflict-free.

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## To resolve a property conflict

1. Open the [Version Control](#) tool window and switch to the [Repository](#) tab.
2. In the [Changed Files](#) pane, select the conflicting file.
3. Choose Properties Diff from the context menu of the selection, or click  on the toolbar.
4. Explore the differences in the Subversion properties difference viewer:



5. [Update the properties](#) so the conflict is resolved.

## To mark a file as resolved

- In the [Update Info](#) tab of the [Version Control](#) tool window, select the fixed file under the Merged with property conflicts node. As you can see, the file is still displayed in red as conflicting.
- On the context menu of the selection, choose Subversion, and then choose Mark Resolved.
- When the dialog box is closed, the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window shows the affected files as updated and available for checking in to the server.
- [Check in](#) the resolved files.

If any problem occurs with Subversion integration, feel free to [contact our support](#) . To facilitate detecting, locating, and resolving your issue, provide detailed information regarding your Subversion integration with IntelliJ IDEA. This topic lists the necessary information and explains how you can retrieve it.

The following data is usually required to diagnose Subversion problems:

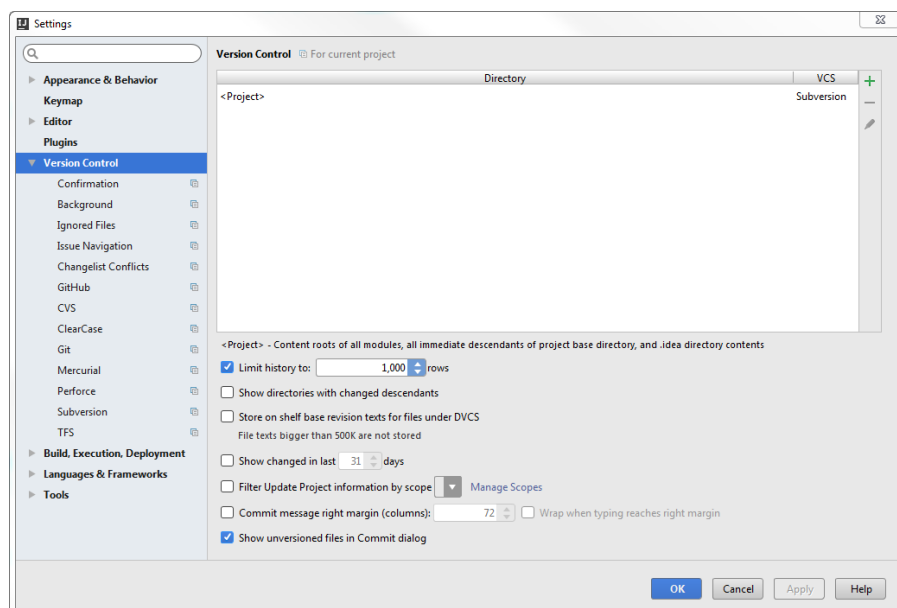
- The IntelliJ IDEA version and the build number.
- The operating system used.

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- [Enabling svnkit logging](#)

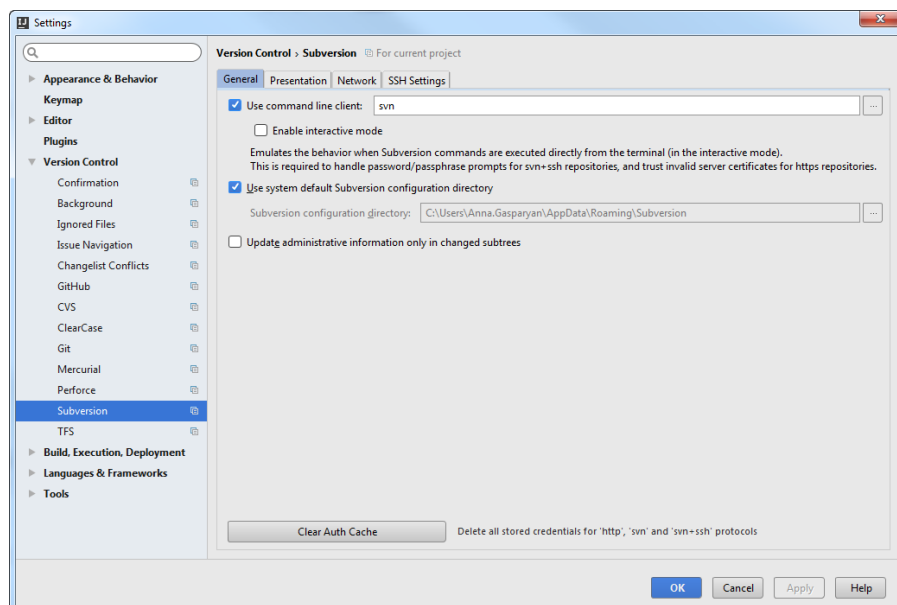
## General VCS settings

The general version control settings applied to your project are specified on the [Version Control](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences dialog](#) . Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `(Ctrl+Alt+S)` or by choosing `File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS`, and click `Version Control` .



## Subversion settings

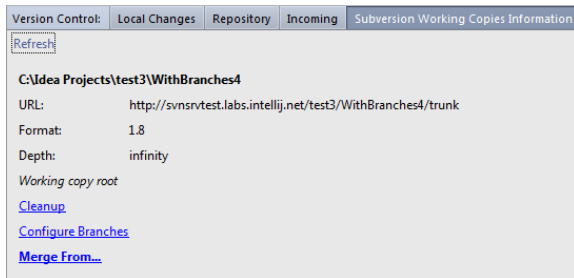
Subversion-specific settings are configured on the [Subversion](#) page, under the [Version Control](#) node of the [Settings/Preferences dialog](#) . Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `(Ctrl+Alt+S)` or by choosing `File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS`, and click `Subversion` under `Version Control` .



## Local working copy format

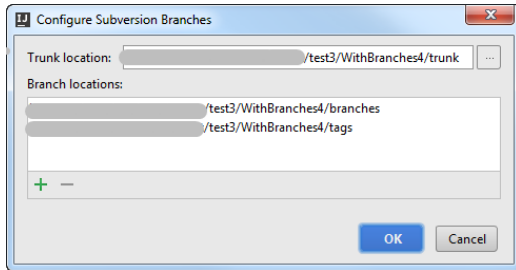
The working copy format is the Subversion format in compliance with which the working copy was created. To view the

working copy format, choose View | Tool Windows | Version Control on the main menu. In the Version Control tool window that opens, switch to the Subversion Working Copies Information tab.



## Parent folders of the branches used

To view the configuration of branches, in the Subversion Working Copies Information tab of the Version Control tool window, click the Configure Branches link.



## Enabling svnkit logging

If data saved in the IntelliJ IDEA logs is not sufficient to solve the problem and the problem is related to the communication protocol or authentication, enable **svnkit logging**, reproduce the problem, and attach the `idea.log`.

To enable svnkit logging, add `-Djavasvn.log=true` to one of the following files depending on the operating system used:

- Windows: `IntelliJ IDEA.exe.vmoptions`
- Linux: `IntelliJ IDEA.vmoptions`
- macOS: <http://stackoverflow.com/a/13581526/72788>

Refer to [Tuning IntelliJ IDEA](#) to learn about IntelliJ IDEA `idea.properties` and `vmoptions` files locations.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

With the TFS integration enabled, you can perform basic TFS operations from inside IntelliJ IDEA.

IntelliJ IDEA supports TFS up to TFS 2015.

The information provided in this section assumes that you are familiar with the basics of the TFS version control system.

## Before you start

- The TFS integration does not require a standalone TFS client. All you need is an account in your Team Foundation Server.
- Make sure that the **TFS Integration** plugin is enabled.  
This plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and enabled by default. If not, [enable the plugin](#).
- Make sure that TFS integration is enabled for the entire project root or a specific directory. For more details, see [Enabling Version Control](#).

## TFS support

- When TFS integration with IntelliJ IDEA is enabled, the TFS item appears on the VCS menu, and on the context menus of the [Editor](#) and the [Project Tool Window](#).
- The files in the folders under the TFS control are highlighted according to their status. See [File Status Highlights](#) for file status highlighting conventions.
- Modifications results are shown in the [Version Control tool window](#).
- When using TFS integration, it is helpful to open the [Version Control](#) tool window. The [Console](#) tab displays the following data:
  - All commands generated based on the settings you specify through the IntelliJ IDEA user interface.
  - Information messages concerning the results of executing generated TFS commands.
  - Error messages.
- TFS integration with IntelliJ IDEA allows you to resolve/associate work items with the new changeset when committing your changes. To achieve this, you can access saved queries and browse work item trees.

In this section:

- [Creating and Managing TFS Workspaces](#)
- [Checking Out from TFS Repository](#)
- [TFS Check-in Policies](#)

The interaction between your TFS server and local projects is configured through [workspaces](#) . A workspace mainly maps the folders in the repository with their copies on your machine.

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can configure access to several TFS servers and have as many workspaces under them as you need. The list of available TFS server access configurations and workspaces is handled through the [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box.

In this topic:

- [Opening the Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces dialog box](#)
- [Configuring access to a TFS server](#)
- [Creating a workspace](#)

## To open the Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces dialog box

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control | TFS .
2. On the [TFS](#) page that opens, click the Manage button in the Servers and Workspaces area. The [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box shows the list of all available servers and workspaces in them.

## To configure access to a TFS server

1. [Open the Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box with the list of all available servers and workspaces in them.
2. Click the Add button in the Team Servers area.
3. In the [Add Team Foundation Server](#) dialog box, that opens, specify the URL address of the target server in the Address text box.  
In the Auth field, specify the authentication protocol to access the server. TFS uses [NTLM authentication](#) , so native **Windows** applications (that is, **Microsoft Team Explorer** ) authenticate silently with system credentials. IntelliJ IDEA users must always specify their username and password because of limitations posed by Java Runtime.

To authenticate through OAuth (**Windows Live ID** ), choose Alternate from the Auth drop-down list.

4. For the NTLM and Alternate authentication types, specify your credentials:
  - For NTLM : the network domain where the TFS server is located, your TFS user name, and your TFS password.
  - For Alternate : your TFS user name and password.
5. Click OK . IntelliJ IDEA returns to the Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces dialog box, where the new server is added to the list.

To discard a server access configuration, select the server in the list and click the Remove button in the Team Servers area.

## To create a server workspace

A workspace is identified by its name and the name of its owner, contains the name of your machine, the URL address of the server the workspace belongs to, and a set of mappings between remote and local working folders that are accessible through the workspace.

1. [Open the Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box, and select the server in question. To refresh the list of the available server workspaces, click the Reload workspaces button.
2. Click the Create button in the Workspaces area.
3. In the [Create Workspace](#) dialog box, that opens, specify the workspace name. Optionally, provide a brief description of the workspace in the Comment text box.
4. In the Working folders area, define the mappings.
  1. Click the Add button `+` . A new line is added to the list of mappings.
  2. In the Server path text box, specify the folder on the server you need to work with.
  3. In the Local path text box, specify the local folder to store the downloaded data in.
  4. Specify the status of the mapping in the Status drop-down list.
    - To enable retrieving data from the server according to the mapping, choose Active .
    - To prevent downloading data from the server according to the mapping, choose Cloaked .
5. To discard a mapping, select it in the list and click the Remove button `-` .

Checkout helps you obtain a local working copy of the repository folders, which you can edit as required. After making the necessary changes, you can publish results by [committing](#), or [checking in](#) changes to the repository.

Interaction between your TFS server and the local projects is configured through [workspaces](#) that map the folders in the repository with their copies on your machine. You can have remote folders downloaded either according to the mappings from an [existing workspace](#) or define the required mappings during download and have the corresponding workspace generated automatically. In either case, the Checkout from TFS wizard is used. Upon checkout, a IntelliJ IDEA project is created around the downloaded sources.


On this page:

- [Downloading data to a new workspace generated automatically](#)
- [Downloading data to an existing workspace](#)

## To have a new workspace generated

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS . The Checkout from TFS wizard starts.
2. On the Checkout Mode page, choose the Create workspace automatically option, specify the name to identify the workspace, and click Next .
3. On the Source Server page, specify the server to download the data from. Do one of the following:
  - Choose one of the existing server access configurations.
  - Click Add and [define a new server access configuration](#) in the [Add Team Foundation Server](#) dialog box, that opens.

Click Next , when ready.

4. On the [Choose Source and Destination Paths](#) page, define the working folder mapping to generate a workspace around:
  1. In the Source path area, select the remote folder to download.
  2. In the Destination path text box, specify the location to store the downloaded data in. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the folder in the dialog box, that opens.

Click Next .

5. On the [Summary](#) page, check the details of the workspace to be generated and click Finish to launch the checkout procedure. When the checkout is completed, IntelliJ IDEA creates a project around the downloaded sources and suggests to open it.

## To download data to an existing workspace

1. On the main menu, choose VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS . The Checkout from TFS wizard starts.
2. On the Checkout Mode page, choose the Choose workspace manually option and click Next .
3. On the [Source Workspace](#) page, choose the server to download the data from and the workspace of this server to add the working folders to. If necessary, create new [server access configurations](#) and [workspaces](#) . Click Next , when ready.
4. On the [Choose Source Path](#) page, specify the remote folder to download. Such folders are available only if the selected workspace contains a mapping either for the folder itself or for its parent. If such mapping is missing, return to the [Source Workspace](#) page and [add the required mapping](#) . Click Next , when ready.
5. On the [Summary](#) page, check the details of the workspace to be generated and click Finish to launch the checkout procedure. When the checkout is completed, IntelliJ IDEA creates a project around the downloaded sources and suggests to open it.

A check-in policy is a rule that is executed before every check-in to ensure that the selected changeset is OK to commit.

**Standard policies** are stored on the server and are executed on the client machines.

**Custom policies** are implemented as custom plugins to IntelliJ IDEA. The IDs of these plugins are stored on the server, while the policies themselves are applied locally. Therefore, to enable the use of a policy in a team, all the team members should install the corresponding plugin.

On this page:

- [Defining the default policy settings](#)
- [Suppressing the default IntelliJ IDEA-wide check-in policy settings in a current project](#)
- [Managing the list of available policies](#)
- [Introducing a custom check-in policy](#)

## To define the default policy settings to be applied at the IntelliJ IDEA level

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control | TFS .
2. On the [TFS](#) page, that opens, select the applicable checkboxes in the Checkin policies compatibility area.
  - Evaluate Team Explorer policies: select this checkbox to have the Microsoft Team Explorer policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.
  - Evaluate Teamprise policies: select this checkbox to have the Teamprise policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.
  - Warn about not installed policies: select this checkbox to have warnings displayed in case the specified policy definition is not installed.

## To suppress applying the default check-in policy settings to a project

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control | TFS .
2. On the [TFS](#) page, that opens, click the Manage button in the Servers and Workspaces area.
3. In the [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box, that opens, select the project in question from the Team project drop-down list.
4. In the Compatibility area, select the Override default settings for team project <project name> checkbox.
5. Re-define the default settings by selecting or clearing the corresponding checkboxes below.
  - Evaluate Team Explorer policies: select this checkbox to have the Microsoft Team Explorer policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.
  - Evaluate Teamprise policies: select this checkbox to have the Teamprise policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.
  - Warn about not installed policies: select this checkbox to have warnings displayed in case the specified policy definition is not installed.

## To manage the list of available policies

The list of available policies consists of standard third-party policies and custom, user-defined policies.

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Version Control | TFS .
2. On the [TFS](#) page, that opens, click the Manage button in the Servers and Workspaces area.
3. In the [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box, that opens, select the required workspace and click the Checkin Policies button.
4. In the [Edit Checkin Policies](#) dialog box, that opens, configure the list of policies:
  - To activate a policy, select the Enabled checkbox next to it.
  - To suppress a policy, clear the Enabled checkbox next to it.
  - To discard a policy permanently, select it in the list and click the Remove button.

## To introduce a custom check-in policy

1. Implement the required policy as a custom plugin.
2. Download, install, and enable the plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

This section describes how to use [Local History](#), which is your personal real-time version control system. Local History is independent of external version control systems and works with the directories of your project even when they are not under any VCS control.

Local history is cleared when you install a new version of IntelliJ IDEA or when you invalidate caches. Therefore, check in the changes to your version control system before performing these operations.

This section describes how to:

- [View local history of a file or folder](#)
- [View local history of a class, method, field or selection](#)
- [View local history of a selection](#)
- [View recent changes](#)
- [Restore files from local history](#)
- [Mark local versions with labels](#)

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- [Introduction](#)
- [Adding a label to a local version](#)

## Introduction

Before embarking on a risky change to your source code, it is a good idea to mark the stable version with some meaningful label. This will help you quickly roll back to a safe version.

Labels apply to a whole project.


## Adding a label to a local version

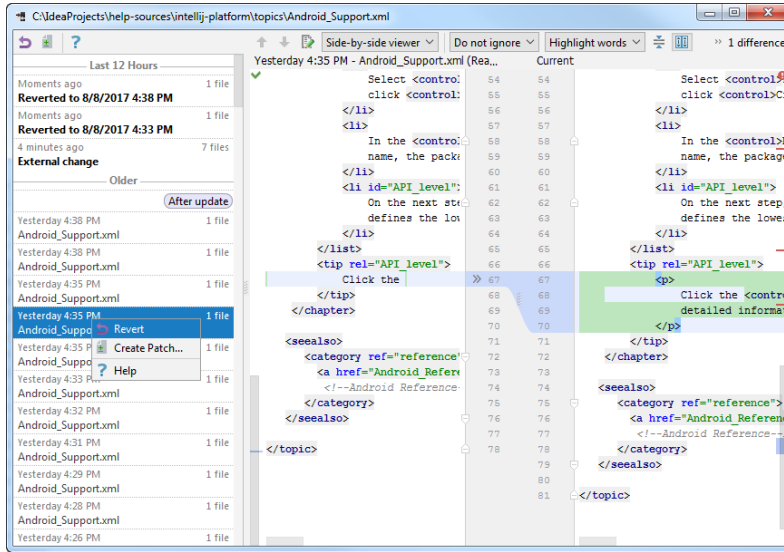
### To add a label to a local version

1. Select a file or folder in the Project tool window, or open a file in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Local History | Put Label .
  - Press `Alt+Back Quote` and choose Put Label command from the VCS Operations quick list.
3. In the Put Label dialog box, type the label name.

Rolling back changes from the local history works same way as in the regular version control.

## To roll back changes in the local history

1. Open the Local History view .
2. Select the version you want to roll back to.
3. On the toolbar, click  .



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- [Viewing local history of a class](#)
- [Viewing local history of a source code block](#)

## Basics

Besides [file history](#) , you can track local changes for a [class](#) , [its elements](#) , or selected block of source code. This history shows only those changes that affect the selected element or code fragment.

### Viewing local history of a class

#### To view local history of a class

1. Select a class file in the project tool window, or right-click class name in the editor.
2. On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Local History | Show History for Class .

#### To view local history of a method or field

1. In the editor, place the caret at the name of the desired method or field.
2. On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Local History | Show History for Method (Field) .

### Viewing local history of a source code block

#### To view local history of a source code block

1. In the editor, select a fragment of source code.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Local History | Show History for Selection .
  - Press `Alt+Back Quote` , and choose the desired command from the VCS Operations quick list.



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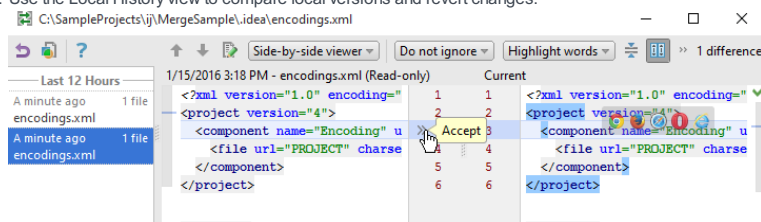
## Basics

Local History makes it possible to view changes made to a certain file or a whole directory. Each entry in the Local History dialog box is displayed with its time stamp, action and optional label. So doing, the local history for a file includes all changes that affect both the selected file and the whole project; local history for a folder shows changes to the source code tree in general. You can explore changes, selecting the respective row in the Local History dialog box.

## Viewing local history

### To view local history

1. Select a folder or file in the Project tool window, or open a file in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main VCS menu, or on the context menu of the selection, choose Local History | Show History .
  - Press `(Alt+Back Quote)` , and choose the desired command from the VCS Operations quick list.
  - Use [View Recent Changes](#) that shows a summary of recent changes in a single pop-up list. Clicking an entry in this list shows the respective Local History.
3. Use the Local History view to compare local versions and revert changes.



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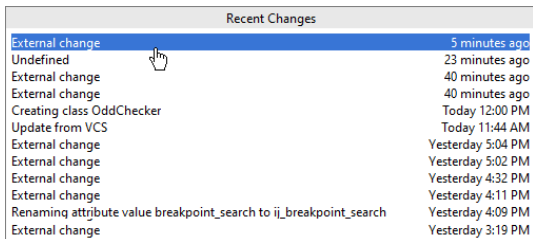
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## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to view the summary of recent changes to all recent projects, the IntelliJ IDEA configuration directory, etc. From the Recent Changes pop-up, you can browse through the history of changes, navigate to a particular change, compare versions, and revert changes if necessary

## Viewing recent changes

1. From the main menu, choose View | Recent Changes , or press `Shift+Alt+C` .
2. In the Recent Changes pop-up, select the change you are interested in:



Recent Changes	
External change	5 minutes ago
Undefined	23 minutes ago
External change	40 minutes ago
External change	40 minutes ago
Creating class OddChecker	Today 12:00 PM
Update from VCS	Today 11:44 AM
External change	Yesterday 5:04 PM
External change	Yesterday 5:02 PM
External change	Yesterday 4:32 PM
External change	Yesterday 4:11 PM
Renaming attribute value breakpoint_search to ij_breakpoint_search	Yesterday 4:09 PM
External change	Yesterday 3:19 PM

3. In the dialog that opens, review the differences and discard changes if necessary.

IntelliJ IDEA helps explore differences in the various situations: differences between files, directories, revisions of the same file under version control or in the local history, database objects, local and remote files.

All these operations are performed in a similar way. In this section we'll consider the most basic operations:

- [Comparing Files](#)
- [Comparing Folders](#)

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- [Introduction](#)
- [Comparing two files](#)
- [Comparing a file in the editor with the Clipboard contents](#)
- [Comparing a file with the editor contents](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to compare arbitrary files in project (including image files), selected file with the editor, or compare a file in the editor with the Clipboard contents. All comparisons are performed in the [Differences viewer](#).

## Comparing two files

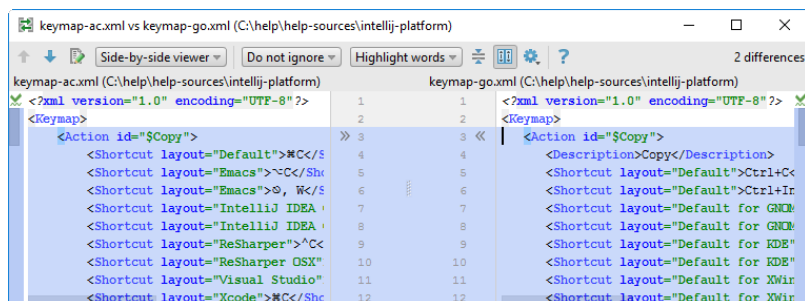
1. Press and keep holding **Ctrl** for Windows and Linux or **⌘** for macOS and click the two files to compare in the Project tool window.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Compare Files, or press **Ctrl+D**. The [Differences Viewer for Files](#) opens, with the differences being color-highlighted.

**Tip** It is enough to select a single file in the Project tool window. In this case the context menu command is Compare File with Editor, and the Differences Viewer shows the contents of the selected file on the left pane, and the contents of the active editor tab on the right pane.

3. View the differences and apply them, if necessary, using the **chevron** buttons **»»**.

Note that keeping **Ctrl** (for Windows and Linux) or **⌘** (for macOS) pressed turns the chevron buttons **»»** to **»**. Click these buttons to append changes.

Keeping **Shift** pressed turns the chevron buttons **»»** to **×**. Click this button to revert changes.



## Comparing a file in the editor with the Clipboard contents

1. Open the desired file in the editor.
2. Right-click the editor pane and choose Compare with Clipboard on the context menu.
3. View and manage differences in the [Differences Viewer for Files](#).

## Comparing a file with the editor contents

1. Right-click the desired file in the Project tool window.
2. Choose Compare File with Editor on the context menu.
3. View and manage differences in the [Differences Viewer for Files](#).

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- [Comparing two folders in the Difference Viewer](#)
- [Synchronizing contents of folders](#)

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated [Differences Viewer for Folders](#) for comparing files in two folders against the file size, content, or timestamp. The Differences Viewer shows the contents of the selected directories in the left and right panes of the Item List. The contents of the selected file are shown in the lower pane, with the differences being color-highlighted.

Besides exploring differences, the tool also provides interface for synchronizing the contents of folders.


## Opening the Difference Viewer

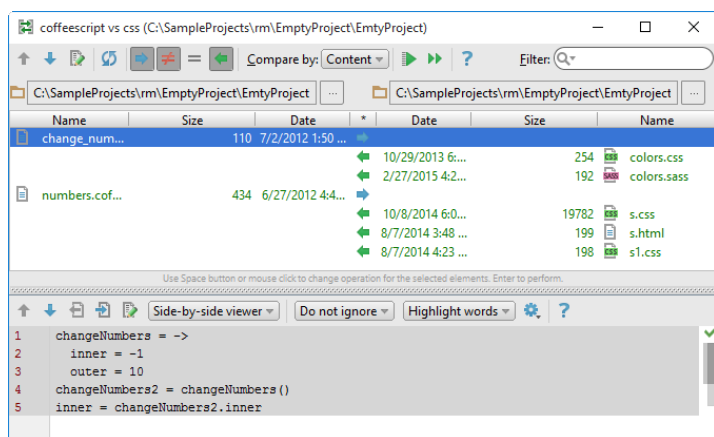
Do one of the following:

- Keeping the **Ctrl** key pressed, click two directories in the Project tool window, and choose Compare Directories on the context menu of the selection, or press **Ctrl+D**.
- Select a directory in the Project tool window, choose Compare with on the context menu of the selection, or press **Ctrl+D**, and then select the second directory in the [dialog that opens](#).

**Tip** You can also open the difference viewer without running IntelliJ IDEA. This is done through the following command: `<path to IntelliJ IDEA executable file> diff <path_1> <path_2>` where `path_1` and `path_2` are paths to the folders in question.

## Comparing two folders in the Difference Viewer






1. Configure the layout of the Items List. Use the toolbar buttons to narrow down or widen the set of items to show. For example, show or hide files that exist in just one of the directories, equal files, or different files, etc.
2. Specify the parameter for comparison. In the Compare by drop-down list, select one of the possible options (contents, size, or time stamp).
3. Filter the folders' contents. To do that, type filtering string in the Filter text field, and press **Enter** to apply it. Using the asterisk `*` wildcard to represent any number of characters is welcome.
4. To switch to another pair of folders to compare, update the fully qualified paths to them. Click the Browse button  next to the Paths read-only fields and choose the required folders in the [dialog box that opens](#).
5. Explore the detected differences between files in the Differences Pane.





## Synchronizing contents of folders

1. For each pair of items, in the `*` field specify the action to apply. Click the icon in the field until the required action is set.

### IconAction

-  Copy the item in the left side to the right side, possibly overwriting the contents of the corresponding target item, if it already exists.
-  Copy the item in the right side to the left side, possibly overwriting the contents of the corresponding target item, if it already exists.
-  The items are treated identical with regard to the selected criterion of comparison. No action will be performed by default.
-  The items differ with regard to the selected criterion of comparison. No action will be performed by default. Explore the differences in the [Differences Pane](#) and change the intended action by clicking the icon.
-  The item is present only in one of the folders and will be removed.

2. Do one of the following:

- To synchronize the currently selected item, click the Synchronize Selected button  on the toolbar.
- To synchronize all the items, click the Synchronize All button  on the toolbar.

**Warning!** Before you start working with tasks, make sure that the Task Management plugin is enabled in the Settings/Preferences | Plugins window.

When you work on a project, you can organize your work in smaller tasks that you need to complete.

These can be tasks that you set yourself. In IntelliJ IDEA, you can divide a large task into smaller tasks associated with dedicated changelists.

Or these can be tasks coming from your issue tracker. For example, you can work with tasks and bugs assigned to you directly from IntelliJ IDEA. To be able to do so, configure a connection between the IDE and your tracker account first.

## Configuring integration with issue trackers

**Note** IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with:

- [Jira](#)
- [YouTrack](#)
- [Lighthouse](#)
- [PivotalTracker](#)
- [Redmine](#)
- [Trac](#)
- [FogBugz](#)
- [Mantis](#)
- Generic server
- [Asana](#)
- [Assembla](#)
- [Sprintly](#)
- [Trello](#)
- [Gitlab](#)
- [Bugzilla](#)
- [GitHub](#)

**Note** If a server is not trusted, IntelliJ IDEA shows a box suggesting you to accept the server, or reject it. If you accept the server as trusted, IntelliJ IDEA writes its certificate to the trust store. This dialog will not be displayed the next time you connect to the server.

To enable integration with an issue tracker:

1. Access the Servers box. To do so, navigate to File | Settings | Tools | Tasks | Servers (if you work on MacOS, use the use the IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences menu options) or press `Ctrl+Alt+S`.
2. Click `+`, or press `Alt+Insert`, and select the necessary issue tracker form the list.
3. In the Servers window, enter connection details. Note that settings may differ depending on your issue tracker.
  - General tab: normally, you will have to specify the server URL and connection credentials.

Select the Share URL option to allow access to the server for other members of your team.

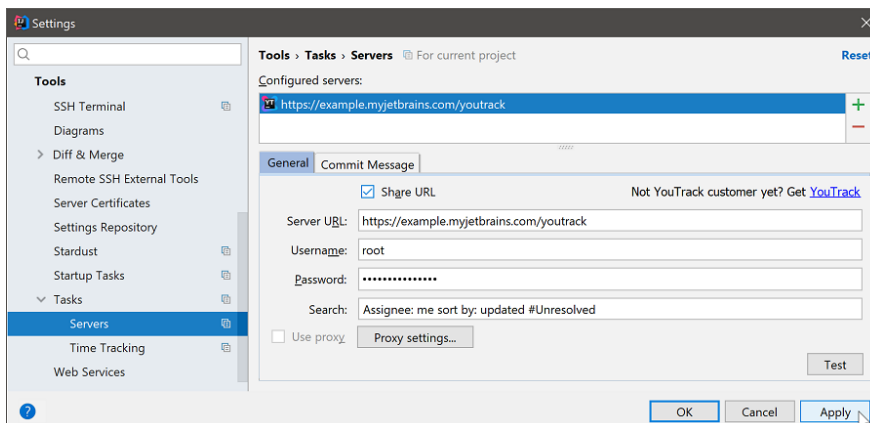
Click Proxy settings if you want to access the server via a proxy server. You can find more information on proxy settings in the [HTTP Proxy](#) section.

- Commit Message tab: ( *optional* ) enable adding a commit message for a changelist and configure a message template.
- Server Configuration tab: for some trackers (for example, for trackers not supported out of the box), you will have to configure server parameters as well.

Specify the URLs and the request type for accessing tasks, select a format for a tracker server response – XML for XPath, JSON for [JSONPath](#), or text for regular expressions. You can also use the table of selectors to specify details about tasks you want to get from the server. For example, this can be a date when a task was created or its URL.

Note that you can use code completion in this window. For more information on how to configure connection to a custom (or generic) tracker, refer to [Configuring Generic Task Server](#).

The screenshot below shows a configuration example for YouTrack.



4. ( *Optionally* ) Optimize synchronization between IntelliJ IDEA and your issue tracker.

IntelliJ IDEA caches the list of issues loaded from the tracker and updates them repeatedly. You can specify how many issues should be cached and how often IntelliJ IDEA should update information about them. To do so, return to the Tasks window. In the Cache settings section, enter the necessary values.

**Tip** Synchronization is especially recommended if you work with "slow" issue tracking systems.

## Working with tasks

In IntelliJ IDEA, there two types of tasks:

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA allows you to configure additional settings to work with tasks in the Settings/Preferences | Tools | Tasks window.

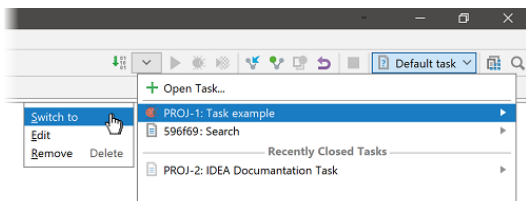
– Tasks that were loaded to IntelliJ IDEA from your issue tracker. These are tracker tasks .

Tracker tasks are linked with the corresponding issues in your issue tracker. This allows you to monitor and update them directly from IntelliJ IDEA.

– Tasks that were originally created in IntelliJ IDEA. These are local tasks .

As you work on a project, it may be essential for you to organize the entire scope of your work in smaller tasks. You will be able to focus on more important pieces of work and postpone less important. Local tasks are not related to an issue tracker.

If you have created at least one task of either type, a drop-down list called task combo becomes available on the toolbar. Use the task combo to navigate your tasks, switch between them, or remove them.

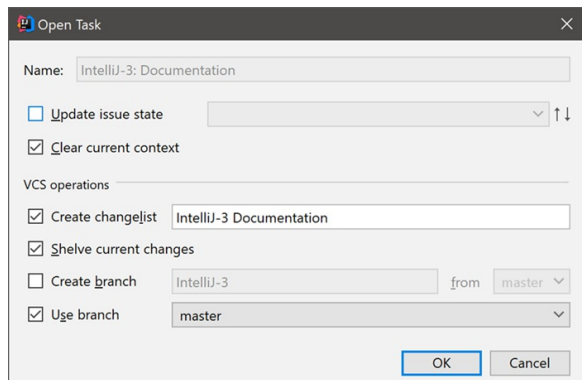


## Opening tracker tasks

Tracker tasks are loaded to your IntelliJ IDEA once you connect it to your issue tracker. To open a tracker task:

1. Open the list of tasks. To do so, navigate to Tools | Tasks&Contexts | Open Task , click the task combo on the toolbar, or press `Shift+Alt+N` .
2. Select the necessary task from the list.
3. In the Open Task dialog, you can update issue state, choose whether to clear the current context.
4. In the VCS operations section, you can create a new changelist, select an existing branch to which you want to contribute, or create a new branch.

You can also shelve the current changes to return to them later. Shelving means putting aside changes that you have not committed yet. For more information, refer to [Shelving and Unshelving Changes](#) .



Tracker tasks have the light-colored background until they are opened in IntelliJ IDEA. After that, their background color changes to white.

## Creating local tasks

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can create local tasks that do not originate from your issue tracker. To create local tasks:

1. Launch the Open Task dialog by navigating to Tools | Tasks&Contexts | Open Task . You can also use the task combo or just press `Shift+Alt+N` .
2. In the Enter task name pop-up window, select Create New Task .
3. Enter a name for the new task, and select whether you want to clear the current context.
4. In the VCS operations section, you can create a new changelist, select an existing branch to which you want to contribute,

or create a new branch.

You can also shelve the current changes to return to them later. Shelving means putting aside changes that you have not committed yet. For more information, refer to [Shelving and Unshelving Changes](#) .

## Viewing task description

When you are choosing a task to switch to, the list of tasks shows only task IDs. This information is not always sufficient, because it reflects neither the steps that lead to the problem nor the related discussion. To open a task description:

1. Launch the Open Task dialog.
2. Select the necessary task and press **CTRL+Q** .
3. To open the description in a browser, click  or press **Shift+F1** (for tracker tasks only).

Alternatively, navigate to Tools | Tasks&Contexts and click Show ' *task ID* ' Description or Open ' *task ID* ' in Browser .

## Viewing closed tasks

A closed local task is a task that is not associated with a changelist if the [entire project](#) or the [affected directory](#) is under a version control.

A closed tracker task is a task that has the closed status in your the issue tracker.

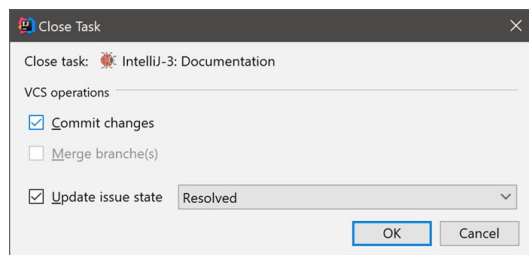
To display closed tasks:

1. Click the task combo and then click Open Task .
2. Select the Include closed tasks checkbox, or press **Shift+Alt+N** .

## Closing and deleting tasks

To close a task, navigate to Tools | Tasks&Contexts and click Close Active Task .

This will close the current context in the IntelliJ IDEA. Select the necessary checkboxes to commit changes and, optionally, merge the branch that was created. For tracker tasks, you can also change their state. The new state will be propagated to your issue tracker.



If you do not need a task to appear in IntelliJ IDEA, you can remove it from the list of tasks. To delete a task:

1. Click the task combo on the main toolbar.
2. Select one or more tasks you want to delete.

Use **Shift** (for adjacent items) or **Ctrl** (for non-adjacent items) keys for multiple selection.

3. Click the right-arrow button, and select Remove .

When you are deleting tracker tasks, you remove them from the IDE. They will remain in your issue tracker. Local tasks in this case will be completely removed, since they are not connected to your issue tracker.

## Time tracking

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can track the amount of time you spend on a task working within the editor.

For local tasks, this information might be helpful if you want to know how much time exactly you need to compete a task as you work on a project.



For tracker tasks, this option is useful if your issue tracker configuration requires that you log the time you spend on tasks. In this case, you can send your time log from IntelliJ IDEA to the tracker.

To enable the time tracking option:

**Warning!** Note that the time tracking feature is available in the Ultimate edition only.

**Tip** Make sure that the Time Tracking plugin is enabled in the Settings/Preferences | Plugins window.

1. Navigate to Settings/Preferences | Tools | Tasks | Time Tracking and select the Enable Time Tracking checkbox.
2. (Optionally) Change the Suspend delay value. Here you can specify how much time you have to stay inactive before the task will be considered suspended.


In the Time Tracking tool window, use the Auto mode  for automatic time logging, or the Start timer for the active task .

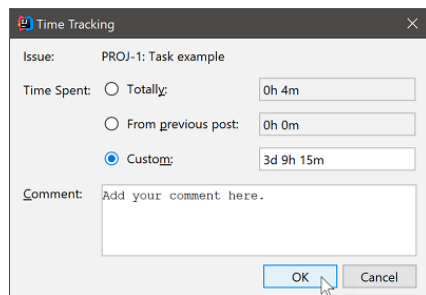


and Stop timer for the active task  options for manual time recording.

## Sending time log to tracker

To send the recorded time log to your issue tracker:

1. Click Post work item to bug tracker  in the Time Tracking tool window.
2. Specify time interval you want to log. Optionally add a comment.
3. Click OK to push the log to the tracker.



## Working with contexts

### Saving context

A context is a set of files that are connected with a task. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can save and clear contexts without associating them with specific tasks.

To save the current context:

1. From the main menu, select Tools | Tasks&Contexts | Save Context on the main menu, or press `Shift+Alt+S`.
2. (Optionally) In the Save Context dialog, specify a comment, if necessary.

### Switching between contexts

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can switch between contexts that are not associated with specific tasks. This will let you work with tasks and switch between them without mixing the changes that were made between both tasks.

To switch to another context:

1. From the main menu, select Tools | Tasks&Contexts | Load Context, or press `Shift+Alt+L`.
2. In the Load Context pop-up window, select the necessary context from the list.

Alternatively, click the right arrow and select Load.

### Clearing and deleting contexts

To clear the current context without loading another one, choose Tools | Tasks&Contexts | Clear Context on the main menu, or press `Shift+Alt+X`.

When a task is finished, or if you do not need a context anymore, you can remove it. To delete a context:

1. From the main menu, select Tools | Tasks&Contexts | Load Context, or press `Shift+Alt+L`.
2. In the Load Context pop-up window, click the right arrow and select Remove.

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## Overview

Switching from **Eclipse** to **IntelliJ IDEA**, especially if you've been using **Eclipse** for a long time, requires understanding some fundamental differences between the two IDEs, including their [user interfaces](#), [compilation methods](#), [shortcuts](#), project configuration and other aspects.

## User Interface

### No workspace

The first thing you'll notice when launching **IntelliJ IDEA** is that it has no **workspace** concept. This means that you can work with only one project at a time. While in **Eclipse** you normally have a set of projects that may depend on each other, in **IntelliJ IDEA** you have a single project that consists of a set of modules.

If you have several unrelated projects, you can open them in separate windows.

If you still want to have several unrelated projects opened in one window, as a workaround you can configure them all in **IntelliJ IDEA** as modules.

### IntelliJ IDEA vs Eclipse terminology

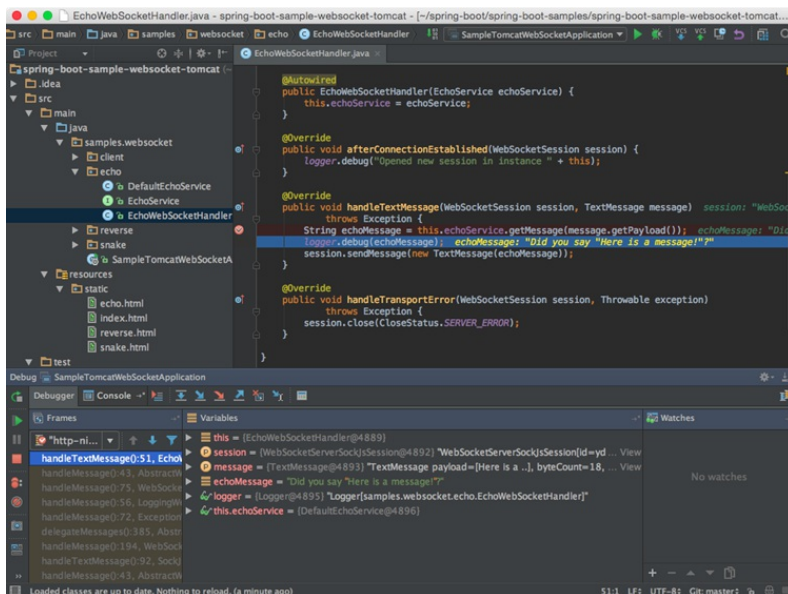
The table below compares the terms in **Eclipse** and **IntelliJ IDEA**:

Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA
Workspace	Project
Project	Module
Facet	Facet
Library	Library
JRE	SDK
Classpath variable	Path variable

### No perspectives

The second big surprise when you switch to **IntelliJ IDEA** is that it has no **perspectives**.

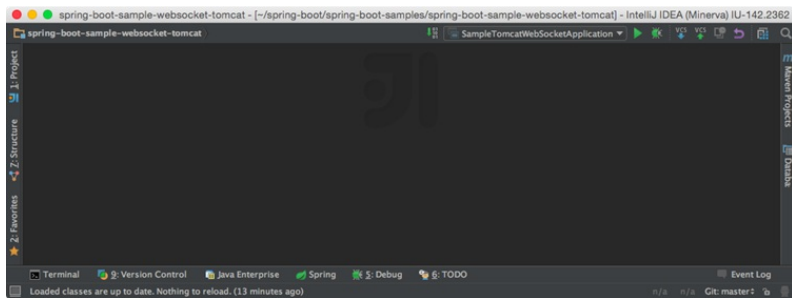
It means that you don't need to switch between different workspace layouts manually to perform different tasks. The IDE follows your context and brings up the relevant tools automatically.



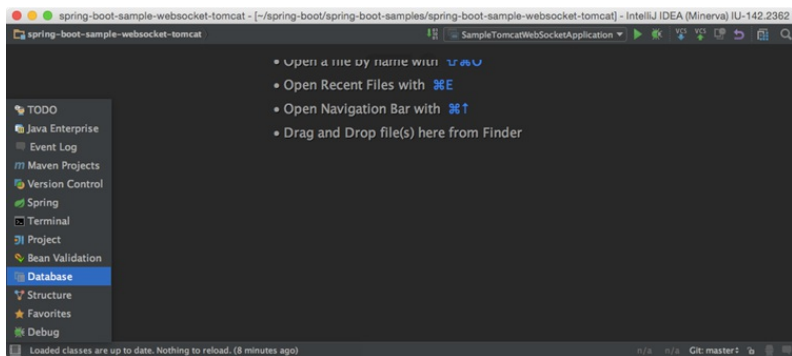
## Tool windows



Just like in Eclipse, in IntelliJ IDEA you also have tool windows. To open a tool window, simply click it in the tool window bar:



If the tool window bar is hidden, you can open any tool window by hovering over the corresponding icon in the bottom left corner:

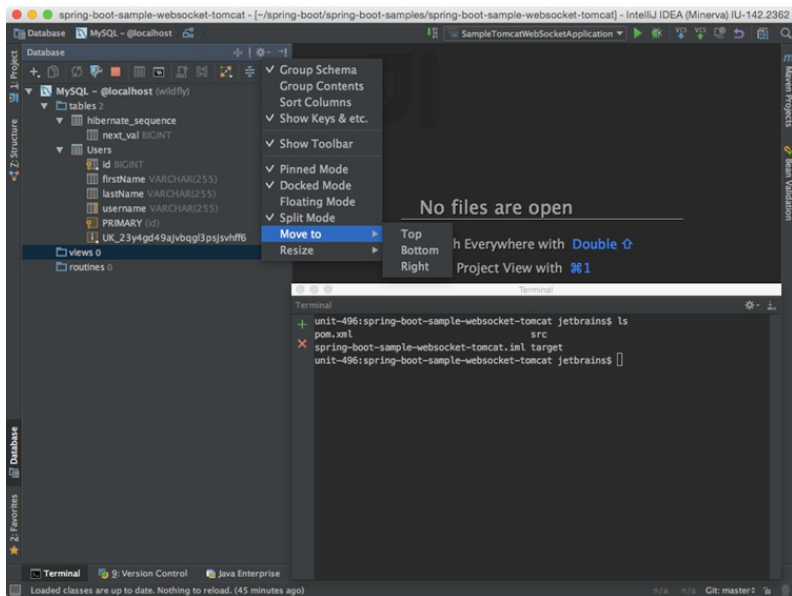


If you want to make the tool window bar visible for a moment, you can press **Alt** (**Cmd** for macOS) twice and hold it.

If you don't want to use the mouse, you can always switch to any toolbar by pressing the shortcut assigned to it. The most important shortcuts to remember are:

- Project : **Alt+1**
- Version Control : **Alt+9**
- Terminal : **Alt+F12**

Another thing about tool windows is that you can drag, pin, unpin, attach and detach them:



To help store/restore the tool windows layout, there are two useful commands:

- Window | Store Current Layout as Default
- Window | Restore Default Layout (also available via **Ctrl+F12**)

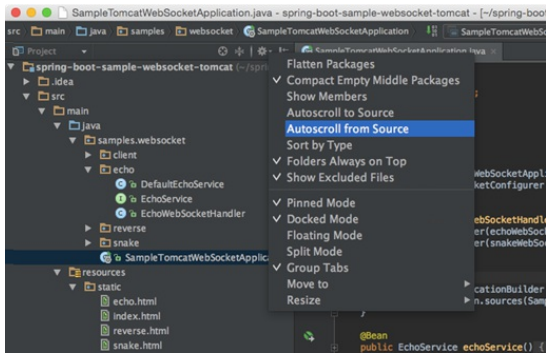
## Multiple windows

Windows management in IntelliJ IDEA is slightly different from Eclipse. You can't open several windows with one project, but you can detach any number of editor tabs into separate windows.

## Auto-scrolling to/from sources

By default, IntelliJ IDEA doesn't change the selection in the Project Tool Window when you switch between editor tabs.

However, you can enable it in the tool window settings:



## Enabling line numbers

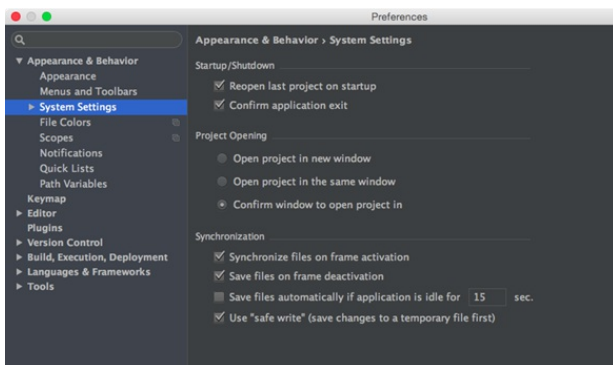
Line numbers are not shown in the editor by default. To enable them, go to Settings/Preferences | Editor | General | Appearance | Show line numbers . There you will also find other useful settings.

## General workflows

### No 'save' button

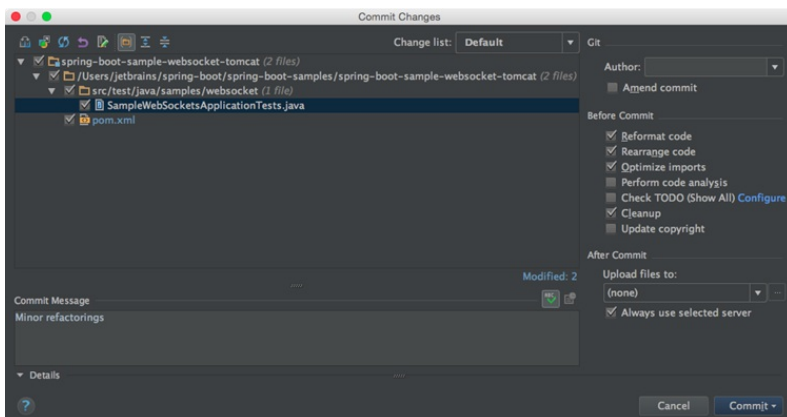
Time for some really shocking news: **IntelliJ IDEA** has no Save button. Since in **IntelliJ IDEA** you can undo refactorings and revert changes from [Local History](#) , it makes no sense to ask you to save your changes every time.

Still, it's worth knowing that physical saving to disk is triggered by certain events, including compilation, closing a file, switching focus out of the IDE, etc. You can change this behavior via Settings | Appearance & Behavior | System Settings :



### No save actions

One of the features you may miss in **IntelliJ IDEA** as an Eclipse user is save actions , i.e. the actions triggered automatically on save, such as reformatting code, organizing imports, adding missing annotations and the final modifier, etc. Instead, **IntelliJ IDEA** offers you to run the corresponding actions automatically on commit:



Or manually:

- Code | Reformat Code ( `Ctrl+Alt+L` )
- Code | Optimize Imports ( `Ctrl+Alt+O` )
- Analyze | Code Cleanup

If, for some reason, you can't live without an Eclipse save action, you can install a [plugin that imitates Eclipse save actions](#) .

## Compilation

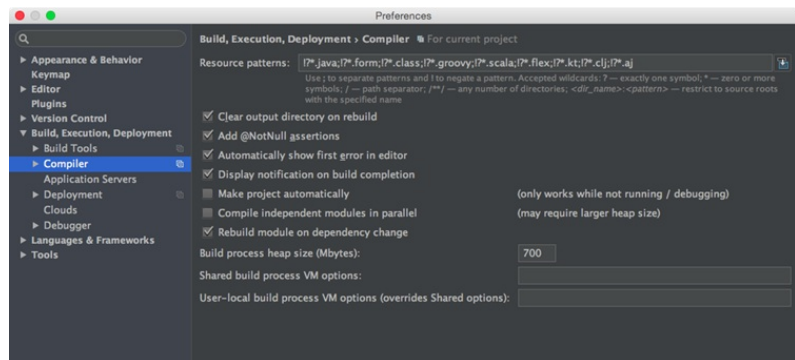
The way **IntelliJ IDEA** compiles projects is different from Eclipse in a number of ways.

### Auto-compilation

By default, **IntelliJ IDEA** doesn't automatically compile projects on saving because normally we don't invoke the **save** action explicitly in **IntelliJ IDEA** .

If you want to mimic the Eclipse behavior, you can invoke the Make Project action (`Ctrl+F9`) - it will save the changed files and compile them. For your convenience, you can even reassign the `Ctrl+S` shortcut to the Make Project action.

To enable automatic compilation, navigate to Settings/Preferences | Build, Execution, Deployment | Compiler and select the Make project automatically option:

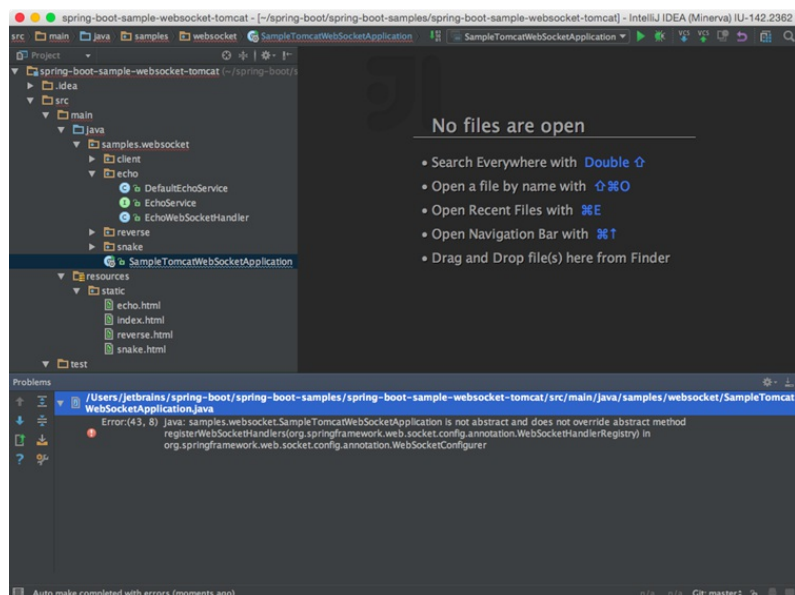


Note that automatic compilation in IntelliJ IDEA differs from that in Eclipse. In Eclipse it's not fully automatic, as it is triggered by the save action invoked by the user explicitly, whereas in IntelliJ IDEA it is invoked implicitly when you type in the editor.

This is why, even if the Make project automatically option is enabled, IntelliJ IDEA doesn't perform automatic compilation if at least one application is running: it will reload classes in the application implicitly. In this case you can call Build | Make Project (`Ctrl+F9`).

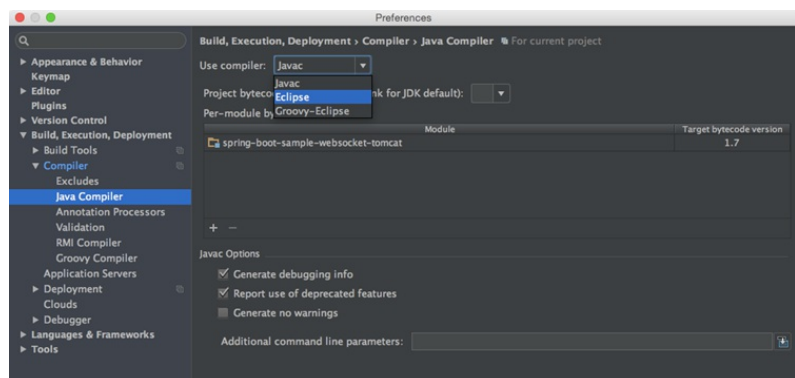
## Problems tool window

The Problems tool window appears if the Make project automatically option is enabled in the Compiler settings. It shows a list of problems that were detected on project compilation:



## Eclipse compiler

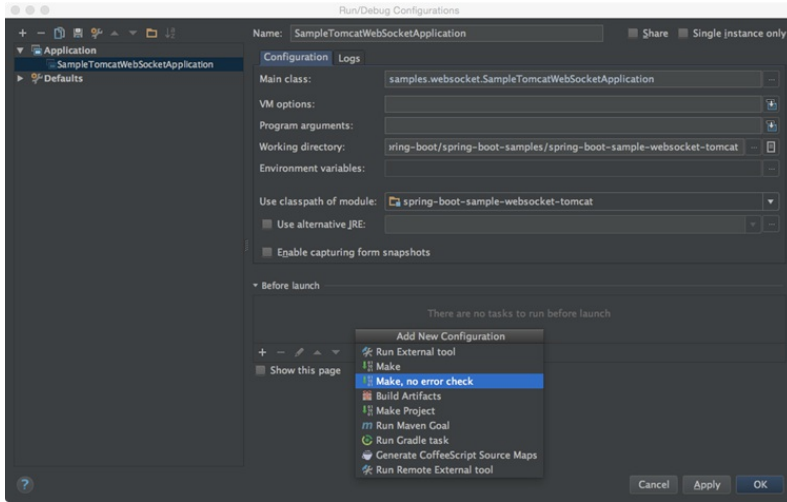
While Eclipse uses its own compiler, IntelliJ IDEA uses the javac compiler bundled with the project JDK. If you must use the Eclipse compiler, navigate to Settings/Preferences | Build, Execution, Deployment | Compiler | Java Compiler and select it as shown below:



The biggest difference between the Eclipse and javac compilers is that the Eclipse compiler is more tolerant to errors, and sometimes lets you run code that doesn't compile.

In situations when you need to run code with compilation errors in IntelliJ IDEA, replace the Make option in your run

configuration with Make, no error check :



## Shortcuts

IntelliJ IDEA shortcuts are completely different from those in Eclipse .

The table below shows how the top Eclipse actions (and their shortcuts) are mapped to IntelliJ IDEA (you may want to print it out to always have it handy).

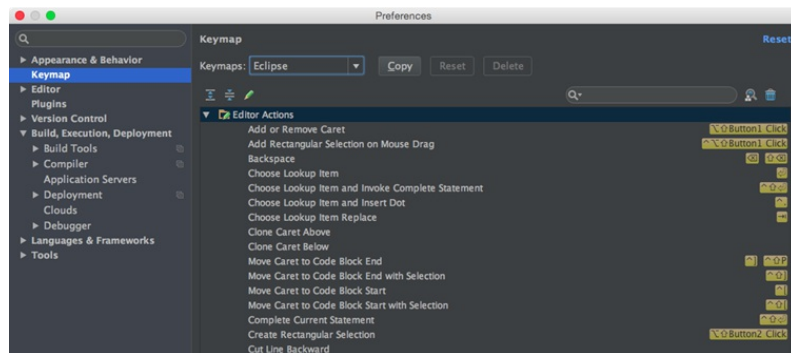
**Note** If you choose a keymap specific to your operating system ( Default for Windows/Linux or macOS 10.5+ for macOS), there may be conflicts between shortcuts used in IntelliJ IDEA and your OS. To avoid such conflicts, we recommend tweaking your OS shortcut settings (refer to [Keymap](#) for more details).

Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA		
Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Code completion	Ctrl+Space	Basic completion	Ctrl+Space
-	-	Smart completion	Ctrl+Shift+Space
-	-	Statement completion	Ctrl+Shift+Enter
Quick access	Ctrl+3	Search everywhere	Shift x 2
Maximize active view or editor	Ctrl+M	Hide all tool windows	Ctrl+Shift+F12
Open type	Ctrl+Shift+T	Navigate to class	Ctrl+N
Open resource	Ctrl+Shift+R	Navigate to file	Ctrl+Shift+N
-	-	Navigate to symbol	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N
Next view	Ctrl+F7	-	-
-	-	Recent files	Ctrl+E
-	-	Switcher	Ctrl+Tab
Quick outline	Ctrl+O	File structure	Ctrl+F12
Move lines	Alt+Up/Down	Move lines	Shift+Alt+Up / Shift+Alt+Down
Delete lines	Ctrl+D	Delete lines	Ctrl+Y
Quick fix	Ctrl+I	Show intention action	Alt+Enter
Quick switch editor	Ctrl+E	Switcher	Ctrl+Tab
-	-	Recent files	Ctrl+E
Quick hierarchy	Ctrl+T	Navigate to type hierarchy	Ctrl+H
-	-	Navigate to method hierarchy	Ctrl+Shift+H
-	-	Show UML popup	Ctrl+Alt+U
Last edit location	Ctrl+Q	Last edit location	Ctrl+Shift+Backspace
Next editor	Ctrl+F6	Select next tab	Alt+Right
Run	Ctrl+Shift+F11	Run	Shift+F10
Debug	Ctrl+F11	Debug	Shift+F9
Correct indentation	Ctrl+I	Auto-indent lines	Ctrl+Alt+I
Format	Ctrl+Shift+F	Reformat code	Ctrl+Alt+L

Surround with	Ctrl+Alt+Z	Surround with	Ctrl+Alt+T
-	-	Surround with live template	Ctrl+Alt+J
Open declaration	F3	Navigate to declaration	Ctrl+B
-	-	Quick definition	Ctrl+Shift+I
Open type hierarchy	F4	Navigate to type hierarchy	Ctrl+H
-	-	Show UML popup	Ctrl+Alt+U
References in workspace	Ctrl+Shift+G	Find usages	Alt+F7
-	-	Show usages	Ctrl+Alt+F7
-	-	Find usages settings	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7
Open search dialog	Ctrl+H	Find in path	Ctrl+Shift+F
Occurrences in file	Ctrl+Alt+U	Highlight usages in file	Ctrl+Shift+F7
Copy lines	Ctrl+Alt+Down	Duplicate lines	Ctrl+D
Extract local variable	Ctrl+Alt+L	Extract variable	Ctrl+Alt+V
Assign to field	Ctrl+2 / Ctrl+F	Extract field	Ctrl+Alt+F
Show refactor quick menu	Ctrl+Alt+T	Refactor this	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T
Rename	Ctrl+Alt+R	Rename	Shift+F6
Go to line	Ctrl+L	Navigate to line	Ctrl+G
Structured selection	Shift+Alt+Up / Shift+Alt+Down	Select word at caret	Ctrl+W / Ctrl+Shift+W
Find next	Ctrl+J	Find next	F3
Show in	Ctrl+Alt+W	Select in	Alt+F1
Back	Ctrl+[	Back	Ctrl+Alt+Left
Forward	Ctrl+]	Forward	Ctrl+Alt+Right

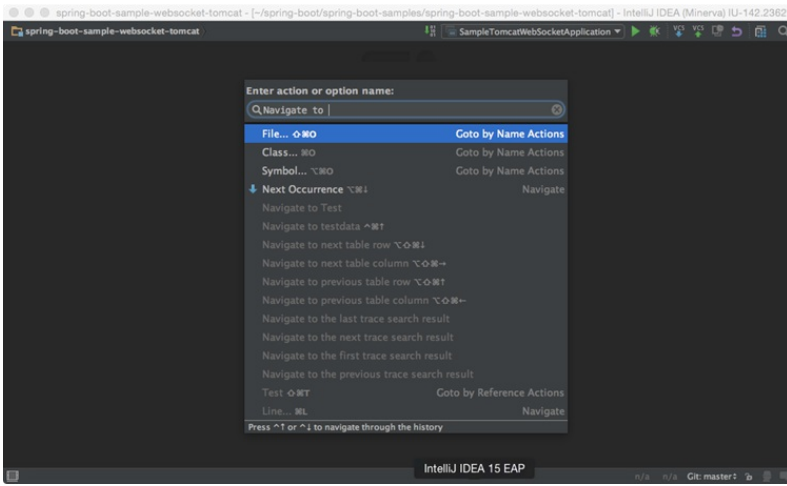
## Eclipse keymap

For **Eclipse** users who prefer not to learn new shortcuts, **IntelliJ IDEA** provides the **Eclipse** keymap which closely mimics its shortcuts:



## Find action

When you don't know the shortcut for some action, try using the Find action feature available via **Ctrl+Shift+A**. Start typing to find an action by its name, see its shortcut, or call it:

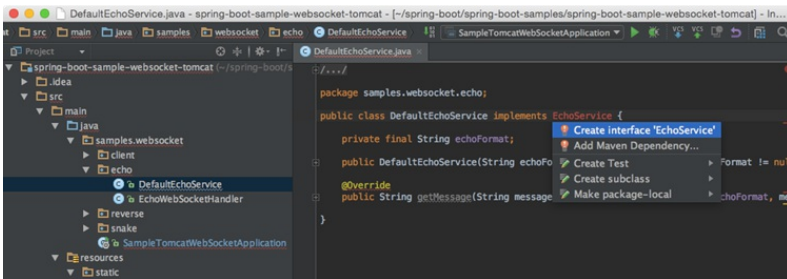


## Coding assistance

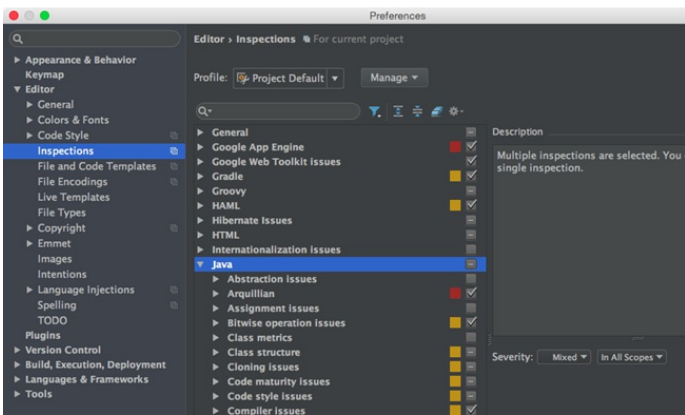
Both **Eclipse** and **IntelliJ IDEA** provide coding assistance features, such as code completion, code generation, quick-fixes, live templates, etc.

## Quick-fixes

To apply a quick-fix in **IntelliJ IDEA**, press `Alt+Enter`:

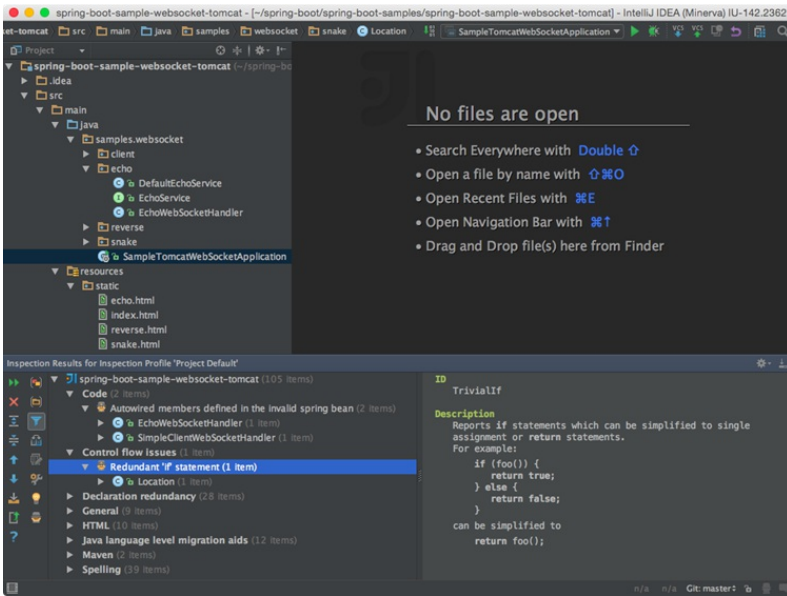


All quick-fixes are based on inspections configured in **Settings | Inspections**:

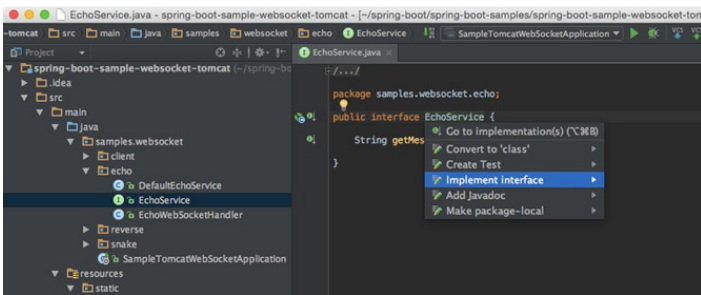


If you want to apply a quick-fix to several places at once (i.e. to a whole folder, module or even a project), you can do it by running the corresponding inspection via **Analyze | Run Inspection By Name** or by running the whole batch of inspections via **Analyze | Inspect Code**:





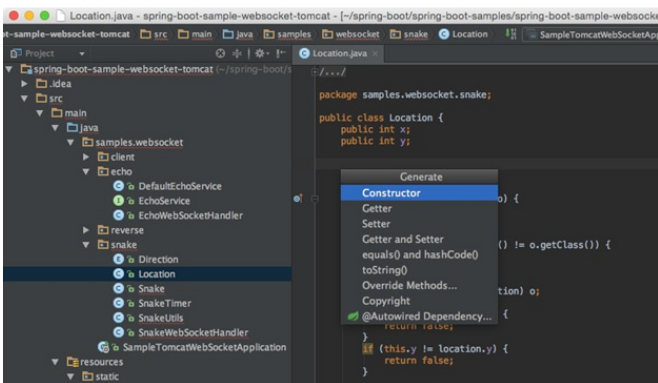
Apart from outright problems, IntelliJ IDEA also recognizes code constructs that can be improved or optimized via the so-called intentions (also available with **Alt+Enter**):



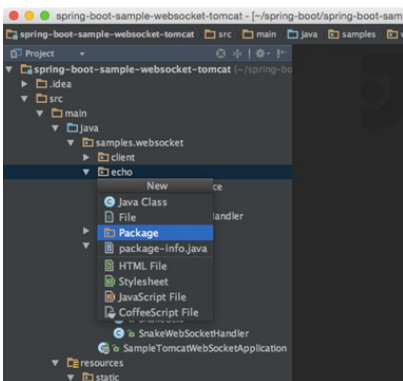
Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA
Action	Shortcut      Action      Shortcut
Quick fix	<b>Ctrl+1</b> Show intention action <b>Alt+Enter</b>

## Generating code

The key action for generating code is Code | Generate, available via **Alt+Insert**:



This action is context-sensitive and is available not only within the editor, but also in the [Project Tool Window](#) and the [Navigation bar](#):



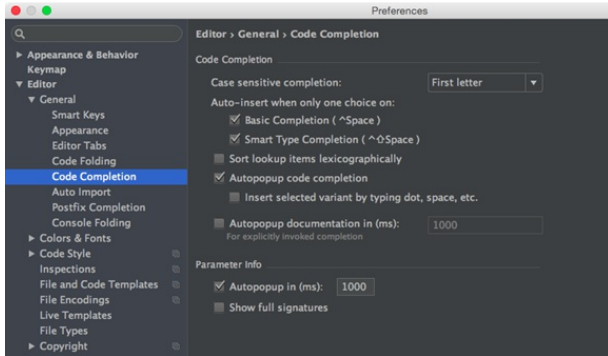
## Code completion

IntelliJ IDEA provides several different types of code completion, which include:

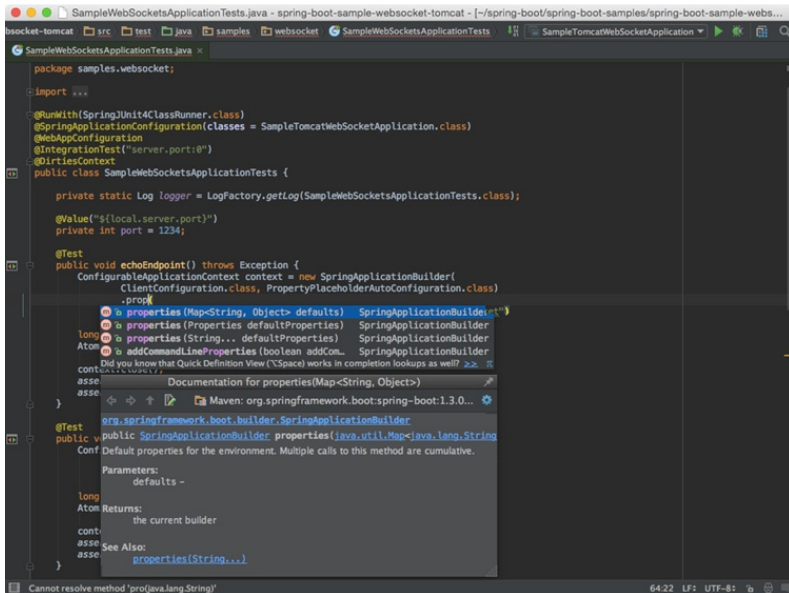
- Basic completion
- Second basic completion
- Smart completion
- Second smart completion
- Statement completion

To learn more about the differences between these completion types, refer to [Top 20 Features of Code Completion in IntelliJ IDEA](#).

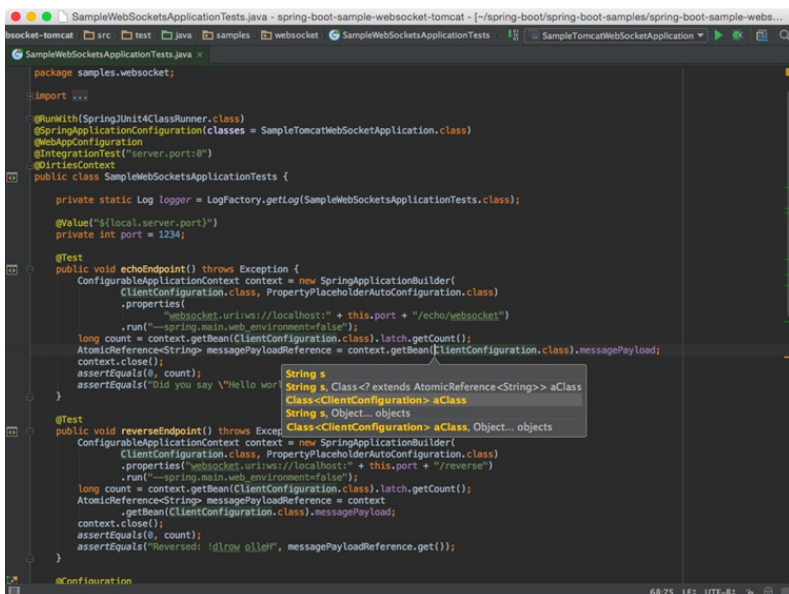
By default, IntelliJ IDEA doesn't show the Documentation popup for the selected item, but you can enable it in Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Completion | Autopopup documentain in (ms) :



If you don't want to enable this option, you can manually invoke this popup by pressing **Ctrl+Q** when you need it:



When the caret is within the brackets of a method or a constructor, you can get the info about the parameters by calling Parameter Info with **Ctrl+P** :





Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Code completion	Ctrl+Space	Basic completion	Ctrl+Space
-	-	Smart completion	Ctrl+Shift+Space
-	-	Statement completion	Ctrl+Shift+Enter

## Templates

You may be used to typing `main` in the editor and then calling code completion to have it transformed into a main method definition. However, **IntelliJ IDEA** templates are a little different:

Template	Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA
Define a main method		<code>main</code> <code>psvm</code>
Iterate over an array		<code>for</code> <code>itar</code>
Iterate over a collection		<code>for</code> <code>itco</code>
Iterate over a list		<code>for</code> <code>itli</code>
Iterate over an iterable using foreach syntax		<code>foreach</code> <code>iter</code>
Print to System.out		<code>sysout</code> <code>sout</code>
Print to System.err		<code>syserr</code> <code>serr</code>
Define a static field		<code>static_final</code> <code>psf</code>

The list of available templates can be found in Settings/Preferences | Editor | Live Templates . There you can also add your own templates or modify any existing ones.

While **IntelliJ IDEA** suggests templates in code completion results, you can quickly expand any template without using code completion simply by pressing `Tab` .

## Postfix templates

In addition to 'regular' templates, **IntelliJ IDEA** offers the so-called **postfix** templates. They are useful when you want to apply a template to an expression you've already typed. For instance, type a variable name, add `.ifn` and press `Tab` . **IntelliJ IDEA** will turn your expression into a `if (...!=null){...}` statement.

To see a complete list of available postfix templates, go to Settings/Preferences | Editor | General | Postfix Completion .

## Surround with live template

The **surround with** templates is another addition that works similarly to **live templates** but can be applied to the selected code with `Ctrl+Alt+J` .

To define your own **surround with** template, go to Settings/Preferences | Editor | General | Live Templates and use `$$SELECTION$` within the template text:

```

$LOCK$.readLock().lock();
try {
    $$SELECTION$
} finally {
    $LOCK$.readLock().unlock();
}

```

## Navigation

The table below roughly maps the navigation actions available in **Eclipse** with those in **IntelliJ IDEA** :

Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA		
Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Quick access	Ctrl+3	Search everywhere	Shift x 2
Open type	Ctrl+Shift+T	Navigate to class	Ctrl+N
Open resource	Ctrl+Shift+R	Navigate to file	Ctrl+Shift+N
-	-	Navigate to symbol	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N
Quick switch editor	Ctrl+E	Switcher	Ctrl+Tab
-	-	Recent files	Ctrl+E
Open declaration	F3	Navigate to declaration	Ctrl+B
Open type hierarchy	F4	Navigate to type hierarchy	Ctrl+H
-	-	Show UML popup	Ctrl+Alt+U
Quick outline	Ctrl+O	File structure	Ctrl+F12
Back	Ctrl+[	Back	Ctrl+Alt+Left

Forward Ctrl+]  Forward Ctrl+Alt+Right

Later, when you get used to these navigation options and need more, refer to [Top 20 Navigation Features in IntelliJ IDEA](#) .

## Refactorings

The following table maps the shortcuts for the most common refactorings in **Eclipse** with those in **IntelliJ IDEA** :

Eclipse		IntelliJ IDEA	
Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Extract local variable	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Alt+L </span>	Extract variable	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Alt+V </span>
Assign to field	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+2 </span>	Extract field	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Alt+F </span>
Show refactor quick menu	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Alt+T </span>	Rafactor this	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T </span>
Rename	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Alt+R </span>	Rename	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Shift+F6 </span>

To learn more about many additional refactorings that **IntelliJ IDEA** offers, refer to [Top 20 Refactoring Features in IntelliJ IDEA](#)

## Undo

Sometimes, refactorings may affect a lot of files in a project. **IntelliJ IDEA** not only takes care of applying changes safely, but also lets you revert them. To undo the last refactoring, switch the focus to the [Project Tool Window](#) and press Ctrl+Z  .

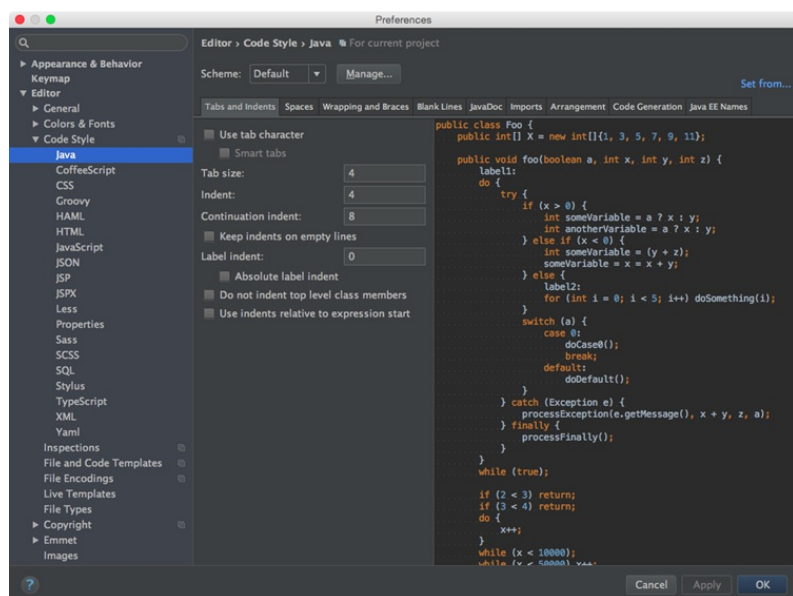
## Search

Below is a map of the most common search actions and shortcuts:

Eclipse		IntelliJ IDEA	
Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Open search dialog	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+H </span>	Find in path	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Shift+F </span>
References in workspace	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Shift+G </span>	Find usages	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Alt+F7 </span>
-	-	Show usages	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Alt+F7 </span>
-	-	Find usages settings	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7 </span>
Occurrences in file	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+Alt+U </span>	Highlight usages in file	<span style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px;">Ctrl+F7 </span>

## Code formatting

**IntelliJ IDEA** code formatting rules (available via Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Style ) are similar to those in **Eclipse** , with some minor differences. You may want to take note of the fact that the Using the Tab char option is disabled by default, the Indent size may be different, etc.



If you would like to import your **Eclipse** formatter settings, go to Settings/Preferences | Editor | Code Style | Java , click **Manage** , click **Import** and select the exported **Eclipse** formatter settings (an XML file).

**Tip** Note that if the Eclipse formatter settings cannot be imported, the following error message shows up:

The input file is not a valid Eclipse XML profile.



Note that there may be some discrepancies between the code style settings in **IntelliJ IDEA** and **Eclipse** . For example, you cannot tell **IntelliJ IDEA** to put space after (but not before). If you want **IntelliJ IDEA** to use the **Eclipse** formatter, consider installing the [Eclipse code formatter plugin](#) .

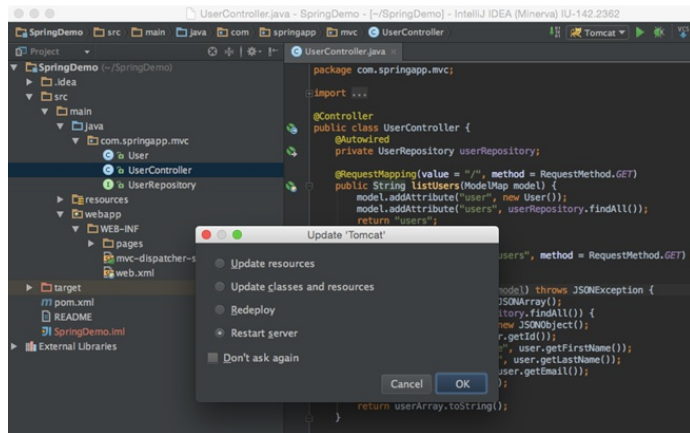
Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA		
Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Format	<b>Ctrl+Shift+F</b>	Reformat code	<b>Ctrl+Alt+L</b>

## Running and reloading changes

Similarly to **Eclipse** , **IntelliJ IDEA** also has **Run/Debug Configurations Dialog** that you can access either from the main toolbar, or the main menu. Compare the related shortcuts:

Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA		
Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Run	<b>Ctrl+Shift+F11</b>	Run	<b>Shift+F10</b>
Debug	<b>Ctrl+F11</b>	Debug	<b>Shift+F9</b>
-	-	Make	<b>Ctrl+F9</b>
-	-	Update application	<b>Ctrl+F10</b>

As mentioned before, by default **IntelliJ IDEA** doesn't compile changed files automatically (unless you configure it to do so). That means the IDE doesn't reload changes automatically. To reload changed classes, call the **Make** action explicitly via **Ctrl+F9** . If your application is running on a server, in addition to reloading you can use the **Update application** action via **Ctrl+F10** :



## Debugging

The debuggers in **Eclipse** and **IntelliJ IDEA** are similar but use different shortcuts:

Eclipse	IntelliJ IDEA		
Action	Shortcut	Action	Shortcut
Step into	<b>F5</b>	Step into	<b>F7</b>
-	-	Smart step into	<b>Shift+F7</b>
Step over	<b>F6</b>	Step over	<b>F8</b>
Step out	<b>F7</b>	Step out	<b>Shift+F8</b>
Resume	<b>F8</b>	Resume	<b>F9</b>
Toggle breakpoint	<b>Ctrl+Shift+B</b>	Toggle breakpoint	<b>Ctrl+F8</b>
-	-	Evaluate expression	<b>Alt+F8</b>

## Working with Application Servers (Tomcat/TomEE, JBoss EAP, Glassfish, WebLogic, WebSphere)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Deploying to application servers in **IntelliJ IDEA** is more or less similar to what you are probably used to in **Eclipse** . To deploy your application to a server:

Configure your **artifacts** via **Project Structure | Artifacts** (done automatically for **Maven** and **Gradle** projects)

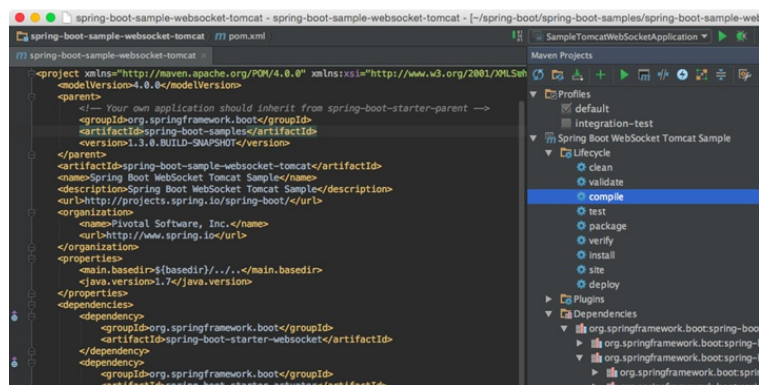
1. Configure your **artifacts** via Project Structure | Artifacts (done automatically for **Maven** and **Gradle** projects).
2. Configure an application server via Settings | Application Servers .
3. Create a **run configuration** , and then specify the artifacts to deploy and the server to deploy to.

You can always tell the IDE to build/rebuild your artifacts once they have been configured via Build | Build Artifacts .

## Working with Build Tools (Maven/Gradle)


IntelliJ IDEA doesn't provide visual forms for editing **Maven/Gradle** configuration files. Once you've imported/created your **Maven/Gradle** project, you are free to edit its `pom.xml/build.gradle` files directly in the editor. Later, you can tell IntelliJ IDEA to **synchronize the project model** with the changed files on demand, or **automatically import changes** to the new build files. Any changes to the underlying build configuration will eventually need to be synced with the project model in IntelliJ IDEA .

For operations specific to **Maven/Gradle** , IntelliJ IDEA provides the **Maven Project tool window** and the **Gradle tool window** . Apart from your project structure, these tool windows provide a list of **goals/tasks** plus a toolbar with the relevant actions.



If you want the IDE to synchronize your changes immediately:

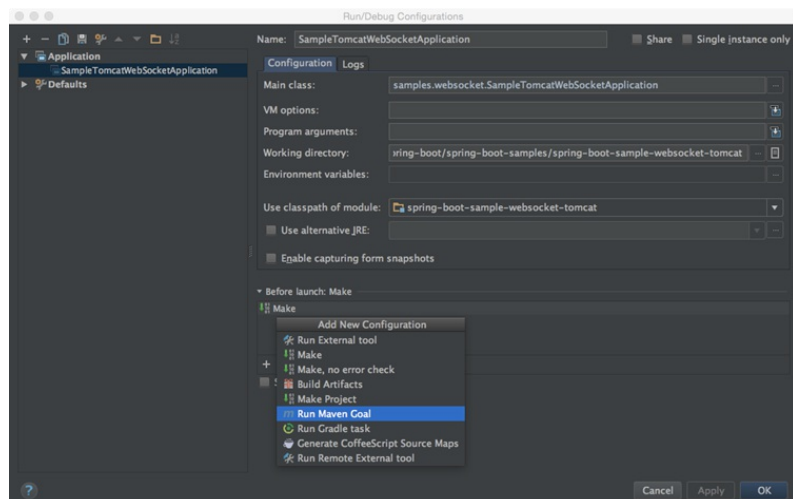
- For `pom.xml` , enable the corresponding options in Settings | Build, Execution, Deployment | Build Tools | Maven | Importing | Import Maven projects automatically
- For `build.gradle` , enable the corresponding option in Settings | Build, Execution, Deployment | Build Tools | Gradle | Use auto-import .

For manual synchronization, use the corresponding action on the **Maven/Gradle** tool window toolbar:  .

## Running goals/tasks

Use the Maven/Gradle tool window to run any project **goal/task** . When you do, IntelliJ IDEA creates the corresponding run configuration which you can reuse later to run the **goal/task** quickly.

It's worth mentioning that any **goal/task** can be attached to be run before a **Run Configuration** . This may be useful when your **goal/task** generates specific files needed by the application.



Both the **Maven** and **Gradle** tool windows provide the **Run Task** action. It runs a **Maven/Gradle** command similarly to how you'd run it using the console.

## Configuring artifacts

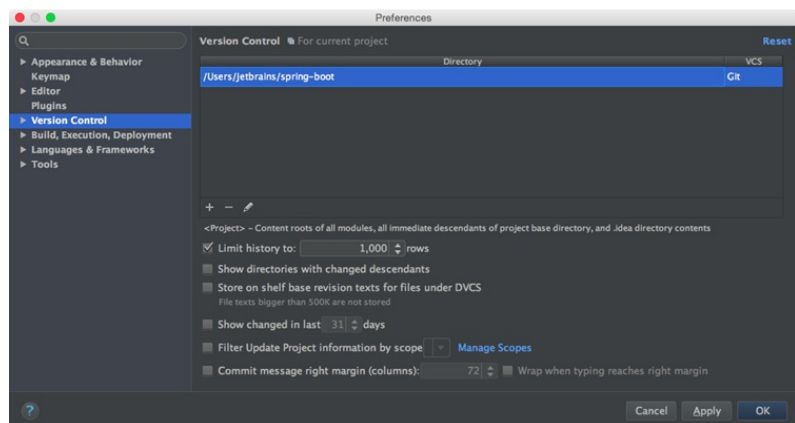
If you have **WAR** artifacts configured in your `pom.xml/build.gradle` file, IntelliJ IDEA automatically configures the corresponding artifacts in Project Structure | Artifacts .

Note that when you compile your project or build an artifact, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own build process which may be faster, but is not guaranteed to be 100% accurate. If you notice inconsistent results when compiling your project with **Make** in IntelliJ IDEA , try using a **Maven goal** or a **Gradle task** instead.

## Working with VCS (Git, Mercurial, Subversion, Perforce)

### Configuring VCS roots

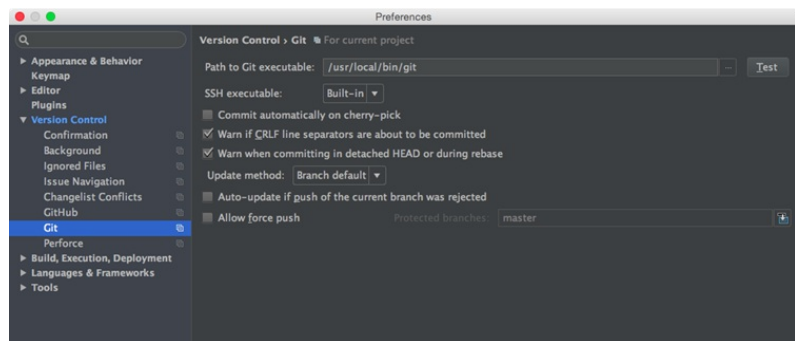
When you open a project located under a VCS root, **IntelliJ IDEA** automatically detects it and suggests adding this root to the project settings. To change version control-related project settings (or manually add a VCS root), go to Settings | Version Control :



**IntelliJ IDEA** works perfectly with multi-repository projects. Just map your project directories to VCS, and the IDE will take care of the rest. For **Git** and **Mercurial**, the IDE will even offer you synchronized branch control, so that you can perform branch operations on multiple repositories simultaneously (for more details, see [Using Git integration](#)).

### Editing VCS settings

Every VCS may require specific settings, for example, Path to Git executable, GitHub/Perforce credentials, etc.:



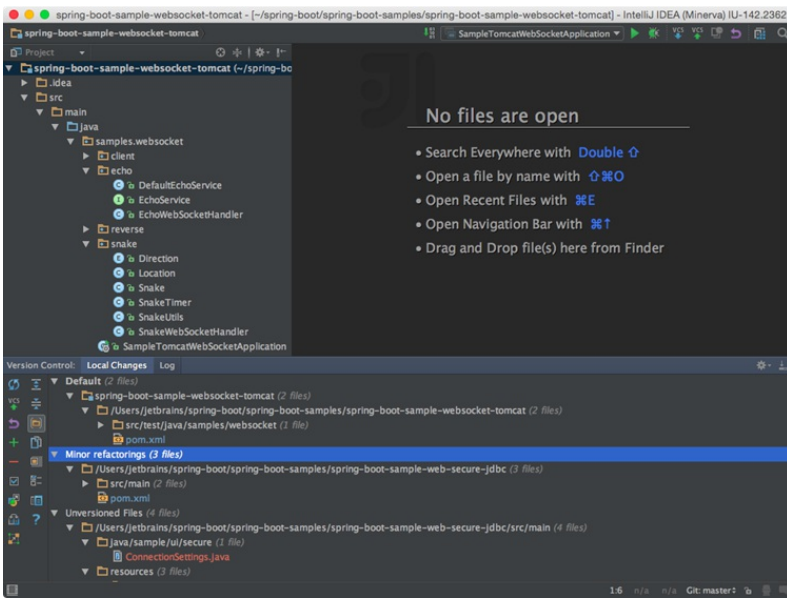
Once you've configured the VCS settings, you'll see the **Version Control tool window**. You can invoke it any time by pressing **Alt+9**.

### Checking projects out

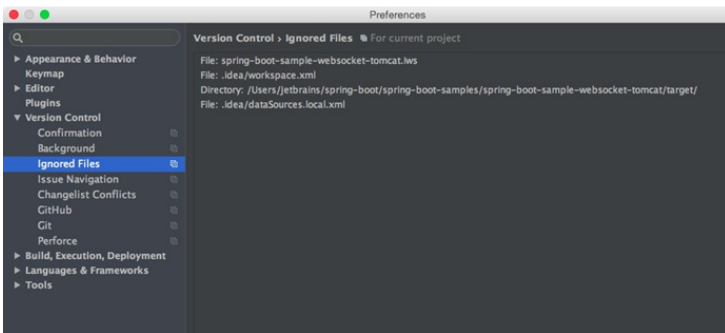
To check out a project from a VCS, click Checkout from Version Control on the **Welcome Screen**, or in the main VCS menu.

### Working with local changes

The **Local Changes** tab of the **Version Control tool window** shows your local changes: both **staged** and **unstaged**. To simplify managing changes, all changes are organized into **changelists**. Any changes made to source files are automatically included into the active changelist. You can create new changelists, delete the existing ones (except for the Default changelist), and move files between changelists.

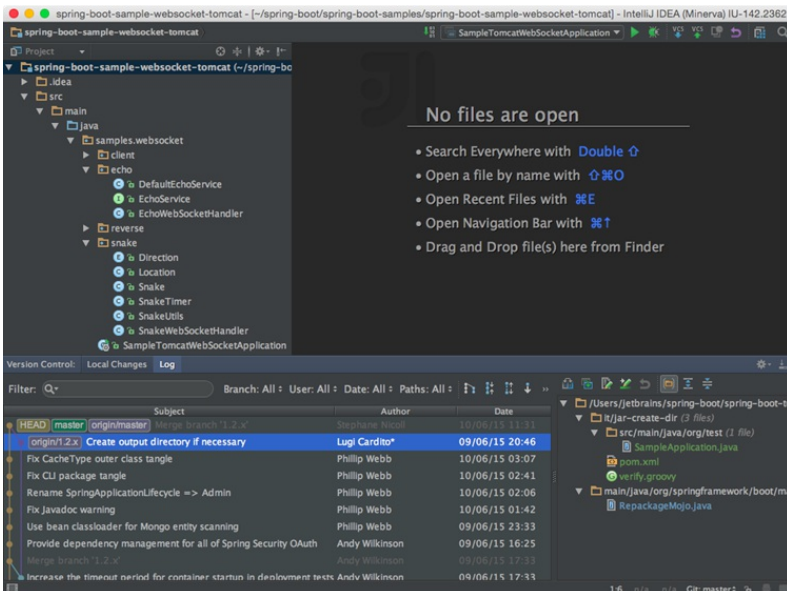


To configure ignored files , go to Settings | Version Control , or use the corresponding button in the Version Control tool window.



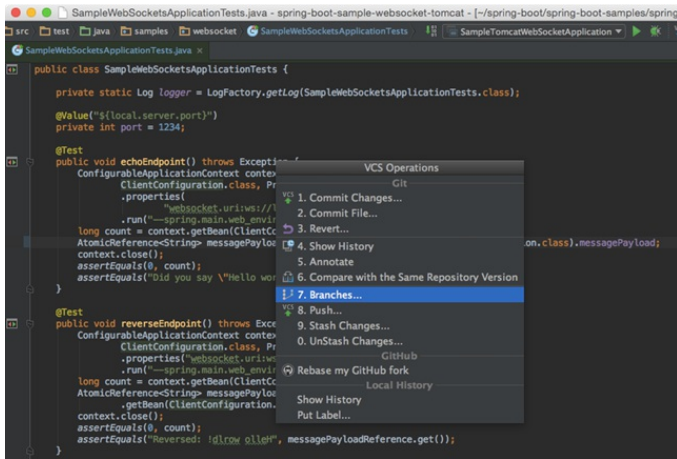
## Working with history

The **Log** tab of the **Version Control tool window** lets you see and search through the history of commits. You can sort and filter commits by the repository, branch, user, date, folder, or even a phrase in the description. You can find a particular commit, or just browse through the history and the branch tree:



## Working with branches

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create, switch, merge, compare and delete branches. For these operations, either use Branches from the main or context VCS menu, or the VCS operations popup (you can invoke it by pressing `Alt+Back Quote`), or the widget on the right of the status bar:



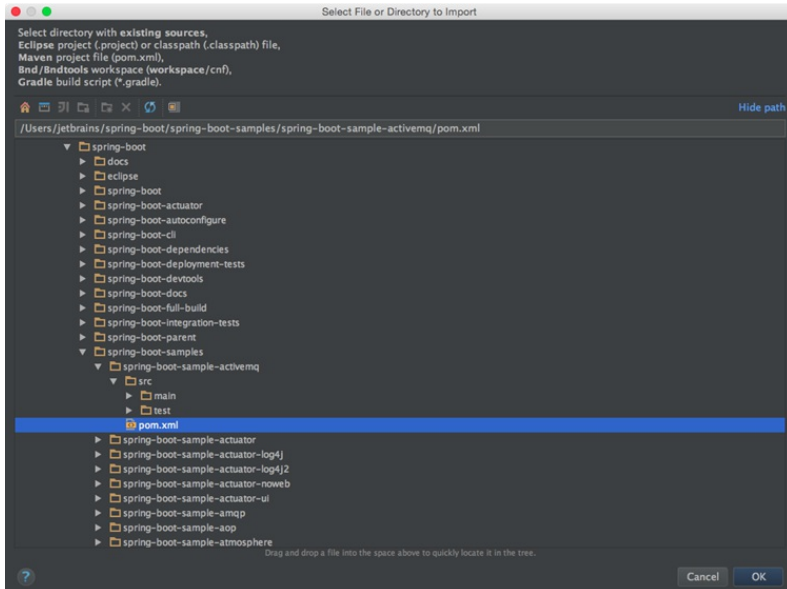
All VCS operations are available from the VCS main menu:

Action	Shortcut
Version Control tool window	Alt+9
VCS operations popup	Alt+Back Quote
Commit changes	Ctrl+K
Update project	Ctrl+T
Push commits	Ctrl+Shift+K

## Importing an Eclipse project to IntelliJ IDEA

Despite these differences in terms and the UI, you can import either an **Eclipse** workspace or a single **Eclipse** project. To do this, click **Import Project** on the Welcome Screen, or select **File | New | Project from Existing Sources** in the main menu.

If your project uses a build tool such as [Maven](#) or [Gradle](#), we recommend choosing the corresponding option when prompted in the **Import Project** wizard, and selecting the associated build file (`pom.xml` or `build.gradle`):



If you'd like to import your existing run configurations from **Eclipse**, consider using this [third-party plugin](#).



On this page:

- [Overview](#)
- [Exporting to Eclipse](#)
- [Converting an IntelliJ IDEA module to the Eclipse-compatible format](#)

## Overview

You can export an IntelliJ IDEA project to Eclipse. Such export results in creating Eclipse project files ( `.project` and `.classpath` ) for each module file ( `*.iml` ) in the module directory that contains the content root. Another way to export an IntelliJ IDEA module to an Eclipse project is converting such module to an Eclipse-compatible format.

Before you start exporting a project, make sure that the Eclipse Integration plugin is [enabled](#) .

## Exporting to Eclipse

### To export the currently open project to Eclipse, follow these steps:

1. On the main menu, choose File | Export to Eclipse . The Export to Eclipse dialog displays the list of modules that have not been converted and switched to use the Eclipse format yet (the modules that have the IntelliJ IDEA module format `.iml` ).
2. Select the modules you want to export.
3. Select the suggested [options](#) if necessary.
4. Click OK .

**Note** At present, migration from IntelliJ IDEA to Eclipse is subject to certain limitations:

- IntelliJ IDEAModules with multiple content roots cannot not be migrated.
- External sources in Eclipse are not migrated.
- Only Java modules are created automatically during the export. However, any module can be converted to the Eclipse compatible format manually.
- The default workspace JRE is not converted to/from the project SDK.

## Converting an IntelliJ IDEA module to the Eclipse-compatible format

### To convert an IntelliJ IDEA module to the Eclipse-compatible format, follow these steps:

1. On the main menu, choose File | Project Structure , or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` .
2. In the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog, select the module you want to convert.
3. Switch to the [Dependencies Tab](#) tab.
4. From the Dependencies storage format drop-down list, select Eclipse (`.classpath`) .



NetBeans users ask the following question about IntelliJ IDEA most frequently:

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- [Is there a directory-based project format in IntelliJ IDEA?](#)
- [How do I change the JDK for my project?](#)
- [How do I add a library to my project?](#)
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## ABOUT PROJECTS

### How do I open a NetBeans project in IntelliJ IDEA?

Use File | New | Project from Existing Sources and select your NetBeans project directory.

When the Import Project wizard opens, select the Create project from existing sources option and then follow the instructions of the wizard.

IntelliJ IDEA will add the necessary definition files (the `.idea` directory) to your project directory. The NetBeans `.nbproject` directory and `build.xml` will remain untouched, and you'll be able to use IntelliJ IDEA along with NetBeans.

During the import IntelliJ IDEA will fix missing libraries, add facets for different Web frameworks and create a run configuration.

If you are using Maven with NetBeans and you want to import a Maven project into IntelliJ IDEA, select File | Open and then select your project's `pom.xml`. You'll still need to configure a run configuration, however, all project dependencies will get resolved.

### What's the difference between projects and modules?

IntelliJ IDEA creates a project for an entire code base and a module for each of its individual components. So, IntelliJ IDEA module is more like a NetBeans project.

The following table maps the most important NetBeans concepts to IntelliJ IDEA ones.

#### NetBeansIntelliJ IDEA

Project	Module
Global library	Global library
Project library	Module library
Project dependency	Module dependency

### Is there a directory-based project format in IntelliJ IDEA?

Yes, there is a `.idea` directory where project definition XML files are stored. For more information, see [Configuring projects](#).

### How do I change the JDK for my project?

1. Open the Project Structure dialog ( File | Project Structure or `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Under Platform Settings , select SDKs .
3. Click `+` , select JDK and specify the JDK installation directory.
4. Click Apply .

5. Under Project Settings , select Project .
6. Under Project SDK , select the JDK from the list.
7. Click OK .

For more information, see [Configuring projects](#) .

## How do I add a library to my project?

1. Open the Project Structure dialog ( File | Project Structure or `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Under Project Settings , select Libraries .
3. Click `+` , select Java and specify the library location.
4. Select the modules in which this library will be used.
5. Click OK .

For more information, see [Working with libraries](#) .

## How do I configure a Web framework for my project?

In IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate (there's no corresponding functionality in the Community Edition):

1. Open the Project tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the necessary module and select Add Framework Support . (Framework support is enabled at a module level.)
3. In the Add Frameworks Support dialog that opens, select the frameworks to be supported, specify the associated settings and click OK .

For more information, see [Add Frameworks Support dialog](#) and e.g. [Enabling JSF support for an existing module](#) .

## The Run button is disabled. How do I run my application?

The Run button is disabled because there are no [run configurations](#) in your project.

If you have a Java class with a `main()` method, open the corresponding file in the editor, right-click the editing area and select Run ^<FileName>.main() . As a result, the necessary run configuration will be created automatically and then executed.

You can also create run configurations yourself: e.g. Run | Edit Configurations | `+` , etc.

## How do I generate an Ant build script for my project?

Select Build | Generate Ant Build . For more information, see [Generating Ant Build File](#) .

## Where is the Options dialog?

In IntelliJ IDEA, the Settings dialog is used for similar purposes. To open this dialog, press `Ctrl+Alt+S` .

There is also the Project Structure dialog ( `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ) which lets you manage JDKs, libraries, module dependencies, etc.

For more information, see [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) and [Project Structure Dialog](#) .

## How do I close a project?

Select File | Close Project . You can also use File | Exit to close all open projects and quit IntelliJ IDEA.

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### Can I use the NetBeans key bindings in IntelliJ IDEA?

Yes, you can.

1. Open the Settings dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Appearance and Behavior category, select Keymap .
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, next to Keymaps , select NetBeans 6.5 from the list.
4. Click OK .

### How does code completion in IntelliJ IDEA work?

The code completion suggestion list appears automatically after you type one or two letters. To narrow down this list, use:

- `Ctrl+Space` . The list is reduced to keywords and also the names of classes, methods and fields available in the current context. Note that the list changes when you press `Ctrl+Space` for the second or third time.
- `Ctrl+Shift+Space` . Only the types appropriate for the current context are shown.

For more information, see [Auto-Completing Code](#) .

### Is local history in IntelliJ IDEA any different from that in NetBeans?

Local history in IntelliJ IDEA, generally, is more detailed. Whatever you do with a directory, file, class, method or field, or a code block is reflected in your local history. The local history also includes VCS operations.

For more information, see [Using Local History](#) .

## Are there any special code analysis features in IntelliJ IDEA?

IntelliJ IDEA can analyze dependencies, data flows and stacktraces, find duplicates and evaluate code quality. Just have a look at the options in the Analyze menu.

For more information, see [Analyzing applications](#) and [Code Inspection](#).

## Can I enable 'mark occurrences' in IntelliJ IDEA?

You can. The corresponding option in IntelliJ IDEA is called Highlight usages of element at caret . This option is enabled by default.

Just in case:

1. Open the Settings dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Editor category, select General .
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, under Highlight on Caret Movement , select the Highlight usages of element at caret checkbox.
4. Click OK .

See also, [Highlighting Usages](#) .

## Can I enable 'compile on save' in IntelliJ IDEA?

You can.

To enable automatic compilation on every save (or autosave), turn on the Make project automatically option in the Settings dialog:

1. Open the Settings dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Build, Execution, Deployment category, select Compiler .
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, select the Make project automatically checkbox.
4. Click OK .

Also note that by default, IntelliJ IDEA saves changed files automatically, so you don't need to use `Ctrl+S` as frequently as in other IDEs.

## Can I enable 'deploy on save' in IntelliJ IDEA?

There is no such option in IntelliJ IDEA settings, however, you can get similar result by choosing an appropriate application update option in the corresponding run configuration.

For more information, see [Updating Applications on Application Servers](#) .

(The corresponding functionality is available only in IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate. The Community Edition doesn't provide integration with application servers.)

## ABOUT PLUGINS

### Can I use NetBeans plugins in IntelliJ IDEA?

Unfortunately not. However, a lot of functionality implemented as plugins for NetBeans is available in IntelliJ IDEA "out of the box". Besides, there's a lot of plugins for IntelliJ IDEA, so you can always find an IntelliJ IDEA plugin with the functionality similar to that of your favorite NetBeans plugin.

### How do I find the plugin that I need?

All the functions related to working with plugins are on the Plugins page of the Settings dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S` | Plugins ).

You can look for, download, install and update the plugins as well as enable and disable them.

For more information, see [Plugins settings](#) and [Managing Plugins](#) .

### How do I install the plugin that I have available on my computer?

1. Open the Settings dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand pane, select Plugins .
3. In the lower part of the Plugins page, click Install plugin from disk .
4. In the dialog that opens, select the plugin file (normally, a JAR or ZIP).
5. Click OK .
6. If asked, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

### I'd like to write a plugin for IntelliJ IDEA. Are there any instructions?

Yes, have a look at:

- [Plugin Development Guidelines](#)
- Information for Plugin Developers on the [IntelliJ IDEA Plugins page](#)
- [Open API and Plugin Development](#)

### Is it possible to build NetBeans RCP applications with IntelliJ IDEA?

It is possible, however you won't get the same kind of support you would in the case of NetBeans (wizards, menu actions, etc.). Have a look at [Using IntelliJ IDEA for NetBeans Platform Development](#) .

NetBeans and IntelliJ IDEA use different names for similar entities. It is important to understand the difference between the terminologies of both IDEs. In this section you can find a table of mappings between the NetBeans and IntelliJ IDEA terms.

**NetBeans**   **IntelliJ IDEA**

Project	Module
Project-specific JDK	Module SDK
Global library	Global library
Project library	Module library
Project dependency	Module dependency

This part provides descriptions of the actions required to fulfil certain tasks using the frameworks integrated into IntelliJ

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- [Arquillian: a Quick Start Guide](#)
- [AspectJ](#)
- [Build Tools](#)
- [CoffeeScript](#)
- [ColdFusion](#)
- [Copyright](#)
- [Context and Dependency Injection \(CDI\)](#)
- [Databases and SQL](#)
- [Dart](#)
- [Docker](#)
- [EJB](#)
- [Erlang](#)
- [Grails](#)
- [Grails Application Forge](#)
- [Griffon](#)
- [Groovy](#)
- [GWT](#)
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- [Java SE](#)
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- [Spring](#)
- [Struts Framework](#)
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- [Swing. Designing GUI](#)
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- [Vagrant](#)
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- [Web Services](#)
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  - [ActionScript and Flex support](#)
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- [Working with Build Configurations](#)
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## Basics

To support [ActionScript](#) and [Flex](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides:

- The Flash/Flex Support [plugin](#). This plugin is bundled with the IDE and must be enabled.
- A dedicated [module](#) type (Flash).
- [Build configurations](#) for the various target platforms (Web, Desktop and Mobile) and output types (SWF and SWC).
- Dedicated [run/debug configuration](#) types (Flash App, FlexUnit and Flash Remote Debug).
- The ActionScript Profiler and Flash UI Designer plugins. These plugins are available for download from the JetBrains repository. For more information, see [Profiling CPU in Flash and Flex Applications](#). See also, [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#).

## ActionScript and Flex support

ActionScript and Flex support includes:

- [Code completion](#), including [completion of statements](#) ([Ctrl+Shift+Enter](#)) and [Smart Type completion](#) ([Ctrl+Shift+Space](#)).
- Error and syntax highlighting.
- ActionScript and Flex code [refactorings](#):
  - [Change Method Signature](#).
  - [Delegate Methods](#).
  - [Extract Interface](#).
  - [Extract Method](#).
  - [Extract Superclass](#).
  - [Inline](#).
  - [Introduce Constant](#).
  - [Introduce Field](#).
  - [Extract Parameter](#).
  - [Introduce Variable](#).
  - [Move a class or an interface to a package](#).
  - [Move Inner to Upper Level](#) for moving classes, functions, variables, constants and namespaces declared outside of packages into a package.
  - [Move/Copy](#) a file.
  - [Move Static Members](#).
  - [Pull Members Up](#), [Push Members Down](#).
  - [Rename](#) a file, function, variable, parameter, property or label (both directly and via references).
  - [Safe Delete](#) a file.
- ActionScript and Flex code [inspections](#) and [quick-fixes](#).
- [Intention Actions](#) for creating various application elements.
- Code [formatting](#) and [folding](#).
- Advanced [Search](#) and [Navigation](#), plus [Structure View](#).
- Enhanced [navigation](#) with gutter icons.
- Navigation from CSS properties and selectors to their declarations in ActionScript ([Ctrl+B](#)).
- Possibility to build ActionScript and Flex applications using various compiler shells and [compilation options](#).
- Support for breakpoints and specific [run/debug configurations](#) for debugging ActionScript and Flex applications directly from IntelliJ IDEA.
- ActionScript and Flex-aware [debugger](#) that lets you execute applications step by step, evaluate expressions, examine related information and find runtime bugs.

- [Quick Javadoc](#) ([Ctrl+Q](#)) for AsDoc.
- BlazeDS support.
- AIR application development support at all stages of application development cycle. Development of AIR applications for mobile devices is also supported. For basic how-to information, see [New in IntelliJ IDEA 10.5: Develop Mobile AIR Applications for Android](#).
- Possibility to create pure ActionScript applications.
- ActionScript [live templates](#): File | Settings | Live Templates | ActionScript and JavaScript groups.
- Ability to wrap and unwrap code constructs in ActionScript and MXML ([Ctrl+Alt+T](#)) and ([Ctrl+Shift+Delete](#)).
- Type Hierarchy ([Ctrl+H](#)), Method Hierarchy ([Ctrl+Shift+H](#)) and Call Hierarchy ([Ctrl+Alt+H](#)) for Flex sources ([\\*.mxml](#) and [\\*.as](#) files).
- Easy [import of Flex projects created in Adobe Flash Builder](#).
- Import of [Flexmojos](#) projects. See the description of [related import setting](#).
- ActionScript and Flex [UML class diagrams](#). Among the features is the ability to [view changes](#) in ActionScript source files in a structured visual form.

## FlexUnit support

IntelliJ IDEA supports the versions 0.9 and 4 of [FlexUnit](#), a unit testing framework for Flex and ActionScript applications and libraries.

FlexUnit support includes:

- Dedicated [FlexUnit run/debug configurations](#) to run a single test method, test suite, all methods in a certain test class, or all test classes in a given package.
- Ability to perform the tests both in the run and the debug modes.
- Support for FlexUnit tests via FlexUnit 4 test runner.
- FlexUnit-aware code inspections (turned off by default).



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this section:

- [Preliminary steps](#)
- [Registering a Flex or AIR SDK in IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Configuring general Flex compiler settings](#)
- [Creating a Flash module](#)
- [Configuring module contents](#)




## Preliminary steps

To prepare for ActionScript or Flex application development:

1. Make sure that the **Flash/Flex Support** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Download and install a Flex or AIR SDK on your computer. IntelliJ IDEA provides integration with [Apache Flex](#) , [Adobe Flex](#) , [Adobe AIR](#) and [Adobe Gaming SDKs](#) .
3. [Register the Flex or AIR SDK](#) in IntelliJ IDEA. (You can postpone this step until a later time. You will be able to specify the SDK when [creating a Flash module](#) .)
4. [Check general Flex compiler settings](#) and, if necessary, adjust them to your needs.
5. Create a new project with a Flash module, or add a Flash module to an existing project. See [Creating a Flash module](#) . Note that you can create a project or a module by [importing Adobe Flash Builder projects](#) .
6. Check the initial module configuration and make the necessary adjustments. These may include [configuring the module contents](#) , [adding libraries](#) , modifying the existing [build configuration](#) and creating additional ones, etc. All these tasks, however, may be performed at a later time, when needed, in parallel with [developing your source code](#) .


## Registering a Flex or AIR SDK in IntelliJ IDEA

### To register a Flex or AIR SDK in IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Under Platform Settings , click SDKs .
3. Click Add New SDK  on the toolbar, and then click  Flex/AIR SDK in the Add New SDK list.
4. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the directory in which the Flex or AIR SDK is installed and click OK . As a result, the SDK configuration is shown on the [SDK page](#) in the right-hand part of the Project Structure dialog.
5. Generally, you don't need to make any changes on the Classpath and Sourcepath tabs because all the necessary libraries and sources are already there. However, you may want to add external online documentation to be able to access additional reference information when writing your code. To do that: On the Documentation Paths tab, click  . In the dialog that opens, just click OK . (The URL suggested by IntelliJ IDEA is the one you want.)
6. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

## Configuring general Flex compiler settings

### To configure general Flex compiler settings

1. Open the Settings/Preferences dialog (for example, `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), or  on the toolbar).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, under Build, Execution, Deployment node, open the Compiler node and click ActionScript and Flex Compiler .
3. On the Compiler > ActionScript and Flex Compiler page, configure the settings as required.

## Creating a Flash module

### To create a Flash module

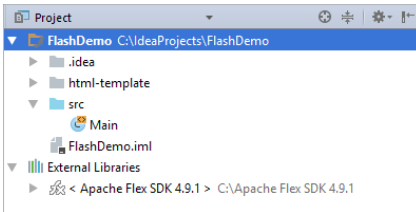
1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project . As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module . As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Flash .
3. In the right-hand part of the page, select the necessary options. For more information, see [Flash](#) .

Click Next .

4. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .


As a result, the module structure looking similar to this is generated (the contents may be different depending on the module options that you have selected):



In this structure:

- `html-template` is a folder with files that constitute an [HTML wrapper](#) template.
- `src` is a folder for your application source files ( `.as` and, possibly, `.mxml` ).

In addition to the module itself, IntelliJ IDEA creates the following:

- One [build configuration](#) .
- One [run/debug configuration](#) . If when creating the module you have selected to create a sample application, you can use this configuration to run the application straight away. To do that, click  on the toolbar ( `Shift+F10` ).


## Configuring module contents

### To configure module contents

The module contents are configured by adding and removing the module [content roots](#) as well as by assigning individual folders (within the content roots) to source folders, test source folders and also by excluding the folders.

For a Flash module, generally, these task are performed on the [Module page](#) of the Project Structure dialog.

To access this page:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Under Project Settings , select Modules .
3. In the area under  , select the necessary Flash module.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

When working on ActionScript and Flex applications, you create and edit application elements such as [packages](#) , ActionScript [classes](#) and [interfaces](#) , and [MXML components](#) .

For ActionScript classes, interfaces and MXML components, IntelliJ IDEA provides a number of predefined [file templates](#) .

- [Creating a package](#)
- [Creating an ActionScript class or interface](#)
- [Creating an MXML component](#)
- [Initiating ActionScript class creation in the editor](#)
- [Template-based ActionScript classes, interfaces and MXML components](#)
- [Predefined file template variables for ActionScript and Flex](#)
- [An example of creating a custom file template for an MXML component](#)
- [Using the SWF metadata tag to control HTML wrapper properties](#)
- [Editing ActionScript and Flex sources](#)

## Creating a package

1. In the Project tool window, select your source root folder (e.g. `src` ) or the package in which you want to create a new package. Choose File | New | Package , or press `(Alt+Insert)` and select Package . Alternatively, right-click the corresponding folder or package and select New | Package from the context menu.
2. In the New Package dialog that opens, specify the package name and click OK . Note that you can create more than one package at once if you use dots ( `.` ) to separate the package names. For example, if you type `myPackage.mySubpackage` and none of these packages currently exists, both these packages ( `myPackage` and `mySubpackage` ) will be created.

Also note that you can create a new package when creating a new ActionScript class or interface, or an MXML component. See [Creating an ActionScript class or interface](#) and [Creating an MXML component](#) .

## Creating an ActionScript class or interface

1. In the Project tool window, select your source root folder (e.g. `src` ) or the package in which you want to create a new ActionScript class or interface. Choose File | New | ActionScript Class , or press `(Alt+Insert)` and select ActionScript Class . Alternatively, right-click the corresponding folder or package and select New | ActionScript Class from the context menu.
2. In the [New ActionScript Class dialog](#) that opens, specify the name of the class, the package, the [file template](#) to be used, and click Create . If the [Class with Supers template](#) is used, you can also specify a superclass and/or one or more interfaces that the class should implement. Note that if you specify a package that doesn't yet exist, the corresponding package will be created.

See also, [Initiating ActionScript class creation in the editor](#) .

## Creating an MXML component

1. In the Project tool window, select your source root folder (e.g. `src` ) or the package in which you want to create a new MXML component. Choose File | New | MXML Component , or press `(Alt+Insert)` and select MXML Component . Alternatively, right-click the corresponding folder or package and select New | ActionScript Class from the context menu.
2. In the [New MXML Component dialog](#) that opens, specify the name of the component, the package, the [file template](#) to be used, the parent component, and click Create . Note that if you specify a package that doesn't yet exist, the corresponding package will be created.

## Initiating ActionScript class creation in the editor

When working with the source code of a class, you can start creating its subclass right in the editor. Similarly, you can initiate creating a class implementing an interface. For these purposes, IntelliJ IDEA provides [intention actions](#) called Create Subclass and Implement Interface respectively.

Here is an example of using the Create Subclass intention action. (The Implement Interface action is accessed in a similar way.)

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the line containing the class declaration.
2. Press `(Alt+Enter)` and select Create Subclass .
3. In the [New ActionScript Class dialog](#) that opens, specify the settings for your new class and click Create .

## Template-based ActionScript classes, interfaces and MXML components

ActionScript classes, interfaces and MXML components are created according to [file templates](#) . The following [predefined templates](#) are available:

- ActionScript Class. This template generates the file contents shown below (the destination package and the name of the class are specified when creating a class):

```
package myPackage {
    public class MyClass {
        public function MyClass() {
        }
    }
}
```

- ActionScript Class with Supers. This template generates the file contents shown below (the destination package, the class name, the superclass and/or the interfaces that the class implements are specified when creating a class):

```
package myPackage {
    MyClass1 extends MyClass implements IMyInterface1, IMyInterface2 {
    unction MyClass1() {
        r();
    }
}
```

- ActionScript Interface. This template generates the file contents shown below (the destination package and the interface name are specified when creating an interface):

```
package myPackage {
    face IMyInterface {
    }
}
```

- Flex 3 Component. This template generates the file contents shown below (the root tag is defined by the parent component specified when creating the component; when generating the following example, `mx.core.Application` was specified as the parent component):

```
<?xml version=
    "1.0"?>
<mx:Application
    xmlns:mx=
        "http://www.adobe.com/2006/mxml">
</mx:Application>
```

- Flex 4 Component. This template generates the file contents shown below (the root tag is defined by the parent component specified when creating the component; when generating the following example, `spark.components.Application` was specified as the parent component):

```
<?xml version=
    "1.0"?>
<s:Application
    xmlns:fx=
        "http://ns.adobe.com/mxml/2009"
    xmlns:s=
        "library://ns.adobe.com/flex/spark">
</s:Application>
```

If necessary, you can modify the predefined templates or create your own, custom file templates. See [Creating and Editing File Templates](#) and [An example of creating a custom file template for an MXML component](#) .

See also, [Predefined file template variables for ActionScript and Flex](#) .

## Predefined file template variables for ActionScript and Flex

For ActionScript and Flex file templates, the list of [predefined template variables](#) is broader. The following predefined variables are available in addition:


- `${SuperClass}` - a superclass for an ActionScript class or a parent component for an MXML component.
- `${SuperInterfaces}` - a list of the interfaces that an ActionScript class implements.

### An example of creating a custom file template for an MXML component

As already mentioned, the predefined [MXML 4 Component file template](#) just generates the root tag for an MXML component. Let's assume that you want the `<fx:Declarations>` and `<fx:Script>` tags to be generated in addition.

If for some reason you want to keep the predefined template unchanged, you can create the corresponding custom file template.

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Editor | File and Code Templates .
2. On the [File Templates](#) page that opens in the right-hand part of the dialog, select the Templates tab.
3. Select Flex 4 Component.

- Now, to create a copy of this template, click .
- Change the name of the template, for example, to **Flex 4 Component with Declarations and Script**.
- In the template body (shown in the area under the Reformat according to style checkbox), after the line `<${Superclass} xmlns:fx="http://ns.adobe.com/mxml/2009">`

add

```
<fx:Declarations>
</fx:Declarations>
<fx:Script><![CDATA[
]]></fx:Script>
```

- Click OK in the Settings dialog.

Now, to check the result:

- Select your source root folder (e.g. `src`) and press `Alt+Insert`. Note that the Flex 4 Component with Declarations and Script option (which corresponds to the name of your new template) is now available in the New menu.
- Select MXML Component. In the New MXML Component dialog that opens, check the contents of the Template list. Note that Flex 4 Component with Declarations and Script has also been added to this list.

## Using the SWF metadata tag to control HTML wrapper properties

You can use the SWF metadata tag in your main application class to set the title, the background color, and the `width` and `height` properties in your [HTML wrapper](#).

For example, if the ActionScript class contains

```
package myPackage {
port flash.display.Sprite;
WF(pageTitle="hello", backgroundColor="#ccdde", width="400", height="200")
public class MyClass extends Sprite {
...
}
```

the corresponding properties will be set in the HTML wrapper.

In a similar way the SWF metadata tag will work for an MXML component if the corresponding file contains:

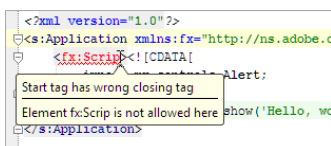
```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<s:Application xmlns:fx="http://ns.adobe.com/mxml/2009"
xmlns:s="library://ns.adobe.com/flex/spark">
<fx:Metadata>
[SWF(pageTitle="hello", backgroundColor="#ccdde", width="400", height="200")]
</fx:Metadata>
...
</s:Application>
```

By default, the title is the same as the name of the embedded `.swf` file, the background color is white (`#ffffff`), and the `width` and `height` are both `100%`.

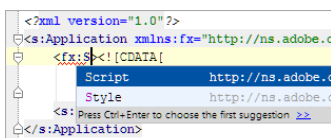
## Editing ActionScript and Flex sources

When editing your ActionScript and Flex sources, you can use the following IntelliJ IDEA features:

- Syntax and error highlighting. Note that the way your code is highlighted is defined by an [active build configuration](#).

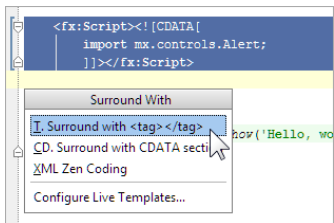


- Code completion.

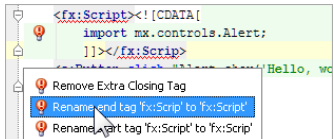
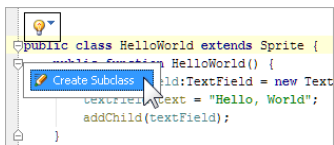


- Surrounding with tags or code constructs (`Ctrl+Alt+T` and `Ctrl+Alt+J`), and removing enclosing tags (`Ctrl+Alt+K`).

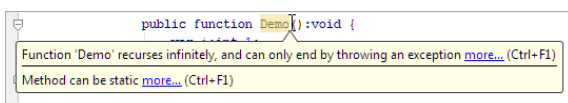
Ctrl+Shift+Delete ).



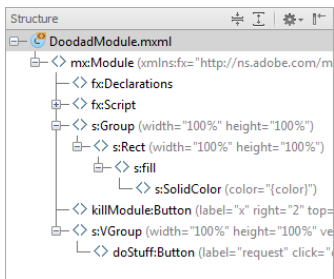
- Intention actions and quick fixes ( Alt+Enter ).



- Code inspections.



- Structure view for MXML components and ActionScript classes.



- Jumping to declarations ( Ctrl+B ).

- Code refactoring.

- Automatic code generation ( Alt+Insert ): generating getters and setters, bindable getters and setters, event handlers, etc.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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- [Compiler options](#)
- [Active build configuration](#)
  - [Managing build configurations and their settings](#)
  - [Selecting an active build configuration](#)
  - [Using shortcuts to open build configuration settings](#)
- [Possible changes when changing the build configuration type](#)

## Introduction

Every Flash module in IntelliJ IDEA includes one or more build configurations. A build configuration defines how the module source files are transformed into the target output type (SWF or SWC) and then packaged.

One build configuration is created when creating a module. You can add more build configurations if and when needed.

## Build configuration types

The build configuration type is defined by the following:

- Target platform (i.e. the environment in which the developed content is going to be used): Web (for Flash player / Web browser-targeted content), Desktop (for [Adobe AIR](#) -targeted content), or Mobile (AIR Mobile, for the content intended for Android and iOS mobile devices).
- Whether the build configuration uses the Flex framework or is pure ActionScript.
- Output type: Application (a runnable application, an SWF file), Library (an SWC file), or a Runtime-loaded module (a dynamically-loadable [module](#) , an SWF file).

## Main options for build configurations

Once the build configuration type is defined, the following main options can be specified:

- For the Applications and Runtime-loaded modules: the [main class](#) .
- The output file name.
- The output folder.
- For Web Applications: the folder with the [HTML wrapper](#) template.
- For Web and Desktop Applications: the [modules](#) and [runtime style sheets](#) .

## Build configuration dependencies (build path)

Generally, the build path for each build configuration may be defined by the following:

- Flex SDK. The necessary SDK SWCs are selected automatically depending on the build configuration type. Additionally, you can manage the set of the SWCs by selecting the following:
  - For the Web target platform: the Flash player version. If the SDK includes more than one player version, you can choose which of the corresponding SWCs should be used.
  - For Flex framework-based build configurations: the Flex 4 component sets. You can specify that only the Spark or MX or both component sets should be used.
    - For Flex components you can specify their [framework linkage type](#) (Merged Into Code, RLS or External).
- Other build configurations that generate libraries and runtime-loaded modules.
- 3rd-party libraries, both SWC and raw ActionScript.

## Compiler options

Each build configuration is associated with a set of compiler options.

IntelliJ IDEA provides the default sets of compiler options at the level of the IDE, project and module.

The defaults at a lower level may be inherited from the upper level or redefined. At the level of individual build configurations, similarly, the compiler options may be inherited from the module level defaults. Alternatively, build configuration-specific values may be specified.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a convenient interface for editing the defaults at various levels. There is also an ability to restore the defaults for the values that were changed.

## Active build configuration

One of the build configurations is set active for the corresponding module.

The active build configuration provides the basis for source code highlighting in the editor. So when you change the active configuration, the code highlighting in the module changes as well.

### To manage build configurations and their settings, follow these steps

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Under Project Settings , select Modules .
3. In the area under `+ -` , expand the necessary Flash module node and select any of the build configurations. Now you can:
  - View and edit the settings for the selected build configuration on the [Build Configuration page](#) shown in the right-hand part of the dialog.
  - Create a copy of the selected build configuration. To do that, click `+` or select Copy in the context menu. Specify the settings for the copy the build configuration in the dialog that opens. Note that depending on the settings, the copy of the build configuration may have the `type` different from that of the original. See [Possible changes when changing the build configuration type](#) .
  - Find the usages of the selected build configuration in the project. To do that, click `🔍` , press `Alt+F7` or select Find usages in the context menu.
  - Delete the selected build configuration. To do that, click `-` , press `Delete` or select Delete in the context menu.
  - Create a new build configuration. To do that:
    1. Click `+` , press `Alt+Insert` or select New in the context menu.
    2. Select Flash build configuration .
    3. In the Add Build Configuration dialog that opens, specify the name and select the main options for the new build configuration, and click OK .
    4. If necessary edit the build configuration settings on the [Build Configuration page](#) .
  - Change the build configuration `type` . To do that, click Change on the General tab (to the right of the area where the build configuration type is shown) and specify the build configuration properties in the dialog that opens. See [Possible changes when changing the build configuration type](#) .
4. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

See also, [To use shortcuts to open build configuration settings, follow these steps](#) .

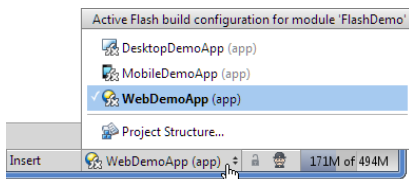
### Selecting an active build configuration

#### To select an active build configuration, follow these steps

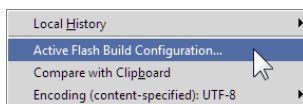
The name of the build configuration which is currently `active` is shown in the right-hand part of the status bar.

To make a different build configuration active, click this name.

As a result, the Active Flash build configuration menu is shown in which you can select a different build configuration which will become active.



The Active Flash build configuration menu can also be accessed from the editor when working with a `.as` or `.mxm1` file. The Active Flash Build Configuration command is available for this purpose.



### Using shortcuts to open build configuration settings

#### To use shortcuts to open build configuration settings, follow these steps

As already mentioned, the Active Flash build configuration menu is used to select an active build configuration (see [To select an active build configuration, follow these steps](#) ).

In addition, this menu provides a shortcut for accessing build configuration settings (the Project Structure option).

When you select Project Structure in the Active Flash build configuration menu, the Project Structure dialog opens showing the settings for the active build configuration.

See also, [To manage build configurations and their settings, follow these steps](#) .

### Possible changes when changing the build configuration type



When changing the build configuration [type](#) (by using the Change type command or when creating a copy of a build configuration), the following changes may occur if the build configuration output type has changed (e.g., from Application to Library):

- The output file name extension may change (from `.swf` to `.swc` and vice versa).
- If the output type has changed to Library, dependencies on runtime-loaded modules (if existed) are removed.
- If dependencies on the build configuration with the changed type have become inappropriate, such dependencies are removed.

When creating a copy of a build configuration, the following changes occur in addition:

- The output file name changes.
- If applicable, the package file name or names change.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

There are two ways of configuring dependencies for modular applications. (Modular applications are ones that include dynamically loadable modules, see [Modular applications overview](#) in Flex documentation.)

One way is to list the main classes for runtime-loaded modules (RLMs) in the [build configuration](#) for the main application (a.k.a. shell). This way doesn't require creating build configurations for the modules.

The other way is to create build configurations for each of the RLMs and then, in the build configuration for the main application, specify the dependencies on these build configurations.

These two approaches along with their advantages and drawbacks are discussed below.

- [Specifying the dependencies by listing the main RLM classes](#)
- [Specifying the dependencies by listing the RLM build configurations](#)

## Specifying the dependencies by listing the main RLM classes

If the source code of the main application and its runtime-loaded modules are in the same IntelliJ IDEA module, you can just list the main RLM classes in the build configuration for the main application. In addition, if you want to optimize a module against the main application (this considerably reduces the size of compiled module file), you can do that by turning the corresponding option on in the UI.

Note that this way of specifying the dependencies is available for Web and desktop applications but unavailable for mobile applications.



Advantages:

- You don't need to create build configurations for your modules (RLMs).
- To use the `load-externs` and `link-report` compiler options, you don't need to specify them manually, a checkbox is provided in the UI to turn module optimization on or off.

Drawbacks:

- The same set of compiler options is used for the application and the modules.
- The source code of the main application and the modules must be in the same IntelliJ IDEA module.

Here are the main steps of the procedure to be used:

1. Open the build configuration settings for the main application. For instructions, see [To manage build configurations and their settings, follow these steps](#) and [To use shortcuts to open build configuration settings, follow these steps](#).
2. On the General tab, to the right of the Runtime-loaded modules field, click . (Alternatively, click the field and press `Shift+Enter`.)
3. In the [Runtime-Loaded Modules dialog](#) that opens, click  (`Alt+Insert`).
4. In the Choose Main Class of Runtime-Loaded Module dialog that opens, select the main class of the corresponding RLM and click OK.
5. If you want the module SWF file size to be optimized, select the Optimize checkbox.
6. In a similar way, add dependencies on other RLMs.
7. Click OK in the Runtime-Loaded Modules dialog.
8. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

## Specifying the dependencies by listing the RLM build configurations

When using this way of specifying the dependencies, you should have build configurations for each of the RLMs. Besides, to optimize the file size of the RLMs, you should specify the `load-externs` and `link-report` compiler options manually (in the corresponding build configurations).


Advantages:

- The main application and the modules can be compiled using different sets of compilation options. (Every build configuration has its own set of compiler options.)
- The source code of the main application and the RLMs may be in the same IntelliJ IDEA module or in different modules (within the same project).

Drawbacks:

- You have to create a build configuration for each of the RLMs.
- To use the `load-externs` and `link-report` compiler options, you should specify them manually.

Here are the main steps of the procedure to be used:

1. Open the build configuration settings for the main application. For instructions, see [To manage build configurations and their settings, follow these steps](#) and [To use shortcuts to open build configuration settings, follow these steps](#).
2. On the Dependencies tab, click  (`Alt+Insert`), and select Build Configuration.
3. In the Add Dependency dialog that opens, select all the necessary build configurations for the RLMs and click OK.
4. If you need module optimization:
  1. On the Compiler Options tab, in the Additional compiler options field, add `-link-report=<path_to_report_file>`,

for example, `-link-report=c:/temp/link-report.xml` .

2. Add `-load-externs=<path_to_report_file>` (e.g. `-load-externs=c:/temp/link-report.xml` ) to the Additional compiler options field in all the corresponding RLM build configurations.
5. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Your ActionScript and Flex sources are compiled according to corresponding [build configurations](#), in particular:

- When you compile a Flash module or its part ( Build | Make Module '<name>' or Build | Compile '<target\_name>' ( `Ctrl+Shift+F9` )), the compilation output, generally, is produced for all the build configurations associated with the module.  
To disable compilation for certain build configurations, turn on the [Skip compilation option](#) in the corresponding build configurations.
- When you compile a whole project ( Build | Make Project ( `Ctrl+F9` ), Build | Rebuild Project ), similarly, the compilation output is generated for all the build configurations for which the compilation is not explicitly disabled.
- When the sources are compiled using a [run/debug configuration](#), the compilation output is generated only for the associated build configuration.

## Compilation process

During the compilation, for each individual [build configuration](#), the following files are processed, and the results of processing are placed into the output folder:

- Resource files (e.g., image files).  
For applications, you can explicitly specify whether you want the resource files within the module source roots to be copied to the output folder (the [Copy resource files to output folder option](#) on the [Build Configuration page](#)). You can also select individual files and folders that should not be copied (the [Compiler | Excludes page](#) of the [Settings dialog](#)).

For libraries and RLMS, the resource files are never copied to the output folder.

- Source files ( `.as` and `.mxm1` ).  
The source files are compiled and, depending on the build configuration output type, the corresponding `.swf` or `.swc` file is produced.
- `.css` files to be compiled into runtime style sheets (for Web and desktop applications).  
The specified `.css` files (the [Runtime style sheets field](#) on the [Build Configuration page](#)), obviously, are compiled. Their file names don't change; the extension changes to `.swf`.
- [HTML wrapper](#) template files (for Web applications).  
If so specified (the [Use HTML wrapper option](#) on the [Build Configuration page](#)), the files that constitute the HTML wrapper template are processed. (These files are stored in a separate folder called `html-template` or something similar.)

The `index.template.html` file is renamed: the resulting `.html` wrapper file will have the same name as the application `.swf` file. The tokens contained in this file such as `${title}`, `${swf}` are replaced with the appropriate values. For example, `${swf}` is replaced with the `.swf` file name. See also, [Using the SWF metadata tag to control HTML wrapper properties](#).

Other files that constitute the HTML wrapper are copied to the output folder without any changes.

- An [application descriptor](#) template (for desktop and mobile applications).  
Depending on the build configuration settings, either an auto-generated descriptor is created in the output folder, or a specified template file is used. In the latter case, the text in the `<content>` element of the template is replaced with the name and extension ( `.swf` ) of the application file.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.




In this section:

- [Run/debug configuration types](#)
- [Running or debugging an application from within the editor](#)
- [How IntelliJ IDEA selects or creates a class-specific run/debug configuration](#)
- [Using Flash Remote Debug configurations](#)
- [Hiding or showing \[SWF\] and \[UnloadSWF\] debugger messages](#)

For general guidelines, see [Running](#) and [Debugging](#) .

## Run/debug configuration types

The following [run/debug configuration](#) types are available for Flash modules:

-  Flash App configurations let you compile and then run or debug your Flash (ActionScript and Flex) applications. You can create the necessary configurations prior to running or debugging. You can also start running or debugging an application right in the editor, when working with your source code (see [Running or debugging an application from within the editor](#) ).
-  FlexUnit configurations let you compile and then run or debug your [FlexUnit](#) tests. See [Testing ActionScript and Flex Applications](#) .
-  Flash Remote Debug configurations let you debug applications that have already been compiled and, if necessary, packaged, and are ready to be run on a local or remote computer, or a mobile device. See [Using Flash Remote Debug configurations](#) .

To be able to debug your applications:

- The applications must be debug-ready, that is, contain the necessary debug information.
- For Web-targeted applications, you must install the debugger version of Flash player or the debugger version of the Flash player plugin for your Web browser. Normally, this software is included in Flex SDKs. You can also download the corresponding software separately from the [Adobe Flash Player Downloads page](#) .




## Running or debugging an application from within the editor

When working with the class source code in the editor, if appropriate, you can run or start debugging your application with the current class as the [main application class](#) . To do that, right-click somewhere in the editor area to open the context menu and select:

-  Run "<class\_name>" ([\(Ctrl+Shift+F10\)](#) ) to run the application.
-  Debug "<class\_name>" to start debugging the application.

If a [Flash App run/debug configuration](#) appropriate for the task already exists, this configuration is selected and used. Otherwise, a new run/debug configuration is created and saved as a [temporary run/debug configuration](#) . For details, see [How IntelliJ IDEA selects or creates a class-specific run/debug configuration](#) .

In addition to Run and Debug , the following related commands may be available depending on the situation:

-  Create "<class\_name>". If an appropriate run/debug configuration is not found, you can use this command to create a new run/debug configuration and make it current. (The Create Run/Debug Configuration dialog will open.)
-  Save "<class\_name>". If the corresponding run/debug configuration is available as a temporary configuration, you can use this command to save the configuration and thus make it [permanent](#) .
-  Select "<class\_name>". Use this command if you want to make the corresponding temporary or permanent run/debug configuration current.

All the functions described above may alternatively be accessed as the context menu commands in the Project or Favorites tool window.

## How IntelliJ IDEA selects or creates a class-specific run/debug configuration

As already mentioned, when you [run or debug your application from within the editor](#) , IntelliJ IDEA first tries to find an existing run/debug configuration with the class you are currently working with as the main class.

If no such configuration is found, a new run/debug configuration is created.

If more than one configuration with the suitable main class is found, IntelliJ IDEA prioritizes the configurations according to the following conditions and select the one with the highest priority:

1. The run/debug configuration is based on the active build configuration, the build configuration output type is Application, the main class is not overridden in the run/debug configuration.
2. The run/debug configuration is based on a build configuration with the output type Application, the main class is not overridden in the run/debug configuration.
3. The run/debug configuration is based on the active build configuration, the main class is overridden in the run/debug configuration.
4. Any run/debug configuration with the suitable (overridden) main class.

When creating a new run/debug configuration, IntelliJ IDEA tries to find a build configuration with a suitable main class. If found, the new run/debug configuration will be based on such a build configuration. Otherwise, the active build configuration

will be used, and the main class will be overridden in the new run/debug configuration.

## Using Flash Remote Debug configurations

1. Select and start the necessary Flash Remote Debug configuration (🔍 or `Shift+F9`).


As a result, the **Debug tool window** opens; the debugger is waiting for the application to connect.

2. Now, to connect to the debugger, do one of the following:

- Start the Flash or AIR application on your local computer; the application will connect to the debugger automatically.
- If the application is already running in a Web browser or a Flash player on the local or remote computer, right-click the corresponding page in the browser or the application in the player, and select Debugger from the context menu.
- Start the application on the mobile device. If the device is capable of communicating with your computer, the application will connect to the debugger automatically.

## Hiding or showing [SWF] and [UnloadSWF] debugger messages

Your Flash Player Debugger output may contain many `[SWF]` and `[UnloadSWF]` messages (the Console tab of the Debug tool window). There are situations when you don't want to see them.

You can hide or show the `[SWF]` and `[UnloadSWF]` messages by using  on the toolbar.

Note that changing the state of this toggle doesn't change the current console content. That is, if you turn the filter on, the messages already present in the output won't be hidden. Only new messages won't be shown.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

When ready, you can package your AIR (Desktop and Mobile) applications for all the appropriate [build configurations](#) existing in the project.

## To package AIR applications

1. Choose Build | Package AIR Application
2. In the [Package AIR Application dialog](#) that opens, select the necessary build configurations, specify packaging options and click Package .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can import [Adobe Flash Builder](#) projects and then continue working with them in IntelliJ IDEA.

Each individual Flash Builder project imported into IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a Flash [module](#) .

By importing Flash Builder projects, you can create a new IntelliJ IDEA [project](#) . You can as well import Flash Builder projects into an existing IntelliJ IDEA project.

For creating a new project, two options are available. You can use the Import Project or the Open command. Importing is more precise but longer, opening is quicker but less precise.


- [Supported Flash Builder formats](#)
- [Creating an IntelliJ IDEA project by using the Import Project command](#)
- [Creating an IntelliJ IDEA project by using the Open command](#)
- [Importing Flash Builder projects into an existing project](#)

## Supported Flash Builder formats

When importing Flash Builder projects into IntelliJ IDEA, you can specify the following as a source of import:

- A Flash Builder workspace or project directory
- A `.project` file
- A `.fxp` or `.fxp1` file
- A `.zip` file that contains an ActionScript project or projects.

### Creating an IntelliJ IDEA project by using the Import Project command

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Import Project on the [Welcome screen](#) . Otherwise, select File | New | Project from Existing Sources .
2. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the directory or file which you want to use as a [source of import](#) . Click OK . As a result, the [Import Project wizard](#) opens.
3. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , select Import project from external model , then select Flash Builder and click Next . (This page is not shown if IntelliJ IDEA has guessed that you are importing a Flash Builder project.)
4. On the [next page](#) of the wizard:
  1. Specify the location of the [file or directory to be imported](#) . Use  to select the necessary file or folder in the [corresponding dialog](#) .
  2. If necessary, change the name and location of the IntelliJ IDEA project that is going to be created.
  3. Optionally, select the Create subfolder option (if present).
  4. If necessary, change the suggested [project format](#) .
  5. Click Next or Finish .
5. If you are importing a workspace, select the projects that you want to import on the [next page](#) of the wizard and click Finish .
6. If undefined [path variables](#) are found in the project or projects that you are importing, the [Configure Path Variables dialog](#) is shown. Specify the values of the undefined variables or include them in the list of ignored variables.
7. In the Flash Builder Project Import dialog, specify the Flex SDK to be associated with the imported project or projects in IntelliJ IDEA.

### Creating an IntelliJ IDEA project by using the Open command

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Open on the [Welcome screen](#) . Otherwise, select File | Open .
2. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select a file or directory that you want to use as a [source of import](#) , and click OK .
3. If suggested, specify the location of the IntelliJ IDEA project that is going to be created (shown under Extract project to in the corresponding dialog).
4. If undefined [path variables](#) are found in the project or projects that you are importing, the [Configure Path Variables dialog](#) is shown. Specify the values of the undefined variables or include them in the list of ignored variables.
5. In the Flash Builder Project Import dialog, specify the Flex SDK to be associated with the imported project or projects in IntelliJ IDEA.

### Importing Flash Builder projects into an existing project

1. Open the project into which you want to import Flash Builder projects, and select File | New | Module from Existing Sources .



2. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the directory or file which you want to use as a [source of import](#) . Click OK .  
As a result, the [Import Module wizard](#) opens.
3. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , select Import module from external model , then select Flash Builder and click Next . (This page is not shown if IntelliJ IDEA has guessed that you are importing a Flash Builder project.)
4. On the [next page](#) of the wizard:
  1. Specify the location of the [file or directory to be imported](#) . Use [...](#) to select the necessary file or folder in the [corresponding dialog](#) .
  2. If necessary, change the location of the module that is going to be created. (Shown under Extract project to ; the corresponding option may be missing.)
  3. Click Next or Finish .
5. If you are importing a workspace, select the projects that you want to import on the [next page](#) of the wizard and click Finish .
6. If undefined [path variables](#) are found in the project or projects that you are importing, the [Configure Path Variables dialog](#) is shown. Specify the values of the undefined variables or include them in the list of ignored variables.
7. In the Flash Builder Project Import dialog, specify the Flex SDK to be associated with the imported project or projects in IntelliJ IDEA.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the versions 0.9 and 4 of [FlexUnit](#), a unit testing framework for Flex and ActionScript applications and libraries.

For running FlexUnit tests, there is a dedicated run/debug configuration type ( FlexUnit).

The FlexUnit-specific tasks are briefly outlined below. For general instructions, see [Testing](#).

– [Preparing for writing FlexUnit tests](#)

– [Running or debugging FlexUnit tests](#)

## Preparing for writing FlexUnit tests

To prepare for writing FlexUnit tests, you should add the core FlexUnit library to dependencies of the corresponding [build configuration](#), and make this build configuration [active](#).

1. Download and decompress the archive containing FlexUnit libraries. (The corresponding archives ( `.zip` ) are available, for example, on the [FlexUnit Downloads page](#). The archive name, normally, starts with `flexunit.`)

The only file that you'll need is the core FlexUnit library ( `.swc` ). Depending on the FlexUnit version, this file may be called `FlexUnit.swc`, `flexunit-4.0.0.swc`, `flexunit-4.1.0-8-as3_4.1.0.16076.swc`, `flexunit-core-flex-4.1.0-beta1.64-sdk4.0.0.14159.swc` or something similar.

2. Though this isn't really necessary, it might be useful to define the core FlexUnit library as a global or project [library](#). This will let you use this library in many projects or modules.
3. Add the core FlexUnit library to dependencies of one or more of the build configurations. See [To manage build configurations and their settings, follow these steps](#) and [Build Configuration Page for a Flash Module](#).
4. Make one of these build configurations active. This will ensure that the code in your tests is highlighted properly. See [To select an active build configuration, follow these steps](#).

Now you are ready to start developing your test sources.

## Running or debugging FlexUnit tests

To run or debug your FlexUnit tests, you can create the necessary FlexUnit run/debug configurations and then use those. Note that the corresponding run/debug configurations should be based on the build configurations that have the core FlexUnit library among their dependencies. See [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) and [Run/Debug Configuration: FlexUnit](#).

The other alternative is to run or debug you test package, class or method from within the editor, or the Project or Favorites tool window. (The Run and Debug commands, if appropriate, are available in the context menus.) In such cases you don't even need to create the run/debug configuration prior to running the tests.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this section:

- [Change Method Signature in ActionScript](#)
- [Extract Parameter in ActionScript](#)

For the complete list of the refactorings available for ActionScript, see [ActionScript and Flex](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In ActionScript, you can use the [Change Method Signature](#) refactoring to:

- Change the method name and return type.
- Add new parameters and remove the existing ones. Note that you can also add a parameter using a dedicated [Extract Parameter](#) refactoring.
- Reorder parameters.
- Change parameter names and types.
- Propagate new parameters through the method call hierarchy.

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- [Changing a method signature](#)

## Example

Before/After

```
// The function paint() is declared in
// the IShape interface.

public interface IShape {
    function paint(g: Graphics): void;
}

// This function is then called within the
// paint() function of the Canvas class.

public class Canvas {
    private var shapes: Vector.<IShape>;

    public function paint(g: Graphics): void {
        for each (var shape: IShape in shapes) {
            shape.paint(g);
        }
    }
}

// Now we are going to show an example of the
// Change Signature refactoring for the function
// paint() of the IShape interface.
```

```
// In this refactoring example we have changed the name of the existing parameter
// and introduced two new parameters. Note that the first of the new parameters is
// a required parameter while the second is optional because the default value
// for it is specified in the function definition.

public interface IShape {
    function paint(graphics:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean, offset:Point = null):void;
}

// When performing this refactoring, the new parameters were propagated to
// the paint() function of the Canvas class. As a result, the signature of
// Canvas.paint() has changed. Also note how IShape.paint() within
// Canvas.paint() is called now.

public class Canvas {
    private var shapes: Vector.<IShape>;

    public function paint(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean): void {
        for each (var shape: IShape in shapes) {
            shape.paint(g, wireframe);
        }
    }
}

// Other results for this refactoring are possible.
// For more information, see the discussion that follows.
```

## Initializer, default value, and propagation of new parameters

For each new parameter added to a function, you can specify:

- A value (or an expression) to be used for initializing the parameter (the **Initializer** field in IntelliJ IDEA).
- A default value (or an expression) (the **Default value** field).

You can also propagate the parameters you have introduced to the functions that call the function whose signature you are changing.

The refactoring result depends on whether or not you specify those values and use the propagation.

**Propagation.** New parameters can be propagated to any function that call the function whose signature you are changing. In such a case, generally, the signatures of the calling functions change accordingly. These changes, however, also depend on the combination of the initializer and the default value set for the new parameters.

**Initializer.** The value specified in the **Initializer** field is added to the function definition as the default parameter value. This makes the corresponding parameter an optional parameter. (See the discussion of required and optional parameters in [Flex/ActionScript documentation](#).)

If the default value for the new parameter is not specified (in the **Default value** field), irrespective of whether or not the propagation is used, the function calls and the signatures of the calling functions don't change.

If both, the initializer and the default value are specified, the refactoring result depends on whether or not the propagation is used:

- If the propagation is not used, the initializer value don't affect the function calls and the signatures of the calling functions.
- If the propagation is used, the initializer value is added to the definition of the calling function as the default value for the corresponding parameter (in the same way as in the function whose signature you are changing).

Default value. Generally, this is the value to be added to the function calls.

If the new parameter is not propagated to a calling function, the function calls within such a function will also use this value.

If the propagation is used, this value won't matter for the function calls within the calling functions.

## More refactoring examples

To see how different refactoring settings discussed above affect the refactoring result, let us consider the following examples.

All the examples are a simplified version of the refactoring [shown earlier](#). In all cases, a new parameter `wireframe` of the type `Boolean` is added to the function `paint()` defined in the `IShape` interface.

In different examples, different combinations of the initializer and the default value are used, and the new parameter is either propagated to `Canvas.paint()` (which calls `IShape.paint()`) or not.

InitializerDefault value	Propagation used	Result
<code>false</code>	Yes	<pre>public interface IShape {     int(g:Graphics, wireframe:Boolean):void;      paint() in the Canvas class:      tion paint(g:Graphics,         wireframe:Boolean): void {     h (var shape: IShape in shapes) {         pe.paint(g, wireframe);     } }</pre>
<code>false</code>	No	<pre>public interface IShape {     int(g:Graphics,         wireframe:Boolean):void;      paint() in the Canvas class:      tion paint(g:Graphics): void {     h (var shape: IShape in shapes) {         pe.paint(g, false);     } }</pre>
<code>true</code>	Yes	<pre>public interface IShape {     int(g:Graphics,         wireframe:Boolean = true):void;      paint() in the Canvas class:      tion paint(g:Graphics): void {     h (var shape: IShape in shapes) {         pe.paint(g);     } }</pre>
<code>true</code>	No	<pre>public interface IShape {     int(g:Graphics,         wireframe:Boolean = true):void;      paint() in the Canvas class:      tion paint(g:Graphics): void {     h (var shape: IShape in shapes) {         pe.paint(g);     } }</pre>
<code>true</code>	<code>false</code> Yes	<pre>public interface IShape {     int(g:Graphics,         wireframe:Boolean = true):void;      paint() in the Canvas class:      tion paint(g:Graphics,         wireframe:Boolean = true): void {     h (var shape: IShape in shapes) {         pe.paint(g, wireframe);     } }</pre>
<code>true</code>	<code>false</code> No	

```

public interface IShape {
    int(g:Graphics,
        wireframe:Boolean = true):void;

    paint() in the Canvas class:

    tion paint(g:Graphics): void {
    h (var shape: IShape in shapes) {
    pe.paint(g, false);

```

## Changing a method signature

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the name of the method whose signature you want to change.

2. Do one of the following:

- Press `Ctrl+F6`.
- Choose Refactor | Change Signature in the main menu.
- Select Refactor | Change Signature from the context menu.

3. In the [Change Signature dialog](#), make the necessary changes to the method signature and specify which other, related changes are required.

You can:

- Change the method return type by editing the contents of the Return type field.

**Note** Code completion is available in this field and also in certain fields of the table that contains the function parameters.

- Change the method name. To do that, edit the text in the Name field.
- Manage the method parameters using the table of parameters and the buttons to the right of it:
  - To add a new parameter, click `+` (`Alt+Insert`) and specify the properties of the new parameter in the corresponding fields.  
When adding parameters, you may want to [propagate these parameters](#) to the methods that call the current method.
  - To remove a parameter, click any of the cells in the corresponding row and click `-` (`Alt+Delete`).
  - To reorder the parameters, use `↑` (`Alt+Up`) and `↓` (`Alt+Down`). For example, if you wanted to make a certain parameter the first in the list, you would click any of the cells in the row corresponding to that parameter, and then click `↑` the required number of times.
  - To change the name or type for a parameter, make the necessary edits in the corresponding table cells.
- Propagate new method parameters (if any) along the hierarchy of the methods that call the current method. (There may be the methods that call the method whose signature you are changing. These methods, in their turn, may be called by other methods, and so on. You can propagate the changes you are making to the parameters of the current method through the hierarchy of the calling methods and also specify which calling methods should be affected and which shouldn't.)

To propagate the new parameters:

1. Click `+` (`Alt+G`).
2. In the left-hand pane of the Select Methods to Propagate New Parameters dialog, expand the necessary nodes and select the checkboxes next to the methods you want the new parameters to be propagated to.  
To help you select the necessary methods, the code for the calling method and the method being called is shown in the right-hand part of the dialog (in the Caller Method and Callee Method panes respectively).

As you switch between the methods in the left-hand pane, the code in the right-hand part changes accordingly.

3. Click OK.

4. To perform the refactoring right away, click Refactor.

To [see the expected changes](#) and make the necessary adjustments prior to actually performing the refactoring, click Preview.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This section discusses the [Extract Parameter](#) refactoring in ActionScript.

- [Example](#)
- [Extracting parameter in ActionScript](#)

## Example

BeforeAfter

```
// Two ways of extracting a parameter for the function
// formatPrice() will be shown.

public function foo():void {
    formatPrice(0);
}

// The new parameter will be optional in the first
// of the examples and required in the second example.

public function formatPrice(value:int):String {
    trace("currency: " + "$");
    return "$" + value;
}

// The function formatPrice() may be called as before because
// the new parameter is introduced as an optional parameter.

public function foo():void {
    formatPrice(0);
}

// The default value for the new parameter is specified
// in the function definition.

public function formatPrice(value:int, s:String = "$"):String {
    trace("currency: " + s);
    return s + value;
}

// The new parameter in this example is a required parameter.
// So two values must be passed to formatPrice() now.

public function foo():void {
    formatPrice(0, "$");
}

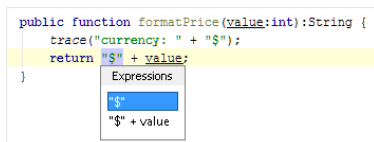
// The new parameter is a required parameter because the default
// value for it is not specified in the function definition.

public function formatPrice(value:int, s:String):String {
    trace("currency: " + s);
    return s + value;
}
```

## Extracting parameter in ActionScript

### To extract a parameter in ActionScript

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the expression to be replaced by a parameter.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press **Ctrl+Alt+P**.
  - Choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter on the main menu.
  - Choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter from the context menu.
3. If more than one expression is detected for the current cursor position, the Expressions list appears. If this is the case, select the required expression. To do that, click the expression. Alternatively, use the **Up** and **Down** arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press **Enter** to select it.



4. In the [Extract Parameter dialog](#) :
    1. Usually, IntelliJ IDEA sets a proper parameter type itself. If necessary, you can select another appropriate type from the Type list.
    2. Specify the parameter name in the Name field.
    3. The Value field, initially, contains the expression that you have selected. Normally, you don't need to change this.
      - If the new parameter is going to be an optional parameter, the specified value will be used as the default parameter value in the function definition.
      - If the new parameter is introduced as a required parameter, the specified value will be added to the function calls.
- For information about required and optional parameters, see the discussion of function parameters in [Flex/ActionScript documentation](#).
4. If you want the new parameter to be an optional parameter, select the Optional parameter checkbox.
  5. If more than one occurrence of the expression is found within the function body, you can choose to replace only the selected occurrence or all the found occurrences with the references to the new parameter. Use the Replace all occurrences check box to specify your intention.

6. Click OK.

```
public function formatPrice(value:int, g:String = "$"):String {  
    trace("currency: " + g);  
    return g + value;  
}
```



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To support Android development, IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated Android Support plugin. This plugin is bundled with the IDE and is enabled by default.

Android support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- [Gradle-based build system](#) for Android applications.
- [Smart XML editor](#) that facilitates working with layout, manifest, resources and other XML files.
- A [graphical editor](#) for layout files: build the design of your application without having to edit the XML files manually.
- [Enhanced navigation](#) between related files: navigate between layout files and the associated activities, or a service and the manifest file, etc. via gutter icons.
- [Automatic generation of basic layout files](#) .
- [Android-specific code inspections](#) , including integrated [Android Lint](#) inspections.
- Possibility to [preview your application UI](#) on different devices at the same time.
- [Access to SQLite Databases](#) right from the IDE.
- Built-in [9-patch editor](#) .
- [Detection of mismatched resource types](#) in Android APIs and your own libraries and APIs with the help of [resource type annotations](#) .
- [Possibility to automatically rearrange XML attributes](#) according to predefined rules.
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## Before you start

- Download and extract the [Android SDK](#) . We strongly recommend that the path to the Android SDK home directory does not contain spaces.

**Note** The Android SDK is not a substitute for a Java SDK (JDK). You need to download and [configure a Java SDK for your project](#) anyway.

- Add SDK packages. For detailed instructions and download links, refer to [Adding SDK Packages](#) .
- Configure the Android SDK in IntelliJ IDEA, see [Configuring projects](#) .
- Make sure that the bundled Android Support plugin is activated. This plugin provides Android support at the IntelliJ IDEA level and is enabled by default. If not, enable it as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
- Depending on your task, [choose the module type](#) you need for your Android development.
- [Create a project with an Android module](#) from scratch, [add an Android module](#) to a project, or [attach an Android facet](#) to an existing Java module.

Depending on the chosen module type, IntelliJ IDEA automatically sets up the correct module structure with the `res` and `gen` folders, downloads the necessary libraries, and generates various Android-specific descriptors.

**Note** Starting with the IntelliJ IDEA version 2016.1, non-Gradle Android projects are not supported.

## Choosing the module type you need

IntelliJ IDEA lets you choose Application modules (form factors) when you create your project, add different Android modules to an existing project, or add Android facets to your modules.

## Creating an Android project

1. In the menu, choose File | New | Project to open the [New Project Wizard](#) . In the left-hand pane select Android .
2. In the right-hand pane configure your [new project](#) and click Next .
3. On the next page of the wizard, select the [application module type](#) and its minimum SDK. Click Next .
4. On the next page of the wizard, select the [Android activity](#) and click Next .
5. On the next page of the wizard, specify the [Activity settings](#) and click Finish .

## Adding an Android module to a project

1. Choose File | New | Module from the main menu or New | Module from the context menu of the Project tool window. The [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Android . In the right-hand pane, select a module you want to add and click Next .
3. On the next page of the wizard, specify the application or library name, module name, package name and a minimum SDK that is required for this type of application. Click Next .
4. On the next page of the wizard, select an activity for your module and click Next .
5. On the next page of the wizard, specify the settings to [customize the selected activity](#) and click Finish .

## Attaching an Android facet to an existing Java module

You need to perform this procedure if you want to attach an Android facet to an existing Java module. Android modules have this facet applied by default.

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Under Project Settings , select Modules .
3. Select the module you want to add an Android facet to, click `+` , and choose Android .
4. On the [Facet 'Android'](#) page that opens, specify the location of the key application components in the Structure tab: the [AndroidManifest.xml](#) file, the [application resources](#) , the [application assets](#) , and the [Android native libraries](#) . If necessary, you can edit the default paths. To return to the default Android facet settings, click Reset paths to defaults .
5. To make the [module source code and resources available from other projects](#) , select the Library module checkbox on top of this page.

## Configuring the code style of Android-specific XML definition files

Android development involves working with dedicated XML files, such as layout and resource definition files, manifest files, etc. You can have IntelliJ IDEA apply the standard XML code style to such files, or configure custom code style settings for them.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click XML under Code Style .
2. On the [Code Style:XML](#) page that opens, switch to the Android tab.
3. Do one of the following:

- To define a custom code style for Android-specific XML files, select the Use custom formatting settings for Android XML files checkbox and configure the settings to be applied to various types of Android XML files using the controls of the tab as described in [Code Style:XML - Android](#).
- To have IntelliJ IDEA format Android-specific XML files according to the standard XML code style settings defined in the other tabs of the page, clear the Use custom formatting settings for Android XML files checkbox.

An Android application may contain the following components:

- [AIDL](#) : an Android Interface Definition Language (AIDL) interface used for interprocess communication.
- [Activity](#) : implements a window where you place your UI to interact with the user.
- [Android Auto](#) : lets you extend your application for use in vehicles. You can add either Media Service or Messaging Service activity.
- [Folder](#) : creates a source root based on the activity you have selected for this component.
- [Fragment](#) : represents a behavior or a part of user interface in an activity.
- [Google](#) : lets you create an activity for Google maps and [AdMob Ads](#) activities.
- [Application](#) : an Android package, i.e. an `.apk` archive that contains the contents of an Android app and the installer.
- [Service](#) : represents an application's desire either to perform an operation without interacting with the user, or to supply functionality for other applications.
- [Other](#) : lets you add the following components to your application:
  - [Android Manifest File](#)
  - [Broadcast Receiver](#)
  - [Content Provider](#)
  - [Daydream](#)
- [UIComponent](#) : lets you add custom views to you application.
- [Wear](#) : lets you extend your application for use in Android wear.
- [Widget](#) : lets you add different types of widgets for your application.
- [XML](#) : lets you add different types `.xml` files for Android layouts and values.

All Android application components are created in the same way. When you create a new component, a class that implements this component is generated and the component is automatically declared in the [AndroidManifest.xml](#) file.

On this page:

- [Creating an Android component](#)
- [Navigating between an activity or a fragment and its related layout definition file](#)
- [Navigating from a component to its declaration in the AndroidManifest.xml file](#)


## Creating an Android component

1. In the Project view, right-click the destination package where the application classes are stored and from the context menu, select New | 'component name' and the specific service, file or an activity .
2. In the [dialog box that opens](#) , specify the necessary information and click Finish .

Note that when you create an activity, a service or a broadcast receiver, they are automatically registered in the `androidmanifest.xml` file.

## Navigating between an activity or a fragment and its related layout definition file

You can jump from the source code of an activity or a fragment to the layout definition file which represents its content view and vice versa, from the layout definition to the source code.

- To jump from a component to its related layout definition, open the source code of the component, and do one of the following:
  - Click the icon in the gutter area and choose the layout definition file in the Go To Related Symbol pop-up list.
  - On the main menu, choose Navigate | Related Symbol .
- To jump from a layout definition to the source code of the corresponding component, open the layout definition file in the text mode and do one of the following:
  - Click the  icon in the gutter area.
  - On the main menu, choose Navigate | Related Symbol .

## Navigating from a component to its declaration in the AndroidManifest.xml file

As soon as a component is created, it is immediately declared in the `AndroidManifest.xml` file. For components of the `activity` , `fragment` , `service` , and `broadcast receiver` type, you can jump to this declaration right from the component source code.

1. Open the source code of the component, and click the icon in the gutter area.
2. If the component also has a related layout definition file, choose `AndroidManifest.xml` in the Go To Related Symbol pop-up list.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a number of facilities for managing [resources](#) used in Android applications. In the project view, resource definition files are shown grouped into folders under the `res` directory.

The following coding assistance is provided:

- Basic [code completion](#)
- Code completion for various resource types, including alternate resources
- Syntax and error highlighting
- [Find](#) usages
- Navigation from resource usages to resource definition
- Quick fixes including resource creation upon reference failure
- Code completion for referencing Android SDK resources
- Extract style refactoring (see [Refactoring Android XML Layout Files](#) for details)
- Extract layout refactoring (see [Refactoring Android XML Layout Files](#) for details)
- Extract string resource intention (see [Refactoring Android XML Layout Files](#) for details)
- [Translation editor](#)
- For [drawable resources](#), a preview icon is displayed in the `.java` and `AndroidManifest.xml` files in the left editor gutter next to this resource reference in the code.

Besides the standard way to create [files](#) and [folders](#) , you can create resource definitions right from the `res` node without having to place them in the corresponding folder. IntelliJ IDEA detects the type and the qualifier of the new resource and appoints the folder where the resource definition file will be saved. You can create separate resource definition files and entire folders.

In this topic:

- [Creating a resource folder](#)
- [Creating a resource definition file in the relevant resource folder](#)

## Creating a resource folder

IntelliJ IDEA composes the name for the new resource folder from the resource type and the qualifiers you choose, and creates a folder with this name under the `res` folder. The name is built in compliance with the Android naming conventions.

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the `res` node where all Android resource definitions are stored. Select New | Android resource directory from the context menu. The [New Resource Directory](#) dialog box opens.
2. From the Resource Type drop-down list, select the [type](#) of resources to be stored in the new folder. The selected type is displayed in the Directory name field.
3. Do one of the following:
  - If your application does not need to be compatible with various Android devices and, therefore, no [multiple screens](#) support is required, just click OK .
  - To provide [alternative resources](#) , specify the [resource qualifiers](#) that define a specific device configuration.
    - From the Available Qualifiers list, select the required qualifier, and click the `»` button. The selected item is added to the Chosen qualifiers list. Depending on a particular qualifier, either specify its value manually, or choose the required value from the drop-down list next to Chosen qualifiers .
    - To remove a qualifier, select it in the Chosen qualifiers list and click the `«` button.

IntelliJ IDEA appends all selected qualifiers to the resource type with the dash character as a separator. The resulting name is shown in the Directory name field.

IntelliJ IDEA generates the new folder with the compound name under the `res` node.

## Creating a resource definition file in the relevant resource folder

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the `res` node where all Android resource definitions are stored. Select New | Android resource file from the context menu. The [New Resource File](#) dialog box opens.
2. Specify the name for the new resource definition file in the File name text box. Follow the [Android naming guidelines](#)
3. From the Resource Type drop-down list, select the resource [type](#) . You can scroll through the list of resource types right from the `File name` text box by using the Up and Down keyboard keys.
4. To enable coding assistance, in the Root element field, specify the `http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android` schema as the value of the `xmlns:android` .
5. Do one of the following:
  - If your application does not need to be compatible with various Android devices and, therefore, no [multiple screens](#) support is required, just click OK .
  - To provide [alternative resources](#) , specify the [resource qualifiers](#) that define a specific device configuration.
    - From the Available Qualifiers list, select the required qualifier, and click the `»` button. The selected item is added to the Chosen qualifiers list. Depending on a particular qualifier, either specify its value manually, or choose the required value from the drop-down list next to Chosen qualifiers .
    - To remove a qualifier, select it in the Chosen qualifiers list and click the `«` button.

IntelliJ IDEA appends all selected qualifiers to the resource type with the dash character as a separator. The resulting name is shown in the Directory name field.

6. Click OK , when ready. IntelliJ IDEA composes the name of the resource folder where the new file is going to be saved. The name is built from the specified resource type and the qualifier in compliance with the Android naming conventions. If such folder exists already, IntelliJ IDEA saves the new file in it. If no such folder is found, IntelliJ IDEA creates it under the `res` node and saves the new resource definition file there.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to easily create icons for your Android applications with the help of the [Asset Studio](#) wizard. The wizard creates multiple icons for different screen resolutions and lets you see a live preview in the process of creating. You can create icons using your own images, clipart images, or text, configure the background shape, the colors, the fonts, etc.

## To create an image asset

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the `res` where all Android resource definitions are stored. Select New | Image Asset from the context menu. The [Asset Studio](#) wizard opens.
2. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , select the asset type (launcher icons, action bar and tab icons, or notification icons) and the source for your icon: image, clipart or text.
3. Adjust your icon's shape, colors, aspect ratio, etc. depending on the selected asset type and source (for a detailed explanation of the available options, refer to [Asset Studio. Page 1](#) .
4. On the [second page of the wizard](#) , preview output formats of your image asset and click Finish to complete the wizard.



A **layout** defines the user interface of an **activity** or an **app widget** (fragment). Layouts are declared in XML **resource definition files** . See [Creating Resources](#) for instructions on how to create resource folders and resource definition files.

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## Layout Editing Modes

IntelliJ IDEA suggests two main ways to design the user interface of your Android application:

- Edit the layout definition files manually, possibly using the Android-specific refactoring provided by IntelliJ IDEA, and [preview the changes](#) that are immediately reflected in the dedicated **Preview** tool window, where you can adjust the layout to various platforms and devices.
- [Compose the layout](#) in the dedicated **Designer** tool window: drag and drop layout elements from the Palette pane and specify their properties in the Properties pane. In this mode, all changes are also reflected immediately in the preview that is displayed right in the editor.


At the IntelliJ IDEA level, this functionality is provided through the bundled Android Support plugin, which is enabled by default. If not, enable it in the [Plugins settings](#) page of the **Settings/Preferences** dialog box.

## Toggling between the Design and the Text Modes

You can toggle between these modes by switching between the Design and Text tabs in the editor where the layout definition file is opened.




Note that the set of available panes and tool windows depends on the current layout editing mode: the Designer tool window with its panes is available in the **Design** mode, while the Preview tool window is available in the **Text** mode.

In the **Design** mode, you can switch to the manual mode by choosing Go to Declaration on the context menu of the Design pane, or by clicking the  icon in the [Preview window Toolbar](#) .


## Navigating between an activity or a fragment and its related layout definition file

You can jump from the source code of an activity or a fragment to the layout definition file which represents its content view and vice versa, from the layout definition to the source code.

- To jump from a component to its related layout definition, open the source code of the component, and do one of the following:
  - Click the icon in the gutter area and choose the layout definition file in the Go To Related Symbol pop-up list.
  - On the main menu, choose **Navigate | Related Symbol** .
- To jump from a layout definition to the source code of the corresponding component, open the layout definition file in the text mode and do one of the following:
  - Click the  icon in the gutter area.
  - On the main menu, choose **Navigate | Related Symbol** .


A **layout** defines the user interface of an [activity](#) or an [app widget](#) (fragment). Layouts are declared in XML **resource definition files** . See [Creating Resources](#) for instructions on how to create resource folders and resource definition files.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can build the design of your application without editing the layout definition files manually, and check how the application design is rendered in various target environments without running the application on any physical or virtual devices.

**Note** Alternatively, edit the layout definition files manually, possibly using the Android-specific refactoring provided by IntelliJ IDEA and [preview the changes](#) that are immediately reflected in the dedicated [Preview](#) tool window, where you can adjust the layout to various platforms and devices. To switch to the manual mode, click the Text tab or choose Go To Declaration from the [context menu](#) in the Design pane, or click the  icon in the [Preview window Toolbar](#) .

Designing your layout in the visual mode is performed in the [Design](#) pane of the [Android UI Designer](#) tool window. The pane is located in the central part of the UI Designer (assuming the default tool window layout). When you open a layout definition file for editing, the pane appears in the editor tab by default. If you are editing the layout definition file manually and then switch to the visual mode by clicking the Design tab, the pane opens in the tab where the edited layout definition file is opened,

The pane shows a rectangular canvas that is synchronized with the current layout definition file and with the Component Tree view, so any changes to the canvas are reflected there accordingly. If IntelliJ IDEA detects any discrepancy in the code, a warning is displayed.

Note that intention actions and quick fixes are available in the design mode in the same way as when you edit the layout definition files manually. The intention action icon  or the quick-fix icon  is displayed on the canvas, in the Component Tree or in the Properties pane.

To build the design of an Android application, perform the following basic operations:

- [Add predefined components from the Palette](#)
- [Add user-defined components and components from Android SDK](#)
- [Arrange the components](#)
- [Specify component properties](#)
- [Convert components into other types preserving the common properties](#)
  
- [Preview the layout](#)

## To add a predefined component to the canvas

Do one of the following:

- Select the required element in the Palette pane and drag and drop it to the canvas in the Design pane.
- Click the required element in the Palette pane and then click an area on the canvas.
- Click the required element in the Palette pane and then click the Component Tree where you want this element to be positioned.

Every component added in either way is also added to the Component Tree and is declared in the layout definition file.

## To add a component defined either in your project or in the Android SDK

1. Expand the Custom area in the Palette pane.
2. Do one of the following:
  - To embed a layout, click the Include icon. In the Resources dialog box that opens, click the Project tab to search among your layout definitions or click the System tab to search in the SDK.
  - To add a combination of components, click Fragment and choose the fragment to embed in the Resources dialog box that opens.
  - To add a [user-defined view](#) , click CustomView and choose the view to insert in the dialog box that opens.

## To place a component in the right position





The canvas is synchronized with the Component Tree , so you can arrange components by moving them in either of these in either pane.

Select the required component on the canvas or in the Component Tree and drag it to the right position or copy and paste it using the [context menu](#) .

## To specify component properties

You can set the values for the mandatory component properties right in the canvas, or switch to the Properties pane for a more in-depth configuration.

- To assign the values for the essential properties in the canvas, double-click the component in question and specify the values in the pop-up dialog box that appears.

- For an in-depth configuration of the component properties, select the component in the canvas or in the Component Tree , switch to the Properties pane, and specify the values for the properties of your choice. Click the right column in the Properties pane to start editing a property. You can click the Browse button  the appears on the right to select or project or a system resource.
- By default, the pane shows only a standard set of properties, and the most frequently used ones are displayed in bold . To have the pane display all properties that are defined for the selected component according to the specification, click the Show expert properties button  on the toolbar.
- To view a brief documentation for the selected property from [Android reference](#) , click the Show documentation button  on the toolbar or press `Ctrl+Q` .
- Properties with updated values are highlighted in blue. To discard the changes you have made and return to the default value, select the property and click the Restore default value button  on the toolbar.

## To convert a component into another type

In some cases, you may need to transform an already fully configured component into a component of another type. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can do it without losing the specified properties: all properties that are common for both types will be preserved in the new component. This operation is referred to as **morphing** .

1. Select the component that you want to convert in the canvas or in the in the Component Tree and choose Morphing on the context menu of the selection.
2. IntelliJ IDEA displays the list of compatible component types, i.e. the types into which the selected component can be converted. Choose the target type and [configure the properties](#) that were not configured in the original component.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can preview the output of the currently opened layout definition file without launching a physical or a virtual device. The preview changes dynamically as you update the layout definition file. Using the layout preview, you can adjust your application to different Android platforms, devices, orientations, dock modes, locales, etc.

Depending on the [mode](#) in which you are designing the application layout, you can preview the output in different ways:

- In the dedicated [Preview](#) tool window, when editing the layout definition file manually. The tool window appears when you open a layout definition file and switch to the Text tab.
- Right in the [editor](#), when [editing the layout using Android UI designer](#).

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## To access layout preview





1. Open the required layout definition file in the editor.
2. Choose the editing mode:
  - To edit the layout manually, switch to the Text tab. The [Preview](#) tool window opens.
  - To edit the layout in the [Designer](#) tool window, switch to the Design tab. In this tab you can edit the layout in the visual mode without editing the text definition file.








## To preview a layout in different environments

Use the controls of the Preview tool window or the Design tab to emulate the target configuration to run the application in. The table below lists all available options:

### ItemTooltipDescription

Item	Tooltip	Description
	Configuration to render this layout in the IDE	<p>From this drop-down list, select a layout configuration that you want to preview and edit, create a new layout configuration, or select different preview options. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Create Landscape Variation : select this option to create a landscape version of your layout. The corresponding layout definition file will be generated in the <code>res\layout-land</code> folder. Once this variation is created, this menu option will be replaced with the Switch to layout-land option that opens the <code>layout-land\&lt;layout_file_name&gt;.xml</code> file for editing.</li> <li>- Create layout-xlarge Variation : select this option to create a variation of your layout for an extra large screen size (at least 960x720 dp). The corresponding layout definition file will be generated in the <code>res\layout-xlarge</code> folder. Once this variation is created, this menu option will be replaced with the Switch to layout-xlarge option that opens the <code>layout-xlarge\&lt;layout_file_name&gt;.xml</code> file for editing.</li> <li>- Switch to layout : this option is only available if you have created multiple layout versions. Select it to return to the original layout definition file.</li> <li>- Create Other : select this option to create another variation of your layout. In the Select Layout Directory dialog that opens, specify the folder where the layout definition will be stored and select <a href="#">resource qualifiers</a> that determine a specific device configuration. Select the relevant qualifier and click . Then specify the value of the qualifier in the dialog box that opens. The qualifier is added to the Chosen qualifiers list.</li> <li>- Preview Representative Sample select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout on the most important screen sizes.</li> <li>- Preview All Screen Sizes : select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout on all available screen sizes.</li> <li>- Preview All Locales : select this option to preview the layout in all locales where your application is going to be used.</li> <li>- Preview Right-to-Left Layout : select this option to preview the layout in both directions (left-to-right and right-to-left) side by side.</li> <li>- Preview Android Versions : select this option to preview the layout on all installed Android API versions.</li> <li>- Preview Included : select this option to preview your layout nested in another layout. This option is only available if the current layout is included into another layout.</li> <li>- Preview Layout Versions : select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout in all available variations.</li> <li>- None : select this option to return to the default view.</li> <li>- Toggle Layout Mode : select this option to switch between different preview options.</li> </ul>
 Nexus 4+	The virtual device to render the layout with	<p>From this drop-down list, select a virtual or a physical device to preview what your application will look like on this device. To add a new virtual device, select Add Device Definition and configure an emulator in the <a href="#">Android Virtual Device (AVD) Manager</a> that opens (for instructions refer to <a href="#">Managing Virtual Devices</a>).</p>
	Go to next state	<p>From this drop-down list, select the preview orientation ( <a href="#">portrait</a> or <a href="#">landscape</a> ), the UI mode ( <a href="#">Normal</a>, <a href="#">Car Dock</a>, <a href="#">Desk Dock</a>, <a href="#">Television</a>, <a href="#">Appliance</a> ) and switch between the <a href="#">Night</a> (dimmed screen) and <a href="#">Not Night</a> (standard brightness) modes.</p>

	Theme	For details on UI modes refer to <a href="#">UI Mode Manager</a> . Click this button to select a theme from the Select Theme dialog.
	N/A	Click this button to associate the layout with an activity. Select Associate with <activity_name> to associate it with the current activity, or Associate with Other Activity to display a list of available activities to select from.
	Locale to render layout with in the IDE	From this drop-down list, select an existing locale or add a locale for your application. A locale is a combination of the target country and language to have the dates and some other data presented in accordance with the local rules and preferences. You can also preview the layout in all available locales and in both directions (left-to-right and right-to-left).
	Android version to use when rendering layouts in the IDE	From this drop-down list, select an API version or use the Automatically Pick Best option to render the layout using the most suitable Android version. You can also preview the layout on all installed Android API versions.









**Note** Normally, the preview changes on-the-fly as you update the definition file. If it does not, click the Refresh button  to have IntelliJ IDEA update the preview.

## To adjust the preview appearance

When you preview the layout output in the Preview tool window and design the layout manually in the editor, you may need to move the bounds of the tool window so more space is available in the editor. In this case it may be helpful to compress the preview so it fits the tool window size but still reflects the layout output in the emulated environment.

Use the controls in the toolbar to adjust the appearance of the layout preview:

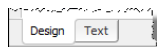
### ItemTooltipDescription

	Zoom to Fit	Toggle this button to have IntelliJ IDEA compress or expand the preview so it fits the <a href="#">target screen size</a> .
	Reset Zoom to 100%	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA reset the zoom to preview the actual size.
	Zoom In	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA expand the preview.
	Zoom Out	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA compress the preview.
	Jump to Source	Click this button to switch to the Text tab where you can edit the application layout in the source <code>.xml</code> file.
	Refresh	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA update the preview so that it reflects on-the-fly changes to the current layout definition.
	Save Screenshot	Click this button to take a screenshot of the application preview. <b>Note</b> This button is only available from the Text tab of the layout preview window.
	Options	Click this button to configure the appearance and behavior of the tool window. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hide for non-layout files: select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA temporarily close the tool window when the focus in the editor switches to a non-layout file. As soon as the same or another layout definition file is in focus, the tool window reappears automatically.</li> <li>– Include Device Frames (if available): select this option to make the preview look like it is going to appear on the actual device.</li> <li>– Show Lighting Effect: select this option to display lighting effects to make the preview look more natural.</li> </ul> <b>Note</b> This option is only available if the Include Device Frames option is selected.

In addition to [common refactoring](#) , IntelliJ IDEA provides a number of the Android-specific refactorings for the **Android layout definition XML files** . Most of these refactorings are available in both **design modes** :

- The manual mode, right in the editor tab where the target layout definition file is opened, and from the [Structure tool window](#) .
- In the [Android UI Designer](#) , from the [Design pane](#) or [Component Tree](#) .

You can toggle between these modes by switching between the Design and Text tabs in the editor where the layout definition file is opened.



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## Extract Style

[Android styles](#) help separate the application design from the application functionality, just like [Cascading Style Sheets \(CSS\)](#) .

With the **extract style** refactoring, you can create a style from a layout XML tag. IntelliJ IDEA creates a style declaration in the `/res/values/styles.xml` file and converts the tag attributes into style properties declared in the `item` elements. The benefit is that now you no longer need to parse an entire resource definition file updating the tag attributes to edit a layout. All you need to do is update the style definition, whereupon the changes are applied automatically wherever the style is referenced.

### To apply the extract style refactoring

1. Do one of the following:
  - In the **visual mode** , select the component where the source XML tag is used in the definition on the canvas in the Design pane, or in the Component Tree .
  - In the **manual mode** , position the cursor anywhere inside the source XML tag.
2. From the main menu, select Refactor | Refactor This or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T` . In the pop-up that appears, select Style from the Extract group. Alternatively, choose Refactor | Extract | Extract Style on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the Extract Android Style dialog box that opens, specify the name for the style to be created and select the tag attributes to be included as style properties.
4. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically update the layout definition by replacing tag attributes with references to the newly created style, select the Launch 'Use Style Where Possible' refactoring after the style is extracted checkbox.

## Inline Style

This refactoring is opposite to the **Extract Style** refactoring and results in adding all attributes defined in a style to one or all components where this style is applied. This refactoring is also used when you need to merge a [parent style with its inheritor](#) .

You can invoke the **Inline Style** refactoring from a style definition or from a component to which the style is applied. In the first case, IntelliJ IDEA removes the style definition and adds the corresponding attributes to all components where it is used.

When refactoring is invoked from a component, you can apply it either to all components with this style, or only to the current one.

### To apply the Inline Style refactoring

Do one of the following:

- To invoke the refactoring from a style definition:
  1. Open the style definition file, position the cursor at the name of the style to be inlined, and choose Refactor | Inline from the context menu or press `Ctrl+Alt+N` .
  2. The [Inline Android Style](#) dialog box that opens provides only one option ( [Inline all references and remove the style](#) ) which is selected by default. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA converts the attributes of the style into XML tags, adds them to the definitions of all components where the style is used, and removes the style definition.
    - To apply the changes immediately, click Refactor .
    - To open the [Find tool window](#) and [preview the changes before applying](#) , click Preview .
- To invoke the refactoring from a component definition:
  1. Select a component with the style in question:

- In the **visual mode** , select a component with this style in the Design pane or in the Component Tree .  
Then choose Refactor | Inline Style from the main menu or from the context menu of the selection.
  - In the **manual mode** , select a component with this style in the Structure view and choose Refactor | Inline Style from the main menu or from the context menu of the selection.
2. In the **Inline Android Style** dialog box that opens, configure the refactoring:
    - To have IntelliJ IDEA convert the attributes of the style into XML tags, add them to the definitions of all the components where the style is used, and remove the style definition, choose Inline all references and remove the style .
    - To have the refactoring applied to the current component only, choose Inline this usage and keep the style .
  3. Specify how you want to apply the changes.
    - To apply the changes immediately, click Refactor .
    - To open the [Find tool window](#) and [preview the changes before applying](#) , click Preview .

## Extract Layout

IntelliJ IDEA supports [re-using Android layouts](#) : IntelliJ IDEA moves a part of an existing layout definition to a separate layout definition file and references it in the original layout definition through an automatically inserted `<include/>` tag. In IntelliJ IDEA, this operation is called **extract layout refactoring** .

### To extract a layout

1. Select the fragment to extract as a separate layout. Do one of the following:
  - In the **manual mode** , select the code fragment to extract or position the cursor in the root element of the fragment.
  - In the **visual mode** , select the component or a group of components to be extracted in the Design . pane or in the Component Tree .
2. From the main menu, choose Refactor | Refactor This or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T` . In the pop-up list that appears, choose Layout from the Extract group. Alternatively, choose Refactor | Extract | Extract Layout from the context menu of the selection.
3. In the Extract Android Layout dialog box that opens, specify the name of the file where the extracted layout definition will be stored and the name of its parent folder. You do not need to create the file and the folder in advance, IntelliJ IDEA will create them automatically.
4. Create a list of configuration qualifiers for the layout. This list determines the set of **alternative resources** that must be provided to enable running the application in specific target device configurations.
  - To add a qualifier to the set, select it in the Available Qualifiers list, click the `»` button, and specify the value of the qualifier.
  - To remove a qualifier from the set, select it in the Chosen Qualifiers list and click the `«` button.

For detailed information on the qualifiers, their meaning, acceptable values and format, see [specification of configuration qualifiers for alternative resources](#) .

## Inline Layout Refactoring

This refactoring is opposite to the **Extract Layout** refactoring and results in embedding a layout that was referenced through an `<include/>` tag and removing the tag.

The **Inline Layout** refactoring is invoked from the `<include/>` tag in the layout definition file. You can have IntelliJ IDEA apply it either to all references and remove the layout definition file, or only to the current reference.

### To inline a layout

1. Open the XML definition file from which the layout in question is referenced.
2. Navigate to the `<include/>` tag which references the layout in question and position the cursor at the layout name.
3. Do one of the following:
  - Choose Refactor | Inline from the main menu.
  - Choose Refactor | Refactor This from the main menu, and then choose Inline in the pop-up list that opens,
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+N` .
  - Choose Refactor | Inline from the context menu.
4. In the Inline Android Layout dialog box that opens, configure the refactoring:
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA embed the layout into all files where it is referenced through `<include/>` tags and remove the referenced layout definition file, select Inline all references and remove the file .
  - To have the refactoring applied to the current reference only, select Inline this usage and keep the file .
5. Specify how you want to apply the changes:
  - To apply the changes immediately, click Refactor .
  - To open the [Find tool window](#) and [preview the changes before applying](#) , click Preview .









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**Note** You can also monitor an application behavior via the [Android Device Monitor](#) tool (to launch it, navigate to Tools | Android | Android Device Monitor).

## Running or Debugging an entire Android application



1. Start [creating an Android run/debug configuration](#) . On the [Run/Debug Configuration: Android](#) page that opens, specify the configuration name and select the module to which this configuration will be applied.
2. Choose the Default APK from the Deploy drop-down list in the Installation Options area and Default Activity from the Launch drop-down list in the Launch Options area. IntelliJ IDEA will upload the `.apk` built from the module specified in the Module drop-down list above. The `.apk` is built automatically, no preliminary artifact configuration is required from your side.
3. Appoint the device where the application will run:
  - To use a virtual device, select the Emulator option from the Target drop-down list in the Deployment Target Options area. Select a device from the Prefer Android Virtual Device list, or click  to configure a new emulator.
  - To use a physical device, select the USB device option from the Target drop-down list in the Deployment Target Options area, and plug-in the device through a USB cable.
  - Select the Show Device Chooser Dialog option if you want to select the target manually each time upon the application launch.
4. Start [running](#) or [debugging](#) the target activity. If you have not specified a target device, [choose it manually](#) .
5. View and analyze Android system messages in the [Logcat](#) tab of the [Android Monitor tool window](#) .

## Running or debugging a custom .apk that will be later embedded in an application




1. Configure an artifact to generate the `.apk` from:
  - In the main menu, navigate to File | Project Structure .
  - In the left-hand pane, click Artifacts . In the central pane, click the Add button  in the toolbar.
  - Select Android Application from the list of available artifact types and then select Empty from the context menu.
  - In the right-hand pane, add the artifact components. The artifact must contain all resources and code that want packaged in the `.apk` . For details, refer to [Generating a Signed Release APK Through an Artifact](#) and [Output Layout Tab](#) .
2. Start [creating an Android run/debug configuration](#) . On the [Run/Debug Configuration: Android](#) page that opens, specify the configuration name and select the module to which this configuration will be applied.
3. To run or debug a custom `.apk` , choose the Custom Artifact option from the Deploy drop-down list in the Installation Options area and select the artifact to build the `.apk` from. In this case, you have to define the artifact manually before creating a run/debug configuration (see [Generating a Signed Release APK Through an Artifact](#) and [Working with Artifacts](#) for details). Then select the Specified Activity option from the Launch drop-down list in the Launch Options area, and specify the start-up activity from the chosen artifact ( `.apk` ). Type the activity name manually or click the Browse button  and select it in the Select Activity Class dialog box that opens. The list of available activities is determined by the choice of the module.
4. Appoint the device where the application will run:
  - To use a virtual device, select the Emulator option from the Target drop-down list in the Deployment Target Options area. Select a device from the Prefer Android Virtual Device list, or click  to configure a new emulator.
  - To use a physical device, select the USB device option from the Target drop-down list in the Deployment Target Options area, and plug-in the device through a USB cable.
  - Select the Show Device Chooser Dialog option if you want to select the target manually each time upon the application launch.
5. Start [running](#) or [debugging](#) the target activity. If you have not specified a target device, [choose it manually](#) .
6. View and analyze Android system messages in the [Logcat](#) tab of the [Android Monitor tool window](#) .


## Debugging an already running application

Apart from debugging an Android application by initiating a debugging session, you can apply the debugger to an already running application. You can do this in one of the following two ways:

- Attach the debugger to a running process:
  1. Click the Attach debugger to Android process button  in the main toolbar.
  2. In the Choose Process dialog that opens, select a process from the list that shows all currently active processes grouped by the devices where they are running.
- Start a run/debug configuration without deploying a package and launching an activity
  1. Start [creating an Android run/debug configuration](#) . On the [Run/Debug Configuration: Android](#) page that opens, specify the configuration name and select the module to which this configuration will be applied.
  2. Select the Nothing option from the Deploy drop-down list in the Installation Options area and Nothing from the Launch drop-down list in the Launch Options area.
  3. Appoint the device where the application will run:
    - To use a virtual device, select the Emulator option from the Target drop-down list in the Deployment Target Options area. Select a device from the Prefer Android Virtual Device list, or click  to configure a new emulator.
    - To use a physical device, select the USB device option from the Target drop-down list in the Deployment Target Options area, and plug-in the device through a USB cable.

- Select the Show Device Chooser Dialog option if you want to select the target manually each time upon the application launch.
- 4. Start [running](#) or [debugging](#) the target activity. If you have not specified a target device, [choose it manually](#) .
- 5. View and analyze Android system messages in the [Logcat](#) tab of the [Android Monitor tool window](#) .

1. To start creating an Android run configuration, select Run | Edit Configuration from the main menu. Alternatively, click `Shift+Alt+F10` and select Edit Configuration from the pop-up menu. Click the Add New Configuration button  on the toolbar and select Android Application from the pop-up list. On the [Run/Debug Configuration: Android Application](#) page that opens, specify the configuration name and select the module to which this configuration will be applied.
2. Specify the `.apk` file that will be deployed on the target device and appoint the activity that will be launched on the application start.
  - To run or debug the entire application, choose the Default APK from the Deploy drop-down list in the Installation Options area and Default Activity from the Launch drop-down list in the Launch Options area. IntelliJ IDEA will upload the `.apk` built from the module specified in the Module drop-down list above. The `.apk` is built automatically, no preliminary artifact configuration is required from your side.
  - To run or debug a custom `.apk` that will be later embedded in an application, choose the Custom Artifact option from the Deploy drop-down list in the Installation Options area and select the artifact to build the `.apk` from. In this case, you have to define the artifact manually before creating a run/debug configuration (see [Generating a Signed Release APK Through an Artifact](#) and [Working with Artifacts](#) for details). Then select the Specified Activity option from the Launch drop-down list in the Launch Options area, and specify the start-up activity from the chosen artifact ( `.apk` ). Type the activity name manually or click the Browse button  and select it in the Select Activity Class dialog box that opens. The list of available activities is determined by the choice of the module.
  - If you are going to start a debugging session for an already running application, select Do not deploy anything in the Packages area to suppress uploading data to the device, and then select Do not launch activity in the Activity area. Executing a run configuration with these settings is the same as clicking the Attach debugger to Android process button  on the toolbar.
3. In the Deployment Target Options area, specify the device where the application will be launched.
  - To specify a virtual device, select the Emulator option and choose a virtual device from the Prefer Android Virtual Device drop-down list.


**Tip** If no virtual devices are available, click the Browse button  to start the Android Virtual Device (AVD) Manager and configure a new emulator (for details, refer to [Managing Virtual Devices](#) ).

  - If you want to select a target device manually select the Show chooser dialog option. Each time you start a run/debug session and apply this configuration, IntelliJ IDEA will display the [Choose Device](#) dialog.
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA detect a plugged-in USB device upon the application start, select the USB device option.

Selecting the Show chooser dialog or USB device option may be helpful if you are going to run the application on a physical device which will be plugged-in later and, therefore, the set of available devices cannot be foreseen.

When you run or debug your Android application, and no target device is specified in the applied run/debug configuration, you need to choose the target device manually.

You have the following options:

- Choose a physical device:
  - a. Plug-in a physical Android device through a USB cable.
  - b. Start a [run/debug session](#) .
  - c. In the [Choose Device dialog](#) that opens, select the Choose a running device option and choose the plugged-in device.
- Choose a running virtual device:
  - a. Start a [run/debug session](#) .
  - b. In the [Choose Device dialog](#) that opens, select the Launch emulator option and select a virtual device from the Android virtual device drop-down list.  
If you want to use this device emulator without selecting it manually each time you start a run/debug session, select the Use same device for future launches option.
- Configure a new virtual device:
  - a. Start a [run/debug session](#) .
  - b. In the [Choose Device dialog](#) that opens, select the Android virtual device option and click the Browse button  to launch the [Android Virtual Device \(AVD\) Manager](#) . For instructions on how to configure a device emulator using the Android Virtual Device Manager, refer to [Android documentation](#) .

In IntelliJ IDEA, debugging of Android applications is provided through the support of the [logcat](#) functionality that stores a log of system debug output. Log messages include a stack trace when the emulator throws an error, so you can [navigate to the exception location](#) in the source code.

The logcat functionality is handled by the [Android Debug Bridge](#) (adb). This service supports interaction between your development environment, Android devices, emulators and other tools, for example, [DDMS](#) .

If various tools that use ADB are launched simultaneously, they may conflict with each other, so it is recommended to [disable the logcat functionality](#) before switching from IntelliJ IDEA to an ADB-managed tool.

In IntelliJ IDEA, the logcat functionality is available through the Logcat tab of the [Android Monitor tool window](#) . By default, the tab is activated automatically every time an application is deployed and launched successfully.

**Tip** When logcat is attached to a device, it keeps auto-scrolling you to the bottom of the log. If you want to stop the automatic scroll, start scrolling the log with your mouse.

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- [Switching the Logcat functionality on and off](#)
- [Showing and hiding the Logcat tab](#)
- [Defining the scope of log data to display](#)

## Switching the Logcat functionality on and off

To enable/disable logcat, in the main menu navigate to Tools | Android and toggle the Enable ADB Integration option.

## Showing and hiding the Logcat tab

By default, the Logcat tab is activated automatically every time an application is deployed and launched successfully. You can disable automatic display of the Logcat pane by performing the following steps:

1. [Start creating an Android run/debug configuration](#) or open an existing configuration for editing (in the main menu, navigate to Run | Edit Configurations and select the required configuration).
2. Switch to the Miscellaneous tab and clear the Show logcat automatically checkbox.

## Defining the scope of log data to display



During a debug session, you can switch to the [Android Monitor tool window](#) and configure the scope of log data to be displayed. You can:

- Select to only see messages related to a specific process.
- Define a log level for messages to be displayed.
- Create log data filter configurations.

For detailed instructions on how to configure these options, refer to [Android Monitor tool window](#) .

[Virtual devices](#) are used to run or debug applications intended for Android devices. You can configure virtual devices to emulate actual Android units by defining their hardware and software parameters.

To configure a virtual Android device, you need to open the [Android Virtual Device \(AVD\) Manager](#) . To launch it:

- In the main menu, select Tools | Android | AVD Manager .
- When you [create or edit a run/debug configuration](#) , select the Emulator option from the Target drop-down list in the Deployment Target Options area and click the Browse button  next to Prefer Android Virtual Device .
- In the [Choose Device Dialog](#) that opens if you select the Show chooser dialog when [creating a run/debug configuration](#) , select the Launch emulator option and click the Browse button  next to Android virtual device .

For instructions on how to configure Android virtual devices, refer to [Android documentation](#) .

With IntelliJ IDEA you can generate and run unit tests for your Android applications using [Android Testing Framework](#) .

When the Android project is created, IntelliJ IDEA creates the following test directories containing sample tests:

- test directory - for running [Unit tests](#)
- androidTest directory - for running [Instrumented Unit tests](#)

To execute unit tests, IntelliJ IDEA provides an Android-specific run configuration.

## To run tests for an Android application

1. Specify the tests that you want to run. Do one of the following:
  - To run a single test, open it in the editor and select Run | name of the test from the context menu. IntelliJ IDEA creates a [temporary run configuration](#) for your test.
  - To run all tests in a class or an entire test module, [create an Android Test run/debug configuration](#) .
2. Select a run/debug configuration from the drop-down list on the main toolbar and [start the test](#) according to it.
3. [Monitor the test execution](#) and [view test results](#) in the [Test Runner](#) tab of the [Run](#) tool window.

IntelliJ IDEA supports Android [library projects](#) that hold shared Android source code and resources. Other Android application projects can reference a library project and include its compiled sources in their `.apk` files at build time.

In IntelliJ IDEA, library projects are supported through separate library modules.

To enable sharing Android source code and resources, do one of the following:

- Create a new Library module.
- Convert an Application module that contains sources you want to share into a Library module.

In this topic:

- [Creating a Library module](#)
- [Converting an Application module into a Library module](#)
- [Using a Library module in another project](#)
- [Adding data from AndroidManifest.xml for a library module to AndroidManifest.xml for the entire application](#)
- [Including the .dex file of a library module into the .apk of the entire application without rebuilding \(pre-dexing\)](#)

## Creating a Library module

1. Do one of the following:
  - [Create a project from scratch](#)
  - [Add a module to an existing project](#)
2. On the first page of the wizard, select Android in the left pane and Library Module in the right pane.
3. Complete the wizard.

## Converting an Application module into a Library module

You can convert an Application module into a Library module by updating its Android facet.

1. Open the Project Structure dialog box by choosing File | Project Structure from the main menu.
2. Select Modules in the left pane. In the central pane, expand the node of the module that you want to turn into a Library module and click Android .
3. In the right-hand pane, select the Library module checkbox on top of the [Android facet page](#) .

## Using a Library module in another project

To use a Library module in another project, you need to import this module into it.

1. From the main menu, select File | New | Module from Existing Sources .
2. In the [dialog that opens](#) , browse to the `.iml` module file that you want to import and click OK . The module node will be added to the tree view.
3. Add [dependencies](#) on the imported library module to the modules where its data is going to be used:
  1. Open the settings of the non-library module: navigate to File | Project Structure , select Modules in the left pane and select your non-library module in the central pane.
  2. In the right pane, switch to the Dependencies tab. Click the Add button **+** in the toolbar on the right and select Module Dependency from the context menu.
  3. In the Choose Modules dialog box that opens, select the imported library module from the list and click OK .

## Adding data from AndroidManifest.xml for a library module to AndroidManifest.xml for the entire application

To successfully integrate a library module into another application, its components must be declared in the application `AndroidManifest.xml` file. The manifest file contains the information that is required to run the application (for more information, see [App Manifest](#) ). You can either add this information on a library module manually, or extract it from `AndroidManifest.xml` of the library module and add it to the `AndroidManifest.xml` of the application automatically.

The second approach is referred to as [merging manifests](#) .

To have the manifest of a library module merged with the application manifest automatically:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog box by choosing File | Project Structure from the main menu.
2. Select Modules in the left pane. In the central pane, expand the non-library module and click the Android facet under its node.
3. In the right pane, on the [Android facet page](#) , switch to the Packaging tab and select the Enable manifest merging option.

## Including the .dex file of a library module into the .apk of the entire



## application without rebuilding (pre-dexing)

During the application packaging, the `.class` files of a library module are converted into `.dex` files. This operation is referred to as **dexing**. Finally, the `.dex` files output from the library module is included in the final application `.apk` (learn more about the building procedure from [Building and Running](#)).

As a rule, the contents of a library module remain unchanged. In this case you can have them `dexed` only once, whereupon the output `.dex` files are included in the `.apk`. This approach is referred to as **pre-dexing**.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA pre-dexes library mode dependencies as well as external `jars` that have not been updated since the previous build. You can change these settings so that all `.class` files are always dexed.

1. Open the Project Structure dialog box by choosing File | Project Structure from the main menu.
2. Select Modules in the left pane. In the central pane, expand the non-library module and click the Android facet under its node.
3. In the right pane, on the [Android facet page](#), switch to the Packaging tab and select the Pre-dex external jars and Android library dependencies option.

You may need to have your application built in several versions, which means that several Android application packages ( `.apk` files) will be generated. If these files have the same name, the user will be unable to deploy them on the same device simultaneously. To avoid this, you can have IntelliJ IDEA generate several `.apk` files with different names ( **application IDs** ) from the same source code.

The application package name ( **application ID** ) is specified in the `package` attribute of the `manifest` element (see <http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/manifest/manifest-element.html#package> for details). This name follows the [Java naming conventions](#) and, by default, is the same as the name of the package to which the class implemented for the application belongs.

The name of the application (the `android:name` attribute of the `application` element, see <http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/manifest/application-element.html#nm> ) and activity names (the `android:name` attribute of the `activity` element, see <http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/manifest/activity-element.html#nm> ) are, by default, specified **relative** to the **application ID** and, accordingly, to the parent Java package of the application implementation class. However, renaming the **application ID** does not cause renaming the parent Java package of the application class.

You can either change the application ID through the **Rename** refactoring, or automatically on build time.

On this page:

- [Changing an application ID through the Rename refactoring](#)
- [Renaming an application ID on build time](#)

## Changing an application ID through the Rename refactoring

1. Open the `AndroidManifest.xml` file.
2. Position the cursor at the `package` attribute of the `manifest` element and choose Refactor | Rename from the context menu.
3. In the Rename dialog box that opens, specify the new package name and click OK .

The value of the `package` attribute changes to the newly specified value. However, because this does not cause renaming the parent Java package of the application class, the relative names of the application and activities are replaced with their fully qualified names.

## Renaming an application ID on build time

1. Open the Project Structure dialog box by choosing File | Project Structure from the main menu.
2. Select Modules in the left pane. In the central pane, expand the node of the relevant module and click Android .
3. In the right pane, switch to the Packaging tab and select the Rename manifest package option.

IntelliJ IDEA allows extracting Android application packages ([.apk files](#) ). IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the **Android Asset Packaging Tool (aapt)** which compiles the application resources (for details, see [Building and Running](#) ).

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can generate both **signed** and **unsigned** `.apk` files. The following options are available:

- Extract **signed packages** to deploy and run your applications on physical devices. Based on this signature, the Android system identifies the author of every deployed application. You do not need to apply for a personal signature to any authority, a signature generated by IntelliJ IDEA is quite sufficient. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can generate a **signed package** in one of the following two ways:
  - Use the [Generate Signed APK Wizard](#) . The package will be signed during extraction.
  - Configure the `.apk` file as an **artifact** by creating an **artifact definition** of the type **Android application** in the Release signed package mode. When IntelliJ IDEA builds the package in accordance with this definition, the package is signed automatically.
- Extract **unsigned packages** to test them on emulators. Unsigned packages can be extracted only through artifact definitions in the Release unsigned package mode.
- Extract and sign **debug** packages. This signature is sufficient for testing and debugging applications but does not allow publishing them. Signing packages in the debug mode is available only through configuring an artifact definition in the Debug package mode.

You can also have your application obfuscated during packaging through integration with the [ProGuard](#) built-in tool.

In this section:

- [Generating a Signed Release APK Using a Wizard](#)
- [Generating a Signed Release APK Through an Artifact](#)
- [Generating an Unsigned Release APK](#)
- [Generating an APK in the Debug Mode](#)
- [Suppressing Compression of Resources](#)

To deploy and run an Android application on a physical device, you need to [sign the application digitally](#) . With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have your Android Application Package ( `.apk` file) signed with an existing release key on package extraction. IntelliJ IDEA also incorporates a release key generation tool that can be invoked during the packaging procedure. Generated keys are saved in a keystore binary file.


You can have as many keystore files and keys as you need and use either existing keys, or create new ones in existing keystores, or even create new keystores.

If you use the [Generate Signed APK Wizard](#) , IntelliJ IDEA signs the package on extraction.



On this page:

- [Extracting and signing an Android application package using a wizard](#)
- [Generating a new release key](#)

## Extracting and signing an Android application package using a wizard

1. From the main menu, select Build | Generate Signed APK . The [Generate Signed APK Wizard](#) starts.
2. On the [first page](#) , specify the release key you want to use and the keystore file that contains it. Do one of the following:
  - To sign the package with a key from an existing keystore file:
    1. Specify the file location in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Choose existing button and select the file in the [dialog that opens](#) . In the Key store password text box, type the password to the selected keystore.
    2. Specify the key alias and enter the password to access the key.
  - To generate a new key in an existing keystore:
    1. Specify the file location in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Choose existing button and select the file in the [dialog that opens](#) . In the Key store password text box, type the password to the selected keystore.
    2. Click the Create new button and [configure the release key to be generated](#) by filling in the data in the [New Key Store](#) dialog box that opens.
  - To generate a new keystore file with a new key:
    1. Click the Create new button. In the [New Key Store](#) dialog box that opens, specify the location of the file to be generated in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  , then select the parent folder and specify the name of the file.
    2. Specify and confirm the password to access the keystore.
    3. [Configure the new release key](#) by filling in the data in the Key area.

Click Next .

3. On the [next step](#) , in the Destination APK path text box, specify the folder where the `.apk` will be saved. Type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the target folder in the dialog that opens.
4. To have IntelliJ IDEA [obfuscate the application](#) during the packaging procedure, select the Run ProGuard checkbox and specify the location of the [proguard.txt](#) configuration file. The file is generated on project creation and is stored in the project root. IntelliJ IDEA suggests this default location in the Config file path text box. Accept the suggestion or specify a custom configuration file by clicking the Browse button  and selecting the required file in the [dialog that opens](#) .
5. Click Finish to generate and sign the package. IntelliJ IDEA informs you on successful operation completion.
  - To open the folder where the generated `.apk` file is located, click the Open File Location button.
  - To complete the wizard, click Close .

## Generating a new release key

1. Open the [New Key Store](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - On the [first page](#) of the Generate Signed APK wizard, click the Create new button.
  - When creating an Android Application [artifact definition](#) , click the Create new button in the [Android](#) tab.

2. Specify the keystore location and enter the password to access it.

**Note** If you are going to add a new key to an already existing keystore and have already chosen it in the wizard or in the Artifact tab, these fields are already filled in.

3. Assign an alias to the new key in the Alias text box. The key will be referred to using this alias.
4. Enter the password to the key in the Password text box and confirm it.
5. Specify the validity period for the key in accordance with the [expected lifespan of your application](#) .
6. Provide the following personal information and click Next :
  - First and Last Name
  - Organizational Unit
  - Organization
  - City or Locality

- State or Province

- Country Code

To deploy and run an Android application on a physical device, you need to [sign the application digitally](#) . With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have your Android Application Package ( `.apk` file) signed with an existing release key on package extraction. IntelliJ IDEA also incorporates a release key generation tool that can be invoked during the packaging procedure. Generated keys are saved in a keystore binary file.

You can have as many keystore files and keys as you need and use either existing keys, or create new ones in existing keystores, or even create new keystores.

Apart from using the [Generate Signed APK Wizard](#) , you can configure the `.apk` file as an artifact by creating an [Android application artifact](#) definition. When IntelliJ IDEA builds the package in accordance with this definition, the package is signed automatically.

## Extracting and signing a release Android application package using an artifact definition

1. Select File | Project structure from the main menu and click `Artifacts` in the left pane.
2. Click the New button `+` and select Android Application from the context menu.
3. In the popup menu, define the artifact contents by selecting one of the following options:
  - To create an empty layout definition, select Empty .
  - To include a module data in the artifact, select From module <module name>

The general settings of the new artifact will be displayed in the Artifact Layout pane on the right.

4. Specify the [general settings](#) of the artifact. In the Output directory text box, specify the location of the target package `.apk` file.
5. Complete the artifact definition with the following steps:
  - Configure the [artifact structure](#) .
  - [Add resources](#) to the artifact.
  - [Arrange the elements](#) included in the artifact.
  - If necessary, specify additional activities to be performed before and after building the artifact in the [Pre-processing](#) and [Post-Processing](#) tabs.
6. Switch to the [Android tab](#) and select Release signed from the Type drop-down list.
7. Specify the release key you want to use and the keystore file that contains it. Do one of the following:
  - To sign the package with a key from an existing keystore file:
    1. Specify the file location in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Choose existing button and select the file in the [dialog that opens](#) . In the Key store password text box, type the password to the selected keystore.
    2. Specify the key alias and enter the password to access the key.
  - To generate a new key in an existing keystore:
    1. Specify the file location in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Choose existing button and select the file in the [dialog that opens](#) . In the Key store password text box, type the password to the selected keystore.
    2. Click the Create new button and [configure the release key to be generated](#) by filling in the data in the [New Key Store](#) dialog box that opens.
  - To generate a new keystore file with a new key:
    1. Click the Create new button. In the [New Key Store](#) dialog box that opens, specify the location of the file to be generated in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Browse button `...`, then select the parent folder and specify the name of the file.
    2. Specify and confirm the password to access the keystore.
    3. [Configure the new release key](#) by filling in the data in the Key area.

Click Next .

8. To have IntelliJ IDEA [obfuscate the application](#) during packaging, select the Run ProGuard checkbox and specify the location of the [proguard.txt](#) configuration file. The file is generated on project creation and is stored in the project root. IntelliJ IDEA suggests this default location in the Config file path text box. Accept the suggestion or specify a custom configuration file by clicking the Browse button `...` and selecting the required file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Running an Android application on an emulator does not require a digital signature, so you can use **unsigned packages** for this purpose. An unsigned package can be extracted **only** through an [Android artifact definition](#) with the Release unsigned package mode turned on.

## Extracting an unsigned release Android application package

1. Select File | Project structure from the main menu and click `Artifacts` in the left pane.
2. Click the New button `+` and select Android Application from the context menu.
3. In the popup menu, define the artifact contents by selecting one of the following options:
  - To create an empty layout definition, select Empty .
  - To include a module data in the artifact, select From module <module name>

The general settings of the new artifact will be displayed in the Artifact Layout pane on the right.
4. Specify the [general settings](#) of the artifact. In the Output directory text box, specify the location of the target package `.apk` file.
5. Complete the artifact definition with the following steps:
  - Configure the [artifact structure](#) .
  - [Add resources](#) to the artifact.
  - [Arrange the elements](#) included in the artifact.
  - If necessary, specify additional activities to be performed before and after building the artifact in the [Pre-processing](#) and [Post-Processing](#) tabs.
6. Switch to the [Android tab](#) and select Release unsigned from the Type drop-down list.
7. To have IntelliJ IDEA [obfuscate the application](#) during packaging, select the Run ProGuard checkbox and specify the location of the [proguard.txt](#) configuration file. The file is generated on project creation and is stored in the project root. IntelliJ IDEA suggests this default location in the Config file path text box. Accept the suggestion or specify a custom configuration file by clicking the Browse button `...` and selecting the required file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Apart from generating signed packages to be deployed on physical devices, or unsigned packages to be run on emulators, you can also have an application package extracted and signed in the [debug mode](#). This signature is sufficient for testing and debugging applications, but does not allow publishing them. Signing an application package in the **debug mode** is available only through configuring an artifact.

In the **debug mode**, you can have an APK signed either with the **default** certificate or with a **custom** one.

If you decide to use the **default certificate**, IntelliJ IDEA signs the extracted package in the **debug mode** using the debug keystore or a key that is generated by the Android SDK tools and has predefined names and passwords:

- Keystore name: `debug.keystore`
- Keystore password: `android`
- Key alias: `androiddebugkey`
- Key password: `android`
- CN ( **common name** ): `CN=Android Debug,O=Android,C=US`

These are the default settings in IntelliJ IDEA. This means that if you do not configure an artifact manually and select the Deploy default APK option in the [Run/Debug Configuration: Android Application dialog box](#), IntelliJ IDEA will use the predefined values in the certificate for the generated `.apk` file.

If you use a **custom certificate**, IntelliJ IDEA signs the extracted package in the **debug mode** using the debug keystore or a key that you specify yourself. You can have a new certificate generated or reuse an existing one. The latter approach is helpful, for example, if you have several applications and you want them all signed with the same certificate so they can be stored in the same folder on the device.

## Signing a package in the debug mode

1. Select File | Project structure from the main menu and click `Artifacts` in the left pane.
2. Click the New button `+` and select Android Application from the context menu.
3. In the popup menu, define the artifact contents by selecting one of the following options:
  - To create an empty layout definition, select Empty.
  - To include a module data in the artifact, select From module <module name>


The general settings of the new artifact will be displayed in the Artifact Layout pane on the right.

4. Specify the **general settings** of the artifact. In the Output directory text box, specify the location of the target package `.apk` file.
5. Complete the artifact definition with the following steps:
  - Configure the [artifact structure](#).
  - [Add resources](#) to the artifact.
  - [Arrange the elements](#) included in the artifact.
  - If necessary, specify additional activities to be performed before and after building the artifact in the [Pre-processing](#) and [Post-Processing](#) tabs.
6. Switch to the Android tab and specify the certificate you want to use from the Type drop-down list:
  - Select Debug signed with default certificate to have IntelliJ IDEA use the debug keystore or a key that is generated by the Android SDK tools and has predefined names and passwords.
  - Select Debug signed with custom certificate to have the package signed with a certificate of your choice. Specify the key to use and the keystore file that contains it by doing one of the following:
    - To sign the package with a key from an existing keystore file:
      1. Specify the file location in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Choose existing button and select the file in the [dialog that opens](#). In the Key store password text box, type the password to the selected keystore.
      2. Specify the key alias and enter the password to access the key.
    - To generate a new key in an existing keystore:
      1. Specify the file location in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Choose existing button and select the file in the [dialog that opens](#). In the Key store password text box, type the password to the selected keystore.
      2. Click the Create new button and [configure the release key to be generated](#) by filling in the data in the [New Key Store](#) dialog box that opens.
  - To generate a new keystore file with a new key:
    1. Click the Create new button. In the [New Key Store](#) dialog box that opens, specify the location of the file to be generated in the Key store path text box. Type the path manually or click the Browse button `...`, then select the parent folder and specify the name of the file.
    2. Specify and confirm the password to access the keystore.
    3. [Configure the new release key](#) by filling in the data in the Key area.

Click Next.


7. To have IntelliJ IDEA [obfuscate the application](#) during packaging, select the Run ProGuard checkbox and specify the location of the [proguard.txt](#) configuration file. The file is generated on project creation and is stored in the project root. IntelliJ IDEA suggests this default location in the Config file path text box. Accept the



suggestion or specify a custom configuration file by clicking the Browse button  and selecting the required file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

By default, the [Android Asset Packaging Tool \(aapt\)](#) compresses resources during packaging. However you can have resources of a certain type included in the `.apk` file uncompressed by changing the settings of the [Android facet](#).

## To suppress compressing resources of a certain type

1. Select File | Project structure from the main menu.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Modules, then in the central pane click the Android facet under the module with the resources to be packaged uncompressed.
3. In the right-hand pane, switch to the Compiler tab.
4. In the Additional command line parameters text box, type `-0 <file extension for this type of resources>`. As a result, all files with the specified extension will be excluded from compression. If the set of additional parameters does not fit into the text box, click  and specify the parameters in the dialog that opens.  
For example, if you want to include resources of a certain type in an uncompressed format, type `-0 <file extension for this type of resources>`.

If your application uses an Android SQLite database, you can access this database right from IntelliJ IDEA through a **data source** of the Android SQLite type. For more information about IntelliJ IDEA data sources, see [Managing data sources](#) .

## Creating an Android SQLite data source

1. Open the Database tool window by selecting View | Tool Windows | Database from the main menu.
2. Click **+** on the toolbar and select Android SQLite from the drop-down menu.
3. In the [Data Sources and Drivers dialog](#) that opens, specify the following:
  - The name of the data source.
  - The physical or virtual device where the target database is stored. If no devices are available in the drop-down list, this means that there are no running devices connected to IntelliJ IDEA. Run and connect a physical device or launch an emulator.
  - Specify the name of the application package the target database is associated with. For more information about application packages [Android documentation](#) . Select a package name suggested by IntelliJ IDEA or type its ID.  
For the database to be accessible, the corresponding application must be built as debuggable and installed on the device or the emulator.

IntelliJ IDEA run configurations, by default, build Android applications in the debug mode. Alternatively, you can [generate the APK in the debug mode](#) .

- In the Storage area, specify where the database is located:
  - Choose Internal if the database is stored in the internal memory of the device or the emulator.
  - Choose External if the database is stored in the external memory of the device or the emulator.
- In the Database drop-down list, specify the database name or location:
  - If the database is stored in the internal memory, choose the database name.
  - If the database is stored in the external memory, specify the database location relative to the memory root. For example, `Android/data/<application_ID>/<database_name>` .
- If the necessary SQLite driver files are missing, download them by clicking the Download link at the bottom of the dialog box.

See also, [Managing data sources](#) .

An Android application is a Java program written against the **Java SDK** and the **Android SDK**. Since IntelliJ IDEA is an integrated development environment (IDE) for any kind of Java applications, it automates and streamlines all steps of an Android application development, from writing the source code to preparing your application for publishing.

IntelliJ IDEA helps you perform the following tasks:

- Create the skeleton of a fully-functional Android application
- Manage the project and add classes and resources, such as strings, layouts, graphics, etc.
- Preview changes to the user interface through a tailor-made graphical designer
- Write and debug your source code
- Create unit tests
- Package and run your application on both physical devices and emulators

These tutorials will help you set up an Android project in IntelliJ IDEA and produce an executable that can run on emulators and physical devices.

Note that the tutorials listed below imply that you are using Windows as your operating system. Instructions for other operating systems may vary slightly.

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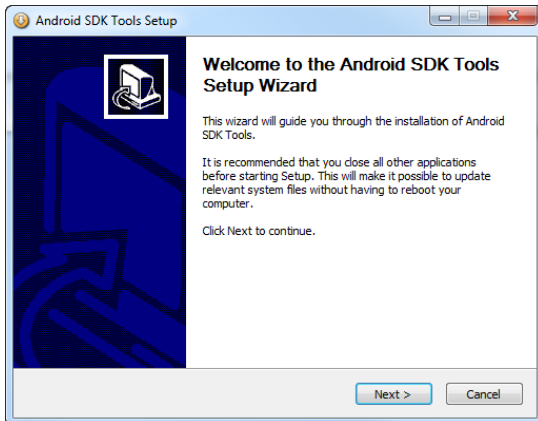
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- [Editing UI Layout Using Text Editor](#)
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- [Creating Unit Tests](#)
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Before you start writing your first "Hello, world" Android application in IntelliJ IDEA, do the following:

1. [Download](#) and install JDK 7.
2. [Download](#) the Android SDK tools.

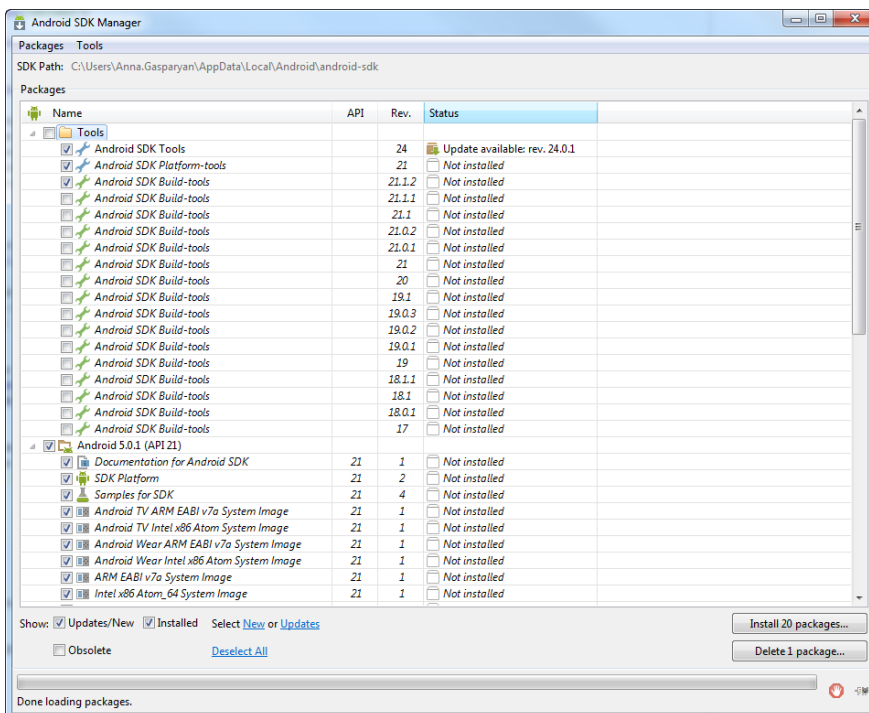
**Note** The [official Android download page](#) provides different download options. The default download option is Android Studio that includes the Android SDK tools. Since you already have IntelliJ IDEA with a bundled Android plugin, you can choose a smaller download and just pick up the Android SDK and platform tools. Scroll to Other Download Options and select the SDK Tools Only package for your operating system.

3. Run the installer to launch the Android SDK Tools Setup wizard:



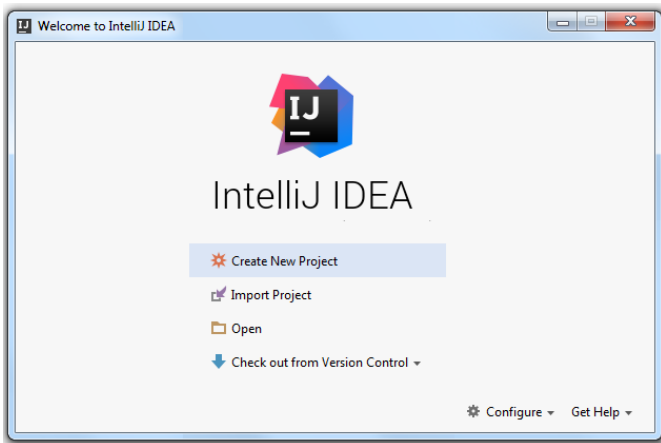
First, the wizard checks if the Java SDK is installed. Next, choose the installation options and specify the destination folder. We strongly recommend that the path to the Android SDK home directory does not contain spaces.

4. After the installation has completed successfully, you need to add SDK packages using the [SDK Manager](#) . On the last page of the Android SDK Tools Setup wizard, select the Start SDK Manager option and click Finish .
5. In the Android SDK Manager , select the packages you want to install (for detailed instructions, refer to [Adding SDK Packages](#) ).



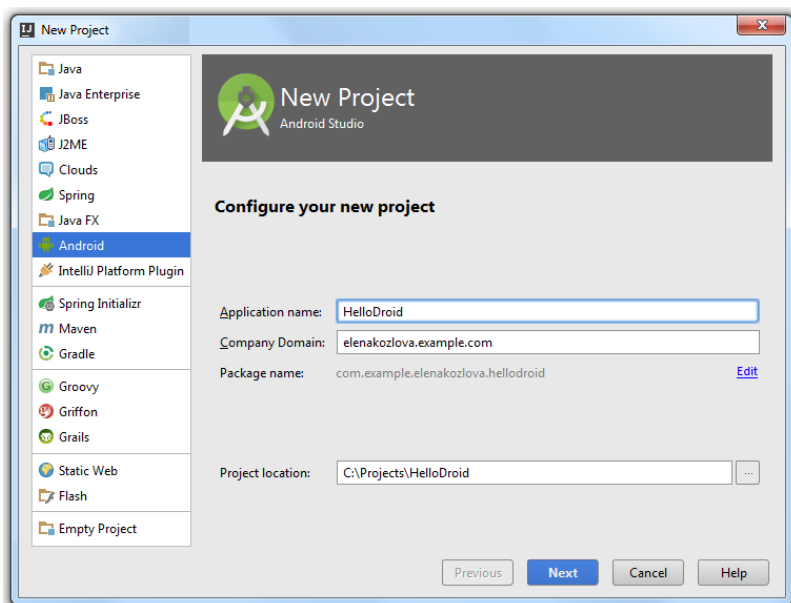
For the procedures covered in our tutorials, you can leave the default selections. You can always launch the SDK Manager if you need to install more packages. To invoke it, in the main menu, choose Tools | Android | SDK Manager .

1. Launch the [New Project wizard](#) . If no project is currently opened in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the Welcome screen:



Otherwise, select File | New | Project from the main menu.

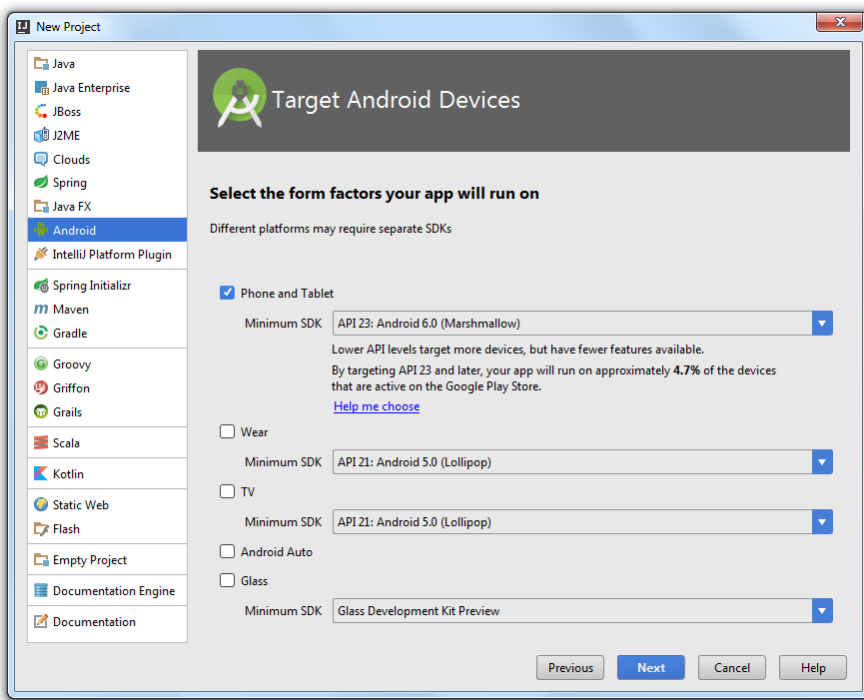
2. On the first page of the wizard, select Android in the left pane. In the right pane, IntelliJ IDEA automatically creates the name of your application, company domain, package name and the project location:



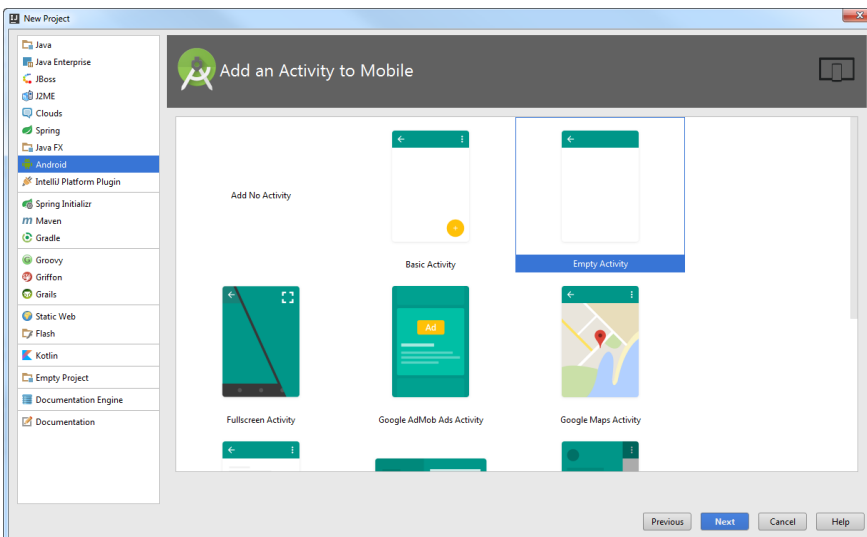
You can edit the specified fields if you like. In our case, we have changed the default name of our application to `HelloDroid` .

Note that the package name must have the following format: `com.xxx.yyy` , where `xxx` usually stands for your company name, and `yyy` is the application name. Note that you can use any names here, but the suggested pattern significantly reduces the risk of name conflicts with other applications.

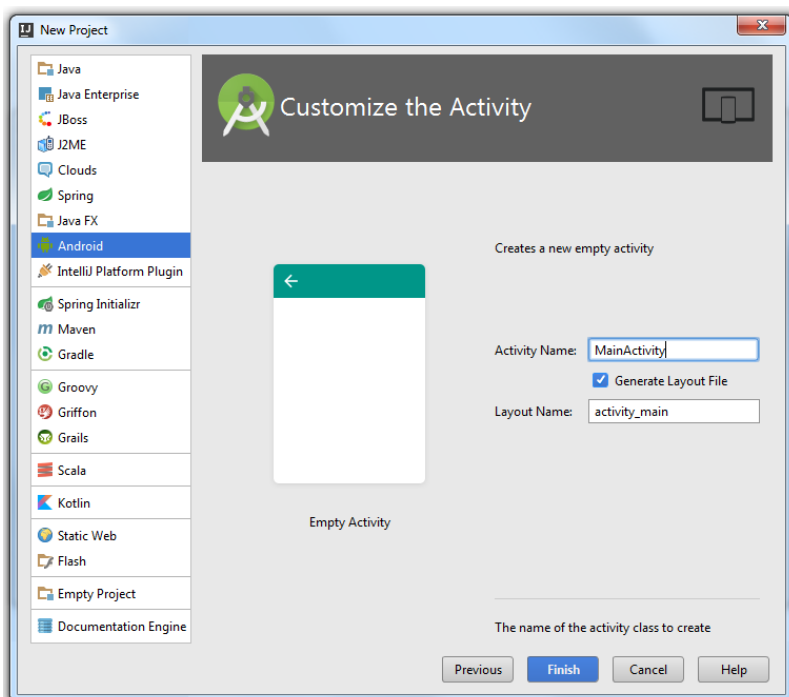
3. On the next page of the wizard, select a target device where the application will be run and debugged.



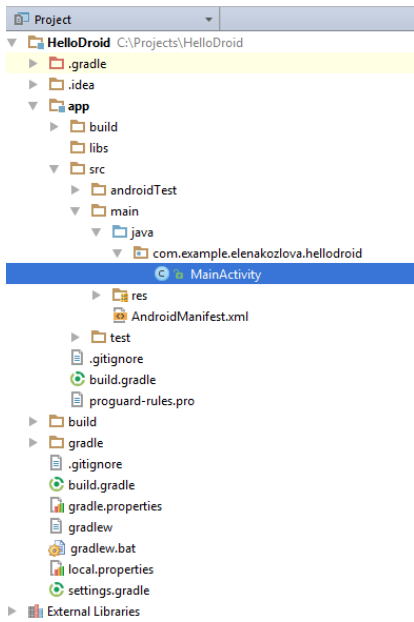
4. On the next page of the wizard, add an activity for your module.



5. On the next page of the wizard, customize the selected activity. Click Finish to complete the wizard.



6. Your Android project will be created with the predefined project structure:

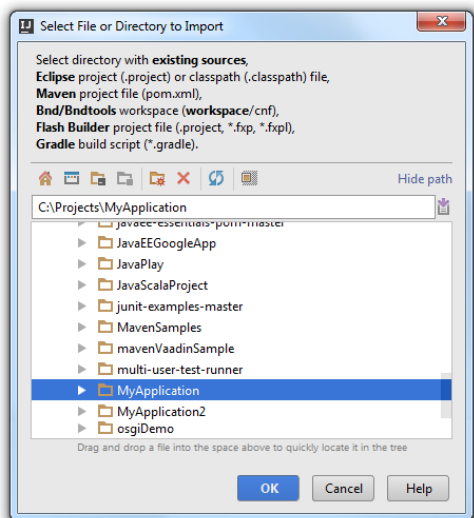




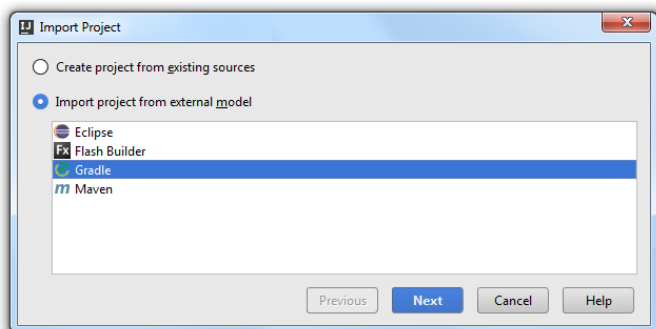
With IntelliJ IDEA you can not only create an Android project from scratch, but also import an existing project developed using other tools. The default scenario is to import an existing [Android-Gradle project](#) . However, you can also import a [Maven](#) , [Eclipse](#) or [Flash Builder](#) project, or even build a new project from a bunch of source files.

As a rule, when you import a project, your source files remain in their original location - IntelliJ IDEA simply creates a superstructure that allows treating your sources, libraries and other assets as an IntelliJ IDEA project. IntelliJ IDEA automatically generates the `.idea` directory that contains a set of configuration files ( `.xml` ), and a project file ( `.iml` ) for each of the project modules (for more details, see [Configuring projects](#) and [Configuring projects](#) ).

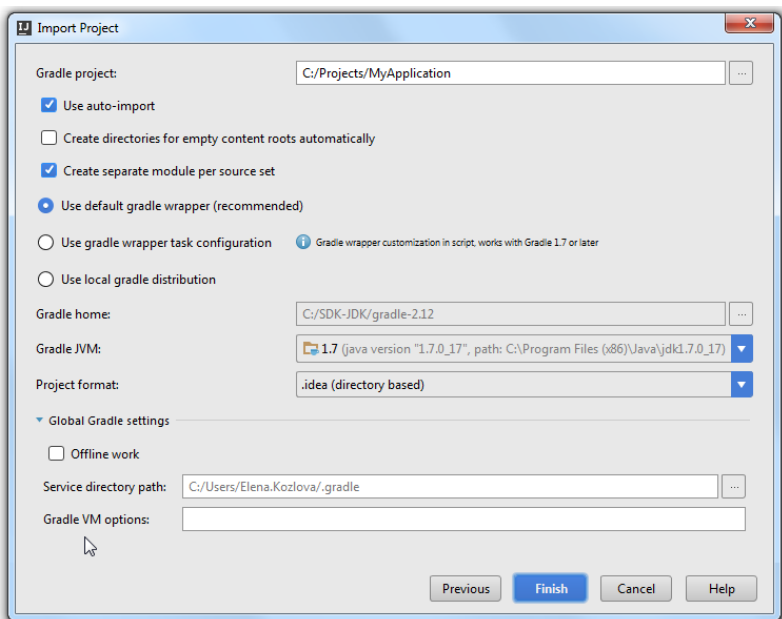
1. Select File | New | Project from Existing Sources from the main menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, browse to the project (or a directory containing source files) that you want to import:



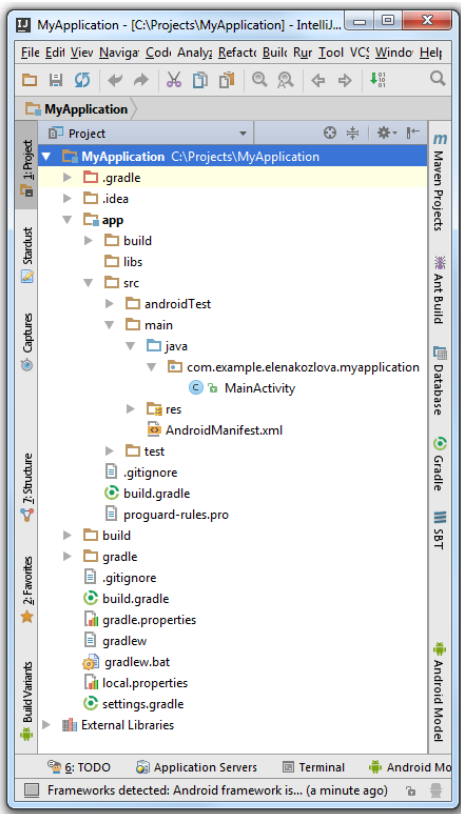
3. On the second step, select whether you want to build a project from scratch using the files under the specified directory, or whether you want IntelliJ IDEA to build a project according to the selected model and proceed in a more automated way. In our case IntelliJ IDEA is aware that this Android project uses the Gradle build system, recognizes the `build.gradle` file and suggests importing from Gradle .



4. On the third step, you can modify Gradle settings and click Finish .



The newly created IntelliJ IDEA project built from the external Gradle model will open.



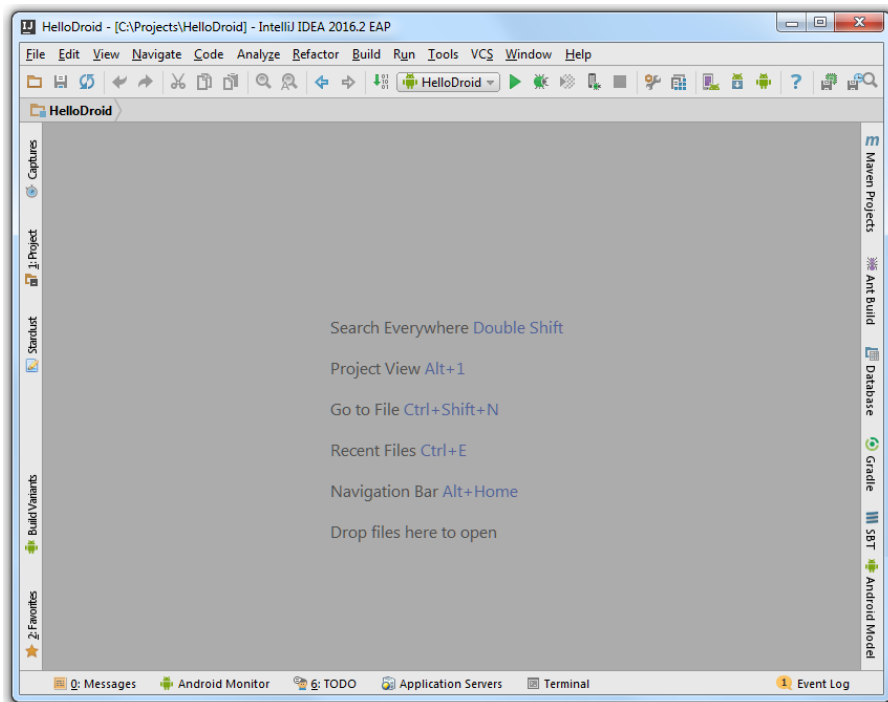
An Android project is primarily a Java project, so it contains many of the standard folders you find in a Java project. Let's find out more.

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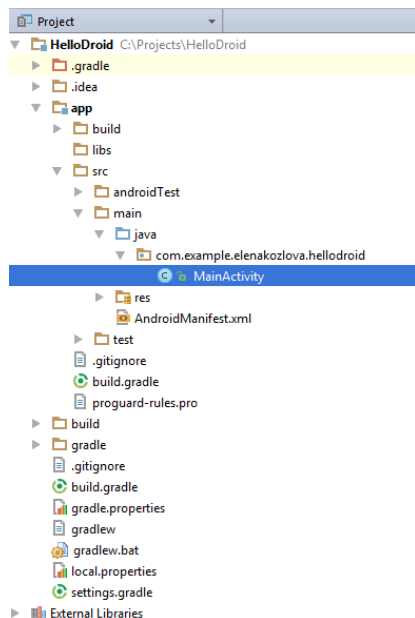
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## Open the Project View

If the project view is collapsed to the left edge, click Project in the left gutter, or just press `Alt+1`.



When you expand the [Project Tool Window](#), it shows the typical structure of an Android project that is analogous to the structure of most Java projects:



## Explore Code-Related Folders

An Android project contains the following key folders and files:

- `.idea` folder: contains a few subfolders and various XML files that mostly contain internal IntelliJ IDEA information and general settings. Normally, there is no need to edit the contents of this folder.
- `src` folder: contains all source files that make up the application (activities, helper classes, etc.). You can build any hierarchy of subfolders under the `src` folder to better reflect the structure and the complexity of your application.
- `res` folder: contains all project resources, such as drawable resources, layouts, etc. (for more details, see [Explore the Resource Folders](#)).
- `libs` folder: contains all class libraries (`.jar` files) that you want to reference from the source files of your application. You

can simply drag-and-drop `.jar` files from the disk into this folder.

## Explore the Resource Folders

The `res` folder contains all external resources used by your application, such as image assets, layout files, strings, menus, etc. Most resources (except for images) are expressed through `.xml` files. The `res` folder usually contains the following subfolders:

- `drawable` : contains all images you reference from within the application. There are actually four different drawable folders designed to contain images in different resolutions for devices with different screen density (expressed as `dpi` - dots per inch):
  - `hdpi` (high density, 240)
  - `ldpi` (low density, 120)
  - `mdpi` (medium density, 160)
  - `xhdpi` (extra high density, 320)

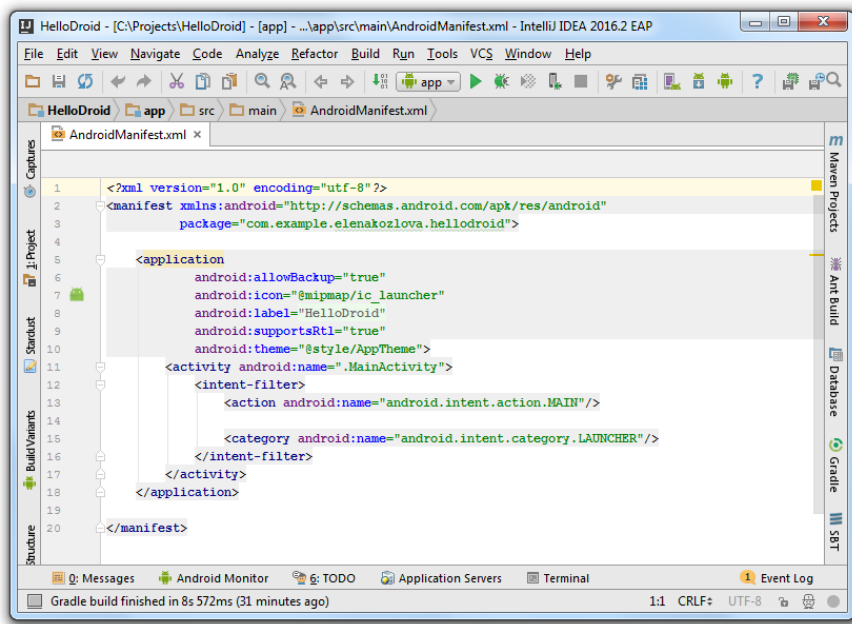
Designing drawable resources in different resolutions is required to support different devices and multiple screens (for more details, see to [Supporting Multiple Screens](#) ).

- `layout` : contains layout files ( `.xml` ) used to define the user interface of an activity or an application widget. You can edit layout definition files manually, or through the integrated graphical designer (for more details, see [Designing Layout of Android Application](#) ).
- `values` : contains `.xml` files that declare strings, graphical styles, and colors. Normally, data stored in these files is expressed in the form of name/value pairs.
- `menu` : contains definitions of menus to be used by the application. The `menu` folder is not generated when you create a new project, and only appears in the project structure after you have created the first menu.

## Explore the AndroidManifest.xml File

Each Android application must have the `AndroidManifest` file in its root directory. This file contains general information about the application processed by the Android operating system. This information is essential to run the application.

Among other things, the `AndroidManifest.xml` file declares the package name (that serves as a unique identifier for your application), and the minimal version of the Android SDK required for the device where the application will run. It also declares the entry point in the code for the operating system to launch the application, along with permissions the application requires. For more details on the `AndroidManifest` file, see [App Manifest](#) .



After you have created your first Android application, you are ready to compile it and deploy it to an Android emulator, or a physical device.

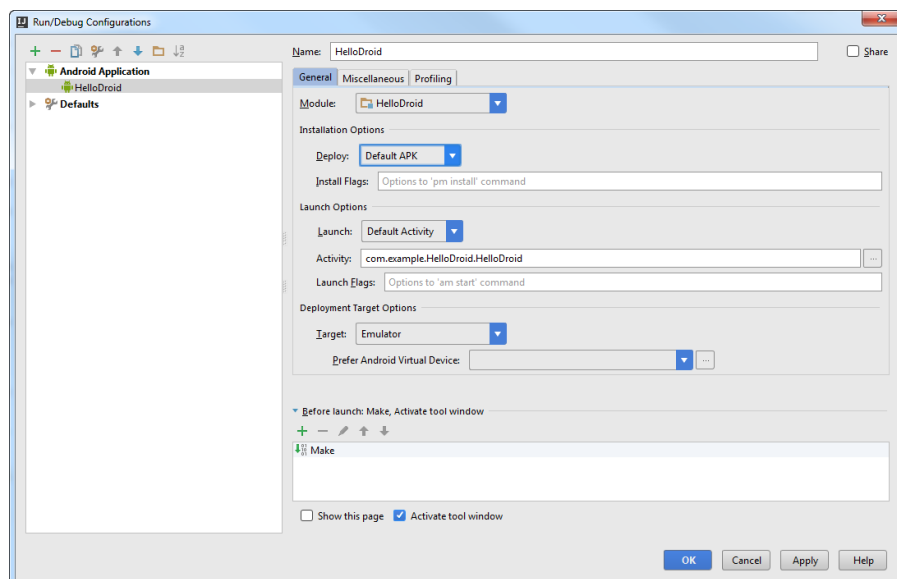
Before you build the project and start testing the application, it is recommended that you review the current build configurations.

In this tutorial:

- [Review the default run/debug configuration](#)
- [Add a New Run/Debug Configuration](#)
- [Test the Application on an Emulator](#)
- [Test the Application on a Physical Device](#)
- [Debug your Application](#)
- [Analyze Debug Output](#)

## Review the default run/debug configuration

Click **Run | Edit Configurations** . The following dialog will be displayed:

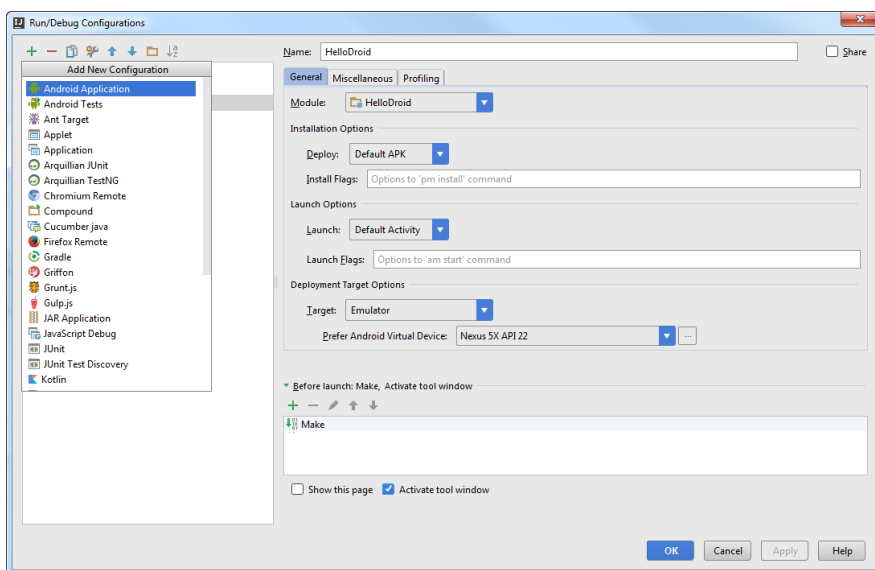


IntelliJ IDEA automatically creates a default run/debug configuration with the same name as your project. For a detailed description of each configuration option in an Android run/debug configuration, see [Run/Debug Configuration: Android Application](#) .

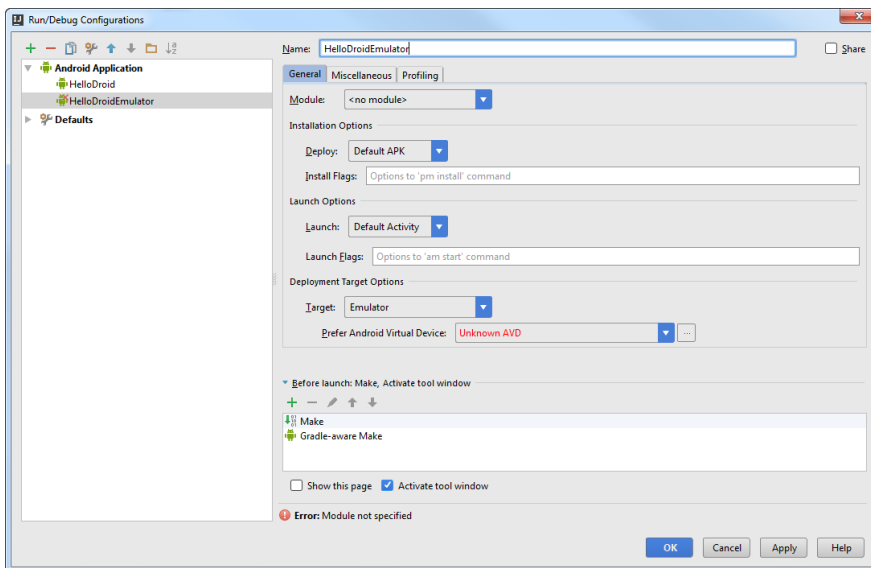
## Add a New Run/Debug Configuration

Let's create a custom build configuration:

1. In the **Run/Debug Configurations** dialog, click the Add button **+** and select **Android Application** from the list:

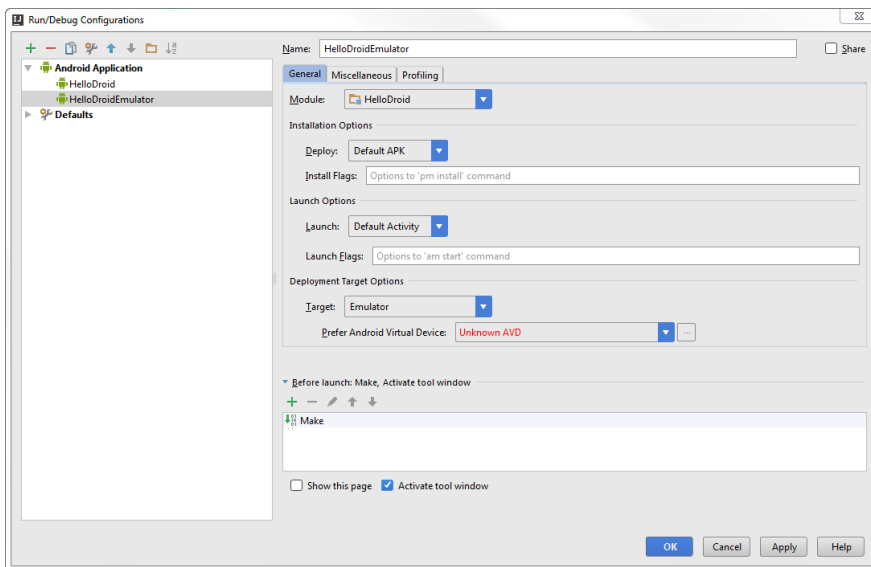


2. A new item will be added to the tree in the left pane with the default name **Unnamed** . Select it and enter a more meaningful name in the Name field, for example, **HelloDroid Emulator** :



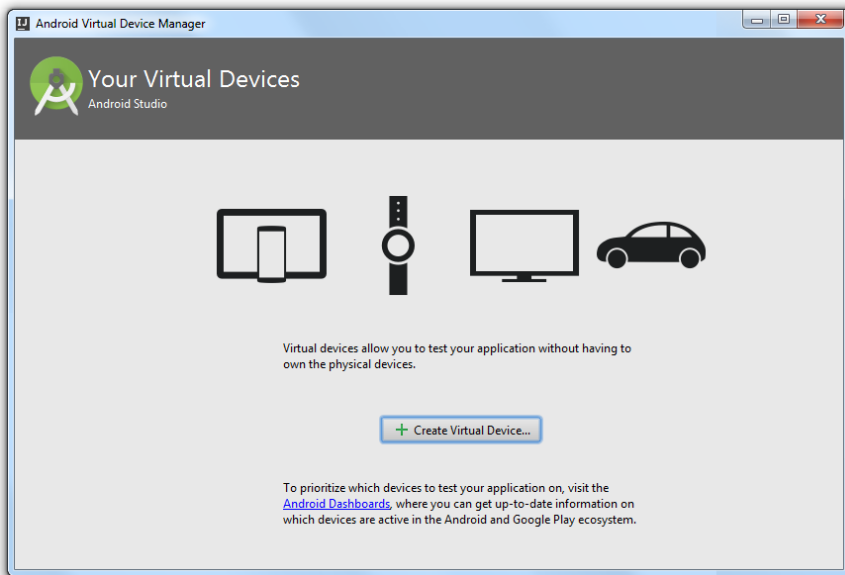
Note that the newly created configuration is shown with a red cross to indicate that it is not yet ready to be used, as no module has been specified.

3. Next, you need to specify the executable module. Expand the Module drop-down list and select `HelloDroid` : it is the only executable module in your project.

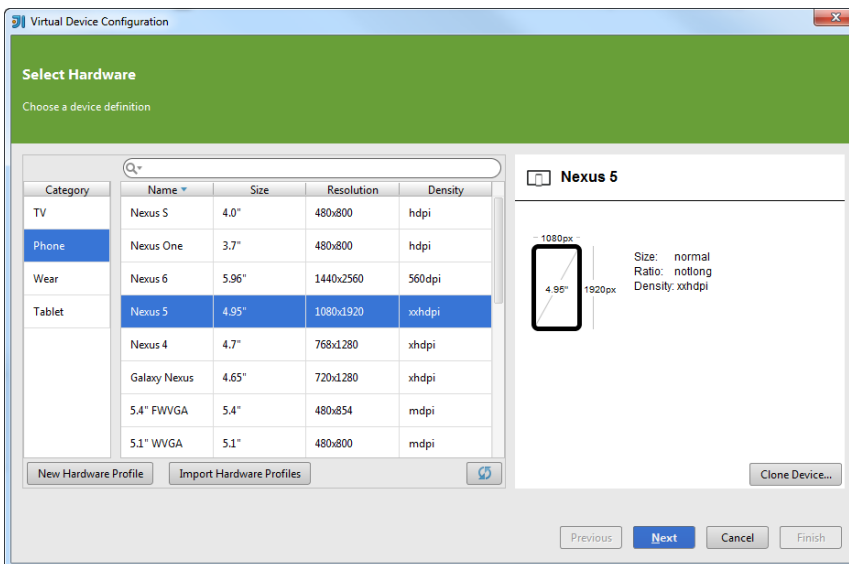


When you have selected a module, the red cross disappears, as now your run/debug configuration is filled with the minimum required information.

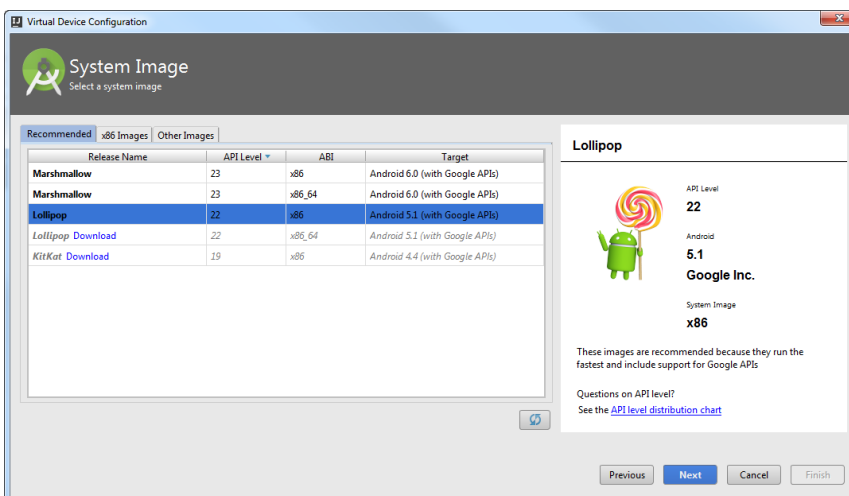
4. Next, make sure the Default APK option is selected under Installation Options . With this option selected, the application will be automatically deployed on the target device.
5. Next, you need to decide which activity you want to launch as a starter activity for your module. You can launch the default activity configured in the `AndroidManifest` file, or select a custom activity. Since your sample application only has one activity, select the Default Activity option.
6. Finally, you need to specify the target device where your application will be launched. Let's select the Emulator option. If you already have Android virtual devices configured, you can select a device from the Prefer Android Virtual Device drop-down list. If you have no devices configured, perform the following steps:
  - a. From the main menu, choose Tools | Android | AVD Manager to launch the Android Virtual Device Manager :



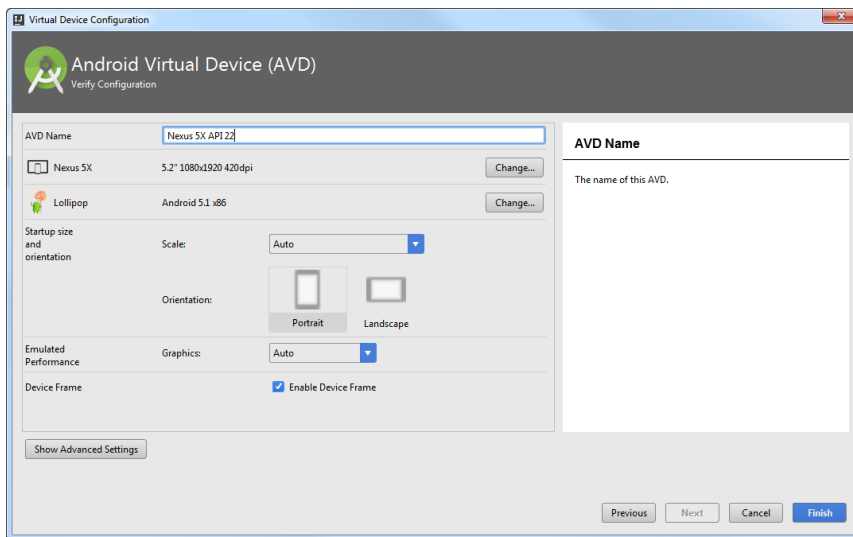
- b. Click Create a virtual device . In the dialog that opens, in the left pane select the type of the Android device you want to mimic: TV , Phone , Wear or Tablet . Let's choose Phone . In the central pane select the phone model (for example, Nexus 5X ) and click Next :



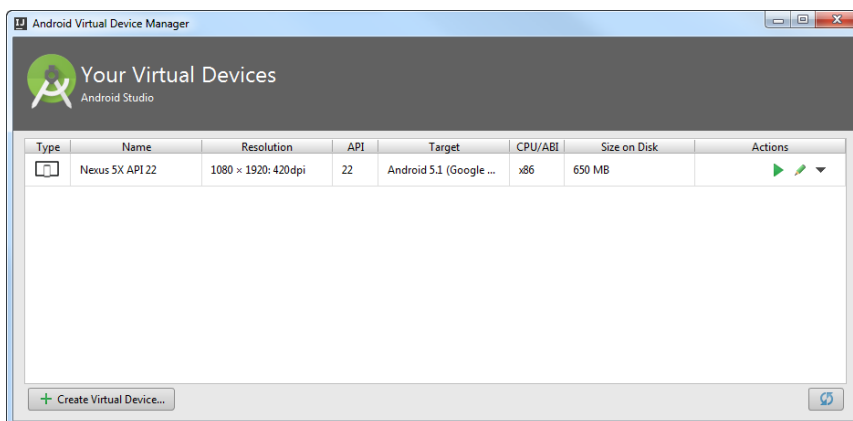
- c. On the next step, select the system image that you want to mimic on the virtual device, i.e. the OS version, the Android API level, the application binary interface (ABI) and the target SDK version:



- d. On the last step, you can modify the AVD name and select the startup size and orientation of the virtual device screen:

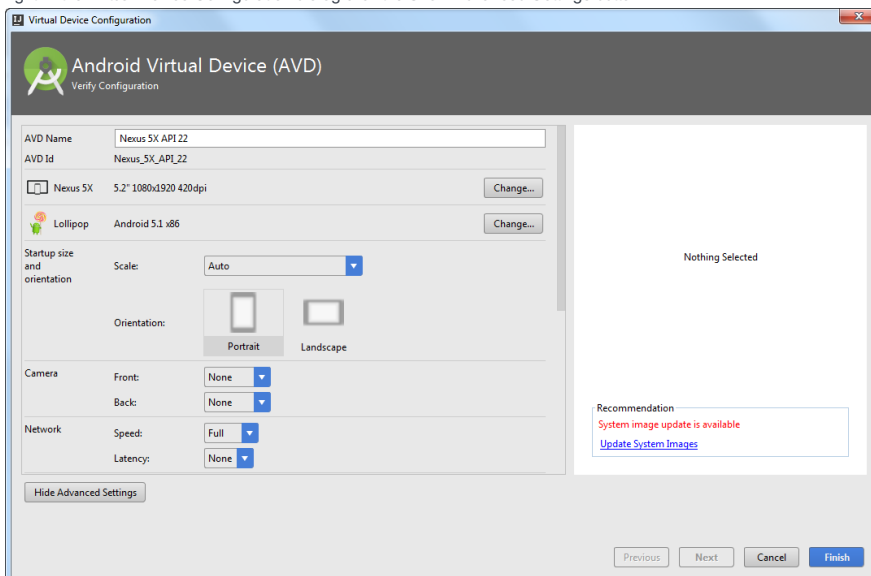


e. Click Finish to complete the wizard. The newly created Android virtual device will be added to the devices list:



f. Return to the Run/Debug Configurations dialog.

7. Note that an Android Virtual Device (AVD) is just a configuration file through which you define the hardware and software options for the emulator to mimic. In addition to AVD settings, you can configure supplementary parameters, such as network transfer rate to be emulated, network latency (the time delay between the initial input and the output), etc. To access these settings, in the AVD Manager, select an emulator from the list, and click the Edit this AVD icon on the right. In the Virtual Device Configuration dialog click the Show Advanced Settings button:



These parameters are then passed to the emulator as command line parameters.

8. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, click OK to save the newly created build configuration.

9. Note that if you selected an x86 application binary interface when configuring an Android virtual device, you will also need to install the [Intel x86 Emulator Accelerator](#) before you can run and test the application, otherwise IntelliJ IDEA will throw an error when you try to build your project. To do this:

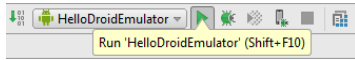
1. Launch the SDK Manager : in the main menu, select Tools | Android | SDK Manager .
2. Scroll down to the folder called Extras .
3. In this folder, locate **Intel x86 Emulator Accelerator (HAXM installer)** , select the corresponding checkbox and click the Install packages button.
4. In the dialog that opens, accept the license agreement and click Install .



5. Navigate to the Android SDK installation directory (the SDK path is shown on top of the Android SDK Manager window). In the `extras\intel\Hardware_Accelerated_Execution_Manager` folder, locate the `intelhaxm-android.exe` file and double-click to launch it.
6. Follow the instructions of the Intel Hardware Accelerated Execution Manager setup wizard to complete the installation.

## Test the Application on an Emulator

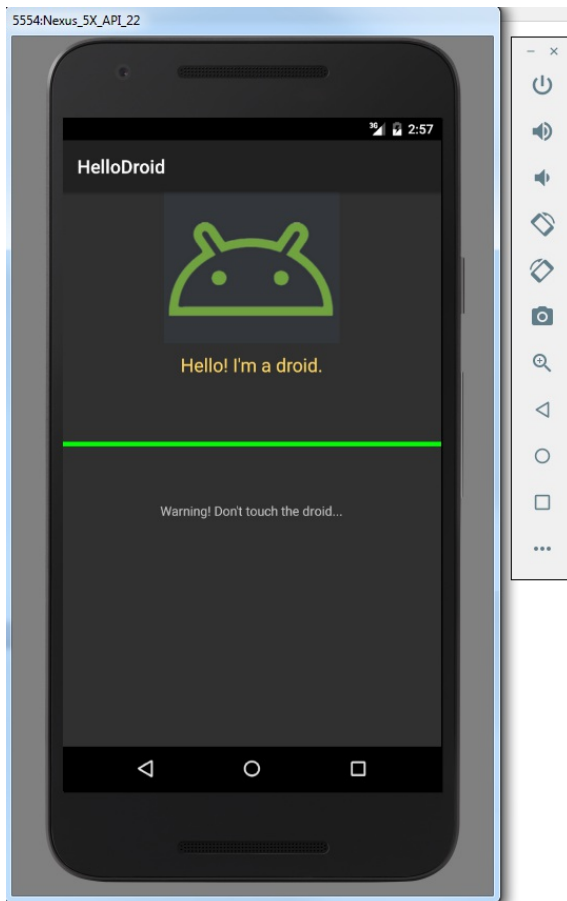
To build your project, press `Shift+F10` or click the Run icon  in the **Navigation bar** in the top-right corner of the editor:



The project will be built according to the run/debug configuration currently selected in the drop-down list. If no errors occur, IntelliJ IDEA packages the binaries and resources into an APK file and uploads it to the Android emulator:


```
Run: .\AVD: Nexus_5X_API_22 | HelloDroidEmulator
07/14 16:29:08: Launching HelloDroidEmulator
$ adb push C:\Idea Projects\HelloDroid\out\production\HelloDroid\HelloDroid.apk /data/local/tmp/com.example.HelloDroid
$ adb shell pm install -r "/data/local/tmp/com.example.HelloDroid"
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If the Android emulator is not already up and running, IntelliJ IDEA will initialize it before uploading the application. The emulator receives and installs the package and starts it by invoking the specified launch activity:



## Test the Application on a Physical Device

To test your application on a real Android device, you need to:

1. [Add a run/debug configuration](#) and make sure that you select USB device under Target Device .
2. Make sure that an Android device is connected to the computer through a USB cable.
3. Press `Shift+F10` or click the Run icon  in the **Navigation bar** in the top-right corner of the editor.

If the installation of your application fails, most probably this means that the device is not configured to install applications outside of the Android application stores. Enable this capability on your device to test the application.

On Android 4.2 or higher, do the following:

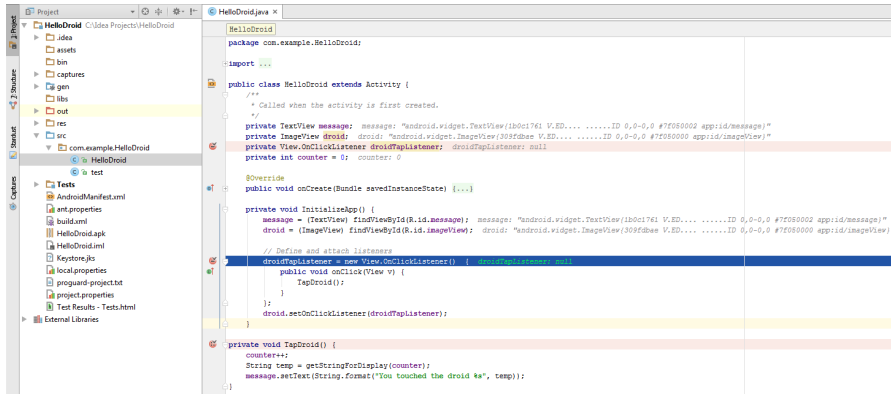
- Open your device's Settings .
- Scroll to About phone or About tablet and tap it.
- Scroll to the bottom and tap Build number 7 times until you see the "You are a developer!" message. By doing so, you've unlocked the USB debugging mode on your device.


- Now navigate to Settings | Developer Options | Debugging | USB Debugging to let your phone deploy non-packaged applications.

## Debug your Application

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to launch your application in the **debug mode** on an emulator or a physical device using the corresponding run/debug configuration.

To debug your application, you need to set breakpoints in the source code: place the caret on an executable line and click the left gutter area. A red circle will appear next to the line where you want to toggle a breakpoint, and the line will be marked with pink:

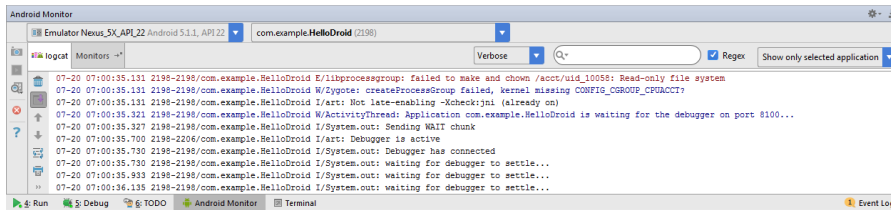


To start a debug session, press **Shift+F9** or click the Debug icon  in the **Navigation bar** in the top-right corner of the editor. The **Debug tool window** will be activated where you can **step through the program**, examine **variables**, **watches**, **frames** and **threads** and analyse system information and error messages in the **Console tab**.

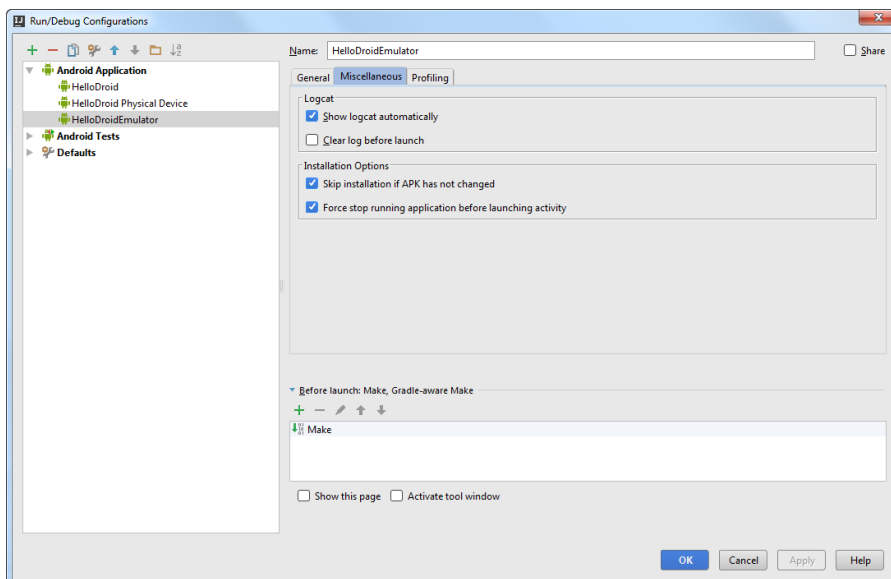
## Analyze Debug Output

In IntelliJ IDEA, debugging of Android applications is provided through the support of the **logcat** functionality that stores a log of system debug output. Log messages include a stack trace when the emulator throws an error, so you can **navigate to the exception location** in the source code.

In IntelliJ IDEA, the logcat functionality is available through the Logcat tab of the **Android Monitor tool window** (for details, see [Debugging with Logcat](#)):



You can also configure additional logcat options in the **Miscellaneous tab** of your run/debug configuration:



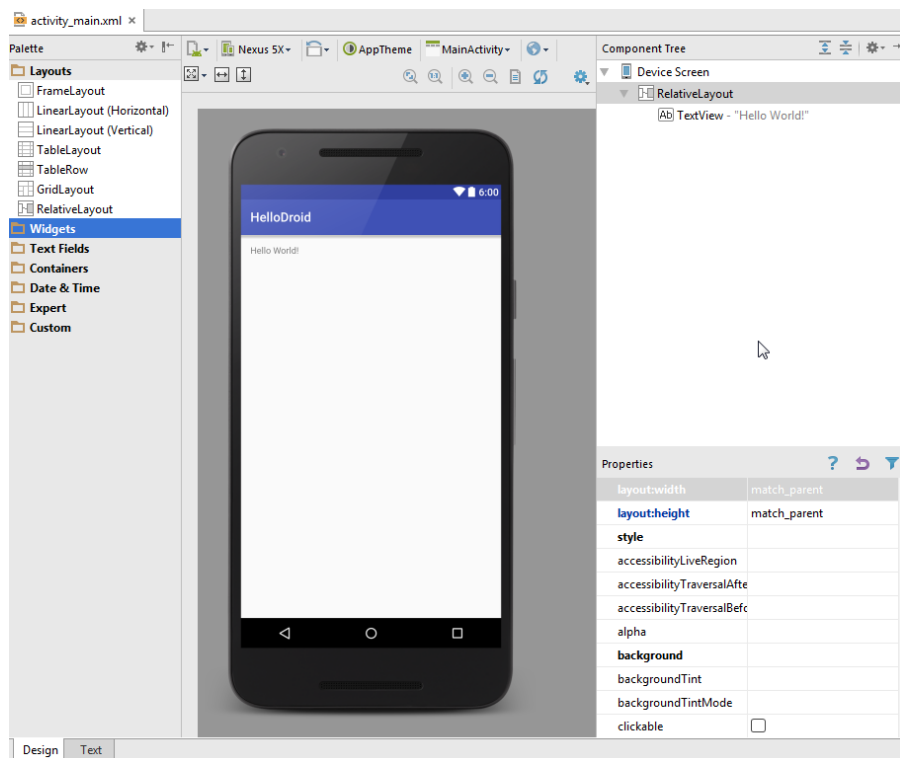
At this stage, the user interface of your sample `HelloDroid` application is based on a very simple layout. The UI layout is defined in the `activity_main.xml` file located in the `res/layout` folder. By default, IntelliJ IDEA provides a graphical view of a layout file, but it also lets you switch to a text-based view where you edit the layout file manually.

Let us modify the auto-generated user interface with the built-in **UI Designer** and see how the application layout is rendered without running it on any physical or virtual devices.

## 1. Open the layout file

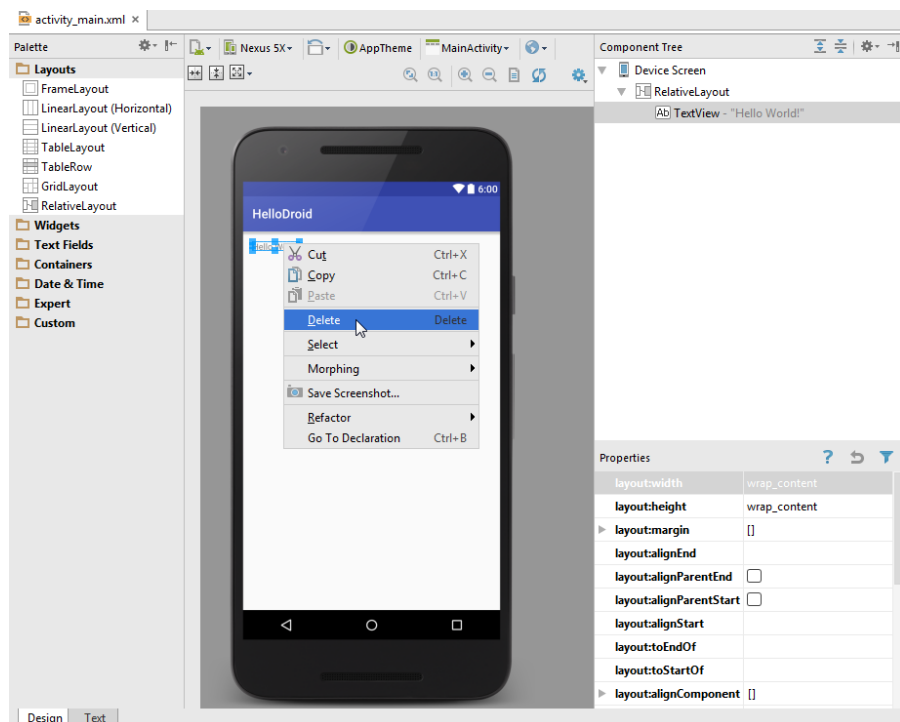
In the **Project view**, navigate to the `res/layout` folder and select the `activity_main.xml` file. The **Design pane** will open in the editor.

The pane shows a rectangular canvas that is synchronized with the current layout definition file and with the Component Tree view, so any changes to the canvas are reflected there accordingly.



## 2. Delete the existing text element

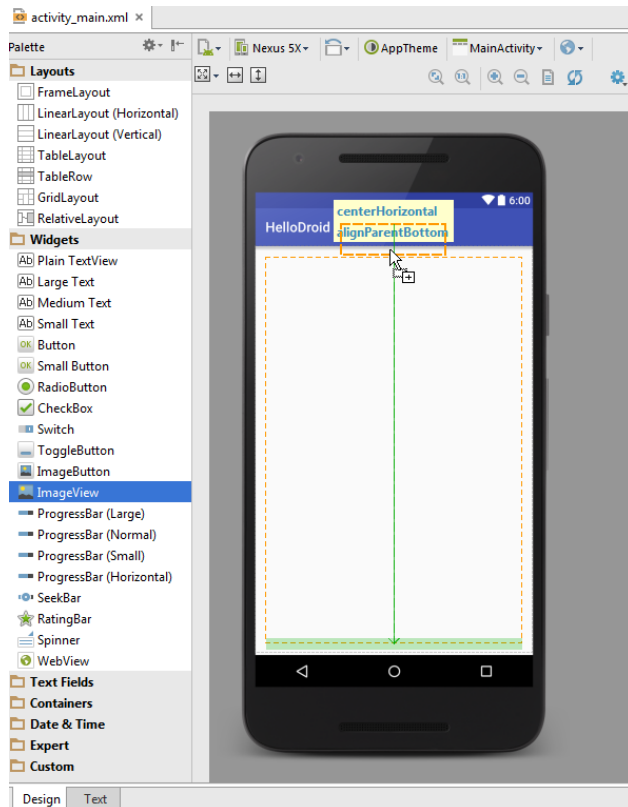
Let's delete the existing text element. To do this, click to select the text label in the view and right-click it to invoke the context menu. Select Delete to clear up the user interface:



## 3. Add an ImageView widget

Now add an `ImageView` widget: select the `ImageView` component from the Widgets palette and then click the canvas where

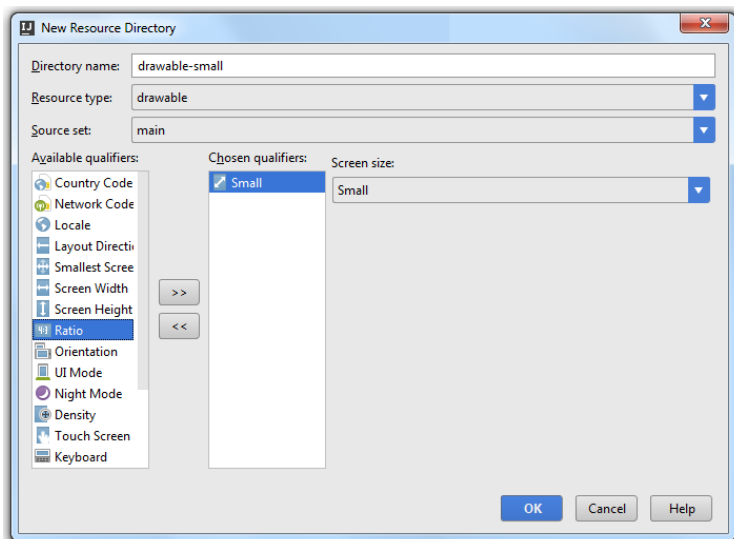
you want to insert the widget. Alternatively, you can drag-and-drop the widget to the Design pane:



At this point, the view contains a placeholder for an image, but there's no image associated with it yet. To add an image to the project, you first need to create a `drawable` folder under `res`.

#### 4. Create the 'drawable' folder

Right-click the `res` node in the Project view and select `New | Android resource directory`. From the Resource type drop-down list, select `drawable`. If necessary, select any of the available qualifiers.



You use qualifiers such as 'small' only if you wish to use a different set of resources for different screens, UI modes, density or locales. If you are going to use a single set of resources, you need no qualifiers.

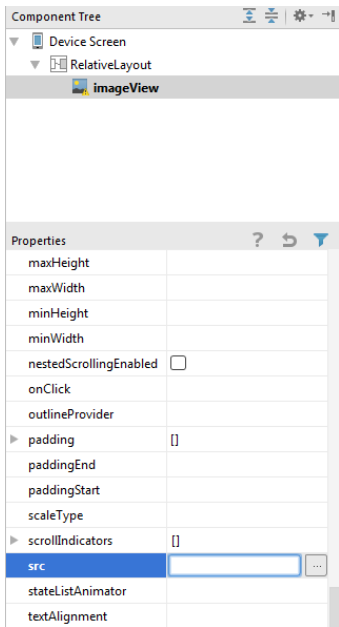
To add images, just pick image files in Windows Explorer and drag them to the `drawable` folder within IntelliJ IDEA.

#### 5. Link an image file to the 'ImageView' widget

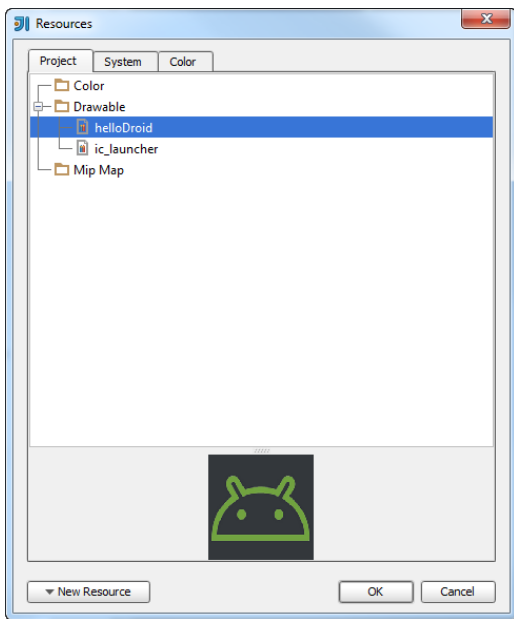
Now you need to link the image file you've added to the `ImageView` widget. In the UI designer, you need to select the widget to edit its properties. You can select the widget by clicking it, however, this sometimes can be a surprisingly hard task. If you have added an image widget but have no image attached to it, the widget is rendered as a very thin box that can be hard to select with the mouse. This is when `Component Tree` comes to a rescue and lets you easily select the visual elements you need.

**Tip** When it comes to adding, editing or removing graphical components of your UI layout, you can use the Component Tree in the same way as the Designer. You can drag-and-drop widgets onto the Component Tree and remove or edit elements from within the displayed hierarchy.

1. In the Component Tree pane, select the `imageView` component and locate the `src` entry in the table of its properties:



2. Click the Browse button  and select the image you want to attach to the widget in the dialog that opens:

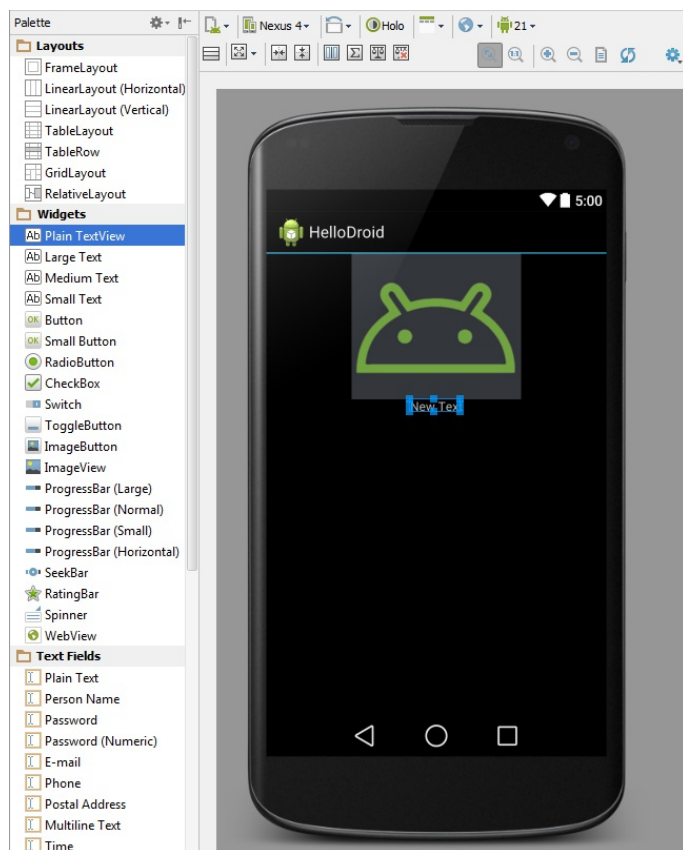


The image will be attached to the widget. You can select it in the designer and adjust its size and position:



6. Add a 'TextView' component


Now let us add a **TextView** component. In the palette, locate the Plain TextView component under Widgets and drag-and-drop it to the view just below the image:



By default, the Plain TextView displays some literal text: `New Text` . To change it and link it to some localizable string, you need to create a new text resource.

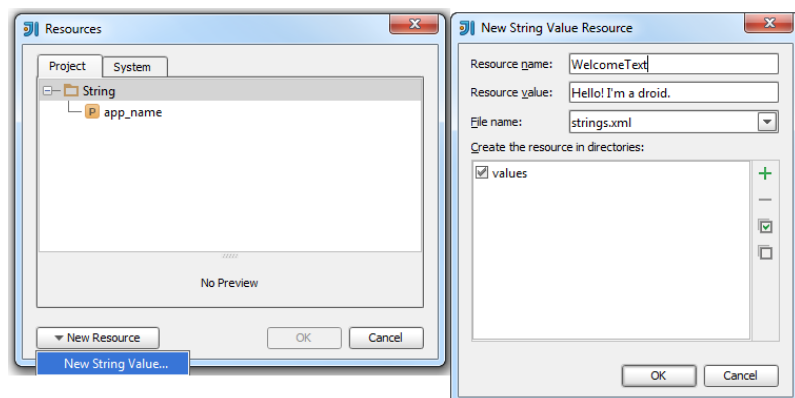
## 7. Create a 'String' resource

1. In the Components Tree , select the TextView element and locate the text property in the properties table below.

2. Click the Browse button  to invoke the Resources dialog box that allows you to pick an existing string value or add a new one.

Note that strings are stored in the `strings.xml` file under the `res | values` folder. If necessary, you can edit the `strings.xml` file directly.

3. Click New Resource | New String Value . In the dialog that opens, enter the resource name and specify the text that will be displayed in the TextView widget:




## 8. Add style to the text

To make the text look a bit more appealing, you need to set a few additional properties. You can do this by editing properties of the TextView component. Let's do the following:

1. Center the label horizontally: set the gravity property to `center_horizontal` .

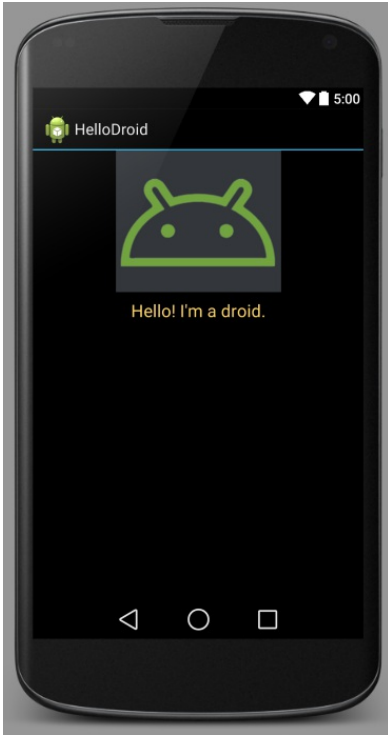
2. Pad the text a bit: locate the padding property and set the value of all to `10dp` .

3. Change the font color: edit the `textColor` property. You can set the property value to a color string, such as `#ffd764` , for example, or you can have it reference a color resource. To add a color resource, click the Browse button  and create a resource named `welcomeText` with the value of `#ffd764` .

4. Change the font size: edit the `TextSize` property. You can set a value, or link it to a size resource in the same way we did with the `TextColor` property above.

Note that you cannot indicate dimensions as plain numbers. You must always add the `dp` suffix.




As a result, your user interface now looks as following:



## 9. Preview your layout in various conditions

The [controls on top of the Designer tool window](#) allow you to preview your UI layout in different conditions: landscape or portrait, on different screen sizes, using different themes, for different locales, etc. This provides a quick and easy way for you to see how the overall application UI looks like in a number of common scenarios.

For example, do the following:

- Click the  icon and select Preview All Screen Sizes from the drop-down menu. IntelliJ IDEA will display the preview of your UI layout on the most common screen types.
- To preview the application layout on different devices, click the icon with the current device name (in our case, it is  Nexus 5 ) and choose from the list.
- Click  to toggle between the layout and portrait preview mode.

Now when you are familiar with the basic UI layout editing options using the [built-in designer](#), let's add more elements to the main view of the application by editing its layout manually.

## 1. Switch to Text view

Switch to the Text tab at the bottom of the editor. IntelliJ IDEA will display the XML source code of the currently selected layout file:



## 2. Add a horizontal ruler

Let's add some markup that inserts a separator. The easiest way to add a horizontal dividing line is adding the following to your source code:

```
<View android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="5dp"
    android:layout_marginTop="60dp"
    android:background="#00ff00" />
```

The separator is 5 units thick, painted with a green background and placed below the nearest element.

## 3. Add a TextView element

To add another TextView element, add the following to your source code:

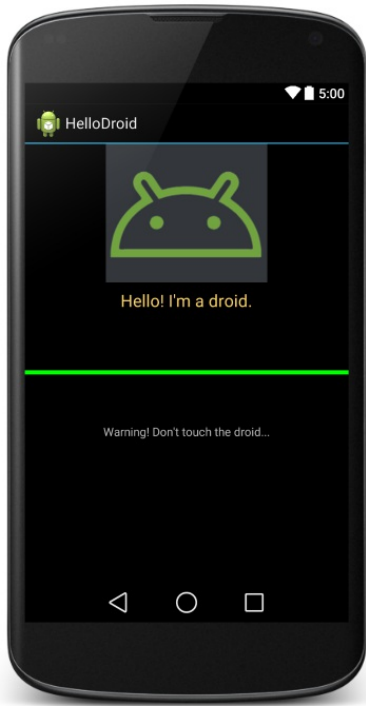
```
<TextView android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:layout_marginTop="60dp"
    android:text="Warning! Don't touch the droid..."
    android:id="@+id/message"
    android:layout_gravity="center_horizontal" />
```

The new element will be placed 60 units below the separator; it is centered horizontally and uses the default font color. The text string associated with the element is declared explicitly.

Unlike the separator, though, the TextView element also has the id property. Its syntax indicates that what follows the "@" symbol, is a string that must be treated as an ID resource, and will be used to reference the view element. The Android runtime processes this information appropriately and makes it possible for you to write Java code that interacts with the TextView component.

The [Preview](#) pane on the right displays the result of your changes:

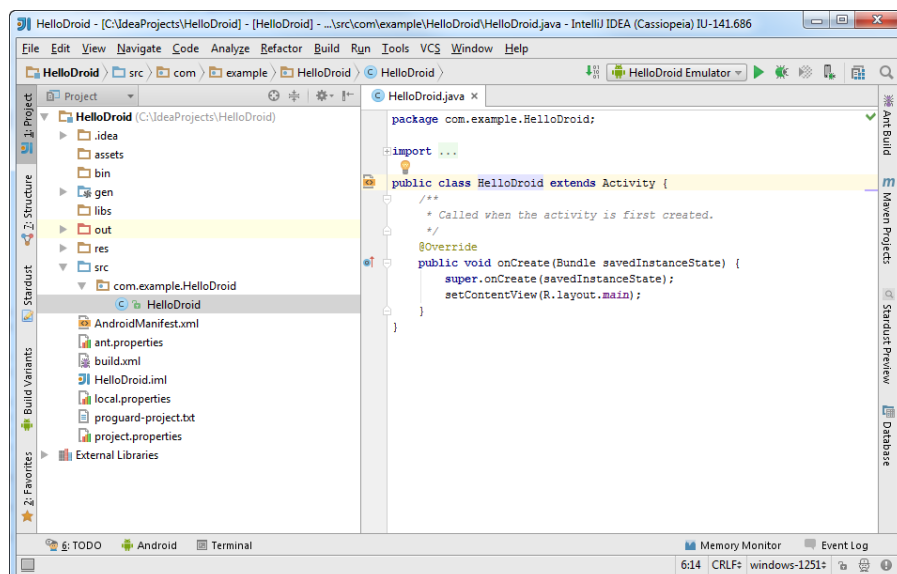




Although our sample application is fully functional at this point, it does not support any form of interaction yet. To make the application support tap events, you need to edit the `HelloDroid` class defined in the `src` folder.

## 1. Open the MyActivity class

In the `Project` view, locate the `HelloDroid.java` file under the `src | com.example.HelloDroid` folder and click on it:



## 2. Add references to visual elements

In Android, you need to explicitly obtain references to visual elements in order to manipulate them programmatically. You need to define private members on the activity class to hold these references, and then initialize these members in a newly created method invoked from within `onCreate`.

1. Add the following code to the `HelloDroid` class:

```
private TextView message;
private ImageView droid;
```

2. Add a call to a new method called `InitializeApp` in `onCreate`. IntelliJ IDEA promptly detects that this method is missing and suggests generating it for you:



3. In the `InitializeApp` method, assign private members a reference to a visual element:

```
message = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.message);
droid = (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.imageView);
```

The expression `R.id.xxx` indicates a member of the auto-generated `R class`.

## 3. Add an event handler

In an application, no interaction is possible without events and event handlers. As an example, let's add a click handler to the `droid` image view and display a message every time the user touches the image.

In Java, an event handler takes the following form:

```
private View.OnClickListener droidTapListener;
```

Add this member to the `HelloDroid` class and initialize it in the `InitializeApp` method. Your code should now look as following:

```

private void InitializeApp() {
    message = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.message);
    droid = (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.imageView);

    // Define and attach listeners
    droidTapListener = new View.OnClickListener() {
        public void onClick(View v) {
            TapDroid();
        }
    };
    droid.setOnClickListener(droidTapListener);
}

```

The net effect of this code is that every time the user taps the image, the `TapDroid` method is invoked.

#### 4. Handle the 'Click' event

1. The `TapDroid` method just counts the times the user touched the image, and displays a message. You need to add a new private member to the `HelloDroid` class to count clicks:

```

public class MainActivity extends Activity
{
    private TextView message;
    private ImageView droid;
    private View.OnClickListener droidTapListener;
    private int counter = 0;

    // More code goes here ...
}

```

2. Next, define the `TapDroid` method as shown below:

```

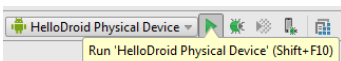
private void TapDroid() {
    counter++;
    String temp;
    switch (counter)
    {
        case 1:
            temp = "once";
            break;
        case 2:
            temp = "twice";
            break;
        default:
            temp = String.format("%d times", counter);
    }
    message.setText(String.format("You touched the droid %s", temp));
}

```

#### 5. Build an application and launch it on a device

Your sample application is now complete. You can build and deploy it to an Android device.

1. [Create a run/debug configuration](#) and select USB device under Target Device .
2. Connect an Android device to the computer through a USB cable. If the device is connected for the first time, wait until all drivers are installed.
3. If this is the first time you are deploying an application outside of the Android application stores, enable the USB Debugging mode on your device.  
On Android 4.2 or higher, do the following:
  - Open your device's Settings .
  - Scroll to About phone or About tablet and tap it.
  - Scroll to the bottom and tap Build number 7 times until you see the "You are a developer!" message. By doing so, you've unlocked the USB debugging mode on your device.
  - Now navigate to Settings | Developer Options | Debugging | USB Debugging to let your phone deploy non-packaged applications.
4. Make sure the appropriate run/debug configuration is selected in the drop-down in the top-right corner of the editor and click the Run icon:



5. When the application has been successfully deployed on the device, tap the image and look at the changes to the user interface:



Hello! I'm a droid.

You touched the droid 3 times

In Android, unit testing is based on [JUnit](#), and plain use of JUnit is enough to test the features that are exclusively based on Java code.

However, to test Android-specific functionality you need a bunch of wrapper classes built on top of JUnit. IntelliJ IDEA streamlines most of the tasks around the build of an Android test project.

## 1. Make sure your code is testable

Unit testing requires that the source code is composed in such a way that dependencies between modules can be easily neutralized with mocks. In addition, unit testing requires that functions are well isolated from each other.

As is, the code of the `HelloDroid` class is not easy to test. Let's first apply a quick refactoring before we proceed with unit tests.

1. Open the `HelloDroid` class and select the portion of the code in the `TapDroid` method that refers to the production of the display message:

```
    }  
    private void TapDroid() {  
        counter++;  
        String temp;  
        switch (counter)  
        {  
            case 1:  
                temp = "once";  
                break;  
            case 2:  
                temp = "twice";  
                break;  
            default:  
                temp = String.format("%d times", counter);  
        }  
        message.setText(String.format("You touched the droid %s", temp));  
    }  
}
```

2. Rewrite the `TapDroid` method in such a way so that it calls into a newly created public helper method (`GetStringForDisplay`) as shown below:

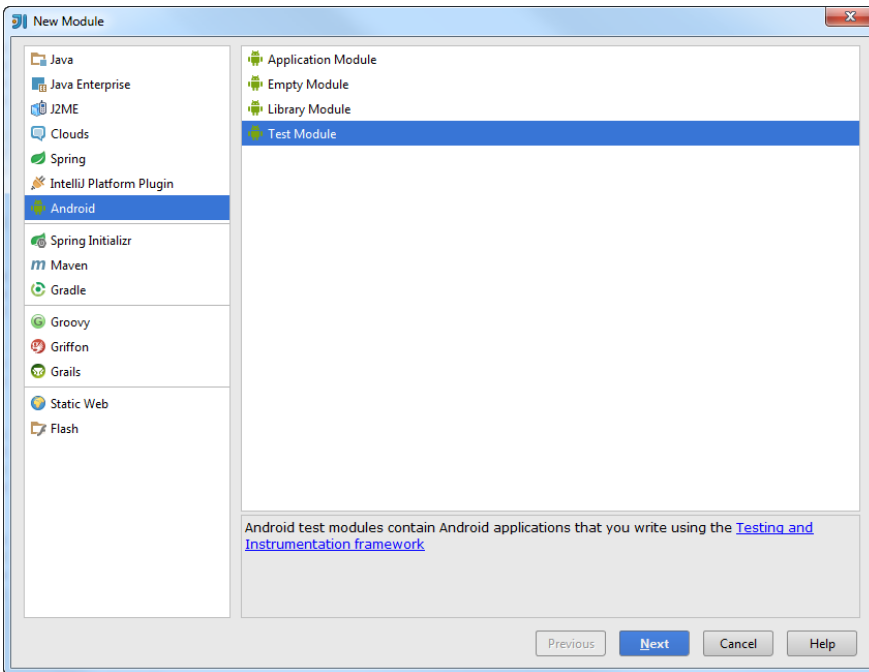
```
private void TapDroid() {  
    counter++;  
    String temp = getStringForDisplay(counter);  
    message.setText(String.format("You touched the droid %s", temp));  
}  
  
public String getStringForDisplay(int count) {  
    String temp;  
    switch(count)  
    {  
        case 1:  
            temp = "once";  
            break;  
        case 2:  
            temp = "twice";  
            break;  
        default:  
            temp = String.format("%d times", count);  
    }  
    return temp;  
}
```

The `getStringForDisplay` method is now much easier to test, and the body of the `TapDroid` method has been greatly simplified.

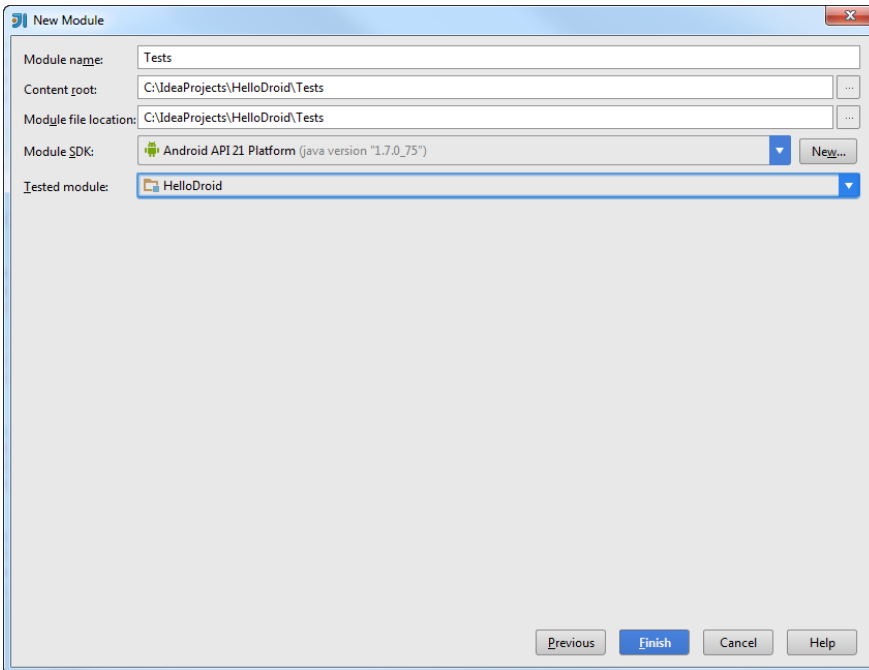
## 2. Create a test module

Now let's create a new test module and set `HelloDroid` as the tested module. This ensures that the test module holds a reference onto the module that contains the source code you are going to test.

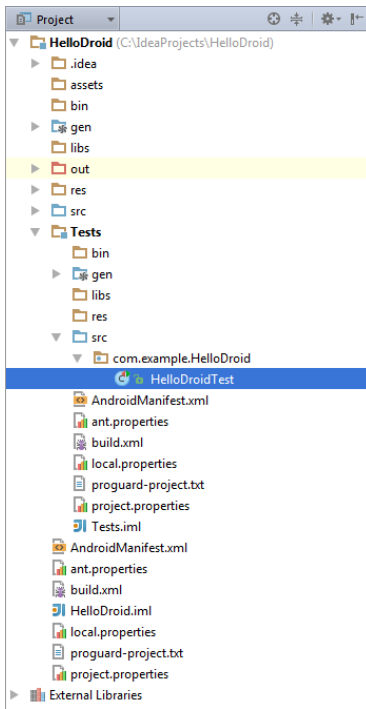
1. From the main menu, select File | New | Module to launch the [New Module wizard](#).
2. On the first page of the wizard, select Android in the left pane, and Test Module on the right:



- On the second page, specify the new module name, for example, `Tests` . Leave the other fields unchanged. The `HelloDroid` module is specified as the tested module automatically, as at this point, this is the only module in the project.



A new node will be appended to the project named `Tests` . This module has its own `manifest` file and `src` directory. The `manifest` file links against the `android.test` library in order to build test classes.



The newly created module has a test file named `HelloDroidTest` in the `src` folder. You can add more test files simply by adding more Java classes as shown below:

```
public class HelloDroidTest extends ActivityInstrumentationTestCase2<HelloDroid> {

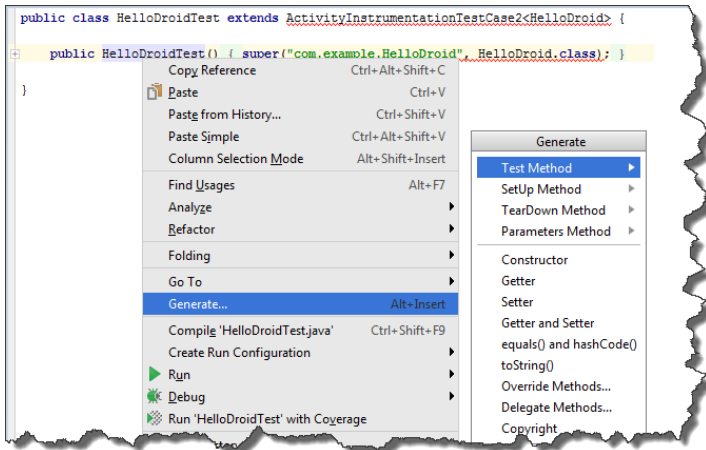
    public HelloDroidTest() {
        super("com.example.HelloDroid", HelloDroid.class);
    }
}
```

The test class inherits from `ActivityInstrumentationTestCase2<T>` where `T` is the name of the activity you are going to test.

Note that adding a constructor is required, as there is no default constructor defined for the parent class.

### 3. Add a test method

In the editor, right-click the `HelloDroidTest` test class and click Generate (alternatively, click `Alt+Insert`). From the popup menu that opens, select Test Method :



IntelliJ IDEA creates a new method stub named `testName` where you can easily change the `Name` suffix into something more meaningful in the context:

```
public void testStringForDisplay() throws Exception {
```

The `test` prefix in the method name is required if you are using [JUnit 3](#), the default testing framework in Android. With [JUnit 4](#), you have to use method name annotations to indicate that a given method must be processed as a test method.

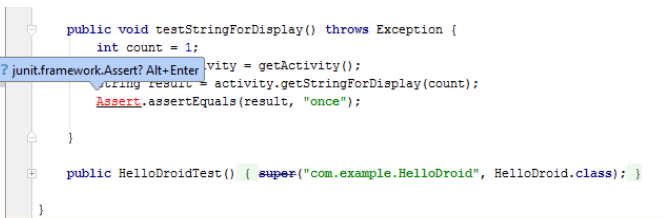
### 4. Write the logic for a test method

Internally, the test method first gets a reference to the activity it is trying to test, then it calls the target method, and, finally, compares the effective results with the expected results.

Add the following code to the test method:

```
public void testStringForDisplay() throws Exception {
    int count = 1;
    HelloDroid activity = getActivity();
    String result = activity.getStringForDisplay(count);
    Assert.assertEquals(result, "once");
}
```

Assertions are implemented through the services of the JUnit framework and need to be properly referenced in the source file. Press **Alt+Enter** when the intention action pops up to reference it:



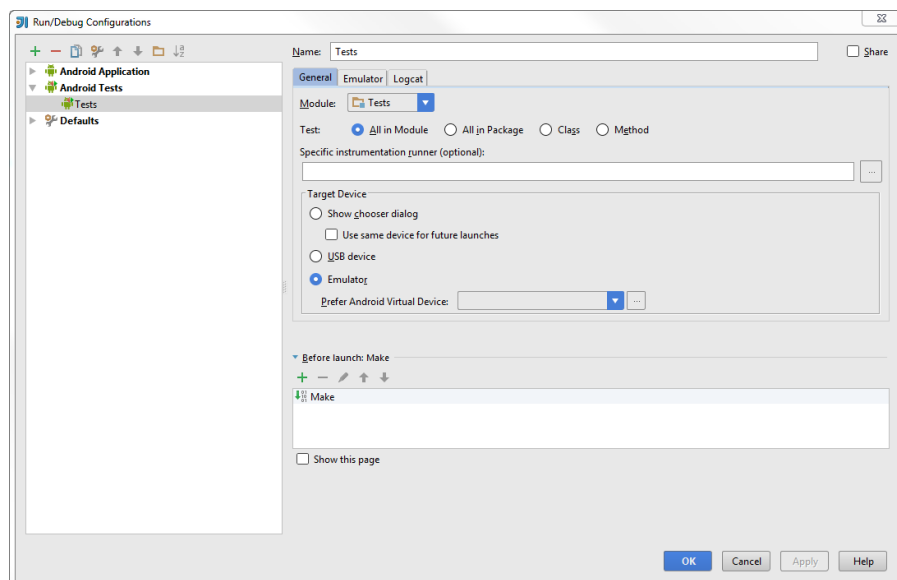
```
public void testStringForDisplay() throws Exception {
    int count = 1;
    ? junit.framework.Assert? Alt+Enter vity = getActivity();
    String result = activity.getStringForDisplay(count);
    Assert.assertEquals(result, "once");
}

public HelloDroidTest() { super("com.example.HelloDroid", HelloDroid.class); }
}
```

## 5. Create a run/debug configuration for tests

In order to run tests, you need to create a dedicated run/debug configuration. A default configuration is created for you automatically when you set up a test module.

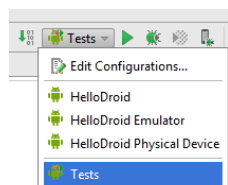
To edit its settings, in the main menu select **Run | Edit Configurations** and select **Tests** under **Android Tests** in the left pane:



You can select to run all tests in the module, or limit the test to the methods in a given class.

## 6. Run a test

To run your tests, make sure the appropriate run/debug configuration is selected in the drop-down list in the top-right corner of the editor, and click the **Run** button next to it:



Test results are displayed in the **Test Runner** tab of the **Run tool window** that is activated automatically. If a test is completed successfully, a green square icon appears in the top right corner of the editor. If there are warnings, the icon is yellow, and if a test fails - it is red. You can click the icon to get more details.

You can export a test report to a variety of formats by clicking the **Export Test Results** icon in the **Tests** tab toolbar.

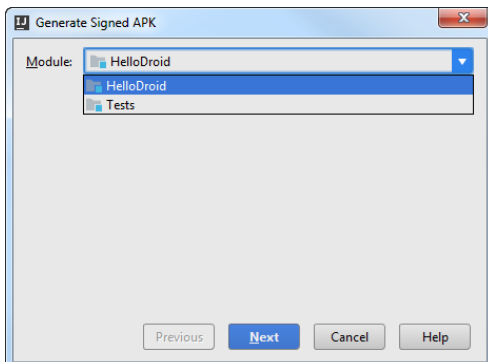


Once ready, an Android application is packaged as an [.apk file](#) . The package contains binaries as well as resources.

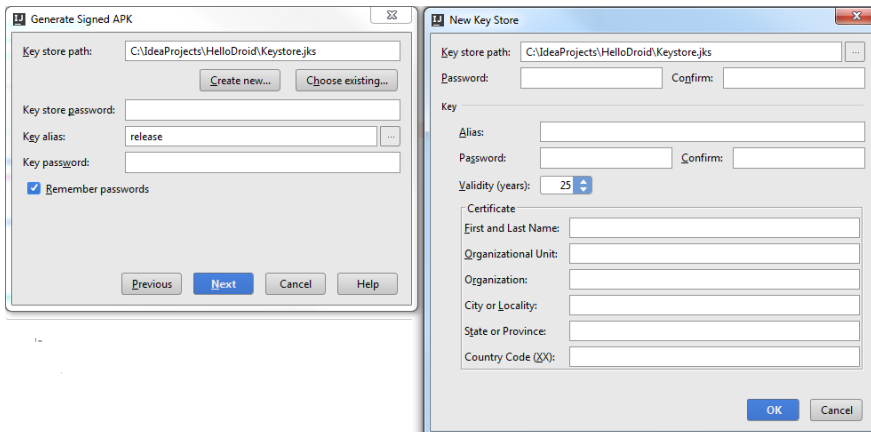
Android applications can be published in an application store, such as [Google Play](#) . To publish an application, you need to [sign it digitally](#) . Based on this signature, the Android system identifies the author of every deployed application. You do not need to apply for a personal signature to any authority, a signature generated by IntelliJ IDEA is quite sufficient.

To package and sign the application, perform the following steps:

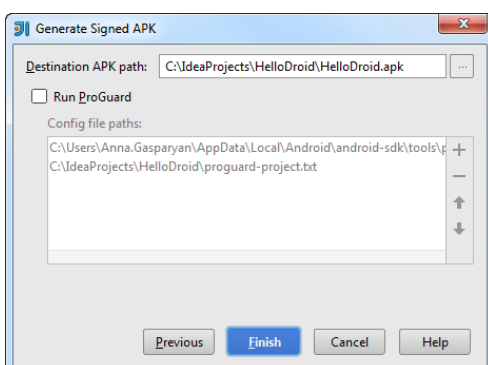
1. From the main menu, select Build | Generate Signed APK . The [Generate Signed APK Wizard](#) starts.
2. On the first page, select the module that you want to package ( [HelloDroid](#) ) and click Next :



3. On the next page, click the Create new button to create a new keystore file with a new key.
  - In the [New Key Store](#) dialog box that opens, click the Browse button (...), select the folder where the newly generated keystore file will be located, and enter the name of the file.
  - Specify and confirm the password to access the keystore.
  - Configure the new release key by filling in the data in the Key area.



4. On the next step, in the Destination APK path text box, specify the folder where the [.apk](#) file will be saved. Optionally, select the Run ProGuard option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to [obfuscate the application](#) during the packaging procedure.



5. Click Finish to generate and sign the application package.

You can upload the resulting [HelloDroid.apk](#) file to an application store, or install it directly on devices configured to install applications from unknown sources.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This guide shows main IntelliJ IDEA features for writing and running [Arquillian](#) tests.

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## Before you start

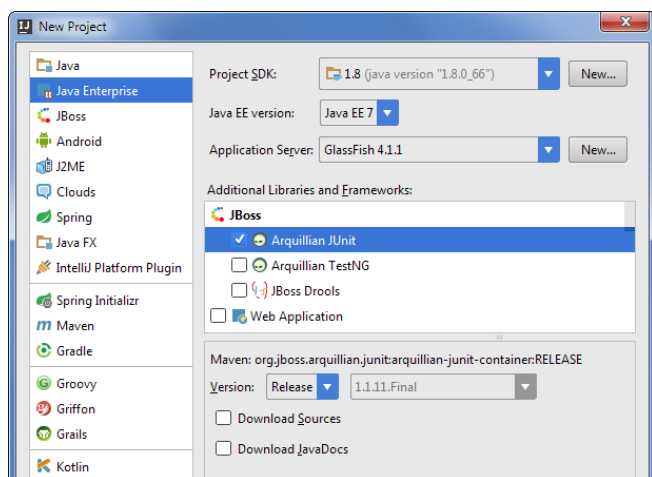
Make sure that the following software is installed on your computer:

- IntelliJ IDEA ULTIMATE Edition. Also check if the JBoss Arquillian Support [plugin](#) is enabled.
- Java SE Development Kit (JDK), version 8. [Download Oracle JDK](#) .
- GlassFish Server, version 4. The server will be used as a managed Arquillian container. [Download GlassFish](#) .

You should also [download javax-inject.jar](#) . This file will be used as a [library](#) when developing our sample test class.

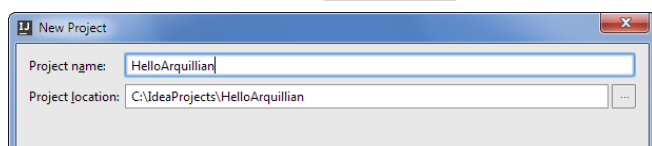
## Creating a project with Arquillian JUnit support

1. Click Create New Project on the Welcome screen, or select File | New | Project .  
The New Project wizard opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise .
3. If the JDK that you want to use is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select that JDK from the Project SDK list. Otherwise, click New , select JDK , and select the JDK installation folder in the dialog that opens.
4. If GlassFish is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, click New to the right of the Application Server field and select Glassfish Server .  
In the Glassfish Server dialog, specify the GlassFish Server installation directory.
5. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Arquillian JUnit checkbox.

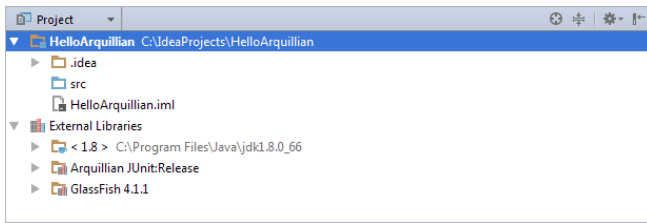


Click Next .

6. Specify the name for your new project (e.g. `HelloArquillian` ) and click Finish .



When the project is created, you'll see something similar to this in the Project tool window.

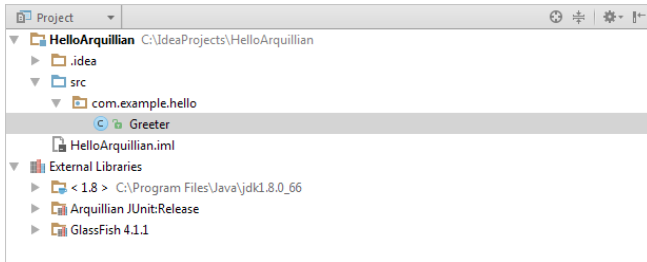


(To add Arquillian JUnit support for an existing project: in the Project tool window, right-click your project or module folder and select Add Framework Support . Then, select the Arquillian JUnit checkbox in the dialog that opens.)

## Creating a class

Now we are going to create a class that we'll test. Let the class name be `com.example.hello.Greeter` .

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the `src` folder, point to New and select Java Class .
  2. In the Create New Class dialog that opens, type `com.example.hello.Greeter` in the Name field and press `Enter` .
- The package `com.example.hello` and the class `Greeter` are shown in the Project tool window.



At the same time, the file `Greeter.java` opens in the editor.

## Developing code for the Greeter class

Here is the code for the `Greeter` class.

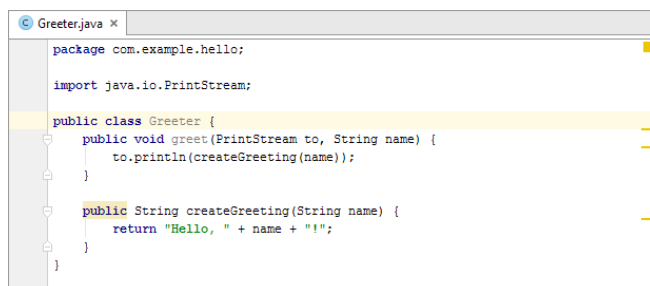
```
package com.example.hello;

import java.io.PrintStream;

public class Greeter {
    public void greet(PrintStream to, String name) {
        to.println(createGreeting(name));
    }

    public String createGreeting(String name) {
        return "Hello, " + name + "!";
    }
}
```

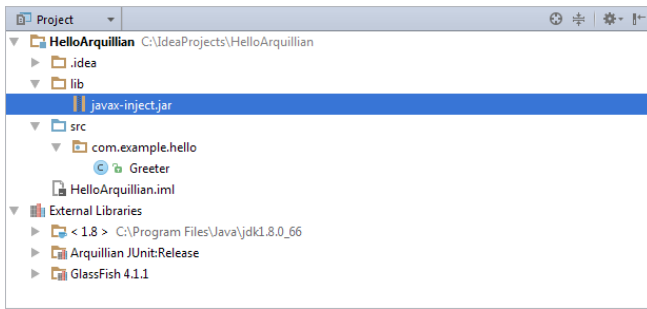
Copy the code into the editor.



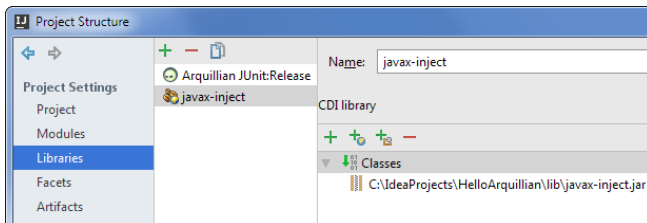
## Defining javax-inject.jar as a library

To be able to write and run our Arquillian test, we need `javax-inject.jar` as a library.

1. In the project root folder, create the folder `lib` ( New | Directory ) and copy `javax-inject.jar` into that folder.



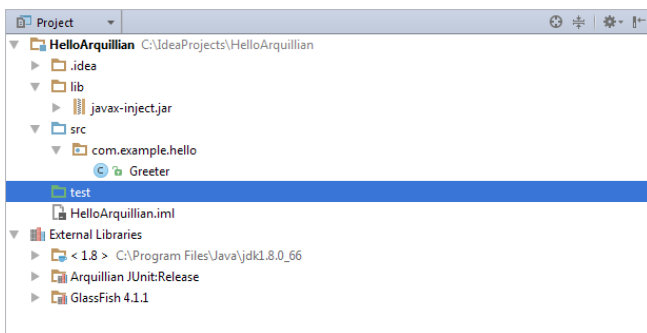
2. Open the Project Structure dialog ( `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ) and select Libraries .
3. Click `+`, select Java and select `javax-inject.jar` in the dialog that opens.
4. Click OK in the Choose Modules dialog.



5. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

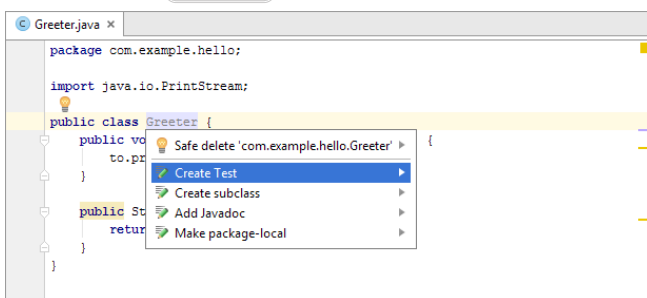
## Creating a folder for test sources

1. In the project root folder, create the folder `test` .
2. Right-click that folder, point to Mark Directory As and select Test Sources Root .

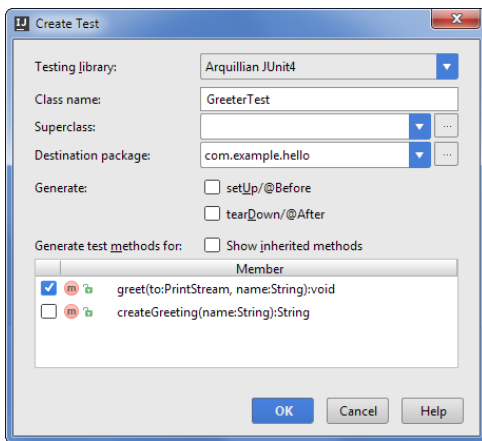


## Creating a test class

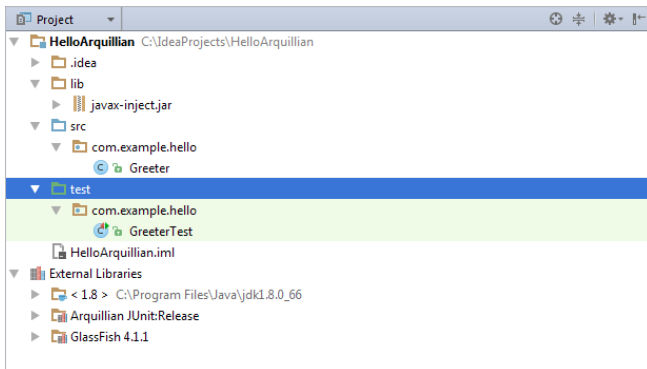
1. In the editor, place the cursor within the name of the class ( `Greeter` ) .
2. Click the light bulb ( `Alt+Enter` ) and select Create Test .



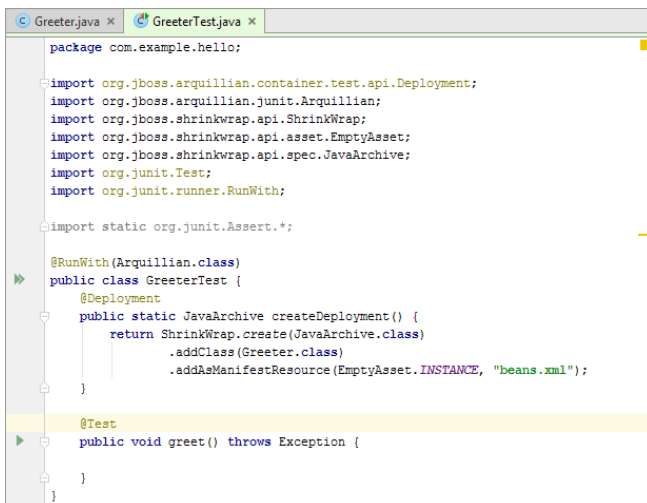
3. In the Create Test dialog that opens, select Arquillian JUnit4 from the Testing library list. Under Create test methods for , select the method that doesn't return a value ( `greet` ) . Click OK .



The new test class is shown in the Project tool window.



At the same time, the file `GreeterTest.java` opens in the editor.



The initial content of the test class is defined by the corresponding template. You can edit that template on the Code tab of the File and Code Templates page in the Settings / Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S` | Editor | File and Code Templates).

## Completing the code for the GreeterTest class

Here is the code for the test class in its final state:

```

package com.example.hello;

import org.jboss.arquillian.container.test.api.Deployment;
import org.jboss.arquillian.junit.Arquillian;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.ShrinkWrap;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.asset.EmptyAsset;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.spec.JavaArchive;
import org.junit.Assert;
import org.junit.Test;
import org.junit.runner.RunWith;

import javax.inject.Inject;

import static org.junit.Assert.*;

@RunWith(Arquillian.class)
public class GreeterTest {

    @Deployment
    public static JavaArchive createDeployment() {
        return ShrinkWrap.create(JavaArchive.class)
            .addClass(Greeter.class)
            .addAsManifestResource(EmptyAsset.INSTANCE, "beans.xml");
    }

    @Inject
    Greeter greeter;

    @Test
    public void greet() throws Exception {
        String name="Arquillian";
        Assert.assertEquals("Hello, Arquillian!", greeter.createGreeting(name));
        greeter.greet(System.out, name);
    }
}

```

1. To insert a proper `import` statement for `@Inject`, type `@Inj` and select `@Inject (javax.inject)`.

```

package com.example.hello;

import org.jboss.arquillian.container.test.api.Deployment;
import org.jboss.arquillian.junit.Arquillian;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.ShrinkWrap;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.asset.EmptyAsset;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.spec.JavaArchive;
import org.junit.Assert;
import org.junit.Test;
import org.junit.runner.RunWith;

import static org.junit.Assert.*;

@RunWith(Arquillian.class)
public class GreeterTest {

    @Deployment
    public static JavaArchive createDeployment() {
        return ShrinkWrap.create(JavaArchive.class)
            .addClass(Greeter.class)
            .addAsManifestResource(EmptyAsset.INSTANCE, "beans.xml");
    }

    @Inject
    Greeter greeter;

    @Test
    public void greet() throws Exception {
        String name="Arquillian";
        Assert.assertEquals("Hello, Arquillian!", greeter.createGreeting(name));
        greeter.greet(System.out, name);
    }
}

```

2. Add the remaining code by copying.

```

package com.example.hello;

import org.jboss.arquillian.container.test.api.Deployment;
import org.jboss.arquillian.junit.Arquillian;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.ShrinkWrap;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.asset.EmptyAsset;
import org.jboss.shrinkwrap.api.spec.JavaArchive;
import org.junit.Assert;
import org.junit.Test;
import org.junit.runner.RunWith;

import javax.inject.Inject;

import static org.junit.Assert.*;

@RunWith(Arquillian.class)
public class GreeterTest {

    @Deployment
    public static JavaArchive createDeployment() {
        return ShrinkWrap.create(JavaArchive.class)
            .addClass(Greeter.class)
            .addAsManifestResource(EmptyAsset.INSTANCE, "beans.xml");
    }

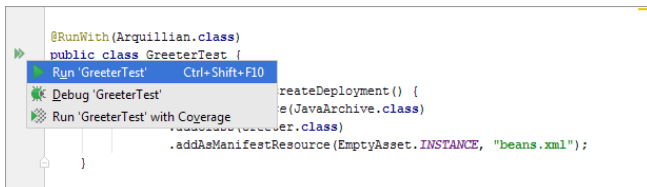
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    Greeter greeter;

    @Test
    public void greet() throws Exception {
        String name="Arquillian";
        Assert.assertEquals("Hello, Arquillian!", greeter.createGreeting(name));
        greeter.greet(System.out, name);
    }
}

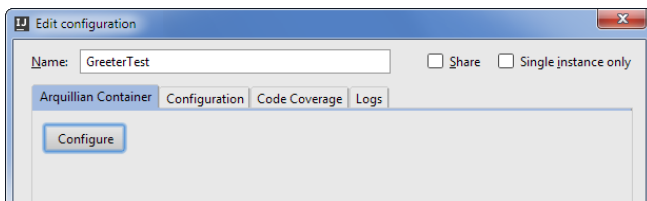
```


## Creating a run configuration for running the test

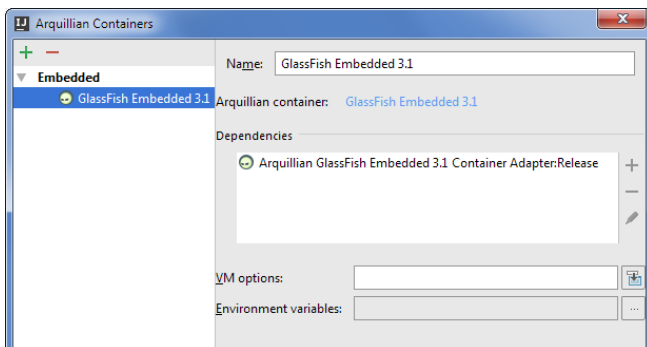
1. To the left of `public class GreeterTest`, click  and select Run 'GreeterTest'.



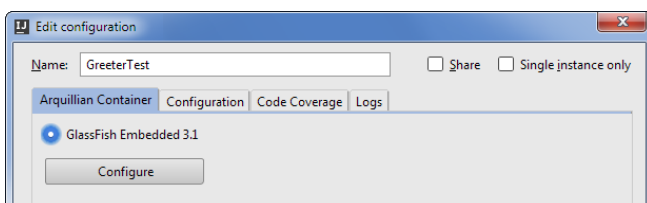
2. In the Edit configuration dialog that opens, click Configure.



3. In the Arquillian Containers dialog, click , point to Embedded and select GlassFish Embedded 3.1. (We'll start by running the test in an embedded container.)



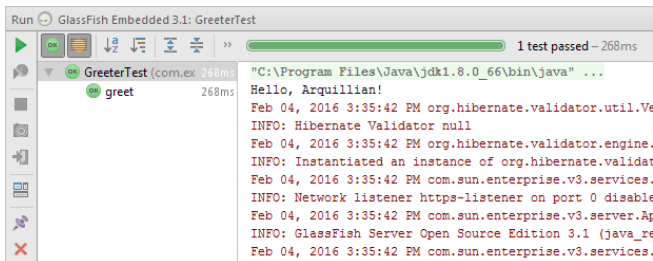
4. In the Edit configuration dialog, select GlassFish Embedded 3.1.




## Running the test in an embedded container

1. In the Edit configuration dialog, click Run.

The Run tool window opens and, after some time, the test result is shown there.

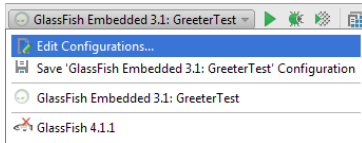


2. Close the Run tool window by clicking .

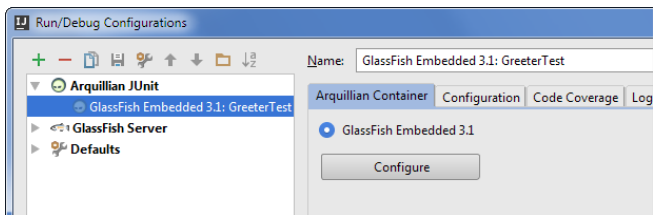
## Editing the run configuration: adding a managed container

Now let's change our run configuration so that it could be used for running the test in a managed container.

1. Click the run configuration selector and select Edit Configurations .




2. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, click Configure .

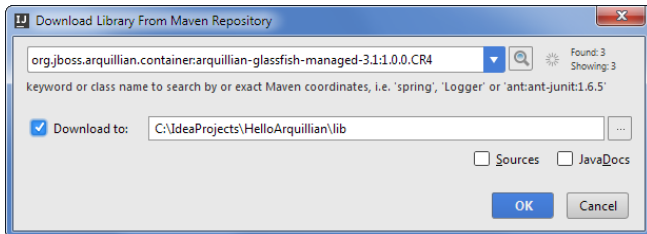


3. In the Arquillian Containers dialog, click  and select Manual container configuration .

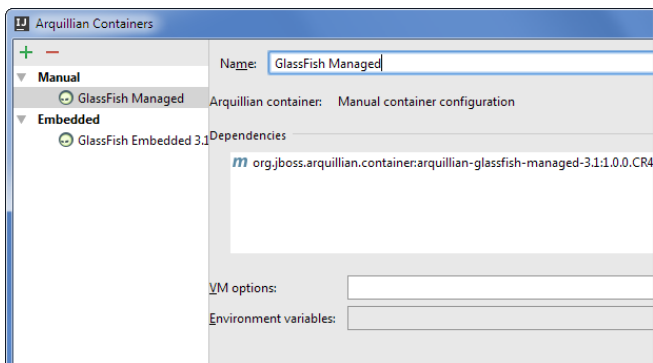
4. Change the name of the configuration (e.g. to `GlassFish Managed` ).

5. Under Dependencies , click  and select Add maven dependency .

6. In the Download Library From Maven Repository dialog, type `arquillian-glassfish-managed-3.1` and click  . Then select `org.jboss.arquillian.container:arquillian-glassfish-managed-3.1:1.0.0.CR4` from the list. Select the Download to checkbox and click OK .

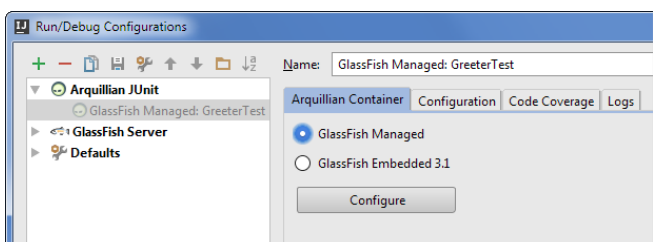


At this step, your Arquillian Containers dialog should look something like this:



Click OK .

7. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, select GlassFish Managed and click OK .

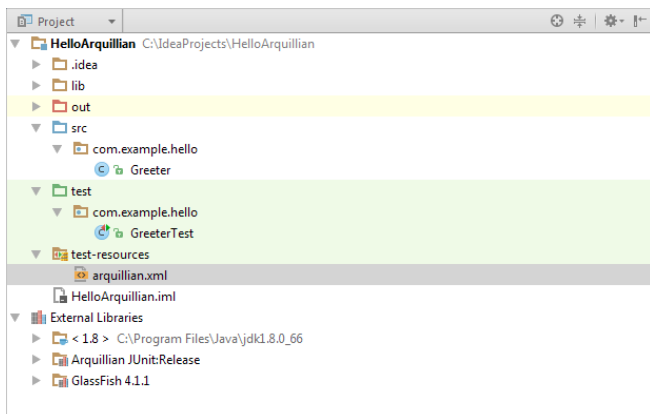




## Creating the arquillian.xml configuration file

To be able to run an Arquillian test in a managed container, the container adapter needs to know the container location. So let's create the `arquillian.xml` configuration file with the necessary info.

1. In the project root folder, create the folder `test-resources`.
2. Right-click the new folder, point to Mark Directory As and select Test Resources Root.
3. In the test-resources folder, create a new file `arquillian.xml`.



4. Copy the following into the file:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<arquillian xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns="http://jboss.org/schema/arquillian"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://jboss.org/schema/arquillian
  http://jboss.org/schema/arquillian/arquillian_1_0.xsd">


  <container qualifier="glassfish" default="true">
    <configuration>
      <property name="glassFishHome">C:\GlassFish\glassfish4</property>
    </configuration>
  </container>

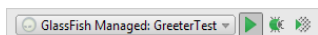
</arquillian>
```



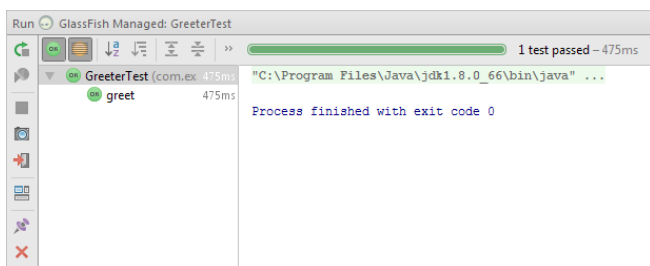
Use your actual path to the GlassFish Server installation folder in place of `C:\GlassFish\glassfish4`.

## Running the test in a managed container

1. To the right of the run configuration selector, click .



The Run tool window opens and the test result is shown there.



2. Close the tool window .

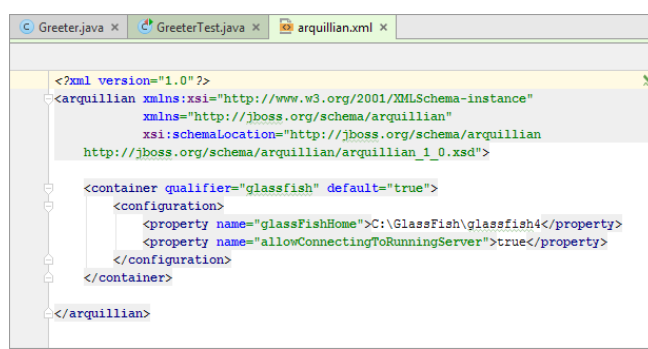
## Modifying arquillian.xml

Sometimes, you need to deploy your test to a container that is already running. In such cases, you can just change the

container configuration file a little and continue using the managed container adapter.

Add the following to `arquillian.xml` :

```
<property name="allowConnectingToRunningServer">true</property>
```

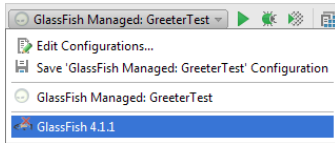


The screenshot shows an IDE with three tabs: Greeter.java, GreeterTest.java, and arquillian.xml. The arquillian.xml file is open and shows the following XML structure:

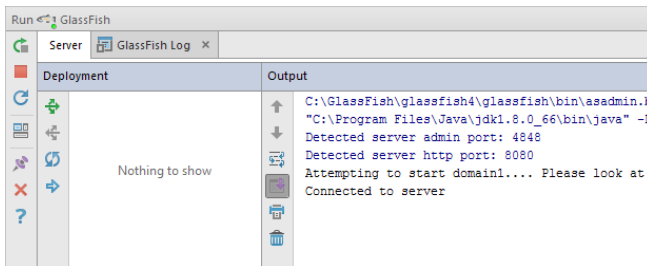
```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<arquillian xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns="http://jboss.org/schema/arquillian"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://jboss.org/schema/arquillian
    http://jboss.org/schema/arquillian/arquillian_1_0.xsd">
  <container qualifier="glassfish" default="true">
    <configuration>
      <property name="glassFishHome">C:\GlassFish\glassfish4</property>
      <property name="allowConnectingToRunningServer">true</property>
    </configuration>
  </container>
</arquillian>
```

## Running the test: deploying to a running server

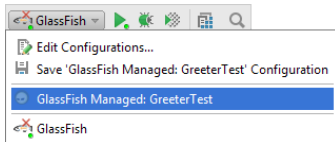
1. Start GlassFish Server: select GlassFish and click ▶.



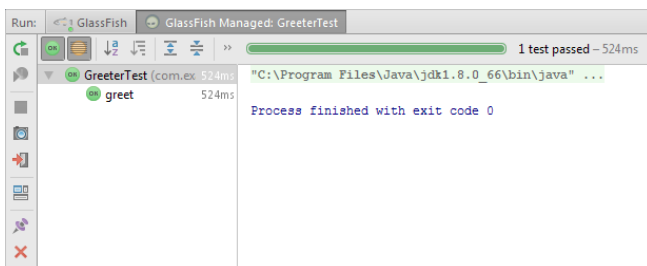
When the server is started, you'll see something like this in the Run tool window.



2. Select GlassFish Managed: GreeterTest and click ▶.



After some time, the test result is shown in the Run tool window.



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- [Using the AspectJ Compiler \(ajc\)](#)

## Introduction

[AspectJ](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate is based on the following [plugins](#) that are bundled with the IDE:

- Spring AOP/@AspectJ
- AspectJ Support

An AspectJ [facet](#) which you can add to your Java [modules](#) lets you fine-tune the use of the AspectJ compiler at a module level.

## Overview of AspectJ support

AspectJ support in IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate includes:

- Ability to create aspects in two forms: as `.aj` files and `.java` files containing classes annotated with `@Aspect` .
- Coding assistance (including [code completion](#) ) when writing aspect code. For annotation-style aspects, the coding assistance is provided in full; for code-style aspects, the assistance is limited to [inter-type declarations](#) .
- Ability to perform basic aspect refactorings such as [Rename](#) and [Move](#) , and also the [Push ITDs In refactoring](#) for inter-type declarations.
- Integration with the AspectJ compiler `ajc` which you can run right from the IDE. (This compiler is part of the AspectJ distribution which you can download from the [AspectJ website](#) .)
- Ability to configure `ajc` at the project level with an option of fine-tuning its use at the level of individual modules.

## Overview of using AspectJ support

The tasks that are specific to AspectJ are outlined below.

1. Make sure that:
  - You are using the Ultimate Edition of IntelliJ IDEA. AspectJ is not supported in the Community Edition.
  - The Spring AOP/@AspectJ and the AspectJ Support plugins are enabled. See [Enabling AspectJ Support Plugins](#) .
2. [Download](#) and install AspectJ.
3. Create a library containing `aspectjrt.jar` and add this library to dependencies of the modules in which you are going to develop your aspects. Once you have installed AspectJ, you can find `aspectjrt.jar` in `<AspectJ installation directory>\lib` . See [Creating a Library for aspectjrt.jar](#) .
4. [Create aspect files](#) and develop the code. Note that code- and annotation-style aspects are supported.
5. If necessary, [refactor the aspect code](#) .
6. To use the AspectJ compiler, [configure the compiler settings](#) . The compiler (`ajc` ) is in `aspectjtools.jar` which is located in `<AspectJ installation directory>\lib` .
7. To fine-tune the use of `ajc` at the level of individual modules, add AspectJ facets to corresponding modules and [adjust the facet settings](#) accordingly.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

To be able to use the AspectJ support in IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate, you have to make sure that the following [plugins](#) are enabled:

- Spring AOP/@AspectJ
- AspectJ Support

In addition to that, you should also [create a library for aspectjrt.jar](#) .

### Making sure that the necessary plugins are enabled

1. [Open the Settings dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, in the search box, type `plugins` . Then, select Plugins in the pane below the search box.
3. On the [Plugins page](#) that opens in the right-hand part of the dialog, make sure that All plugins is selected in the Show box, and type `aspectj` in the search field.
4. Make sure that the checkboxes to the right of AspectJ Support and Spring AOP/@AspectJ are selected.
5. Click OK in the Settings dialog.
6. If asked, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

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To be able to use the AspectJ support, in addition to [enabling AspectJ support plugins](#) , you should create a [library](#) containing `aspectjrt.jar` and add this library to dependencies of the [modules](#) in which you are going to develop your aspects.

`aspectjrt.jar` is included in the AspectJ distribution which you can download from the [AspectJ website](#) .

## Creating a library for aspectjrt.jar and adding it to module dependencies

By the time you start to perform this task, you must have already downloaded and installed AspectJ.

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Depending on whether you want to create the new library at the project or the IDE level, select Libraries or Global Libraries .
3. Click `+` and select Java .
4. In the [dialog that opens](#) , find and select `aspectjrt.jar` . (This file is located in `<AspectJ installation directory>\lib` .)
5. In the Choose Modules dialog, select the modules in which you want to use this library and click OK .  
As a result, the library is added to dependencies of the corresponding modules.
6. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

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IntelliJ IDEA lets you create aspects in two forms: as `.aj` files and `.java` files containing classes annotated with `@Aspect` .

Note that by the time you start to create your aspects, you must have already [enabled the AspectJ support plugins](#) and [defined aspectjrt.jar as a library](#) .

## Creating an aspect

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , do one of the following:
  - Select your source directory or the package in which you want to create a new aspect, and select File | New .
  - Select the source directory or package, and press `Alt+Insert` .
  - Right-click the source directory or package to open the context menu, and select New .
2. Select Aspect .
3. In the dialog that opens:
  1. Specify the name of the aspect in the Name field.
  2. Select one of the following options from the Kind list:
    - Aspect to create a `.aj` file with the specified name.
    - `@Aspect` to create a `.java` file containing a class annotated with `@Aspect` .
  3. Click OK .

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For aspects, IntelliJ IDEA supports most of the basic refactorings such as [Move](#) and [Rename](#) . In addition to that, you can also perform the Push ITDs In refactoring for [inter-type declarations](#) .

The Push ITDs In refactoring lets you move the definitions of fields and methods from aspects to corresponding classes. (The ITDs in the refactoring name stands for [Inter-Type Declarations](#) .)

The refactoring may be performed for an individual field or method, for an aspect as a whole, or for all aspects in a package.

If when performing the refactoring certain aspects become "empty" (this may be the case when the corresponding aspects contain nothing but inter-type declarations), you can select to automatically delete all such aspects.

– [Examples](#)

– [Performing the Push ITDs In refactoring](#)

## Examples

The following table shows examples of the Push ITDs In refactoring.

In the first example, the declaration of the field `closed` is moved from the aspect `MyAspect` to the class `Account` .

In the second example, the method `close()` is also moved from `MyAspect` to `Account` .

Note that both these declarations (that is, the declarations of `closed` and `close()` ) may be moved to the class `Account` at once if the refactoring is performed for the aspect `MyAspect` as a whole.

### Before/After

<pre>aspect myAspect {     boolean Account.closed = false;     void Account.close() {         closed = true;     }     // some code here } class Account {     // some code here }</pre>	<pre>aspect myAspect {     void Account.close() {         closed = true;     }     // some code here } class Account {     // some code here     boolean closed = false; }</pre>
<pre>aspect MyAspect {     void Account.close() {         closed = true;     }     // some code here } class Account {     // some code here     boolean closed = false; }</pre>	<pre>aspect MyAspect {     // some code here } class Account {     // some code here     boolean closed = false;     void close() {         closed = true;     } }</pre>

## Performing the Push ITDs In refactoring

- Depending on the intended scope of the refactoring:
  - To perform the refactoring for an individual field or method, open the aspect of interest in the editor and place the cursor within the declaration of the field or method.
  - To perform the refactoring for an aspect as a whole, select the aspect of interest in the Project tool window. Alternatively, open the aspect in the editor and place the cursor somewhere outside of individual inter-type declarations (e.g. within the declaration of the aspect).
  - To perform the refactoring for all aspects in a package, select the package in the Project tool window.
- Select Refactor | Push ITDs In in the main or the context menu.
- In the Push Inter-Type Declarations In dialog that opens:
  1. Select or clear the Delete empty aspects checkbox.
  2. Click Refactor to perform the refactoring right away, or Preview to be able to study the expected changes prior to actually performing the refactoring.
- If at the previous step you clicked Preview , the [Find tool window](#) opens showing the inter-type declarations that are going to be affected. If happy with the expected result, click Do Refactor .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses the `javac` compiler. To use the AspectJ compiler `ajc` (instead of or in combination with `javac`), you should make changes to [corresponding IDE settings](#).

The `ajc` settings specified at the project level can be fine-tuned at the level of individual modules. AspectJ facets associated with the modules are used for that purpose.

Note that `ajc` is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and should be downloaded separately.

`ajc` is available as part of the AspectJ distribution which you can download from the [AspectJ website](#).

- [Optimizing compilation performance: Using ajc in combination with javac](#)
- [Controlling the ajc aspectpath](#)
- [Selecting ajc as the project compiler and specifying its settings](#)
- [Fine-tuning the use of ajc at a module level](#)

## Optimizing compilation performance: Using ajc in combination with javac

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use `ajc` in combination with `javac` without the need to switch the compilers in the IDE settings.

First of all, you should select `ajc` as your project compiler (the [Use compiler field](#) on the [Java Compiler page](#)).

If you want `javac` to be also used, turn on the [Delegate to Javac option](#). If this option is on, the modules without aspects are compiled with `javac` (which is, generally, faster), and the modules that contain aspects are compiled with `ajc`. (If this option is off, `ajc` is used for all the modules in your project.)

You can fine-tune the distribution of tasks between the compilers (`ajc` and `javac`) at the level of individual modules. For modules that contain aspects only in the form of `@Aspect`-annotated Java classes (in `.java` files), you can specify that `ajc` should be used only for post-compile weaving. If you do so, `javac` will be used to compile all the source files, and then `ajc` will be applied to the compiled class files for weaving. As a result, the overall process (compilation + weaving), will take less time.

Provided that the Delegate to Javac option is on, the post-compile weaving mode for `ajc` is enabled by turning on the corresponding option in an [AspectJ facet](#) associated with a module.

Note that you shouldn't turn on this option for modules that contain code-style aspects (ones defined in `.aj` files).

## Controlling the ajc aspectpath

You can control the `ajc aspectpath` option separately for each of your modules, see [Fine-tuning the use of ajc at a module level](#).

The module `aspectpath` may be set automatically as a result of importing an appropriately configured [Maven](#) project into IntelliJ IDEA.

## Selecting ajc as the project compiler and specifying its settings

1. [Open the Settings dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, in the search box, type `compiler`. Then, select Java Compiler in the pane below the search box.
3. On the [Compiler > Java Compiler page](#) that opens in the right-hand part of the dialog:
  1. Select Ajc from the Use compiler list.
  2. If necessary, specify the bytecode versions. (Roughly, these are the minimum target JVM versions.)
  3. Specify the path to the compiler in the Path to Ajc compiler field.  
You can type the path in the field, or click `...` and select the necessary file in the [corresponding dialog](#).  
  
(The file that you want is `aspectjtools.jar` which is located in `<AspectJ installation directory>\lib`.)
  4. If necessary, specify the [command-line options](#) to be passed to the compiler in the Command line parameters field.  
You can type the parameters right in the field, or click `...` to open the Command line parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.
  5. Click Test to check if the specified settings are correct.
  6. If you want to use `javac` to compile the modules that contain no aspects, select the Delegate to Javac checkbox.  
Note that the distribution of tasks between `ajc` and `javac` can be fine-tuned at the level of individual modules.
4. Click OK in the Settings dialog.

## Fine-tuning the use of ajc at a module level

To be able to fine-tune the use of `ajc` at a module level, you should add an AspectJ facet to corresponding module or modules.

Once you've done that, you can specify that `ajc` should be used only for post-compile weaving. You can also specify the `aspectpath` for the module.

1. Add an AspectJ facet to the module of interest. For corresponding instructions, see [Configuring projects](#).
2. On the [page that opens](#) in the right-hand part of the [Project Structure dialog](#), under Compiler, specify the settings as necessary (see below).



3. If you want to use `ajc` only to weave the compiled class files (the source code in this case is compiled with `javac` ), select the Post-compile weave mode checkbox.  
IMPORTANT: Don't select this checkbox if the module contains `.aj` files.
4. To form the `aspectpath` for the module:
  - Use `+` (`Alt+Insert`) to add libraries and other modules. Select the necessary libraries and modules in the dialog that opens. (To choose from, dependencies of the module are suggested.)
  - Use `-` (`Alt+Delete`) to remove the selected items from the list.
  - Use `↑` (`Alt+Up`) to move the selected item one line up in the list.
  - Use `↓` (`Alt+Down`) to move the selected item one line down in the list.
5. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the following build scripting tools:

- [Ant](#)
- [Gant](#)
- [Gradle](#)
- [Maven](#)

Ant is a flexible, platform-independent build tool from [Apache Ant Project](#). IntelliJ IDEA integrates with Ant to provide a comprehensive build process, that includes compilation, packaging with the documentation and source code, committing to version control and much more.

Ant integration is shipped with IntelliJ IDEA, and you do not need to perform any additional actions to install it. However, it is also possible to use the other Ant installations.

Ant support in IntelliJ IDEA imposes certain prerequisites, and includes the following features:

- Ant
  - [Dedicated tool window](#)
  - [Ant build files](#)
  - [Ant build target](#)
  - [Coding assistance](#)
  - [Path-like structures](#)
- [Creating Ant Build File](#)
- [Generating Ant Build File](#)
- [Adding Build File to Project](#)
- [Controlling Behavior of Ant Script with Build File Properties](#)
- [Running the Build](#)
- [Working with Ant Properties File](#)

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the Ant functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the Ant support check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEA settings ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)).

## Dedicated tool window

[Ant Build tool window](#) enables adding Ant build scripts to IntelliJ IDEA project, control behavior of the build, and execute Ant build targets.

## Ant build files

Ant works with the XML build file. Normally, the name of the build file is `build.xml`. Build file describes the steps, or build targets, required to build a project. The root element of the build file is `<project>`. IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to work with existing build files, create new build files from scratch, or generate them automatically.

IntelliJ IDEA is aware of specific Ant syntax. However, you have to let IntelliJ IDEA know that a certain XML file is in fact an Ant build file. To be recognized as a build file and enable all advanced editing features, an Ant build file should meet at least one of the following requirements:

- The file should be properly [added to the project](#).
- The `<project>` root element should have `default` attribute.

Otherwise such files are treated as regular XML files with basic editing support. Once a build file is added to a project, it can be used to run the build and modify its properties.

## Ant build target

A build target is identified with a unique name and defines a procedure that should be executed to accomplish a certain task, for example, create a JAR file, or generate API documentation. A target specified in the `default` attribute of the `<project>` element is considered the default target, which is executed when no other target is specified. This target is called the primary target, and is marked with bold font in the [Ant Build tool window](#).

## Coding assistance

When editing Ant build files in IntelliJ IDEA, you can enjoy the following advanced editing features:

- Syntax highlighting.
- Code completion. In particular, code completion is provided for the properties of the File type.
- Navigating to declaration ([Ctrl+B](#)).
- Using Structure view.
- Rename refactoring.
- Code folding.
- Reformatting.
- Validation.
- Viewing parameter information ([Ctrl+P](#)).
- Viewing quick info ([Ctrl+Q](#)). In particular, if classpath is defined as a path-like structures, the View Quick Info command for the `fileset` or `dirset` directives displays the actual files and directories on the disk, to which these directives are resolved.

## Path-like structures

IntelliJ IDEA enables using path-like structures in the task definitions. If a classpath is defined as a path-like structure, the paths in the `fileset` and `dirset` directives are resolved into the actual files and directories on the disk. All JARs, required for performing the task, should be placed to the same place that contains the JAR with task definitions.

This section describes how to create the Ant build file manually.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a framework for editing build files, but it is the developer's responsibility to populate the build file with targets.

## Creating Ant build file

1. In the Project window, select the directory, where the build file should be created.
2. Right-click the directory and choose New | File on the context menu, or press `Alt+Insert` .
3. In the New File dialog, specify the name of the new file with `.xml` extension, for example, `build.xml` . The new file opens in the editor.
4. Specify the build targets. You can use the path-like structures in the `fileset` or `dirset` directives to define You have to enter at least a root tag in the `build.xml` file. Otherwise the file will not be added to the Ant Build tool window.
5. [Add the build file to the project](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to automatically generate Ant build files for a project, or several build files per each module comprising the project. Once the build file is generated, you can add it to the [Ant Build tool window](#) . You can edit and manage such build file as a regular file.

## Generating Ant build file

1. On the main menu, choose Build | Generate Ant Build .
2. In the [Generate Ant Build dialog](#) , specify the generation options.
  - Choose to generate a single-file or multiple-file build.
  - Choose to preserve or overwrite the previously generated files.

Refer to the topic [Generate Ant Build Dialog](#) for detailed description of controls.

3. Click OK .

A build file should be added to a project to enable running the build, filtering targets, or defining properties. One project can have several build files. The build files are grouped in the Ant Build tool window by names, specified in the root element of each build file, for example `<project name="acme">` .

When a build file is generated, it is automatically added to the project. If you create a build file manually, or reuse an existing one, you might need to add it to the [Ant Build Tool Window](#) .



### Adding a build file to a project

1. Open the [Ant Build Tool Window](#) . To do that, choose View | Ant Build on the main menu, or click the Ant Build button in the right toolbar of the tool windows.
2. In the Ant Build tool window, click **+** .
3. In the Select Path dialog, navigate to the desired `build.xml` file, and click OK .

A build file should have at least a root element to be added to the Ant Build tool window.

You can control the way IntelliJ IDEA executes Ant scripts. If you want to perform execution in the background, change amount of memory allocated to the build process, or set other execution options, you'll need to open the [Build File Properties](#) dialog. This section describes how to do it.

## Opening the Build File properties dialog

1. In the [Ant Build Tool Window](#) , select the desired build file.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu of the selection, choose Properties .
  - Click  button on the Ant Build toolbar.
  - Press  .

For specific tasks refer to the following procedures:

- [Increasing memory heap](#) .
- [Executing Build File In Background](#) .
- [Defining Runtime Properties](#) .
- [Defining Additional Ant Classpath](#) .
- [Defining Ant Execution Options](#) .
- [Defining Ant Filters](#) .

Ant build scripts require classpaths that are independent from IntelliJ IDEA, or additional libraries for proper functioning. This section describes how to add directories and archives to the classpath, and change the order in which Ant loads the resources.


## Configuring Ant classpaths

1. [Open the Build File Properties dialog](#).
2. Select the Additional Classpath tab.
3. Click Add , and in the Select Path dialog box select an archive or a directory to be added to the classpath.  
If you want to add the contents of a whole directory, click the Add All In Directory button, and select the desired directory in the Select Path dialog box.
4. Use Move Up and Move Down buttons to change the order of classpath entries.



Using the Build File Properties dialog, you can control how IntelliJ IDEA launches the Ant build process. In particular, you can define which version of Ant should be used, add command line arguments, and specify the SDK to be used for running Ant.

## Defining execution options

1. Open the [Build File Properties](#) dialog box.
2. Select the Execution tab.
3. In the Run With Ant section, specify whether you want to use project default or custom Ant version. If you want to use custom Ant version rather than the bundled one, select it from the drop-down list, or click the ellipsis button and configure Ant [by adding classpaths](#).
4. In the Ant command line field, type the command line arguments, using the standard Ant syntax: precede arguments with dashes, and separate with spaces. For the lengthy command lines, click  and type the text in the Ant Command Line dialog.
5. In the Run under JDK field, specify a SDK to be used for Ant process: select the SDK from the list, or click the ellipsis button and configure an individual SDK.

By default, the [Ant Build Tool Window](#) shows all targets of a build file. Filtering enables you to show or hide targets as desired. The default filter displays the primary targets only. You can change this behavior and configure your own filter with custom set of targets that should be visible when the filter is applied.

## Configuring custom filter for build targets

1. [Open the Build File Properties](#) dialog box.
2. In the Filters tab, clear the checkboxes next to the build targets you want to hide, and select the checkboxes next to the targets you want to show.

Now, when you apply filter by pressing the filter button , only the targets selected in the Filters list will be displayed.

Use the Properties tab of the [Build File Properties Dialog](#) to pass properties to the build script at runtime. The specified values are equivalent to those defined after the `-D` option of the command line launcher.

In addition to plain values, you can use macros that are evaluated at runtime. Such macros are helpful, when you have to pass specific paths and other varying information to the build script. Macros are character strings surrounded with dollar signs. Build File Properties dialog provides the complete list of macros, available for the selected build file, with the previews that show, how these macros will be evaluated at runtime.

## Defining the runtime properties

1. [Open the Build File Properties dialog](#) .
2. In the Properties tab, click Add .
3. In the Name column, type the property name.
4. In the Value column, type the desired value. If you use a macro as the property value, type the name of the desired macro.  
If you don't know the name, click the `+` button, select the desired macro from the Macros dialog box, and click OK .
5. Use Add and Remove buttons to make up the complete list of properties.

By default, during the build process Ant displays a modal dialog that shows the progress of the build. It is possible to execute the build in the background, and use this time to work on other things.

**Warning!** Background execution may slow down performance.

## Enabling background execution of a build file

1. [Open the Build File Properties](#) dialog box.
2. Check the Make build in background option.

To prevent the build process from running out of memory, you can increase the amount of memory allocated to the process. By default, the memory heap is 128 MB, but for large projects you may need more.

In this section:

- [Increasing memory heap of the build process](#)
- [Important notes](#)

## Increasing memory heap of the build process

1. [Open the Build File Properties](#) dialog box.
2. In the Maximum heap size field, type the required amount of memory.

## Important notes

Please note the following:

The memory heap of the build process is independent of IntelliJ IDEA memory heap, and is released after the build process is complete.

The memory heap available to IntelliJ IDEA may be changed by editing the corresponding VM options.

To avoid editing files in the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder, do one of the following:

- From the main menu, choose Help | Edit Custom VM Options to create a copy of the `idea.vmoptions` file in the user home directory.
- Copy the existing file from the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder somewhere and save the path to this location in the `IDEA_VM_OPTIONS` environment variable ( `IDEA64_VM_OPTIONS` for 64 bit systems ).
- Copy the existing `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea.exe.vmoptions` or the `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin/idea64.exe.vmoptions` file from the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder into your user home directory.

Then edit this file in the new location.

If the `IDEA_VM_OPTIONS` ( `IDEA64_VM_OPTIONS` for 64 bit systems ) environment variable is defined, or the `*.vmoptions` file exists, this file is used instead of the one located in the IntelliJ IDEA installation folder.

This section describes how to prepare and perform Ant build:

- [Assign a keyboard shortcut to an Ant target](#) .
- [Configure triggers for the Ant targets](#) .
- [Execute an Ant target](#) .

You can associate a build target with a keyboard shortcut and execute commonly-used targets with a single key-stroke. If an Ant build file is added to the project, its targets appear under the Ant Targets node in the [Keymap](#) dialog box.

### Associating a keyboard shortcut with a build target

- In the [Ant Build Tool Window](#) , right-click the desired build target.
- On the context menu, choose Assign.Shortcut . [Keymap](#) dialog is opened.
- Configure keymap, as described in the section [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#) .

You can configure triggers that run Ant targets before or after certain events, for example, compiling, running, or testing. These triggers are called compilation trigger and execution trigger respectively.

### Setting up a compilation trigger

1. On the [Ant Build Tool Window](#), right-click the desired build target.
2. On the context menu of the target, choose Execute on .
3. On the submenu, choose Before Compilation or After Compilation , as required. Note that you can set up both options.

### Setting up an execution trigger

1. On the Ant Build tool window, right-click the desired build target.
2. On the context menu of the target, choose Execute on .
3. On the submenu, choose Before Run/Debug . Execute Target Before Run/Debug dialog appears, presenting the list of possible execution types.
4. In the dialog, select checkboxes next to the types of execution that should trigger the selected Ant target, and click OK .




With IntelliJ IDEA you can run the build targets, review results of compilation and build, and navigate to the point of origin of each error.

Build targets can be executed from:

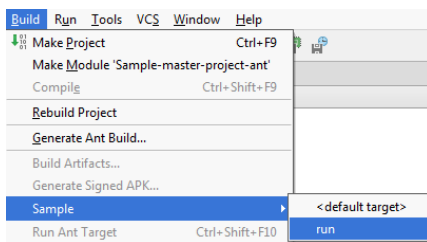
- [The Ant Build tool window](#) .
- [The main](#) Build menu that contains the list of all targets defined in the build files, added to a project.

### Executing a build target from the Ant Build tool window

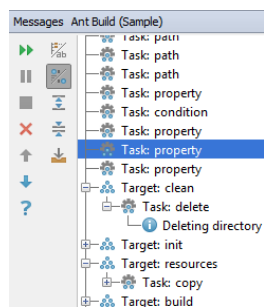
1. In the [Ant Build Tool Window](#) , select the desired target.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu of the selected target, choose Run target (or Run build , if you execute the entire build file).
  - Click the  button on the toolbar of the [Ant Build Tool Window](#) .
  - Double-click the selected target.

### Executing a build target from the main menu

1. On the main menu, click Build .
2. Click the submenu that corresponds to the desired build file.
3. Select the desired build target.



In both cases, results are displayed in the [Messages tool window](#) :



IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a meta target for your Ant build file. A meta target can contain several different targets of your choosing. Those targets will be executed in the specified order. In this case, you don't need to change the Ant build script itself.

You can treat your meta target as a regular Ant target and assign shortcuts to it, configure triggers for running the target, etc.

## Creating a Meta Target

- In the [Ant Build Tool Window](#), press `Ctrl` and simultaneously click the desired Ant targets to mark them as selected.
- Right-click on one of the targets to open a context menu.
- From the context menu, select `Create Meta Target`.  
(If you need to remove the created meta target, select `Remove Meta Target`.)
- In the `Create Meta Target` dialog, check the order of your targets and the name of your meta target. If you need, you can edit the specified information accordingly. Click `OK`.

Ant properties files let you move properties out of your build.xml file.

You create `.properties` file for all the properties that are defined outside the build file. For example, properties that you define in build settings. IntelliJ IDEA keeps those properties in one place and you don't need to edit the generated build file.

IntelliJ IDEA generates `.properties` file automatically if you [generate the Ant build file](#) . If you [create build.xml manually](#) then to use a `.properties` file in your Ant build.xml file do the following:

- Include a property in your build.xml file with the name of the properties file specified by the file attribute. For example, `<property file="build.properties"/>` .

In this section:

- Gant
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- [Running Gant Targets](#)
- [Adding Gant Scripts](#)

## Prerequisite

Before you start working with Gant files, make sure that [Gant](#) is downloaded and installed on your computer.

## Gant support

IntelliJ IDEA provides [Gant](#) support. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes `*.gant` files, and allows editing them.

Gant files are marked with  icon.

Gant support includes:

- Code completion for Gant tasks.
- Execution of a whole script.
- Selective run of the individual targets.
- Groovy script [run/debug configuration](#) .

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## Introduction

With IntelliJ IDEA, it is possible to run an entire Gant script, or each target separately, using the temporary run/debug configurations. Temporary run configuration for a script or target can be saved as a permanent one.

Results display in the [Run tool window](#).

## Running a Gant script

1. Select the desired Gant script, and [run it](#) with the default run/debug configuration.

## Running a Gant target

1. Open the desired Gant script in the editor, and place the caret at the Gant target to be executed.
2. On the context menu, choose Run "<script><target>"

IntelliJ IDEA lets you add Gant scripts for Groovy, Grails and Griffon projects.

**Note** For Groovy projects you need to specify the location of the [Gant home directory](#) in Project Settings | Gant before adding the Gant scripts.

## Adding Gant Scripts

1. In the Project tool window, right click the directory where you want to create a Gant script file.
2. Select New | Gant Script from the context menu.
3. In the New Gant Script dialog, specify the name of the script and click OK .
4. IntelliJ IDEA creates a Gant file with the default target.

## Creating a new Gradle project

1. Launch the [New Project wizard](#) . If no project is currently opened in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the welcome screen. Otherwise, select File | New | Project from the main menu.
2. Select Gradle from the options on the left.
3. Specify the project SDK and an additional framework or a library (IntelliJ IDEA adds the appropriate plugin to the `build.gradle` file). Click Next .
4. On the next page of the wizard, specify the fields which resemble [Maven naming conventions](#) . These settings might be helpful if you decide to deploy your project to a Maven repository. The fields you specify are added to the `build.gradle` file.
  - GroupId - `groupId` of the new project. You can omit this field if you plan to deploy your project locally.
  - ArtifactId - `artifactId` that is added as a name of your new project.
  - Version - `version` of the new project. By default, this field is specified automatically.

If a parent Gradle project is specified, the specified fields can be inherited (click Inherit ) from the parent.

Click Next .
5. On the next page of the wizard, configure [Auto-import](#) , [source-sets](#) , and a [Gradle version](#) for your project.

You can also select the Store generated project files externally option, so that generated `.iml` and library files are stored in `idea.system.path` instead of the `.idea` directory. It might be helpful for sharing your project via version control.

Click Next .

6. Specify the name and location settings. Click Finish .

## Configuring a Gradle version for a project

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use different options to configure a Gradle version when you create or import your Gradle project. You can use the default Gradle wrapper, use a Gradle wrapper as a task, or configure a local Gradle distribution.

**TIP** Select  in the Gradle projects tool window to quickly access the Gradle settings page.

1. On the Gradle settings page when you create or import a Gradle project, choose one of the following options:
  - Use default gradle wrapper (recommended) - select this option to use [Gradle wrapper](#) . In this case you delegate the update of Gradle versions to Gradle and get an automatic Gradle download for the build. It also lets you build with a precise Gradle version. The Gradle version is saved in the `gradle-wrapper.properties` file in the Gradle directory of your project. We recommend that you use this option to eliminate any Gradle version problems in your project.
  - Use gradle task configuration - select this option to configure a Gradle wrapper according to the `wrapper` task configuration. It might be convenient if you don't want to work with the `gradle-wrapper.properties` file for some reason or you want to control which Gradle version you want your project to use. Note that if you initially used the default Gradle wrapper option and then decided to use the Gradle wrapper task configuration when you change anything in the task such as changing the Gradle version, you don't need to run the wrapper task manually, since the `gradle-wrapper.properties` file update is done implicitly by IntelliJ IDEA during importing.


Also, note that if, for example, you use VCS in your project and each team member syncs the project via gradle, the `gradle/wrapper/gradle-wrapper.properties` file will be updated and might have inconsistencies if you use this type of wrapper configuration.
  - Use Gradle local distribution - select this option if you want to manually download and use a specific Gradle version. Specify the location of your Gradle installation and JVM under which IntelliJ IDEA will run Gradle when you import the specified Gradle project and when you execute its tasks.
2. Press OK (in the wizard, press Next ).

## Adding a new Gradle module to an existing project

You can add a Gradle module to a project in which you are already working.

1. In a project, on the main menu, select File| New | Module to open the New Module wizard.
2. If the existing project is not the Gradle project then the process of adding a module is the same as [Creating a new Gradle project](#) .

If the existing project is a Gradle project then the process of adding a new module is shorter. You need to specify the name of your module in the ArtifactId field. The rest of the information is added automatically and you can use either the default settings or change them according to your preferences.

Also, note that Add as module to field, by default, displays the name of your project to which you are trying to add a module. You can click  to select a different name if you have other linked Gradle projects.

## Importing a project from a Gradle model

1. Launch the [New Project wizard](#) . If no project is currently opened in IntelliJ IDEA, click Import Project on the welcome screen. Otherwise, select File | New | Project from Existing Sources from the main menu.

Note that you can also select File | Open from the main menu and choose the `build.gradle` file or a directory containing the `build.gradle` file. IntelliJ IDEA will import a Gradle project even if the project was not opened or imported before.


2. In the dialog that opens, select the directory that contains the project you want to import or a file that contains a Gradle project description ( `build.gradle` ). Click OK .
3. On the first page of the Import Project wizard, in Import Project from External model , select Gradle and click Next .  
(This page is not displayed if IntelliJ IDEA has guessed what you are importing.)
4. On the next page of the Import Project wizard, specify [Gradle project settings](#) that are the same as when you [create a Gradle project](#) .

Also, specify the following global Gradle settings:

- Offline work - use this checkbox to work with Gradle in the offline mode. In this case Gradle will use dependencies from the cache. Gradle will not attempt to access the network to perform dependency resolution. If the required dependencies are not present in the cache, build execution will fail.
- Service directory path - use this field to override the default Gradle home location directory.
- Gradle VM options - use this field to specify VM options for your Gradle project.

Click Finish .

## Importing a Gradle module

1. You can start your module's import in one of the following ways:
  - From the main menu, select File | New | Module from Existing Sources .
  - In the Project Structure dialog, on the Module page, click **+** icon and select Import Module .
  - In the Gradle projects tool window, on the toolbar, click  icon.
2. In the dialog that opens, select a module you want to import and click OK .
3. If necessary, perform the steps described in the [Importing a Gradle project](#) section and click Finish .
4. If you have a multi-module project the Select Project Data to Import dialog opens.

In the Select Project Data to Import dialog, select the modules or data you want to include in your project and click OK .

## Working with Gradle projects

IntelliJ IDEA lets you manage [Gradle](#) projects. You can link, ignore projects and synchronize changes in Gradle and IntelliJ IDEA projects. Also, you can configure a Gradle composite build.

## Linking a Gradle project to the IntelliJ IDEA project

When a project is created by [importing from Gradle model](#) , the link of the project is established automatically and the Gradle Projects tool window is enabled.

If an IntelliJ IDEA project is not linked to a Gradle project, then the Gradle tool window is disabled.


In this case, IntelliJ IDEA displays a message with a link that quickly lets you import your Gradle project and enable the Gradle Projects tool window.

If the Gradle Projects tool window is active, then you have at least one Gradle project linked.



1. Open the Gradle Projects tool window.
2. In the Gradle Projects tool window, click **+** to attach a gradle project.
3. In the [dialog](#) that opens, select the desired `build.gradle` file, and click OK .
4. In the Import Module from Gradle window, specify options for the Gradle project that you are trying to link and click OK .  
The project is linked. The Gradle Projects tool window shows the toolbar and a tree view of Gradle entities.

Alternatively, you can link your Gradle project if you [import](#) your project as a Gradle module from existing sources. In this case, you can link your Gradle project even if the Gradle Projects tool window is not available.

## Navigating to the build.gradle file

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

## Detaching or ignoring a linked Gradle project

1. In the Gradle projects tool window, right-click a linked project.
2. From the context menu, select  ( `Delete` ). Alternatively, you can select the linked project and click  on the Gradle toolbar.
3. In the Import Gradle Projects pop-up window, clear the checkbox against the modules if you don't want to delete the project from the IntelliJ IDEA Project tool window.
4. Click OK .  
The Gradle project is detached from the IntelliJ IDEA project and is not synchronized anymore.

You can also de-activate a Gradle project using the Ignore Gradle Project option.

1. In the Gradle Projects tool window, right-click the project that you want to ignore.
2. On the context menu, select Ignore Gradle Project .



3. In the window that opens, select projects and modules that you want to de-activate and click OK .

In this case IntelliJ IDEA removes the selected projects and modules from the IntelliJ IDEA Project tool window and will not import them anymore. However, you would still be able to see the list of ignored Gradle modules and projects in the Gradle Projects tool window.

If you want to activate your Gradle projects or modules, select Unignore Gradle Projects from the context menu.


## Refreshing a linked Gradle project

1. In the Gradle projects tool window, right-click a linked project.

2. From the context menu, select .

On clicking this icon, IntelliJ IDEA parses the project structure in the Gradle projects tool window.

IntelliJ IDEA cannot refresh just a part of your project, it refreshes the whole project including modules and dependencies.

If you configure a dependency through the Project Structure dialog (click  on the main menu), the dependency will only appear in the IntelliJ IDEA Project tool window, not in the Gradle projects tool window. Note that the next time you refresh your project, IntelliJ IDEA will remove the added dependency since IntelliJ IDEA considers the Gradle configuration as a single source of truth.

If you selected Use auto-import when you created or imported a Gradle project, then the re-import of the project is done automatically every time you make changes to the project.

## Configuring Gradle Composite Build

Before you start configuring your composite build, make sure you have the Gradle version 3.1 or higher configured for your project.

Also, note that there are some [restrictions on using a Gradle composite build](#) .

You can use the `settings.gradle` file to include Gradle builds for your [Gradle composite build](#) .

1. Open the `settings.gradle` file in the editor.

2. Using the `includeBuild` command, specify the location of the builds you want to add as dependencies to your project.

You can also use the Gradle projects tool window to configure your composite build.

1. Open a Gradle project.

2. [Link](#) other Gradle projects that you want to use for the composite build.

3. In the Gradle projects tool window, right-click your main project and from the context menu select Composite Build Configuration .


4. In the Gradle Project Build Composite dialog, select projects that you want to include in your Gradle composite build.

5. Refresh your main Gradle project.

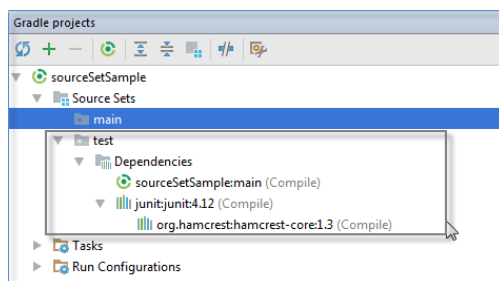
IntelliJ IDEA finds the included Gradle projects and treats them as IntelliJ IDEA modules.

## Using Gradle source sets

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use [Gradle source sets](#) in resolving Gradle projects. The source set is treated as a module in an IntelliJ IDEA project. You can declare a custom source set and IntelliJ IDEA adds it as a module to the project.

1. Select use separate module per source set when you create or import a Gradle project. Alternatively, click the  icon in the Gradle projects tool window and on the Gradle settings page, select the same option.

2. IntelliJ IDEA creates a main Source Sets directory that contains two source sets - *main* and *test* . For compiling the *test* sources there is a dependency to the *main* source set.



You can add a custom source set.

1. Open the `gradle.build` file in the editor.

2. Declare a custom source set. (In our example, it's `api`)

```

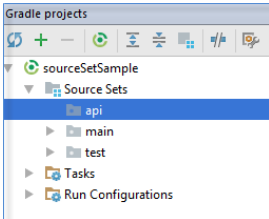
sourceSets {
    ...
    api
}
repositories {
    jcenter()
}
dependencies {
    ...
    compile sourceSets.api.output

    testCompile 'org.spockframework:spock-core:1.0-groovy-2.4'
}

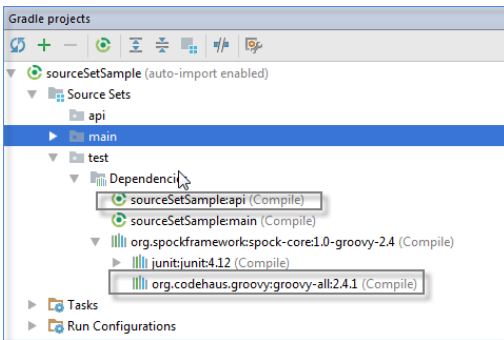
```

(This source set contains interfaces without implementations. The implementations for the interfaces are in the default *main* source set.)

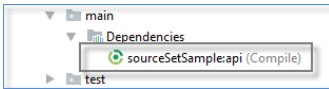
- Open the Gradle projects tool window to see that IntelliJ IDEA added the `api` source set.




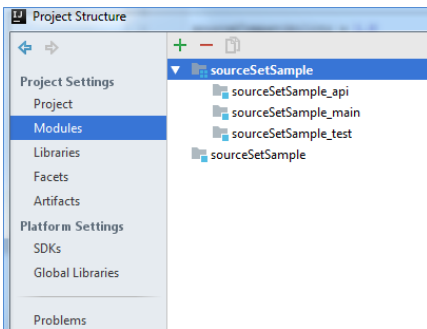
The test source set contains the appropriate dependencies.



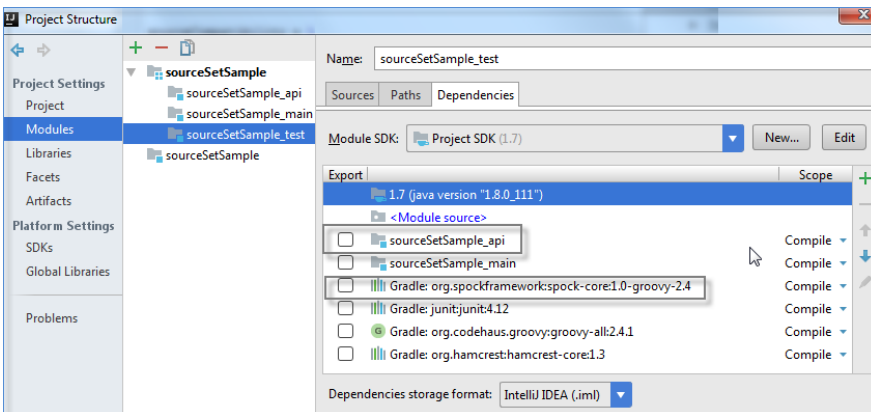
Note that the default *main* source set has the compile dependency on the output of the *api* source set. Gradle will invoke the `apiClasses` task automatically if you compile the sources in the *main* source set.



- Open project structure () . Notice that all source sets are represented as separate modules that are grouped into a single module.



If you click on the test module and select the Dependencies tab, you will see a list of dependencies for the source set.



You can also add custom tests and run them separately from the main ones using a source set feature.

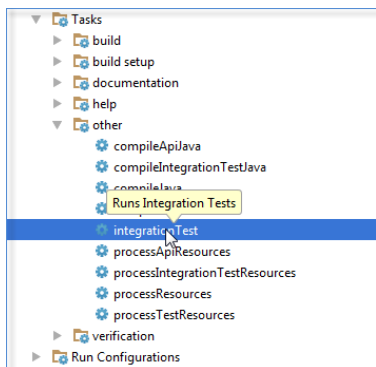
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1. Declare a source set the same way as you would declare the `customSourceSet`. Besides the name of your source set, specify the output directory and the task that will run you test.

```
sourceSets {
    integrationTest {
        java {
            srcDir 'src/integrationtest/java'
        }
        resources {
            srcDir 'src/integrationtest/resources'
        }
        compileClasspath += sourceSets.main.runtimeClasspath
    }
}

task integrationTest(type: Test) {
    description = "Runs Integration Tests"
    testClassesDir = sourceSets.integrationTest.output.classesDir
    classpath += sourceSets.integrationTest.runtimeClasspath
}
```

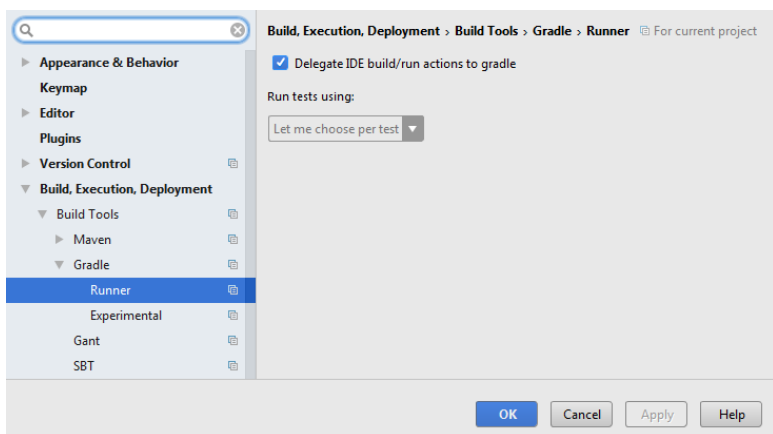
2. In the Gradle projects tool window, click `Tasks | other`.
3. In the list that opens, double-click the `integrationTest` to run your integration tests.



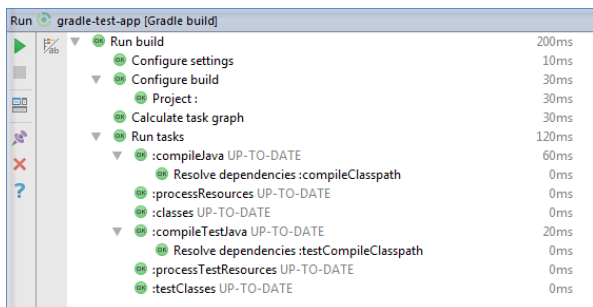
## Delegating build and run actions to Gradle

IntelliJ IDEA lets you delegate all your build and run actions to Gradle. When you build a project ( `Build | Build Project` ), IntelliJ IDEA invokes the correct tasks using Gradle. Also, the Run and Debug actions from the Run menu are executed with Gradle.

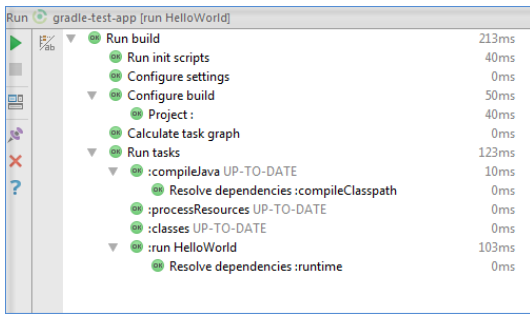
1. Click the `⚙️` icon in the Gradle projects tool window. Alternatively, on the main menu select `File | Settings | Build, Execution, Deployment | Build Tools | Gradle`.
2. Click `Gradle` and from the drop-down list, select `Runner`.
3. On the Runner page, select `Delegate IDE build/run actions to Gradle`.



4. Click `OK`.
5. Open any Java project with the `build.gradle` file.
6. Invoke the `Build Project` action ( `Ctrl+F9` ). Gradle compiles the code and displays it in the Run tool window.

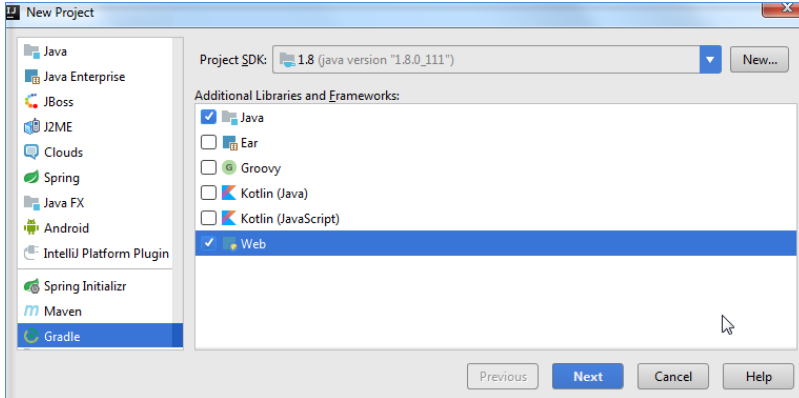


7. Run your main method ( `Ctrl+Shift+F10` ). You can see that IntelliJ IDEA uses the Gradle `JavaExec` task to run the class.

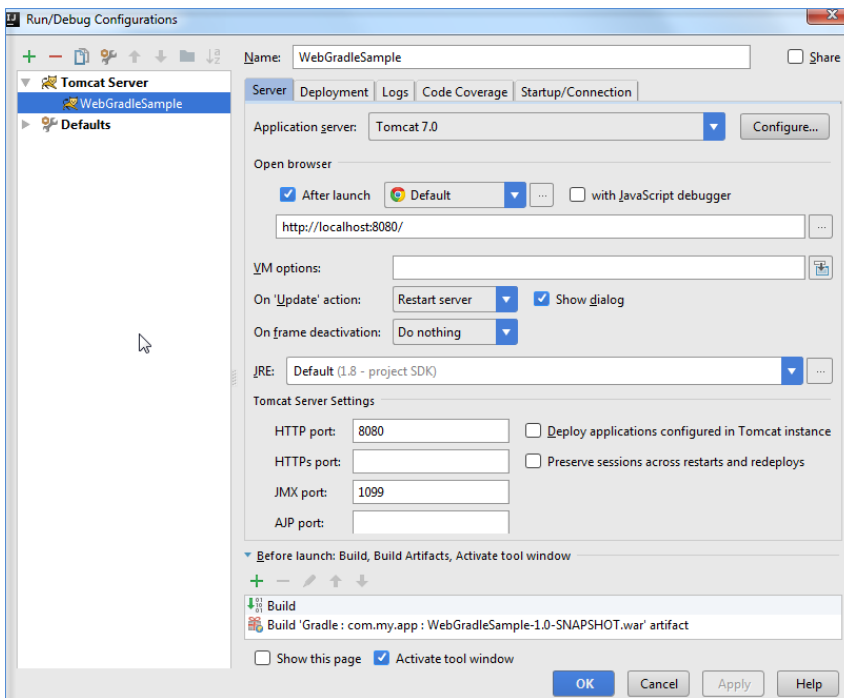


IntelliJ IDEA also lets you build WAR or EAR artifacts using Gradle.

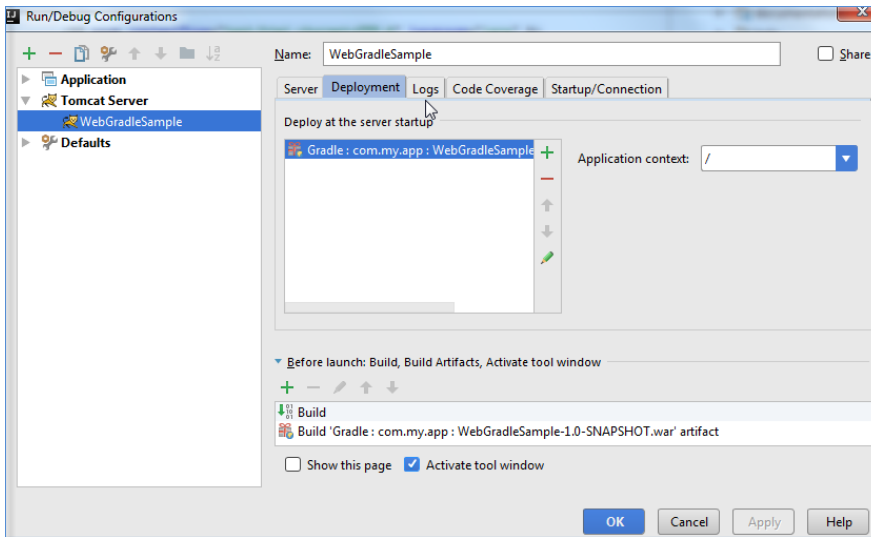
1. Create a Gradle Web project. (For more instructions, see [Creating a Gradle project](#).)




2. Create the Tomcat server run/debug configuration.

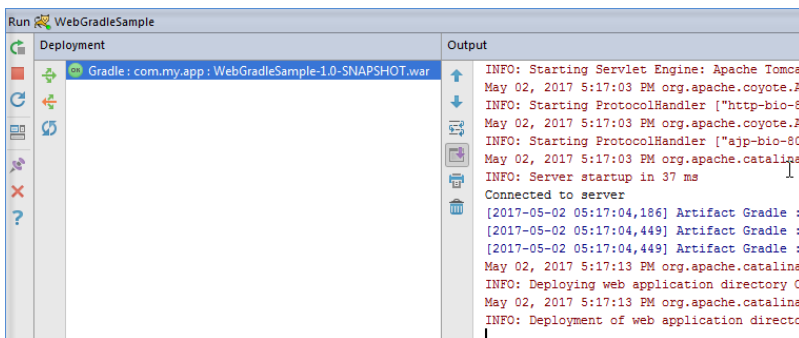


3. Click the Deployment tab and add an artifact for your deployment.




4. Click  to start the Tomcat server configuration.

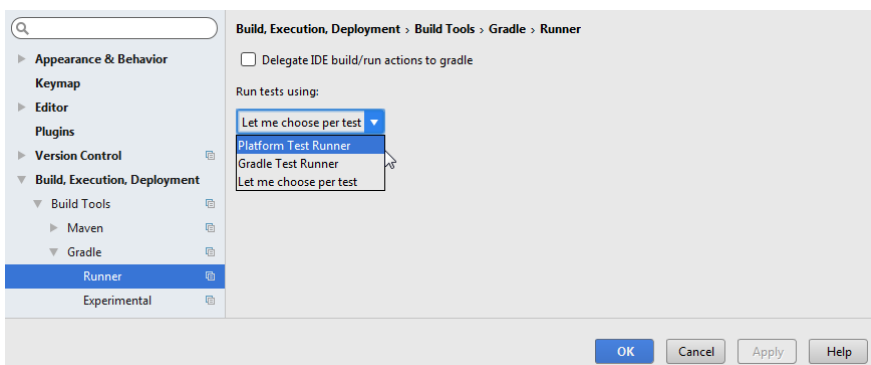
In the Run tool window you can see that the artifact is built by Gradle and deployed by the IntelliJ IDEA Tomcat's integration.



## Configuring and using a Gradle test runner

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use different test runners to execute tests in a Gradle project. You can use JUnit to run your tests. In this case tests are run much faster due to the incremental compilation. You can delegate the testing process to Gradle. In this case when you run your tests, you will get the same results on the continuous integration (CI) server. Also, no matter how difficult your Gradle project is, tests that are run in command line will always work in IDE. You can also decide which test runner to use specifically per each test.

1. In the Gradle projects tool window, click the  icon.
2. In the Settings dialog, right-click Gradle and from the drop-down list, select Runner .
3. On the page that opens, in the Run test using drop-down list, select an option that you want to use for your test run.



(The default value is *Platform Test Runner* .)

4. Click OK .
5. In your Gradle project, in the editor, create or select a test that you want to run.
6. From the context menu, select Run <test name> .

Alternatively, click the  icon in the left gutter.

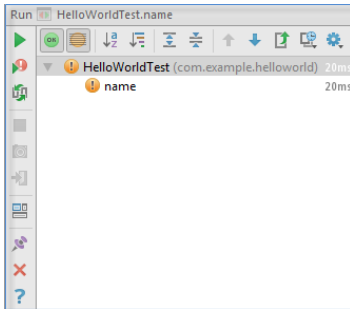
```

1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 import ...
10
11 /**...*/
14 public class HelloWorldTest {
15     @Test
16     public void name() throws Exception {
17         ByteArrayOutputStream out = new ByteArrayOutputStream();
18         HelloWorld.print(new PrintStream(out));
19         String s = out.toString();
20         Assert.assertEquals( expected: "Hello", s);
21     }
22
23 }

```

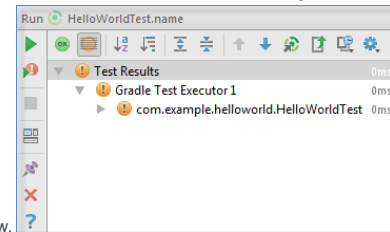
7. Depending on what you chose as your test runner, IntelliJ IDEA runs your tests in one of the following ways:

- If you selected *Platform Test Runner*, IntelliJ IDEA runs tests using a JUnit test runner and displays the output in the



Run JUnit tool window.

- If you selected *Gradle Test Runner*, IntelliJ IDEA runs tests using a Gradle test runner and displays the output in the



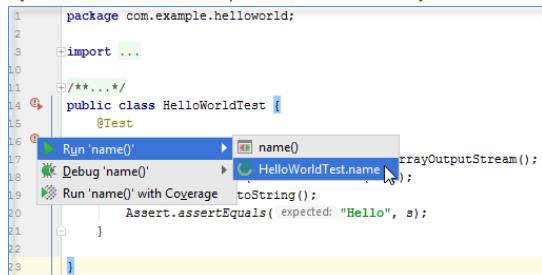
Run Gradle tool window.

You can also select Run 'name()' with

coverage to see the code coverage for your test.

Element	Class, %	Method, %	Line, %
com	100% (1/1)	50% (1/2)	40% (2/5)
com.HelloWorldPrinter	0% (0/1)	0% (0/2)	0% (0/4)
com.Main	0% (0/2)	0% (0/3)	0% (0/5)
com.MyClass	0% (0/1)	0% (0/1)	0% (0/3)
com.MyProperty	0% (0/1)	100% (0/0)	0% (0/1)
com.PrintAction	0% (0/1)	0% (0/2)	0% (0/6)
com.YourClass	0% (0/1)	0% (0/1)	0% (0/3)

- If you selected *Let me choose per test*, IntelliJ IDEA lets you choose between JUnit or Gradle to run your test.



Once you have selected the test runner,

IntelliJ IDEA will remember your selection and automatically will run your test using the option you've chosen.

You can change your selection, in the Runner settings page.

You can also select Run 'name()' with coverage to see the code coverage for your test.

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com.MyClass	0% (0/1)	0% (0/1)	0% (0/3)
com.MyProperty	0% (0/1)	100% (0/0)	0% (0/1)
com.PrintAction	0% (0/1)	0% (0/2)	0% (0/6)
com.YourClass	0% (0/1)	0% (0/1)	0% (0/3)

It works for the platform test runner as well as for the Gradle test runner.


## Working with Gradle tasks

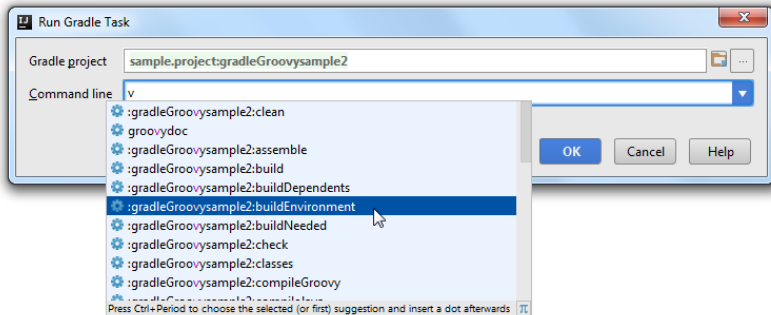
IntelliJ IDEA lets you create, debug and manage Gradle tasks in your project.

## Running Gradle tasks

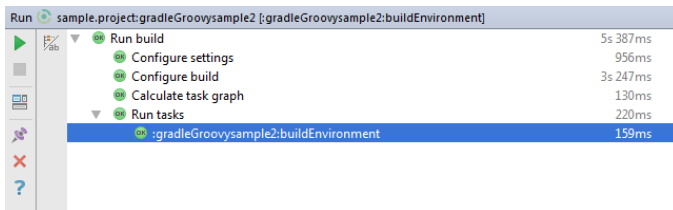
IntelliJ IDEA lets you run Gradle tasks using several different ways such as using a toolbar in the Gradle tool window, using a run configuration, using a context menu, and even run several tasks using one run configuration.

## Running a Gradle task from the Gradle toolbar

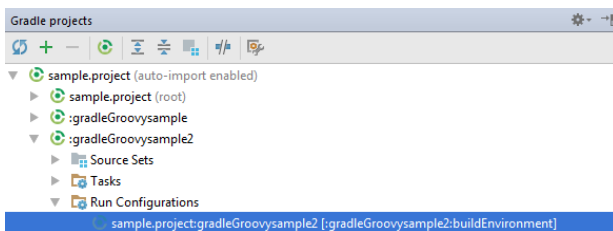
1. In the Gradle projects tool window, on the toolbar, click .
2. In the Run Gradle Task dialog, in the Command line field, start entering the name of your task. You can see that IntelliJ IDEA displays the list of Gradle tasks from which you can select the appropriate one. Click OK.



3. IntelliJ IDEA runs the selected task and displays the result in the Run tool window.

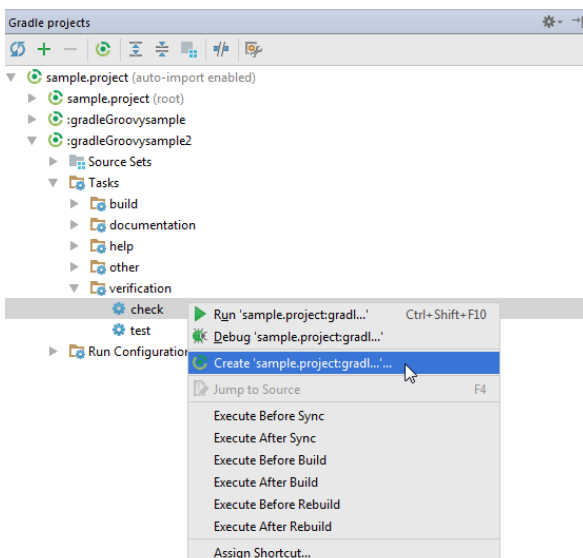


IntelliJ IDEA also saves the task in Gradle projects under the Run Configurations node.

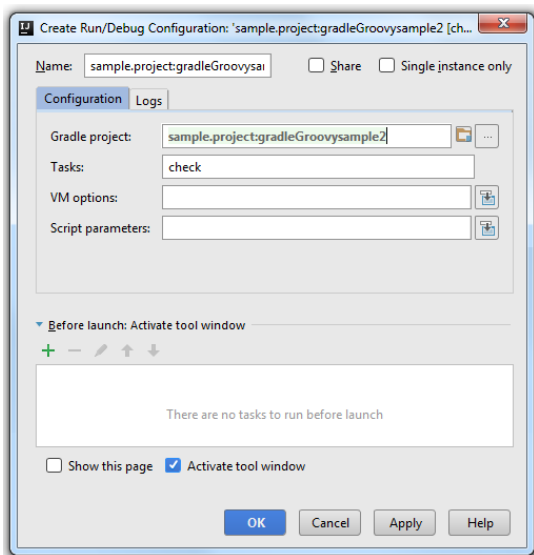


## Running a Gradle task via Run Configurations

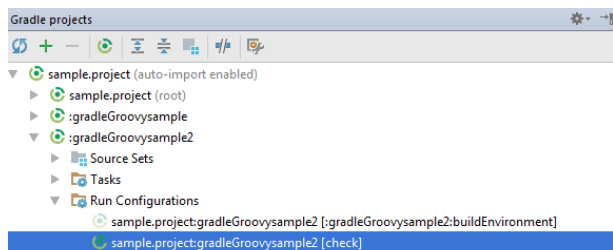
1. Open the Gradle projects tool window.
2. Right-click the task for which you want to create the Run configuration.
3. From the context menu select 'Create 'task name''.



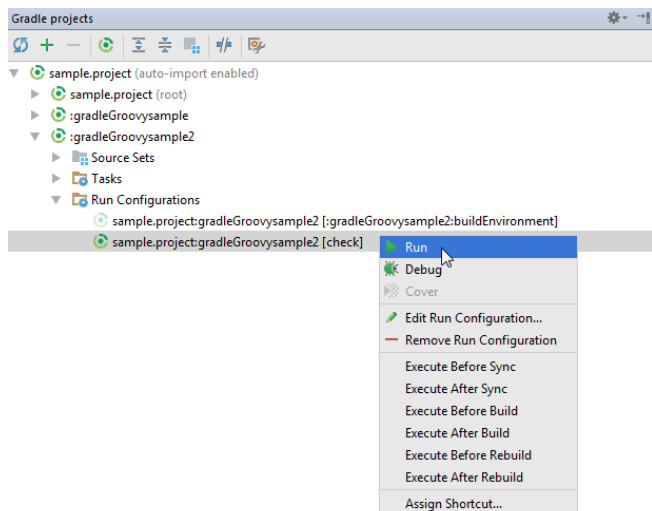
4. In Create Run/Debug Configuration: 'task name', specify the task settings and click OK.



IntelliJ IDEA displays the task under the Run Configurations node.



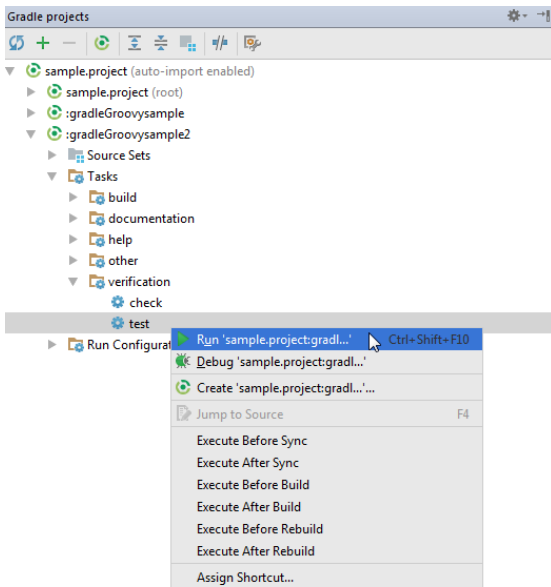
5. Double-click the task to run it or right-click the task and from the context menu select Run .



## Running a Gradle task from the context menu

1. Open the Gradle projects tool window.
2. Right-click a task that you want to run.
3. From the context menu select Run 'task name' .



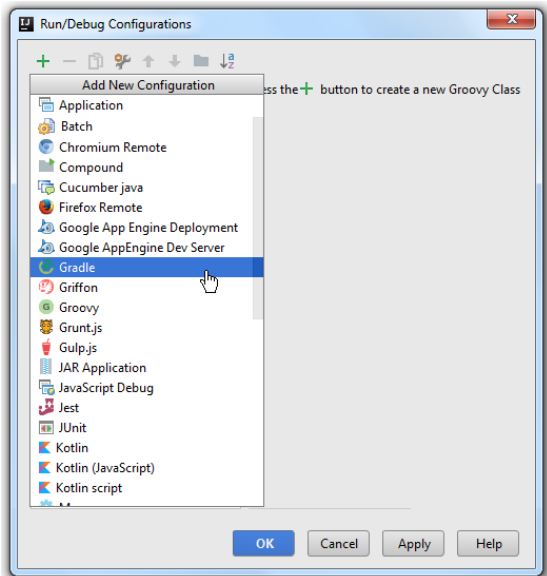


## Running several Gradle tasks with one Run/Debug configuration

1. Select Run | Edit Configurations ( `Shift+Alt+F10` ).

The [Run/Debug Configurations](#) dialog opens.

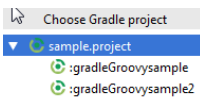
2. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, click the **+** icon and select Gradle to add a new configuration.



3. On the right side of the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, in the Name field, enter the name of your configuration.

As an example, specify the following settings:

- Gradle project - click  and select the registered Gradle project.

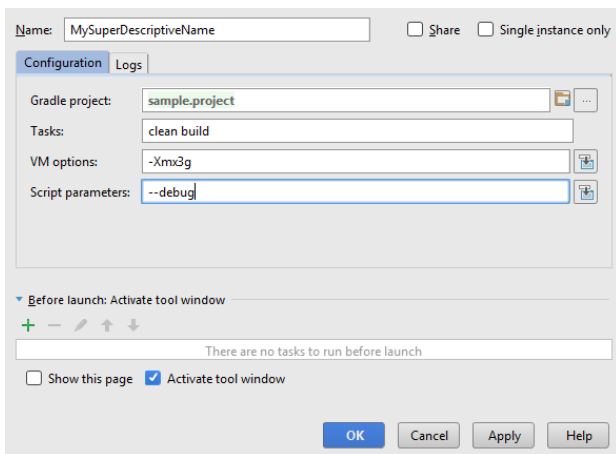


- Tasks - specify tasks you want to execute with this configuration. You can run more than one task.

For example, specify `clean` and `build` .

- VM options - you can customize VM options. For example, specify `-Xmx3g` .

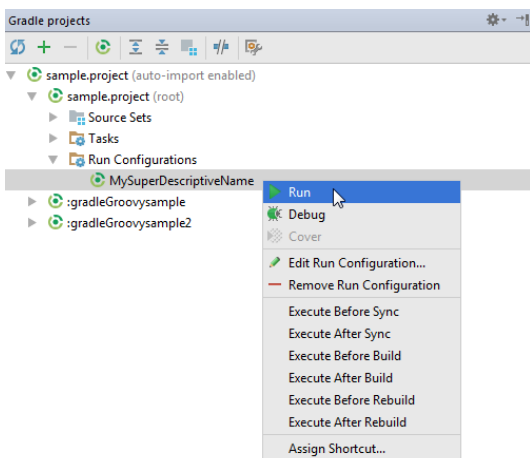
- Arguments - you can specify [Gradle command line parameters](#) . For example, specify `--debug` .



4. Click OK .

The created configuration is added to the Run Configurations node in the Gradle Projects tool window and is treated as a Gradle task.

5. Double-click the configuration to run the task or right-click the configuration and select Run .



## Debugging Gradle tasks in the Gradle projects tool window

Tasks available for debugging via the Gradle projects tool window are the ones that implement the `org.gradle.process.JavaForkOptions` interface, for example, `test` or `run` . For debugging Gradle script tasks themselves, use [Groovy run/debug configuration](#) that appears on the context menu when you right-click the script task in the editor.

1. In the Gradle projects tool window, in the Tasks area, double-click a Gradle project.

The list of tasks opens.

2. In the list of tasks, select the task which you want to debug, right-click it and from the context menu select Debug .

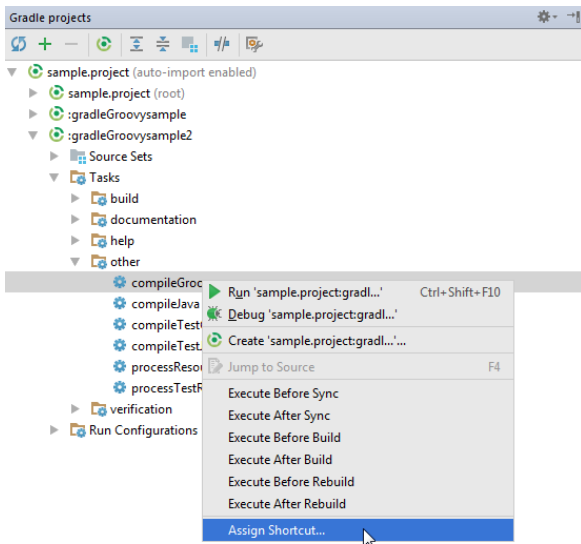
The debugging process is started and the task is added to the list of the recent tasks located under the Run Configurations node.

## Assigning a shortcut to a Gradle task

IntelliJ IDEA lets you assign shortcuts to Gradle tasks that can be run in several ways and execute those tasks with a single key-stroke. You can also assign a shortcut to the Gradle run/debug configuration that can contain more than one task.

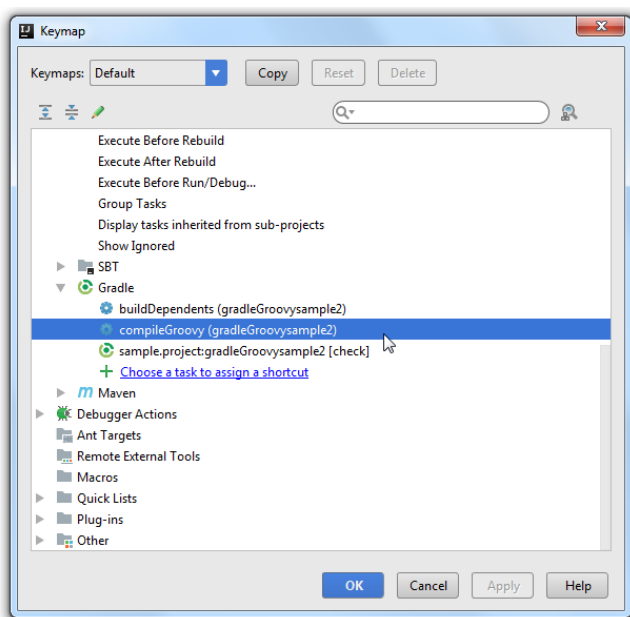
1. In the Gradle projects tool window, right-click the desired task.

2. From the context menu, choose Assign Shortcut .

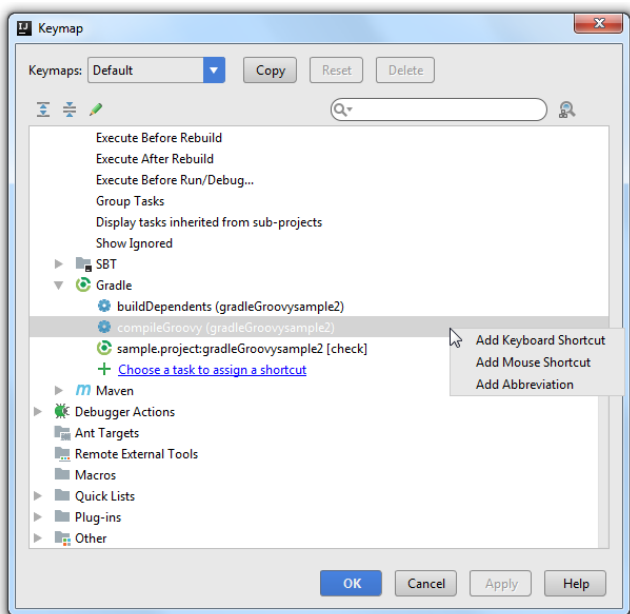


The **Keymap** dialog opens.

3. In the Keymap dialog, under the Gradle node navigate to your task.

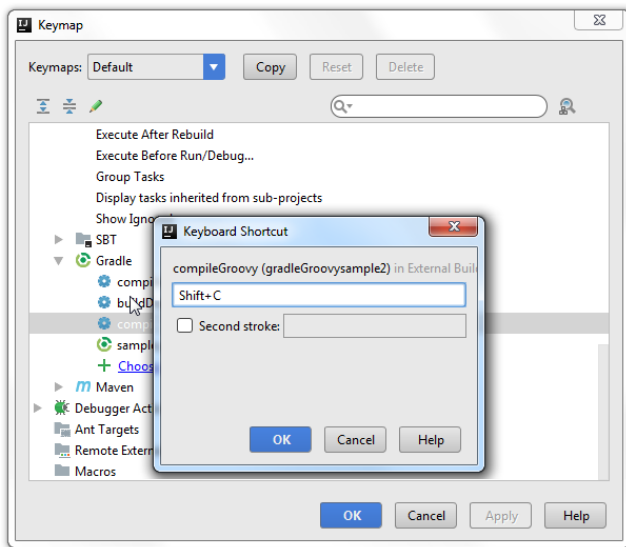


4. Right-click the task and from the list that opens, select a type of the shortcut you want to assign.

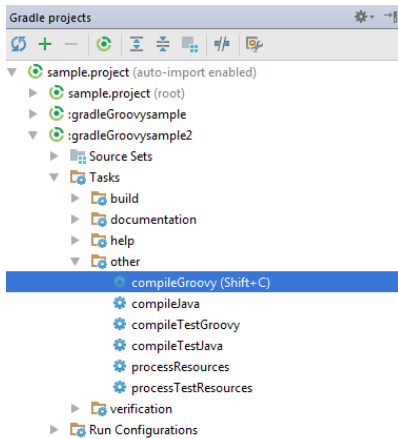


5. In the dialog that opens, depending on the shortcut's type, configure your shortcut and click OK .

In our case let's add a keyboard shortcut.

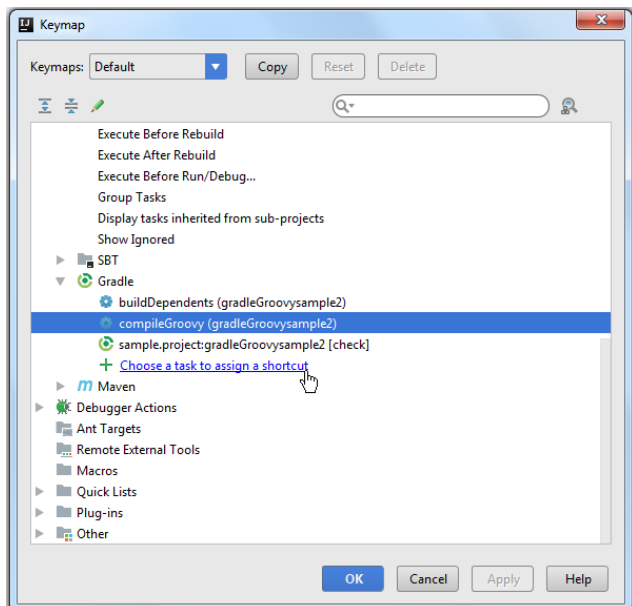


You can see that the shortcut is displayed against your task in the Gradle projects tool window.

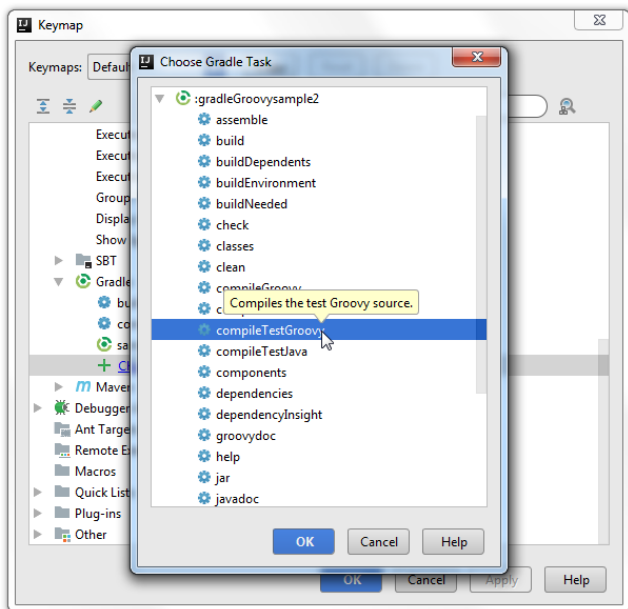


While in the Keymap dialog, you can add a new task to which you want to assign a shortcut.

1. In the Keymap dialog, under the Gradle node, click Choose a task to assign a shortcut .



2. In the dialog that opens, select a task you need and click OK .



The task is added to the list under the Gradle node. Now you can [configure the shortcut](#).

## Configuring running triggers for Gradle tasks

IntelliJ IDEA lets you run Gradle tasks before your project's execution or set other conditions using the task activation configuration.

1. In the Gradle projects tool window, right-click a Gradle project.
2. On the context menu, select Task Activation .
3. In the Task Activation dialog, click the **+** icon.
4. On the Choose activation phase menu, choose when to run your task, for example, *Before Build* , *After Sync* , etc.
5. On the Choose task menu, select the actual task.

The task and activation phase will be added to the list in the Task Activation dialog. You can also see the activation phase name against the selected task in the Gradle projects tool window.

Alternatively, you can select the activation phase name from the context menu when you right-click the task you want to execute in the Gradle projects tool window.

You can also create a run/debug configuration that would depend on a Gradle task.

1. On the main menu, select Run | Edit Configurations to open the run/debug configuration for your project.
2. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, in the Before Launch section, click the **+** icon.
3. In the list that opens, select Run Gradle task .
4. In the Select Gradle Task dialog, specify the project and the task that you want to execute before launching the project.  
You can specify a Gradle linked project or any other Gradle project. Note that if your Gradle project is not linked then IntelliJ IDEA will use the default configurations (for example, a bundled Gradle version) to run the task.
5. Click OK .

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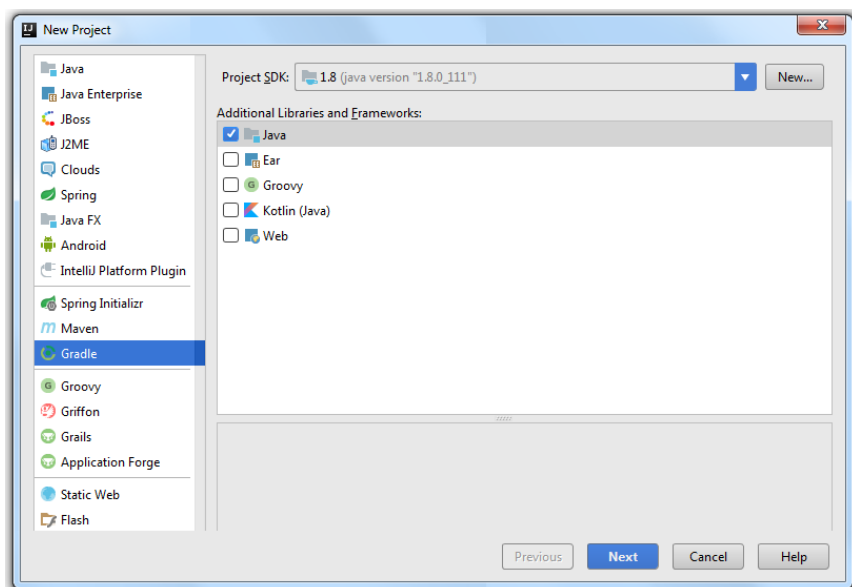
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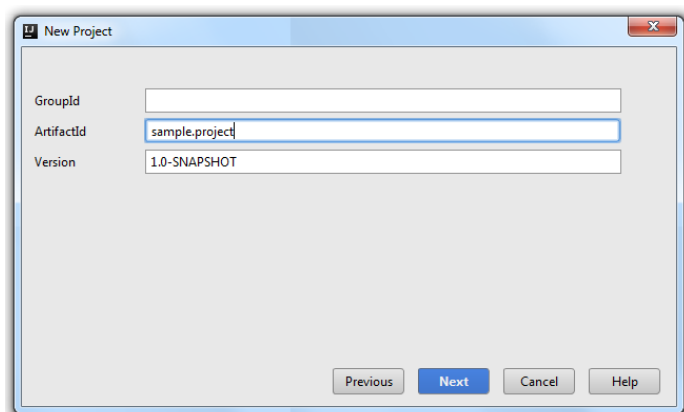
## Creating a new Gradle Project

1. Open [Project Wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane select Gradle .
2. In the right-hand pane, IntelliJ IDEA automatically adds a project **SDK** (JDK) and a default option Java in the Additional Libraries and Frameworks area. You can edit this information if you like.



Click Next .

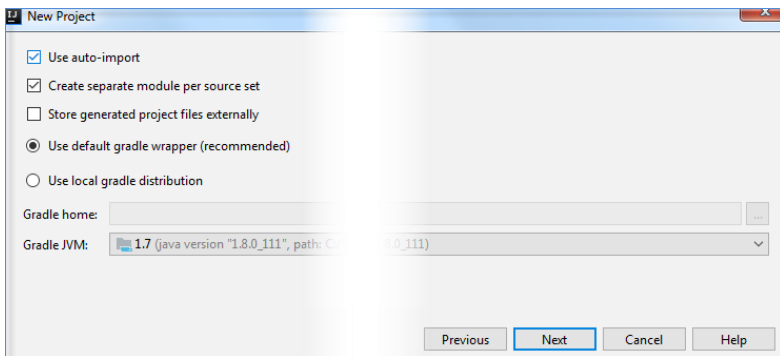
3. On the next page of the wizard let's specify ArtifactId which basically is the name of our project. We can use the default information in the version field. Unless we plan to deploy our project in some Maven repository we don't need to specify a GroupId .



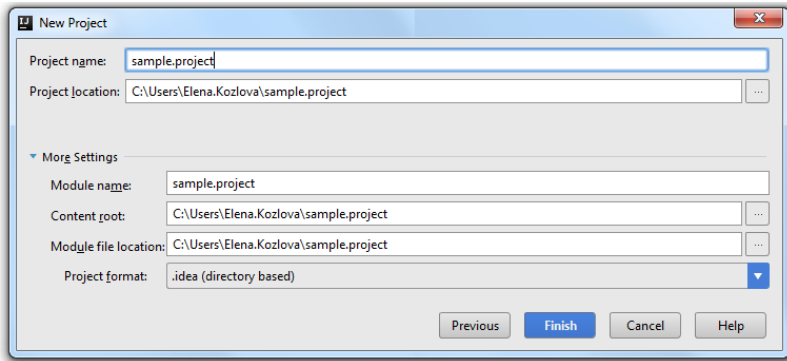
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4. On the next page of the wizard, let's leave options Create separate module per source set and Use default gradle wrapper (recommended) selected. Let's also specify the Use auto-import option to resolve all the changes made to the Gradle project automatically every time we refresh our project.

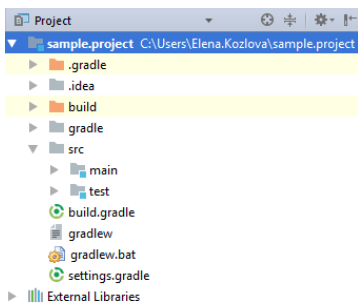
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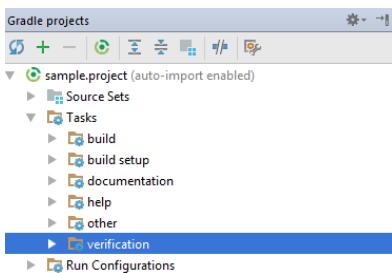
5. We've already specified our project's name, let's specify the location of our project and click Finish .



IntelliJ IDEA creates a project with the `build.gradle` file and the `src` folder with `main` and `test` subdirectories.



IntelliJ IDEA also creates a dedicated tool window with default tasks.

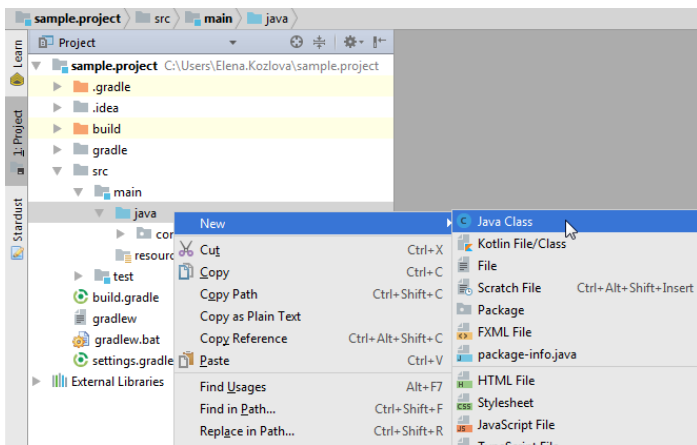


For more information on creating a Gradle project with the options that are out of this scope, see [Gradle](#) .

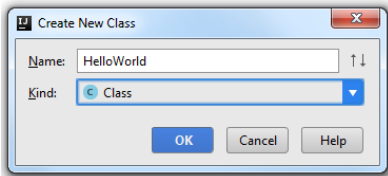
## Adding Java and test classes to a Gradle project

Let's add Java and test classes to our Gradle project.

1. In the Project tool window open the `src` folder.
2. Right-click the main or test directory then the java subdirectory and from the drop-down list select New | Java Class .

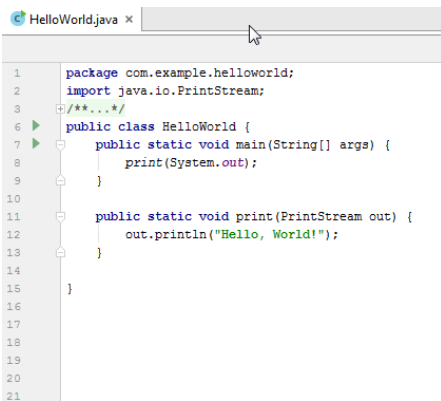


3. In the Create New Class dialog specify the name of your Java or test class and click OK .



Let's add the following code:

- for our `HelloWorld` class -



- for our `Test` class -



## Running tests in a Gradle project

We can run our test in several different ways:

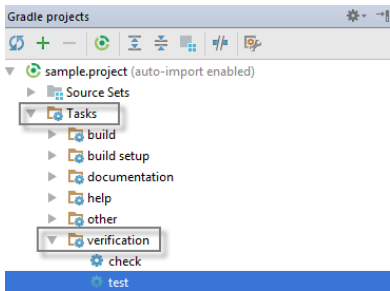
- using the editor - click  in the left gutter of the editor.

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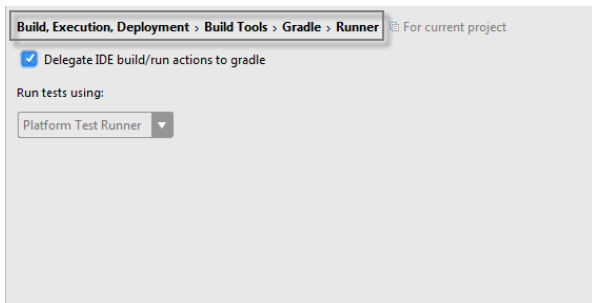
1  /**...*/
4
5  import com.example.helloworld.HelloWorld;
6  import org.junit.Assert;
7
8  import org.junit.Test;
9
10 import java.io.ByteArrayOutputStream;
11 import java.io.PrintStream;
12 public class MyTest {
13     @Test
14     public void test() throws Exception {
15         ByteArrayOutputStream out = new ByteArrayOutputStream();
16         HelloWorld.print(new PrintStream(out));
17         String s = out.toString();
18         Assert.assertEquals( expected: "Hello", s);
19     }
20 }
21

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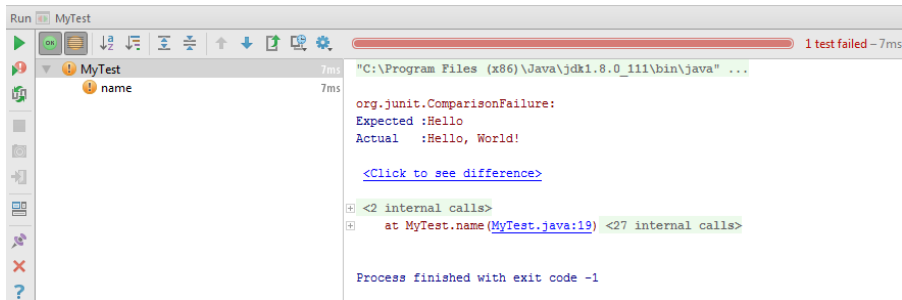
– using the Gradle task `test` - in the Gradle Projects tool window open the Tasks directory and then the verification subdirectory. In the list that opens, double-click test to run your test.



– using the Delegate all IDE builds/run actions to gradle option in the Settings dialog.



In all these cases the result of the test will be displayed in the Run tool window.





## Creating a new Maven project

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a Maven project or add a Maven support to any existing project.

1. Launch the [New Project wizard](#) . If no project is currently opened in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the Welcome screen: Otherwise, select File | New | Project from the main menu.
2. Select Maven from the options on the left.
3. Specify project's SDK (JDK) or use a default one and an archetype if you want to use a predefined project template (configure your own archetype by clicking Add Archetype ).

Click Next .

4. On the next page of the wizard, specify the following [Maven basic elements](#) that are added to the `pom.xml` file:
  - GroupId - a package of a new project.
  - ArtifactId - a name of your project.
  - Version - a version of a new project. By default, this field is specified automatically.

Click Next .

5. If you are creating a project using a Maven archetype, IntelliJ IDEA displays Maven settings that you can use to set the Maven home directory and Maven repositories. Also, you can check the archetype properties. Click Next .
6. Specify the name and location settings. Click Finish .

## Importing a Maven project

**Tip** You can select File | New | Project from Existing Sources on the main menu or click Import Project on the Welcome screen. Following the instructions of the Import Project wizard you can quickly import your Maven project.

1. On the main menu, select File | Open .
2. In the dialog that opens, select the `pom.xml` of the project you want to import. Click OK .
3. On the first page of the Import Project wizard, in the Import Project from External model select Maven and click Next .  
(This page is not displayed if you selected the `pom.xml` .)
4. Specify Maven settings or use the default selection.

The default settings are usually sufficient for a project. However, you can select the following (frequently used) options:

- Search for projects recursively - if you select this option, the sub projects (if any) are located and set up correctly.
- Import Maven projects automatically - if you select this option, the project is imported automatically every time you make changes to your POM file and you don't need to control manually when to import the changes. However, note that it might take some time to re-import a large project. Also, note that the changes made in the IntelliJ IDEA project (for example, adding a dependency to your project through the Project Structure dialog) will be overwritten on re-import by POM since IntelliJ IDEA considers the POM file as a single source of truth.

Click Next .

**Note** If IntelliJ IDEA detects [profiles](#) in your project, it displays them next.

5. IntelliJ IDEA displays the found projects and you can select the ones you need to import.

Click Next .

6. Specify the project's SDK and click Next .
7. Specify a name and the location of your project.

Click Finish .

## Adding a new Maven module to an existing project

You can add a Maven module to the project in which you are already working.

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the project folder and select New | Module . Alternatively, on the main menu, select File | New | Module to open the New Module wizard.
2. If you used main menu to add a module then the process of adding a module is the same as [Creating a new Maven project](#) .

If you are adding sub modules by right-clicking the root folder then the process of adding a new module is shorter. You need to specify the name of your module in the ArtifactId field. The rest of the information is added automatically and you can use either default settings or change them according to your preferences.

Also, note that Add as module to and Parent fields, by default, display the basic Maven attributes (groupId, artifactId, and version) of the project to which you are trying to add the module. You can click  to change the information displayed.

## Configuring a multi-module Maven project

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a multi-module Maven project. The multi-module project is defined by a parent POM file with several sub modules.

1. [Create a Maven parent project](#) . IntelliJ IDEA creates a standard Maven layout including an `src` folder.
2. In the Project tool window, remove the `src` folder (you would need it for [very rare cases](#) for your general project you don't



need the `src` folder for the parent POM).

3. In the Project tool window, right-click your project (or in the main menu, click File ) and select New | Module to add a sub project.
4. In the New Module wizard following the instructions on [how to add a module](#) , specify the necessary information and click Finish .

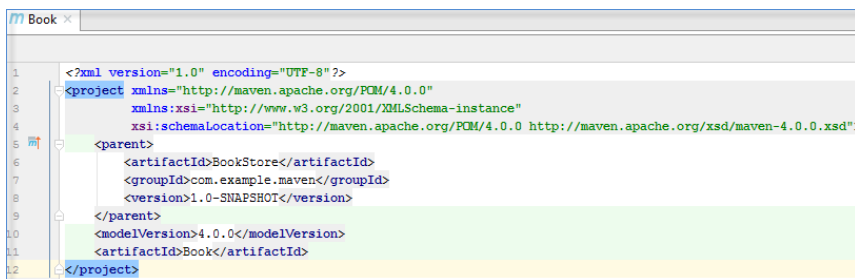
The `src` folder is created automatically and you can open POM and add a packaging that you need. IntelliJ IDEA adds the module to the parent project. IntelliJ IDEA also adds name and the description of the sub project to the parent POM.




```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
2 <project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"
3         xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
4         xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
5     <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
6
7     <groupId>com.example.maven</groupId>
8     <artifactId>BookStore</artifactId>
9     <packaging>pom</packaging>
10    <version>1.0-SNAPSHOT</version>
11
12    <modules>
13        <module>Book</module>
14        <module>Author</module>
15    </modules>
16 </project>
```

Note that the `packaging` in the parent POM is defined as `pom` since it is an appropriate packaging for the parent project which refers to other sub projects.

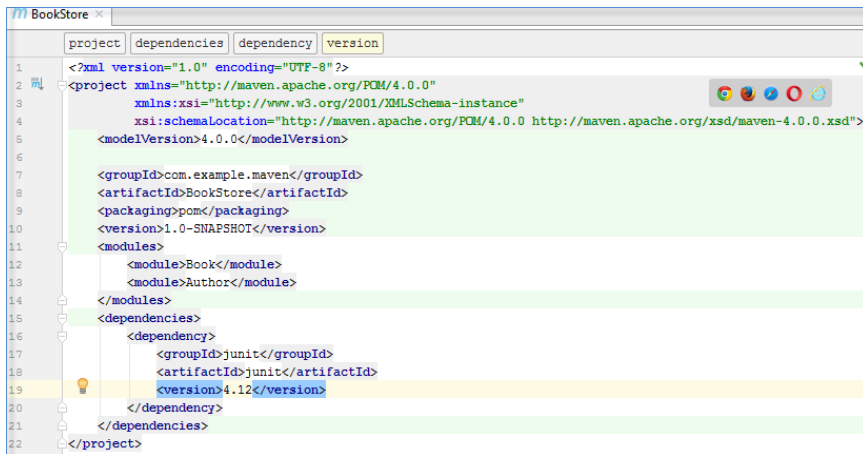
Last, but not least, IntelliJ IDEA adds the description of the parent POM to the sub project's POM.



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1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
2 <project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"
3         xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
4         xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
5     <parent>
6         <artifactId>BookStore</artifactId>
7         <groupId>com.example.maven</groupId>
8         <version>1.0-SNAPSHOT</version>
9     </parent>
10    <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
11    <artifactId>Book</artifactId>
12 </project>
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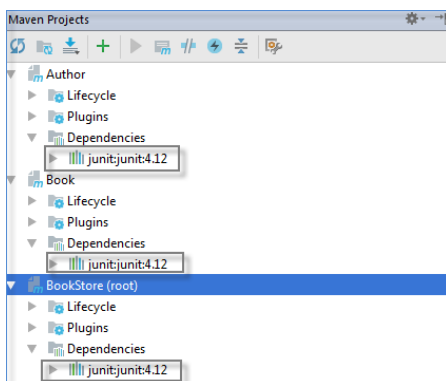
You can click  in the left gutter to quickly open the parent POM from your sub project.

5. You can also add dependencies to the parent POM that will be inherited by the sub projects.



```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
2 <project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"
3         xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
4         xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
5     <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
6
7     <groupId>com.example.maven</groupId>
8     <artifactId>BookStore</artifactId>
9     <packaging>pom</packaging>
10    <version>1.0-SNAPSHOT</version>
11
12    <modules>
13        <module>Book</module>
14        <module>Author</module>
15    </modules>
16
17    <dependencies>
18        <dependency>
19            <groupId>junit</groupId>
20            <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
21            <version>4.12</version>
22        </dependency>
23    </dependencies>
24 </project>
```

6. Open Maven Projects tool window to see that all changes made in the parent POM are reflected in sub projects.



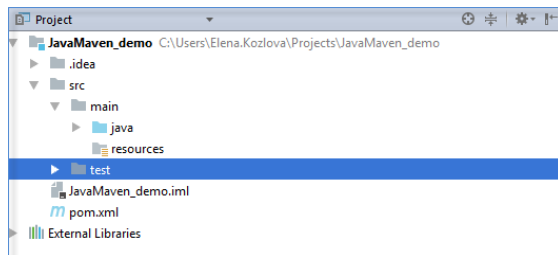
## Converting a regular project into a Maven project

You can open an existing non-Maven project and add a Maven support via IntelliJ IDEA UI.

Open an existing project for example a Java project

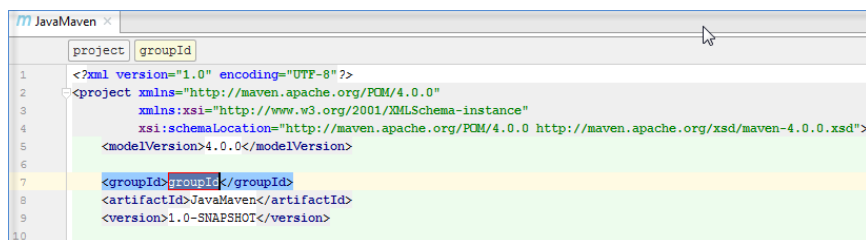
1. Open an existing project, for example, a Java project.
2. In the Project tool window, right-click your project and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the dialog that opens, select Maven from the options on the left and click OK .

IntelliJ IDEA adds a default POM to the project and generates the standard Maven layout in Project tool window.

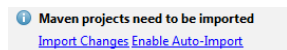


IntelliJ IDEA also creates a corresponding structure with *Lifecycle* and *Plugins* in the Maven Projects tool window.

4. Open the generated POM and specify a `groupId` . The `artifactId` and `version` are specified automatically.




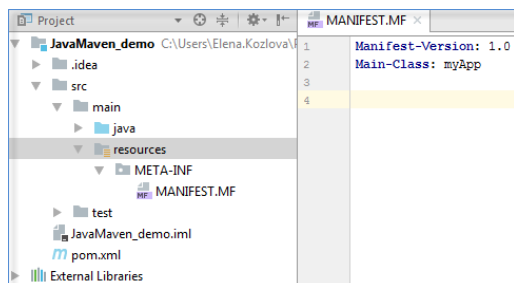
Every time you change the POM, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up suggesting to import your changes.



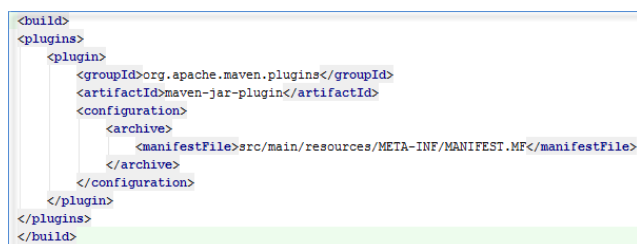
At this point you can further develop your project using Maven. We recommend you to make all your project changes in POM since IntelliJ IDEA considers `pom.xml` as a single source of truth.

You can conclude the following optional steps to create an executable JAR.

1. Click  to build project. IntelliJ IDEA generates `target` folder. Note that IntelliJ IDEA only compiles sources and doesn't create either JAR file or Manifest file.
2. Create a Manifest file in the `resources` directory.

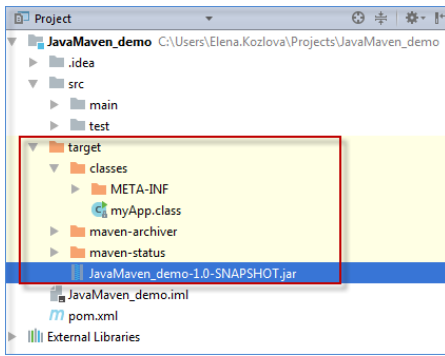


3. In your POM specify the [Manifest file](#) information, so you can use Maven to generate an executable `.jar` file.



4. In the Maven Projects tool window, in the Lifecycle drop-down list, double-click the `install` command to generate the `.jar` file.

IntelliJ IDEA generates an appropriate information in the target folder and an executable JAR in the Project tool window.



You can right-click the generated JAR and select Run to execute the file.

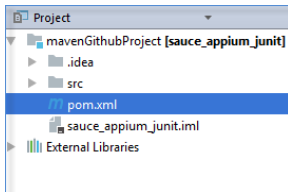
If your existing project is larger and contains more than one module, converting such project into a Maven project becomes quite challenging. Since IntelliJ IDEA recognizes project settings only from POM when you convert your project you need to check and adjust the following settings:

- Annotation settings - they are changed for the modules.
- Compiler output - it is changed for the modules.
- Resources settings - they are ignored and overwritten by POM.
- Module dependencies - they need to be checked.
- Language and Encoding settings - they are changed for modules.

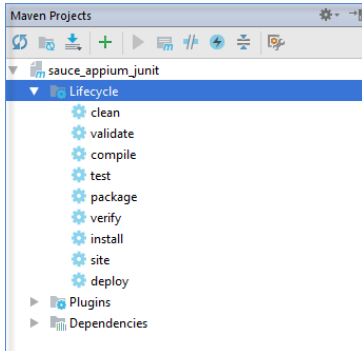
Also, there is no POM template generated. All dependencies (including module dependencies) need to be manually included into POM.

In this case we recommend that you create an external POM where you describe your project and [import](#) your POM as you would import a regular Maven project using File | New | Project from Existing Sources command.

IntelliJ IDEA adds POM to the project and a Maven layout for the existing elements.



IntelliJ IDEA also generates the corresponding structure in the Maven Projects tool window.



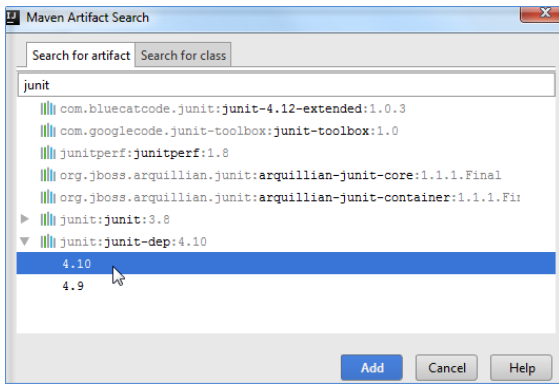
## Working with Maven dependencies

IntelliJ IDEA lets you manage Maven dependencies in your project. You can add, import Maven dependencies, and view them as diagrams.

### Adding a Maven dependency

IntelliJ IDEA lets you add a Maven dependency to your project. We recommend that you specify the dependency inside your POM. Dependencies that you set up manually inside IntelliJ IDEA module settings will be discarded on the next Maven project import.

1. Open your POM in the editor.
2. Press `Alt+Insert` to open the Generate context menu.
3. From the context menu, select Dependency or Dependency Template for quick search.
4. In the dialog that opens either search for artifacts or for classes if you switch to the Search for class tab.

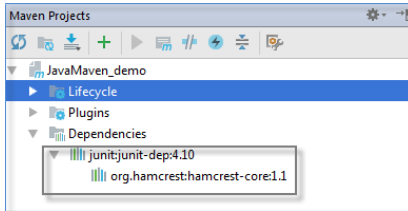


Click Add . IntelliJ IDEA adds the dependency to your `pom.xml` .

```
<dependencies>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>junit</groupId>
    <artifactId>junit-dep</artifactId>
    <version>4.10</version>
  </dependency>
</dependencies>
```

IntelliJ IDEA also adds the dependency to the Dependencies node in the Maven Projects tool window and to the External Libraries in the Project tool window.

If the added dependency has its own transitive dependencies, IntelliJ IDEA displays them in both tool windows.



**Tip** When searching in artifacts, the search string can refer to the ArtifactId, GroupId, and version of an artifact. When searching in classes, IntelliJ IDEA searches through all the available artifacts, and adds all libraries, where the class with the specified name is detected.

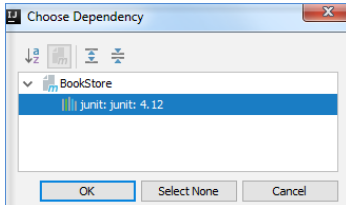
## Centralizing dependency information

In a multi-module Maven project, the dependency in the parent POM will be inherited by all sub projects. You can use `dependencyManagement` to consolidate and centralize the management of the dependencies' versions.

1. Open your POM in the editor.
2. Press `Alt+Insert` to open the Generate context menu.
3. From the context menu, select the Managed Dependency option that will show you the list of the dependencies that are defined in the `dependencyManagement` section of your parent POM in a multi-module project.

```
<dependencyManagement>
  <dependencies>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>junit</groupId>
      <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
      <version>4.12</version>
    </dependency>
  </dependencies>
</dependencyManagement>
```

4. Select the desired dependency and click OK .

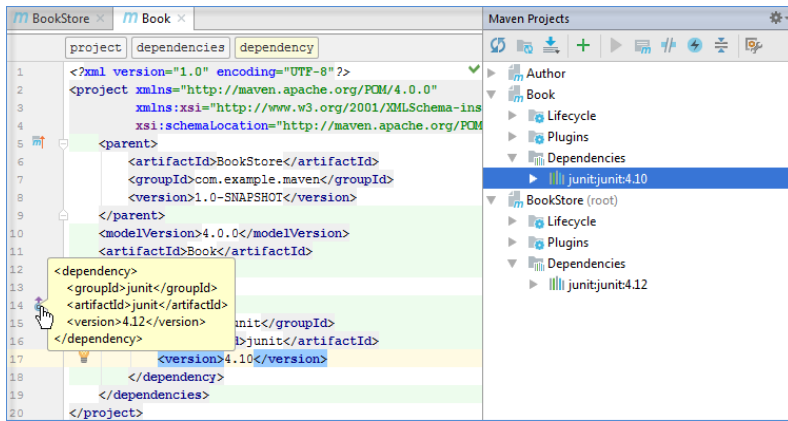


The dependency is added to the POM. You don't need to specify the version on the dependency it will be taken from the `DependencyManagement` .

```
<dependencyManagement>
  <dependencies>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>junit</groupId>
      <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
      <version>4.12</version>
    </dependency>
  </dependencies>
</dependencyManagement>

<dependencies>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>junit</groupId>
    <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
  </dependency>
</dependencies>
```

However, if you want to overwrite the defined version, you need to include `version` when you add the managed dependency to the POM.



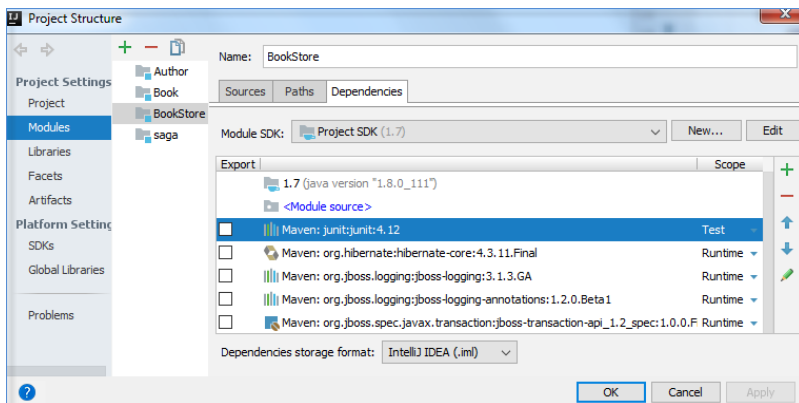
## Adding a scope for the Maven dependency

You can add a scope for your dependency using POM. In this case IntelliJ IDEA will execute the dependency at the specified phase.

1. In your POM, in the dependency description add `scope` and using the code completion add the name of the scope.

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>junit</groupId>
  <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
  <scope>test</scope>
</dependency>
```

2. Import your changes. The name of the scope is displayed in the Maven Projects tool window. In the Project Structure dialog, on the Modules page you can see that the scope of the dependency is also displayed.



Please note that changing dependency's scope in the Project Structure dialog will not affect the `pom.xml` file.

You can also add a custom `.jar` file as a dependency using the Maven scope `system` when you define your dependency. However, note that this dependency will only be available on your machine and you can use it only for the local deployment.

## Working with Maven transitive dependencies

IntelliJ IDEA lets you view transitive dependencies that were pulled in with the added or imported Maven dependency. You can check their versions, change them, or exclude those dependencies altogether.

The Maven Projects tool window displays the direct dependency and all its transitive dependencies that were pulled in.

1. In your project's POM, press `Ctrl` and hover the mouse over the dependency in question.



2. Click the dependency to open the dependency POM.
3. In the dependency POM, view the active dependency, its transitive dependencies and their versions.

```

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<groupId>junit</groupId>
<artifactId>junit</artifactId>
<version>4.12</version>

<name>JUnit</name>
<description>JUnit is a unit testing framework for Java, </description>
<url>http://junit.org</url>
<inceptionYear>2002</inceptionYear>
<organization...>
<licenses>
  <license...>
</licenses>
<developers...>
<properties...>
<dependencies>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>org.hamcrest</groupId>
    <artifactId>hamcrest-core</artifactId>
    <version>1.3</version>
  </dependency>
</dependencies>

```

You can check the origin from which the dependency was pulled in.

```

<distributionManagement>
  <downloadUrl>https://github.com/junit-team/junit/wiki/Download-and-Install</downloadUrl>
  <snapshotRepository>
    <id>junit-snapshot-repo</id>
    <name>Nexus Snapshot Repository</name>
    <url>https://oss.sonatype.org/content/repositories/snapshots/</url>
  </snapshotRepository>
  <repository>
    <id>junit-releases-repo</id>
    <name>Nexus Release Repository</name>
    <url>https://oss.sonatype.org/service/local/staging/deploy/maven2/</url>
  </repository>
  <site>
    <id>junit.github.io</id>
    <url>git:git@github.com:junit-team/junit.git</url>
  </site>
</distributionManagement>

```

You can exclude a transitive dependency if you want.

**Tip** You can use Exclude command from the context menu in the [Maven dependency diagram](#) to quickly exclude the specified dependency from POM and the respective tool windows.

1. Open the dependency POM and find the transitive dependency you want to exclude. Copy `groupId` and `artifactId`.
2. In your project POM, underneath your active dependency, enter `exclusions` and using code completion paste the copied info of the dependency you want to exclude.

```

<dependencyManagement>
  <dependencies>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>junit</groupId>
      <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
      <version>4.12</version>
      <exclusions>
        <exclusion>
          <groupId>org.hamcrest</groupId>
          <artifactId>hamcrest-core</artifactId>
        </exclusion>
      </exclusions>
    </dependency>
  </dependencies>
</dependencyManagement>

```


The dependency is also excluded from the Project and Maven Projects tool windows.

## Importing Maven dependencies

IntelliJ IDEA lets you import dependencies to your Maven project. When IntelliJ IDEA imports added dependencies, it should parse the dependencies and set up the project automatically.

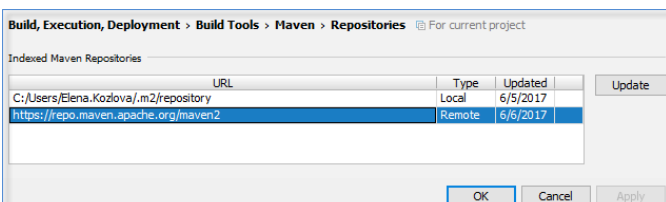
- In the Maven Projects tool window, click  icon to open the Maven | Importing settings and select the Import Maven projects automatically checkbox. Also, ensure that the JDK for importer matches the JDK version you are trying to use.

In this case the dependencies are updated automatically every time you change the POM.

- Press  in the Maven Projects tool window. In this case you manually trigger the re-import process and the update of dependencies.

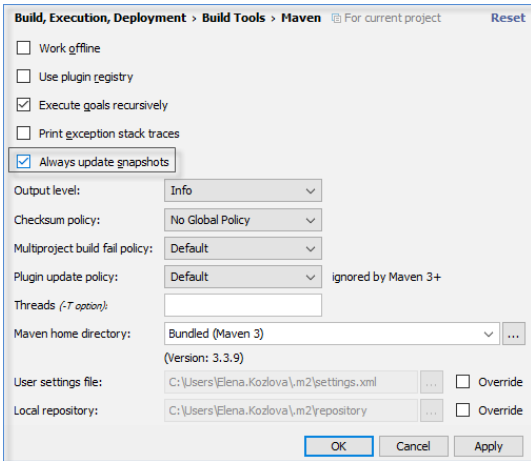
If for some reason the dependencies weren't imported correctly, try to perform the following actions:

- You can try to update Maven indices by updating the remote repository in the Maven | Repositories settings.



- You can check your local maven repository in the Maven | Repositories settings and try to updated it.

- You can check the `.jar` file of the local `.m2` repository to see if it was downloaded correctly.
- You can check the effective POM to determine which Maven repository was used as an origin of the dependency.
- You can select the Always update snapshots option in Maven settings. In this case IntelliJ IDEA checks the latest version of the downloaded dependency and updates it accordingly.



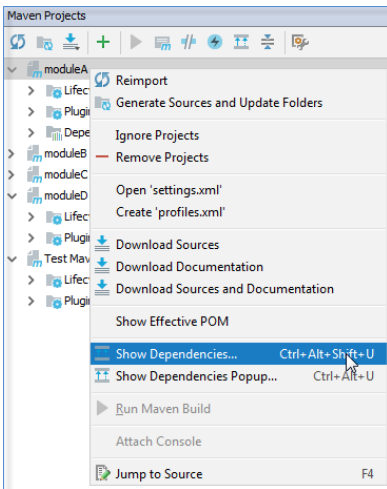
## Viewing Maven dependencies as a diagram

**Warning!** The Maven diagram support is available in IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate edition only. Please make sure that the *Maven Integration Extension* plugin is enabled.

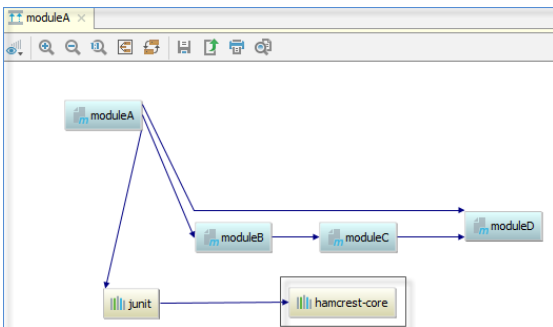
IntelliJ IDEA lets you view and work with Maven dependencies in a diagram format.

**Tip** In the POM in the editor, right-click to open context menu and select Maven | Show Dependencies to open the Maven dependencies diagram window. Alternatively, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` or `Ctrl+Alt+U`.

1. In the Maven Projects tool window, right-click the desired sub project and choose Show Dependencies, or Show Dependencies Popup.



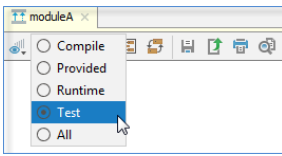
2. In the diagram window, IntelliJ IDEA displays the sub project and all its dependencies including the transitive ones.



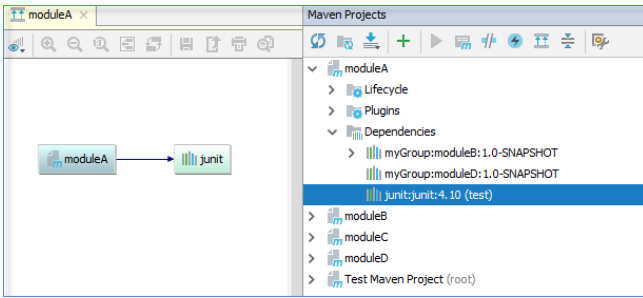
You can perform different actions while in the diagram window.

You can change the visibility level and, for example, view dependencies that have a specific scope (compile, test, etc.)

1. In the diagram window, select the sub project and click icon.
2. From the drop-down list, select the dependency scope you want to see.



IntelliJ IDEA displays only the specified dependency scope.

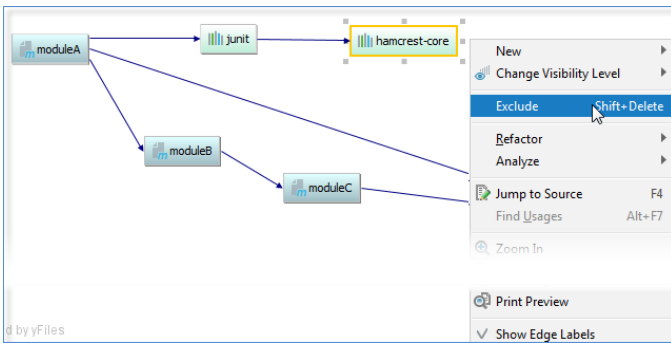


You can easily navigate to POM from the diagram window.

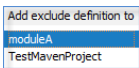
- Select the desired node, and press **F4**, or choose Jump to Source on its context menu. The corresponding file opens in the editor.

You can exclude a dependency from the diagram.

1. Select a dependency in the diagram window.
2. On the context menu, choose Exclude .



3. From the drop-down list, select the module where the exclusion definition will be added.



The selected dependencies will be removed from diagram, and the `exclusion` section will be added to the corresponding dependency in the module's POM.



**Tip** You can undo this operation by pressing **Ctrl+Z** before you import the changes.

## Working with Maven goals

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create, debug and manage Maven goals in your project.

### Running Maven goals

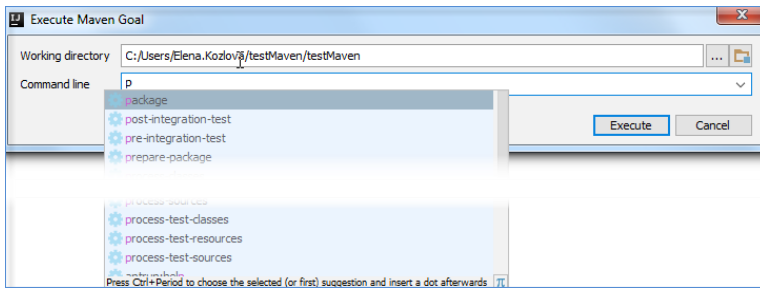
IntelliJ IDEA lets you run Maven goals using several ways. You can run a Maven goal from a command line , use the context menu in the Maven Projects tool window, or create a run/debug configuration to run one or several Maven goals.

### Running a Maven goal from the command line

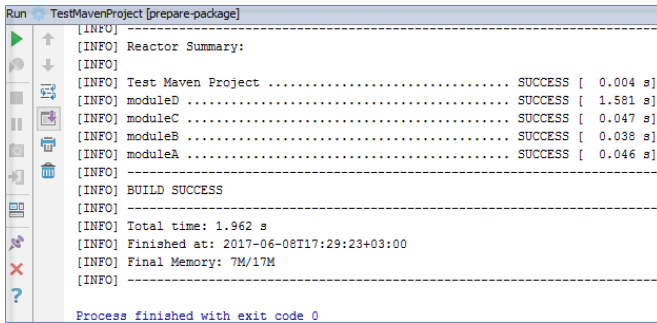
1. In the Maven Projects tool window, on the toolbar, click the  icon.



- In the Execute Maven Goal dialog, in the Command line field, start entering the name of your goal. You can see that IntelliJ IDEA displays the list of Maven goals from which you can select the appropriate one. Click Execute .



- IntelliJ IDEA runs the selected goal and displays the result in the Run tool window.



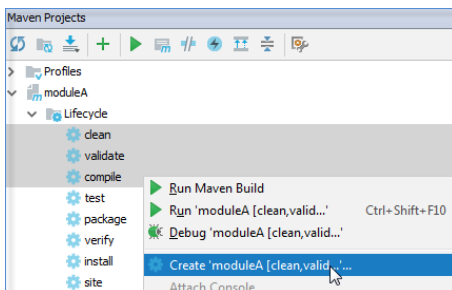
## Running a Maven goal from the context menu

- In the Maven Projects tool window, click Lifecycle to open a list of Maven goals.
- Right-click the desired goal and from the context menu select Run 'name of the goal' . IntelliJ IDEA runs the specified goal and adds it to the Run Configurations node.

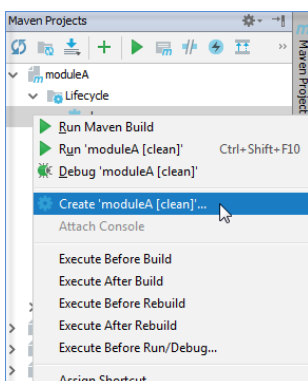
## Running a Maven goal or a set of goals via Run configuration

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a run configuration for one specific goal or a set of several goals.

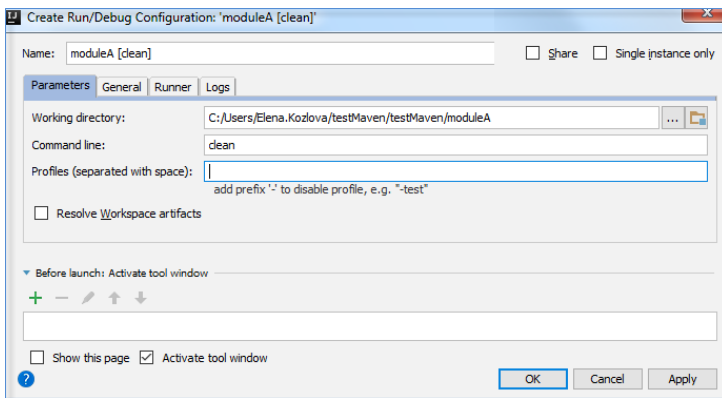
- In the Maven Projects tool window, click Lifecycle to open a list of Maven goals.
- Right-click a goal for which you want to create a Run configuration. (To select several Maven goals, press **Ctrl** and highlight the desired goals.)



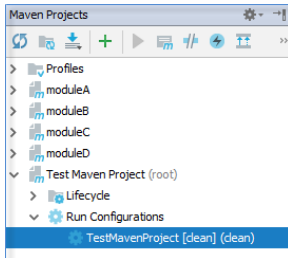
- From the drop-down list select Create 'goal name' .



- In the Create Run/Debug Configuration: 'goal name' dialog, specify the goal settings (you can specify any Maven commands and arguments) and click OK .



IntelliJ IDEA displays the goal under the Run Configurations node.

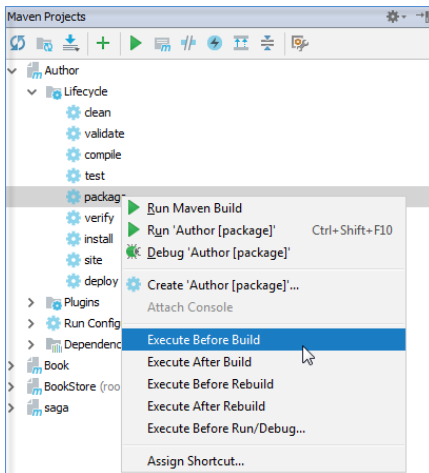


5. Double-click the goal to run it or right-click the goal and from the context menu select Run .

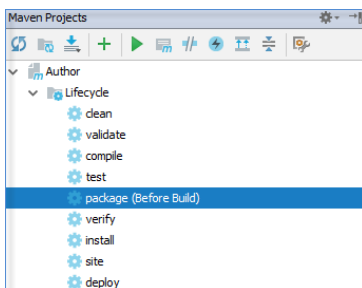
## Configuring triggers for Maven goals

IntelliJ IDEA lets you run Maven goals before your project's execution or set other conditions using the goal activation configuration.

1. In the Maven Projects tool window, click Lifecycle to open a list of goals.
2. In the list that opens, right-click the goal for which you want to set a trigger.
3. From the context menu, select an activation phase. For example, *Execute Before Build* .

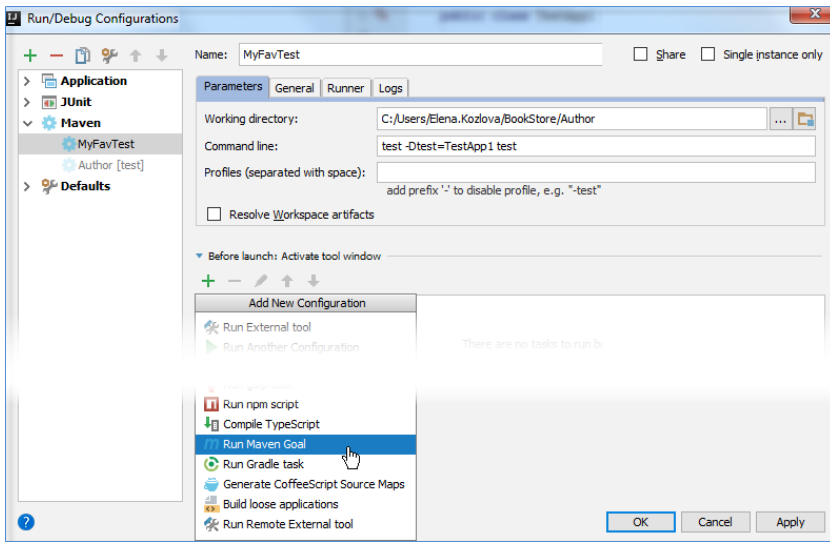


The name of activation phase is added to the selected goal in the Maven Projects tool window.

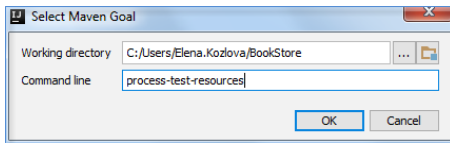


You can also create a run/debug configuration that would depend on a Maven goal.

1. On the main menu, select Run | Edit Configurations to open the run/debug configuration for your project.
2. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, in the Before Launch section, click the + icon.
3. In the list that opens, select Run Maven Goal .



4. In the Select Maven Goal dialog, specify a project and a goal that you want to execute before launching the project.

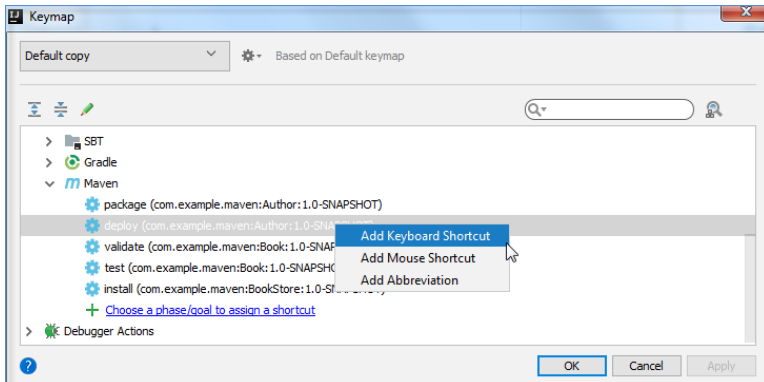


5. Click OK .

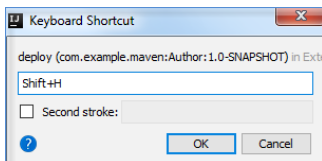
## Associating Maven goals with keyboard shortcuts

You can associate a Maven goal with a keyboard shortcut and execute goals with a single key-stroke.

1. In the Maven Projects tool window , right-click the desired goal.
2. On the context menu, choose Assign Shortcut . The **Keymap** dialog opens.
3. In the Keymap dialog, under the Maven node navigate to your goal.
4. Right-click the goal and from the list that opens, select a type of the shortcut you want to assign.



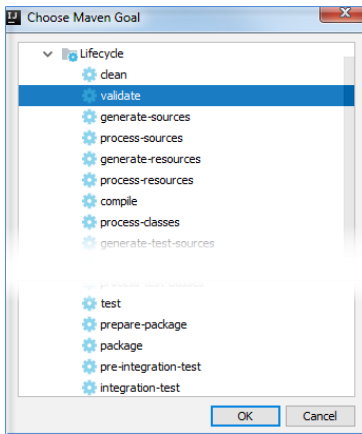
5. In the dialog that opens, depending on the shortcut's type, configure your shortcut and click OK .



The shortcut is displayed against your goal in the Maven Projects tool window.

While in the Keymap dialog, you can add a new goal to which you want to assign a shortcut.



1. In the Keymap dialog, under the Maven node, click Choose a phase/goal to assign a shortcut .
2. In the dialog that opens, select a goal you need and click OK .



The goal is added to the list under the Maven node. Now you can [configure the shortcut](#) .

## Debugging Maven goals

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a debug configuration for one or several Maven goals or you can select a goal and start a debugging session.

1. On the main menu, select Run | Edit Configurations to create a Maven run/debug configuration.
2. In the dialog that opens, on the left side, click  to open the Add new Configuration list.
3. From the list that opens, select Maven to create a new Maven configuration.
4. On the right side of the dialog, specify the information, such as a name of your configuration, your project's directory, command line parameters, and profiles. You can leave default settings for the rest. Click OK .
5. On the main menu, click  to start your debugging session.

You can also start a debugging session for a single Maven goal or a Maven run configuration that may contain more than one Maven goal in the Maven Projects tool window.

1. Open the Maven Projects tool window.
2. Under the Lifecycle node, select a goal for which you want to start a debugging session. (Look for existing Maven run configurations under the Run Configurations node to start a debugging session for the run configuration.)
3. Right-click the goal and from the context menu select Debug [name of the goal] . IntelliJ IDEA starts a debugging session.

## Running tests in Maven projects


IntelliJ IDEA lets you run tests using default IntelliJ IDEA test runner. You can also pass [Maven Surefire plugin](#) parameters when you run JUnit or TestNg tests and [Maven Failsafe plugin](#) parameters for running integration tests. The Maven surefire plugin is declared in the super POM by default, but you can adjust its settings in your project's POM.

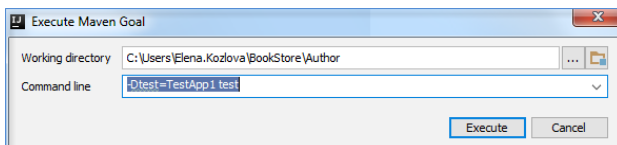
You can create and run tests as you normally would for your Java project. See [Testing](#) section.

You can run all your tests using the `test` Maven goal or use Maven commands to run a single test.

1. Open the Maven Projects tool window.
2. Under the Lifecycle node select test . Note that goals specified in the [Maven surefire plugin](#) will be activated at this phase and all tests in a project or in a module will be run.

If you want to run just a single test instead of all the tests declared in your project, use the Maven `-Dtest='TestName' test` command.

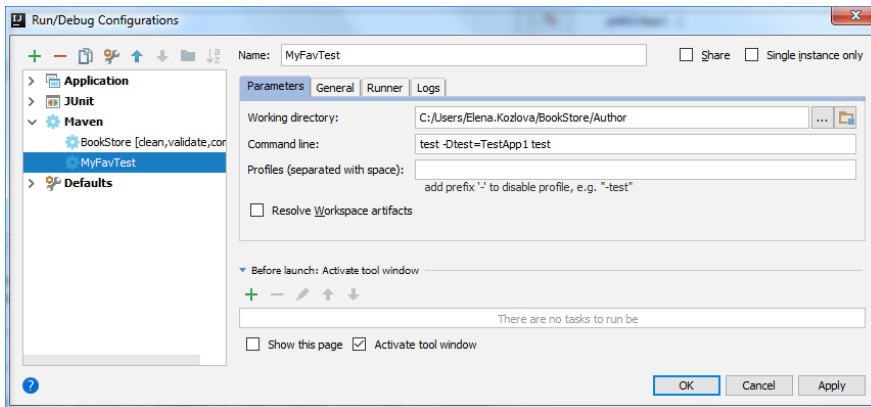
1. Open the Maven Projects tool window.
2. On the toolbar, click the  icon.
3. In the Select Maven Goal dialog, specify a project or a module that contains your test and in the Command line field, enter the `-Dtest='TestName' test` command. Click Execute .



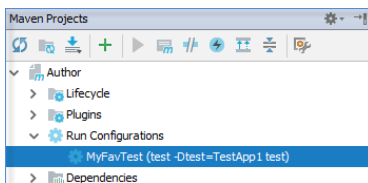
Maven runs the specified test and displays the result in the Run tool window.

Alternatively, you can create a Maven run configuration to run a single test using the same Maven command. The run configuration will be saved under the Run Configurations node.

1. In the Maven Projects tool window, under the Lifecycle node, right-click the `test` goal.
2. From the context menu, select Create 'name of the module/project and name of a goal' .
3. In the dialog that opens, specify a working directory that contains test you want to run and in the Command line field, specify a phase (specified automatically) and the `-Dtest='TestName' test` command. Click OK .




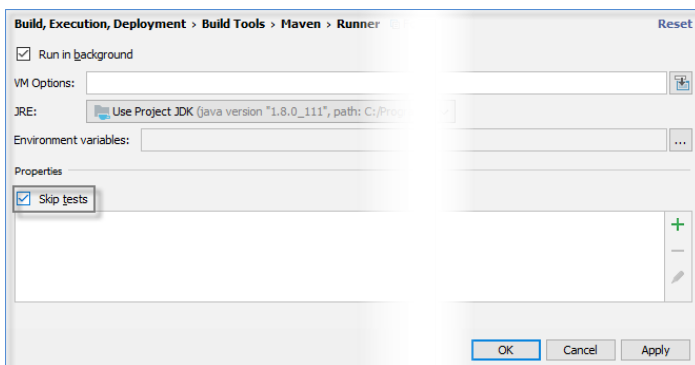
4. Open the Run Configurations node and double-click your configuration to run.



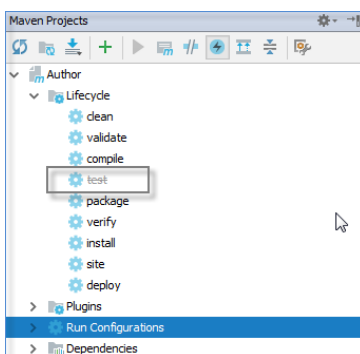
Maven runs the test and displays the result in the Run tool window.

You can skip running tests, for example, when you want to just compile your project and don't want to wait for Maven to complete the tests' execution.

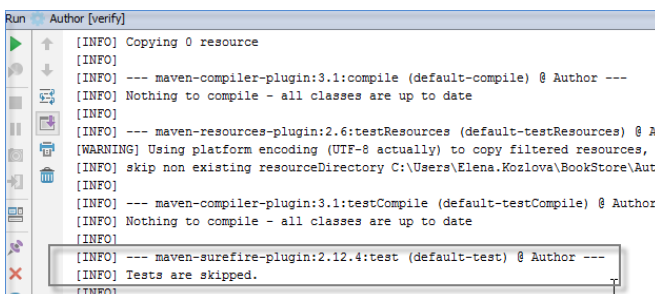
1. Click the  icon in the Maven Projects tool window to open Maven settings and select Runner from the options on the left.
2. On the Runner page, select Skip tests and click OK .



IntelliJ IDEA de-activates the `test` goal under the Lifecycle node.



The appropriate message notifying that tests are skipped is displayed in the Maven Run tool window when you execute other goals.



## Working with Maven profiles

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use [Maven build profiles](#) which can help you customize builds for a particular environment, for example, production or development.

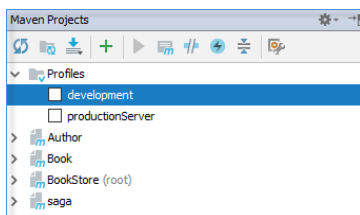
## Declaring Maven profiles

IntelliJ IDEA lets you declare profiles explicitly in the POM of your project. Using code completion, you can place a number of different configurations inside the `<profiles>` tags and override default configurations specified in your POM for Maven plugins, dependencies, repositories, etc.

1. Open your POM in the editor.
2. Specify the `<profiles>` section and declare the profiles.



IntelliJ IDEA displays them in the Profiles list of the Maven Projects tool window.



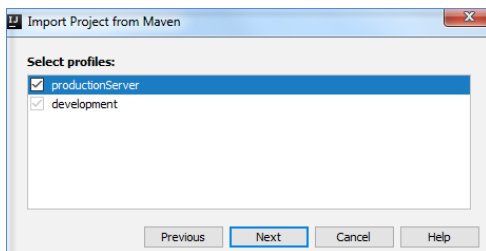
Alternatively, you can declare profiles using one of the following ways:

- You can define them locally in the Maven settings directory `%USER_HOME%/.m2/settings.xml`.
- You can define them globally in the global Maven settings `${maven.home}/conf/settings.xml`.
- You can define them in the profile descriptor located in the project's base directory (`profiles.xml`). Note that this option is not supported in Maven 3.0. Please see [Maven 3 compatibility notes](#).

## Activating Maven profiles


When IntelliJ IDEA imports a Maven project, it detects profiles and lets you activate them during importing.

1. Start [importing](#) your Maven project.
2. In the Import from Maven page where IntelliJ IDEA displays the profiles, activate the ones you need.



3. Click Next and finish your import.

You can activate a profile manually in the Maven Projects tool window using a `-P` command or using the Profiles node and the corresponding profiles' checkboxes.

1. Open the Maven Projects tool window.
2. On the toolbar, click the  icon.
3. In the dialog that opens, in the Command line field, enter `-P` and the name of your profile. If you need to exclude certain profiles, specify `!` in front of the name of the profile. The profile will be excluded even if it is activated by default. Click OK.

Alternatively, you can use Profiles node in the Maven Projects tool window to activate profiles.

1. Open the Maven Projects tool window.
2. Click the Profiles node to open a list of declared profiles.
3. Select the appropriate checkboxes to activate the profiles you need. You can have several active profiles. When they are activated, their configurations are merged based on the POM profile declaration.

You can also activate profiles automatically according to a range of contextual conditions for example, JDK version, OS name and version, presence or absence of a specific file or property, but you still need to specify all of the parameters inside your POM.

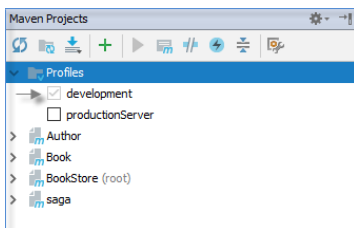
You can make a Maven profile to be activated automatically by default if you declare such profile with the `activeByDefault` tag in the POM.

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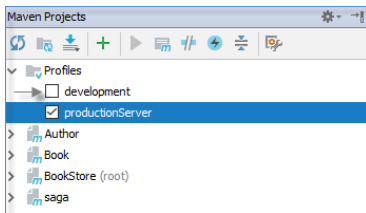
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IntelliJ IDEA displays the `activeByDefault` profile in the Maven Projects tool window with the selected checkbox that is greyed out.



You can manually de-activate this profile by clicking the checkbox. Also note that if you manually activate any other profile, the `activeByDefault` profile will be de-activated.



When you work with multi-module projects, keep in mind that if you specified the `activeByDefault` profile in your POM it will be de-activated when you manually activate any other profile even if it is declared in the POM of a different module.

**Note** Do not forget to sync every time you change your `pom.xml` file in order to view the changes in the Maven Projects tool window. When the `pom.xml` is changed, a pop-up window is displayed suggesting to import the changes. You can either enable Auto-import or click Import changes. You can also click the  button on the toolbar of the Maven Projects tool window.

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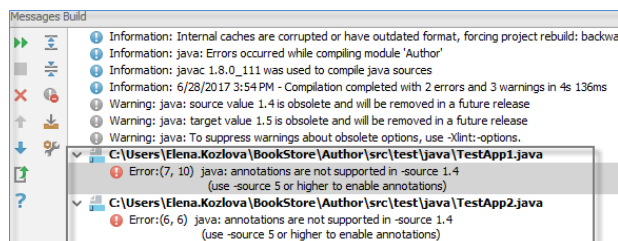
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If you encounter problems working with your Maven project you can check to see if the following solutions and workarounds can help you solve your issues.

## How to fix compiler version problems in Maven projects

In some cases when you import a Maven project, it might have compiler settings that will not match the expected settings in IntelliJ IDEA and when you compile your code, you might encounter a problem.

For example, you can get the following error:



This error usually indicates a problem with the compiler version compatibility and you can check few places to fix it.

– You can edit your POM and configure [Maven compiler plugin](#) to compile your Java code. You should set the compiler level explicitly, so it won't revert to the default settings when you re-import your project.

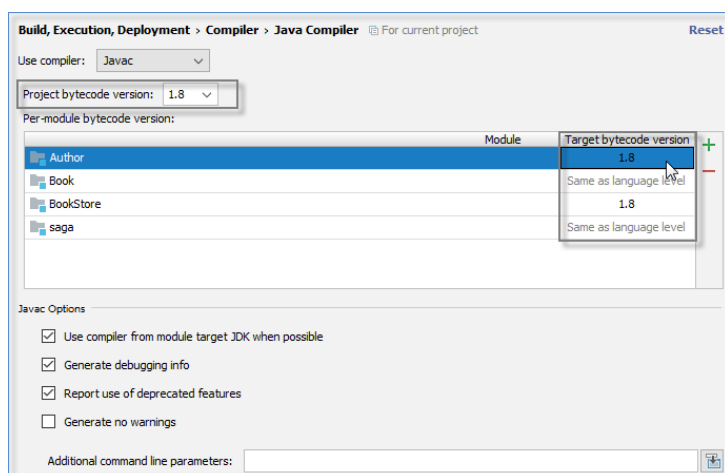
1. Open your POM in the editor.
2. Change the configuration for the [Maven compiler plugin](#).

```
<build>
  <plugins>
    <plugin>
      <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
      <artifactId>maven-compiler-plugin</artifactId>
      <version>3.6.1</version>
      <configuration>
        <source>1.8</source>
        <target>1.8</target>
        <encoding>UTF-8</encoding>
      </configuration>
    </plugin>
  </plugins>
</build>
```

Click the icon to import your changes. Also note the configurations specified in your POM overrides any configurations specified in your project structure. So, now after this project is imported the language level should be picked up.

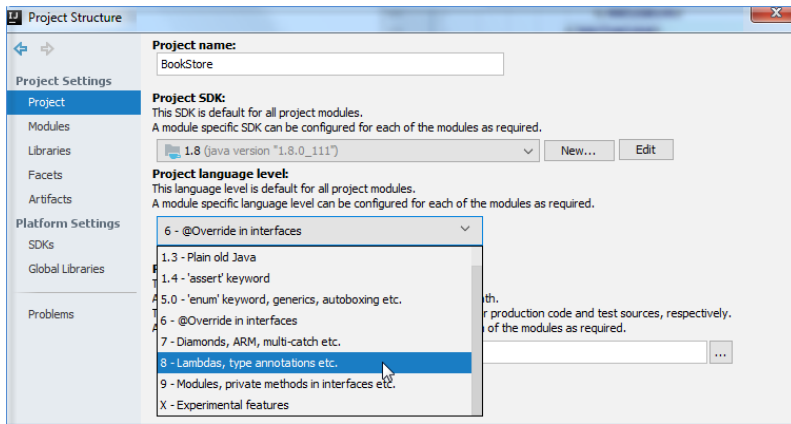
– Check Java compiler settings to see if bytecode versions match.

1. On the main menu, select File | Settings .
2. In the Settings dialog, select Build, Execution, Deployment | Compiler | Java Compiler from options on the left.
3. On the page that opens, check if Project bytecode version and Target bytecode version match, or leave the Target bytecode version option blank so it can be determined from JDK.

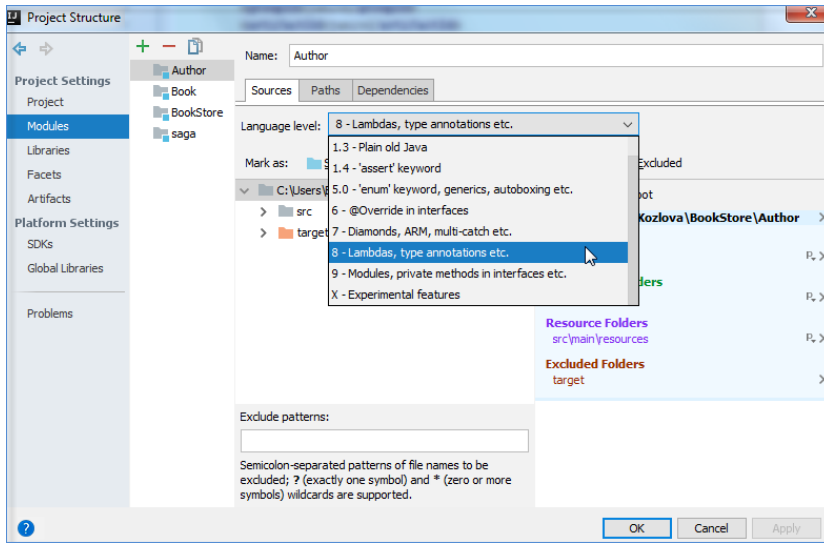


– If you have imported a multi-level project, you can check project structure settings for source language level configuration.

1. Open Project Structure dialog and select Project from the options on the left.
2. Check the source language level for your project.




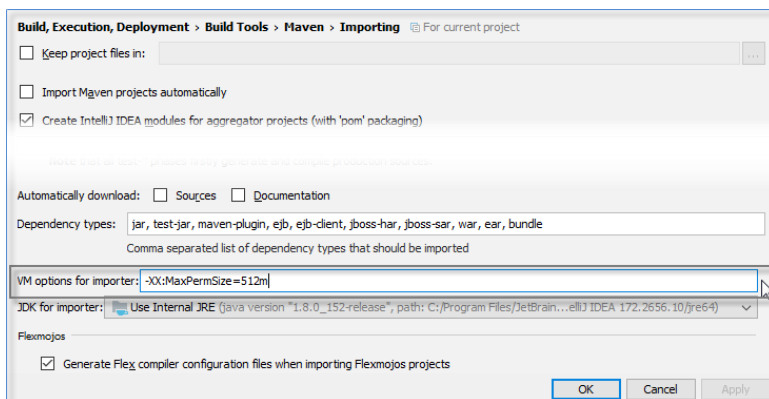
3. Check the source language level for each module (click the Sources tab).



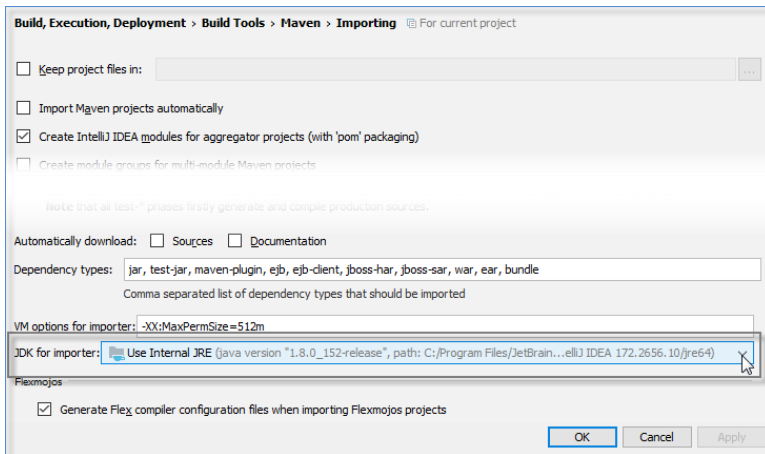
## How to fix problems with Maven projects that won't start

To fix issues that are related to the Maven projects that won't start or import, check the following:

- If you received the `OutOfMemory` error, try to increase heap size for the Maven importer.
  1. Open Settings dialog (click the  icon in the Maven Projects tool window).
  2. Select Maven | Importing from option on the left.
  3. On the Importing page, in the VM options for importer field, increase heap size for the Maven importer.



4. Also, in the JDK for importer field, increase [DE heap size](#) .



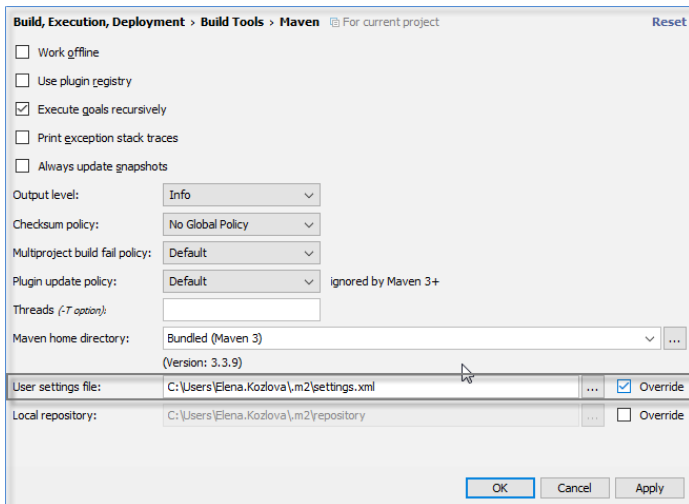
(Try not to exceed 750-1024m for -Xmx value if you are running on a 32-bit JVM (default), otherwise it may crash or fail to start.) If you need to use more heap, switch to 64-bit Java and specify the same 64-bit JVM for Maven JDK for importer .

- If you received the `Operation timed out` error or IDE connection failure to the Maven process, try to edit the `hosts` file.
- On some systems you need to edit the `hosts` file so that `localhost` resolves correctly. Try to have `127.0.0.1 localhost` in the `etc/hosts` file. Also make sure there are no other IP addresses mapped to `localhost` .
- If the error indicates the Maven repository issue, such as the `Failed to update Maven indices` error, try to check if Maven repositories were indexed correctly.

IntelliJ IDEA works with repository indexes. The indexes are fetched remotely from remote repositories. Some repositories do not provide indexes, or do not keep an updated index, for example, repositories from [Bintray](#) , in this case you can ignore the error.

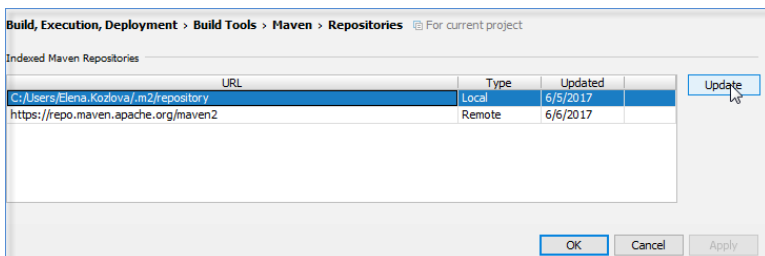
If you have an indexed repository, but still get a Maven repository error, check the following options:

1. Open the Maven Settings dialog (click the icon in the Maven Projects tool window).
2. On the Maven page, in the User settings file field, check if you defined proper credentials for the server in `settings.xml` .



You can try to restart IntelliJ IDEA and update Maven repositories.


1. Open the Maven Settings dialog (click the icon in the Maven Projects tool window).
2. Select Repositories from options on the left.
3. On the Repositories page, Update Maven repositories.



After the the update is finished, click OK .



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IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [CoffeeScript compiler](#), recognizes \*.coffee files, and provides full range of coding assistance without any additional steps from your side. CoffeeScript files are marked with .

## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
2. Configure the Node.js interpreter in IntelliJ IDEA as described in [Configuring a local Node.js interpreter](#).
3. Install and enable the **CoffeeScript** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Coding assistance

CoffeeScript support includes:

- [Code completion](#) for keywords, labels, variables, parameters and functions.
- Error and syntax highlighting.
- Code [formatting](#) and [folding](#).
- Refactoring: see [Rename Refactorings](#), [Move Refactorings](#), and [Refactoring JavaScript](#) for details.
- [Code generation](#)
  - Generating code stubs based on [file templates](#) during file creation.
  - Ability to create [line and block comments](#) ([Ctrl+Slash](#) / [Ctrl+Shift+Slash](#)).
- Navigation through source code
  - [Navigating with Structure View](#).
  - Navigate | Declaration ([Ctrl+B](#)).
  - Navigate | Implementation ([Ctrl+Alt+B](#)) from overridden method / subclassed class.
  - Navigate | Symbol ([Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N](#)).
- [Compiling to JavaScript](#) for further running, debugging, and testing, see [Running CoffeeScript](#) and [Debugging CoffeeScript](#).
- Executing CoffeeScript files involves:
  - Ability to [preview](#) results of CoffeeScript files compilation to JavaScript.
  - Ability to launch CoffeeScript files from the context menu.
  - [Run/debug configuration](#) for Node.js includes the ability to use CoffeeScript plugin.

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IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the [coffee-script](#) compiler. The tool translates CoffeeScript code into JavaScript and creates [source maps](#) that set correspondence between lines in your CoffeeScript code and in the generated JavaScript code, otherwise your breakpoints will not be recognised and processed correctly. To use the compiler in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to configure it as a [File Watcher](#). For each supported compiler, IntelliJ IDEA provides a predefined File Watcher template. To run a compiler in your project, create a project-specific File Watcher based on the relevant template.

The easiest way to install the CoffeeScript compiler is to use the **Node Package Manager (npm)**, which is a part of [Node.js](#). See [NPM](#) for details.

Depending on the desired location of the CoffeeScript compiler executable file, choose one of the following methods:

- Install the compiler **globally** at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.
- Install the compiler in a specific project and thus restrict its use to this project.
- Install the compiler in a project as a [development dependency](#).

In either installation mode, make sure that the parent folder of the CoffeeScript compiler is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

IntelliJ IDEA provides user interface both for **global** and **project** installation as well as supports installation through the command line.

## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.

If you are going to use the command line mode, make sure the path to the parent folder of the `Node.js` executable file and the path to the `npm` folder are added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the CoffeeScript compiler and `npm` from any folder.

2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

3. Install and enable the File Watchers repository plugin.

The plugin is **not** bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it is available from the [IntelliJ IDEA plugin repository plugin repository](#). See [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) for details.

## Installing the CoffeeScript compiler globally

**Global** installation makes a compiler available at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.

Moreover, during installation the parent folder of the compiler is automatically added to the `PATH` variable, which enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

- Run the installation from the command line in the **global** mode:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and switch to the directory where **NPM** is stored or define a `PATH` variable for it so it is available from any folder, see [Installing NodeJS](#).
2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
npm install -g coffee-script
```

The `-g` key makes the compiler run in the **global** mode. Because the installation is performed through **NPM**, the CoffeeScript compiler is installed in the `npm` folder. Make sure this parent folder is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

For more details on the **NPM** operation modes, see [npm documentation](#). For more information about installing the CoffeeScript compiler, see <https://npmjs.org/package/coffee-script>.

- Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Node.js and NPM under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the Node.js and NPM page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click `+`.
3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package to install.
4. Select the Options checkbox and type `-g` in the text box next to it.
5. Optionally specify the product version and click Install Package to start installation.

## Installing the CoffeeScript compiler in a project

**Local** installation in a specific project restricts the use of a compiler to this project.

- Run the installation from the command line:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and switch to the project root folder.

2. At the command prompt, type `npm install coffee-script` .

– Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing **File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS**, and click **Node.js and NPM** under **Languages & Frameworks** .
2. On the Node.js and NPM page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click **+** .
3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package.
4. Optionally specify the product version and click **Install Package** to start installation.

**Project level** installation is helpful and reliable in **template-based projects** of the type **Node Boilerplate** or **Node.js Express** , which already have the `node_modules` folder. The latter is important because **NPM** installs the CoffeeScript compiler in a `node_modules` folder. If your project already contains such folder, the CoffeeScript compiler is installed there.

Projects of other types or **empty** projects may not have a `node_modules` folder. In this case **npm** goes upwards in the folder tree and installs the CoffeeScript compiler in the first detected `node_modules` folder. Keep in mind that this detected `node_modules` folder may be **outside** your current project root.

Finally, if no `node_modules` folder is detected in the folder tree either, the folder is created right under the current project root and the CoffeeScript compiler is installed there.

In either case, make sure that the parent folder of the CoffeeScript compiler is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

## Creating a File Watcher

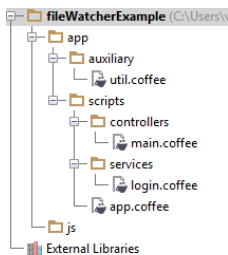
IntelliJ IDEA provides a common procedure and user interface for creating **File Watchers** of all types. The only difference is in the predefined templates you choose in each case.

1. To start creating a File Watcher, open the Settings/Preferences dialog box by choosing **File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS** on the main menu, and then click **File Watchers** under the **Tools** node. The **File Watchers page** that opens, shows the list of **File Watchers** that are already configured in the project.
2. Click the **Add** button **+** or press `Alt+Insert` and choose the CoffeeScript predefined template from the pop-up list. Your code will be translated to JavaScript and supplied with generated **source maps** .
3. In the Program text box, specify the path to the `coffee.cmd` file. Type the path manually or click the **Browse** button `...` and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.
4. Proceed as described on page [Using File Watchers](#) .

## Examples of customizing the behaviour of a compiler

Any compiler is an external, third-party tool. Therefore the only way to influence a compiler is pass arguments to it just as if you were working in the command line mode. Below are two examples of customizing the default output location for the **CoffeeScript compiler** .

Suppose, you have a project with the following folder structure:



By default, the generated files will be stored in the folder where the original file is. You can change this default location and have the generated files stored in the `js` folder. Moreover, you can have them stored in a flat list or arranged in the folder structure that repeats the original structure under the `app` node.

– To have all the generated files stored in the output `js` folder without retaining the original folder structure under the `app` folder:

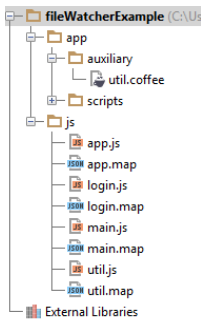
1. In the Arguments text box, type:

```
--output $ProjectFileDir\js\ --compile --map $FileName$
```

2. In the Output paths to refresh text box, type:

```
$ProjectFileDir\js\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.js:$ProjectFileDir\js\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.map
```

As a result, the project tree looks as follows:



- To have the original folder structure under the `app` node retained in the output `js` folder:

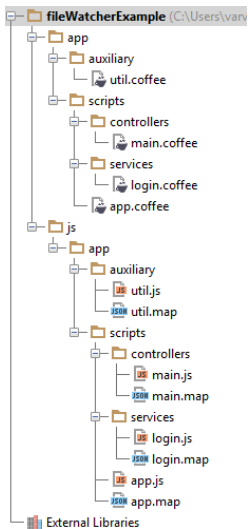
1. In the Arguments text box, type:

```
--output $ProjectFileDir$\js\${FileDirRelativeToProjectRoot}\ --compile --map $FileName$
```

2. In the Output paths to refresh text box, type:

```
$ProjectFileDir$\js\${FileDirRelativeToProjectRoot}\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.js:$ProjectFileDir$\js
```

As a result, the project tree looks as follows:



## Compiling the CoffeeScript code

When you open a CoffeeScript file, IntelliJ IDEA checks whether an applicable file watcher is available in the current project. If such file watcher is configured but disabled, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up window that informs you about the configured file watcher and suggests to enable it.

If an applicable file watcher is configured and enabled in the current project, IntelliJ IDEA starts it automatically upon the event specified in the [New Watcher dialog](#).

- If the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox is selected, the File Watcher is invoked as soon as any changes are made to the source code.
- If the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox is cleared, the File Watcher is started upon save (File | Save All, `Ctrl+S`) or when you move focus from IntelliJ IDEA (upon frame deactivation).

The compiler stores the generated output in a separate file. The file has the name of the source **CoffeeScript** file and the extension `js` or `js.map` depending on the compiler type. The location of the generated files is defined in the Output paths to refresh text box of the [New Watcher dialog](#). Based on this setting, IntelliJ IDEA detects the compiler output. However, in the Project Tree, they are shown under the source `.coffee` file which is now displayed as a node.

## Previewing the compilation results without running a compiler

IntelliJ IDEA can perform static analyses of your CoffeeScript code without actually running a compiler and display the predicted compilation output in the dedicated read-only viewer.

1. Open the desired CoffeeScript file in the editor, and right-click the editor background.
2. On the context menu, choose Preview Compiled CoffeeScript File. The preview is opened in the dedicated read-only viewer: the left-hand pane shows the original CoffeeScript source code and the right-hand pane shows the JavaScript

code that will be generated by the compiler when it runs.

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For more details about **compilation** in IntelliJ IDEA, see the section [Using File Watchers](#).


In either case, running CoffeeScript is supported only in the **local** mode. This means that IntelliJ IDEA itself starts the Node.js engine and the target application according to a run configuration and gets full control over the session.

For more details about running Node.js applications, see [Running and Debugging Node.js](#).

There are two approaches to running CoffeeScript in IntelliJ IDEA:


- Compile the CoffeeScript code manually and then run the output JavaScript code as if it were a Node.js application.
- Run the original CoffeeScript code through the Node.js run configuration and have IntelliJ IDEA compile it on the fly.

## Compiling CoffeeScript manually and running the generated JavaScript code


1. [Compile the CoffeeScript code into Javascript](#).
2. [Start creating a Node.js run configuration](#) with the following mandatory settings:
  1. The Node.js engine to use. By default, the field shows the path to the interpreter specified on the [Node.js](#) page during Node.js configuration.
  2. In the Working directory field, specify the location of the files referenced from the starting CoffeeScript file to run, for example, `includes`. If this file does not reference any other files, just leave the field empty.
  3. In the Path to Node App JS File text box, specify the full path to the JavaScript file that was generated from the original CoffeeScript file during the compilation.
3. Save the configuration and click  on the toolbar.
4. Proceed as while [running a Node.js application](#).

## Compile CoffeeScript on the fly during run

1. This mode requires that the `register.js` file, which is a part of the `coffee-script` package, should be located inside the project. Therefore you need to install the `coffee-script` package on the [Node.js](#) page locally, as described in [NPM](#).
2. Open the starting CoffeeScript file in the editor or select in the Project tool window and choose Create `<CoffeeScript_file_name>` on the context menu. Alternatively, start creating a Node.js run configuration as described in [Running and Debugging Node.js](#). In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog that opens, specify the following mandatory settings:
  1. The Node interpreter to use. Select the relevant interpreter configuration or create a new one, see By default, the field shows the path to the interpreter specified on the [Node.js](#) page during Node.js configuration.  
For Linux and macOS, this setting is overridden by the Node.js from the path to the CoffeeScript compiler executable file.
  2. In the Node parameters text box, type the following:

```
--require coffee-script/register
```
  3. In the Working directory field, specify the [working directory](#) of the application. All references in the **starting CoffeeScript file**, for example, `imports`, will be resolved relative to this folder, unless such references use full paths.  
By default, the field shows the **project root folder**. To change this predefined setting, choose the desired folder from the drop-down list, or type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.
  4. In the JavaScript file text box, specify the full path to the CoffeeScript file to run.

Note that all the mandatory fields will be filled in automatically if you create a run configuration directly from the required CoffeeScript file.

3. Save the configuration and click  on the toolbar.
4. Proceed as while [running a Node.js application](#).

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To debug CoffeeScript in IntelliJ IDEA, you need **source maps** generated in addition to the JavaScript code. [Source maps](#) set correspondence between lines in your CoffeeScript code and in the generated JavaScript code, otherwise your breakpoints will not be recognised and processed correctly. JavaScript and source maps are generated by compiling the CoffeeScript code manually using the File Watcher of the type **CoffeeScript**. After that you can debug the output JavaScript code as if it were a Node.js application.


For more details about **compilation** in IntelliJ IDEA, see the section [Using File Watchers](#).

Debugging CoffeeScript is supported only in the **local** mode. This means that IntelliJ IDEA itself starts the Node.js engine and the target application according to a run configuration and gets full control over the session.

For more details about debugging Node.js applications, see [Running and Debugging Node.js](#).

## Debugging

To debug a CoffeeScript code, follow these general steps:

1. Set the [breakpoints](#) in the CoffeeScript code where necessary.
2. [Compile the CoffeeScript code into Javascript](#) using the File Watcher of the type **CoffeeScript Source Map**.
3. [Start creating a Node.js run configuration](#) with the following mandatory settings:
  1. The Node.js engine to use. By default, the field shows the path to the interpreter specified on the [Node.js](#) page during Node.js configuration.
  2. In the Working directory field, specify the location of the files referenced from the starting CoffeeScript file to run, for example, **includes**. If this file does not reference any other files, just leave the field empty.
  3. In the Path to Node App JS File text box, specify the full path to the JavaScript file that was generated from the original CoffeeScript file during the compilation.
4. Save the configuration and click  on the toolbar.
5. Proceed as while [debugging a Node.js application locally](#).

IntelliJ IDEA provides extensive editing support for ColdFusion files, and facilities for deploying applications to the [ColdFusion](#) server.


On this page:

- [ColdFusion Support](#)
- [Configuring deployment to ColdFusion server](#)

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the ColdFusion functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the CFML Support check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEA settings ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ).

[ColdFusion server](#) should be downloaded and installed on your machine.

## ColdFusion Support

ColdFusion files are marked with  icon.

ColdFusion support includes:

1. Coding assistance:

- [Code completion](#) for tags, attributes, attribute values, functions and variable of the current scope, function arguments, functions of Java classes and components created through 'createObject' function, for components' and Java classes' names in 'createObject', for inherited methods of a component.
- Error and syntax highlighting.
- Code [formatting](#) and [folding](#) .

2. Numerous ways to [navigate](#) through the source code, among them:

- Ability to open a [file or component with the specified name](#) .
- [Navigating with Structure View](#) .
- [Navigate | Declaration](#) ( [Ctrl+B](#) ).

3. Advanced facilities to [search through the source code](#) .


4. [Code generation](#)

- Generating code stubs based on [file templates](#) during file creation.
- Inserting, expanding, and generating code blocks using [live templates](#) .
- Creating various applications elements via [intention actions](#) .
- Ability to create [line and block comments](#) ( [Ctrl+Slash](#) / [Ctrl+Shift+Slash](#) ).

5. [Viewing method parameters](#) information.

6. [Run/debug configuration](#) for ColdFusion.

### To configure deployment to the ColdFusion server

1. Press [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Languages & Frameworks | ColdFusion .
2. On the [ColdFusion page](#) that opens, specify mappings between local folders with the application sources and the paths on the server.
  - To add a new mapping, click [+](#) ( [Alt+Insert](#) ) and specify the local folder with the application sources in the Directory Path field. Type the path manually or click  and choose the folder in the dialog that opens.  
In the Logical Path field, type the URL address of the server to which you want to deploy the contents of the specified local folder.
  - To remove a mapping from the list, select the mapping and click [-](#) ( [Alt+Delete](#) ).



- Copyright
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## Prerequisite

Before using copyright profiles and generating copyright notices, make sure that the **Copyright** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Basics

Your project can contain files to be protected by copyright. Instead of generating and editing copyright notices in each file separately, IntelliJ IDEA suggests that you use **copyright profiles**. Each copyright profile is associated with a certain **scope** and defines the text and formatting of the copyright notice to be inserted in the files within this scope.

You may need several different copyright notices for files within the same project. In this case, IntelliJ IDEA enables you to define several profiles and associate them with relevant scopes.

You can also declare one of the available profiles as **default project copyright profile**. The settings of this profile will be applied to any project file that is not included in any scope or belongs to a scope, which has no **associated copyright profile**.

A copyright profile can contain an explicit plain text of the copyright notice or its definition through a **Velocity** template. You can type the desired text or a Velocity template manually or import a copyright notice definition from an existing profile.

Note the following:

- If a file does not belong to any scope with a copyright profile assigned, the **default copyright profile** is used.
- If the No copyright option has been set as the Default Copyright Profile in the **Copyright** settings dialog box, no copyright notice will be created or updated and IntelliJ IDEA will prompt you to configure a profile to apply.

On this page:

- [Associating a profile with a scope](#)
- [Setting the default Copyright profile for a project](#)

## Associating a profile with a scope

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Copyright under Editor . The [Copyright](#) page that opens displays mappings between the available copyright profiles and scopes.  
Note that unless you have at least one [copyright profile](#) and [scope](#) , the controls of the [Scope-profile combinations area](#) are disabled.
2. Click `+` (`Alt+Insert` ). A row to define a new mapping is created.
3. From the Scope drop-down list, select the desired scope.  
To define a new scope, open the [Scopes page](#) or click the link in the lower part of the [Copyright](#) page.
4. From the Copyright drop-down list, select the profile to apply to the selected scope.
5. Continue composing the list of scope-profile mappings. Use `+` (`Alt+Insert` ) or `-` (`Alt+Delete` ) to add or remove the items. To reorder the mappings, use `↑` (`Alt+Up` ) and `↓` (`Alt+Down` ).

## Setting the default Copyright profile for a project

The settings of the default profile will be applied to any project file that is not included in any scope or belongs to a scope that has no associated copyright profile.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Copyright under Editor .
2. On the [Copyright](#) page that opens, select the desired copyright profile from the Default project copyright drop-down list.  
Note that is you select No copyright , any attempt to [generate a copyright notice](#) will fail and IntelliJ IDEA will prompt you to create a profile to apply.


In this section:


- [Prerequisite](#)
- [Creating a Copyright profile from scratch](#)
- [Creating a Copyright profile based on the settings of an existing profile](#)
- [Importing an existing Copyright notice text](#)
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- [Updating a Copyright notice](#)

## Prerequisite


Before using copyright profiles and generating copyright notices, make sure that the **Copyright** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Creating a Copyright profile from scratch


1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click Copyright Profiles under Copyright. The [Copyright Profiles](#) page opens.
2. Click the Add button  on the toolbar in the Create new copyright profile dialog box that opens specify the name of the new profile and click OK. You return to the Copyright Profiles page where the new profile is added to the list of available copyright profiles.
3. Specify the copyright notice to be generated. Do one of the following:
  - Type the desired plain text.
  - Define a [Velocity template](#), then click the Validate button to check that the template has been specified correctly. Find the list of supported Velocity variables in the [Copyright Profiles](#) dialog box reference.
4. In the Regexp to detect copyright in comments text box, type a character string to distinguish copyright notices from other comments during copyright update.

 Make sure that this regular expression matches the above specified copyright notice. Otherwise instead of [updating](#) copyright notices, IntelliJ IDEA will insert new ones.

## Creating a Copyright profile based on the settings of an existing profile

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click Copyright Profiles under Copyright. The [Copyright Profiles](#) page opens.
2. Select the desired profile to inherit the settings from and click the Copy button  on the toolbar.
3. In the Create new copyright profile dialog box that opens specify the name of the new profile and click OK. You return to the Copyright Profiles page where the new profile is added to the list of available copyright profiles.
4. View and edit the profile settings. Proceed as during creation of a [profile from scratch](#).

## Importing an existing Copyright notice text

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click Copyright Profiles under Copyright. The [Copyright Profiles](#) page opens.
2. Click the Import button  on the toolbar.
3. In the [dialog that opens](#), choose the location of the `%.ipr%` file that refers to the copyright profile with the desired notice definition.
4. From the Choose profile to import list, that appears, select the desired copyright profile.
5. In the Create new copyright profile dialog box that opens specify the name of the new profile and click OK. You return to the Copyright Profiles page where the new profile is added to the list of available copyright profiles.
6. Proceed as during creation of a [profile from scratch](#).

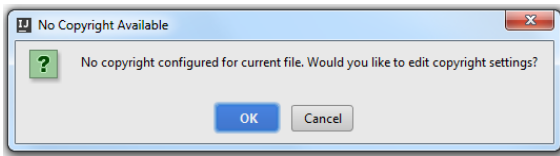
## Discarding a Copyright profile

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click Copyright Profiles under Copyright. The [Copyright Profiles](#) page opens.
2. Select the profile you want to discard and click the Delete button  on the toolbar.

## Adding a Copyright notice

1. Open the desired file in the editor.
2. Press `Alt+Insert`.
3. From the list that is displayed in the editor, choose Copyright.
4. The following steps depend on the belonging of a file to a certain scope and the value of the Default project copyright field in the [Copyright](#) page.
  - If the file where you want to generate a copyright notice belongs to a certain scope, the copyright notice is generated according to the [copyright profile](#) settings.

- If the field Default project copyright has the value No copyright and the file where you want to generate a copyright notice does not belong to any scope, IntelliJ IDEA prompts you to configure copyright settings:



Click OK to open the [Copyright](#) page and configure the desired settings.

Note that if a file belongs to several scopes, these scopes are checked upside down. So doing, the first scope with this file is declared the proper one, and its copyright profile is used.

## Updating a Copyright notice

1. In the Project tool window, select files or directories where you want the copyright notice to be updated or just open the desired file in the editor.
2. Right-click the selection, and choose Update Copyright on the context menu.  
To have copyright notices updated correctly, make sure that the keyword specified in the copyright profile is a part of the notice definition. Otherwise, IntelliJ IDEA will not detect copyright notices and, instead of updating existing notices, will insert new ones.

**Tip** You can also update copyright notices when [committing changes](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Context and Dependency Injection Plugin is installed and enabled!

- [Basics](#)
- [Making sure that the CDI Support plugin is enabled](#)
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## Basics

The [Context and Dependency Injection](#) (CDI) support in IntelliJ IDEA is based on the Java EE: Context and Dependency Injection [plugin](#). This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.

You can enable CDI support when creating a [project](#) or [module](#). You can as well add CDI support for an existing module.

CDI in a module is represented by the corresponding CDI [library](#) in the [module dependencies](#). You can download all the necessary library files right from within the IDE. You can also change the CDI version being used if and when needed.

## Making sure that the CDI Support plugin is enabled

### To make sure that the CDI Support plugin is enabled, follow these steps:

Even though the CDI Support plugin is enabled by default, it's always worth making sure that this plugin is still enabled before you start using CDI.

1. [Open the Settings dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, select [Plugins](#).
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the [Plugins page](#), type `cd` in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain `cd` are shown in the list of plugins.
4. If the checkbox to the right of Java EE: Context and Dependency Injection is not selected, select it.
5. Click OK in the Settings dialog.
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

## Enabling CDI support when creating a project or module

### To enable CDI support, follow these steps:

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project.  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module.  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise. In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) to be used and select the Java EE version to be supported.
3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks, select the CDI: Context and Dependency Injection checkbox.
4. You'll need a [library](#) that implements CDI. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files (`.jar`) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#). (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#).)
  - Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement CDI. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#).)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
  - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Click Next .

5. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

## Adding CDI support for an existing module

### To add CDI support for an existing module

1. Open the Project tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the module of interest and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the [Add Frameworks Support dialog](#) that opens, select the CDI: Context and Dependency Injection checkbox.
4. You'll need a [library](#) that implements CDI. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).

Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
  - Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement CDI. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
  - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.
5. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.

As a result, the CDI library you have specified is added to the list of module dependencies.

## Changing the CDI version

### To change the CDI version

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Select the CDI library whose version you want to change.
3. Click Change Version . (If you are on the Dependencies tab, select to edit the library first.)
4. In the Downloading Options dialog that opens, select the necessary CDI version, specify other settings as needed and click OK .

**Note** For the database and SQL features to be available, the Database Tools and SQL plugin must be enabled. This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default. See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA features for working with databases and SQL include:



- Integration with the most popular database management systems such as [Oracle](#), [PostgreSQL](#), [MySQL](#), [SQL Server](#) and others. To be able to work with your databases, you should define them as data sources. See [Connecting to a database](#).
- Database tool window for managing data structures in your databases ( View | Tool Windows | Database ). See [Working with the Database tool window](#).
- Database consoles that let you compose and execute SQL statements as well as analyze and modify retrieved data ( `Ctrl+Shift+F10` in the Database tool window). See [Working with database consoles](#).
- Data editor that provides a GUI for working with table data ( `F4` in the Database tool window). See [Working with the data editor](#).
- SQL code generation and editing features in the database consoles and the editor, e.g.
  - Predefined code snippets (a.k.a. live templates) such as for `CREATE TABLE`, `SELECT`, `INSERT`, `UPDATE` and other statements ( `Ctrl+J` ).
  - Auto-completion and highlighting of SQL keywords, and table and column names.
  - Data type prompts for columns ( `Ctrl+P` ).

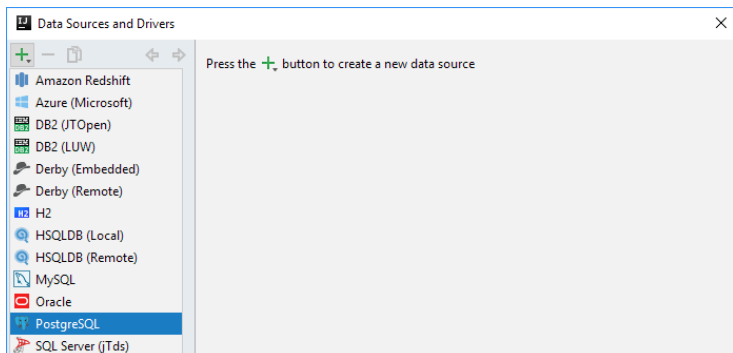
Standardized and DBMS-specific SQL dialects are supported.

- Structure view for tables in the data editor and Database Console tool window as well as for open database consoles and SQL files ( `Ctrl+F12` ). See e.g. [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#).
- Quick documentation view for database objects and table cells ( `Ctrl+Q` ). See e.g. [Using the quick documentation view](#).
- Navigation capabilities, e.g.
  - From a table or column reference to its definition: `Ctrl+B`.
  - To the view of a table or column in the Database tool window: `Alt+F1` | Database View.
  - By means of the navigation bar: `Alt+Home`.
  - By means of the Switcher: `Ctrl+Tab`.
- Database diagrams ( `Ctrl+Alt+U` or `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` in the Database tool window).

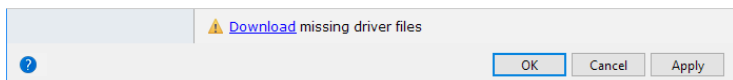
To be able to work with your database, define it as a data source. This page provides how tos for popular database management systems and typical situations.

## PostgreSQL

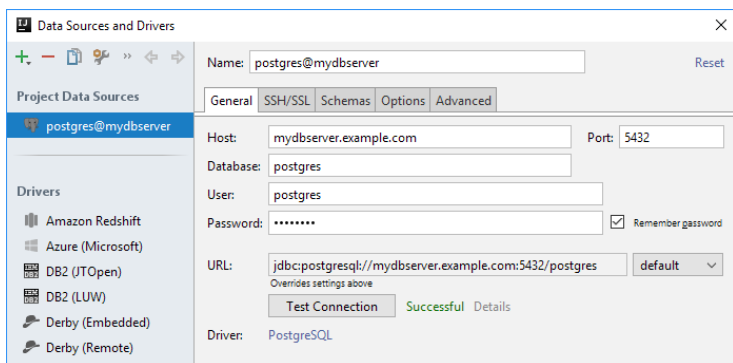
1. Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click  to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
2. Click  and select PostgreSQL .



3. In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.



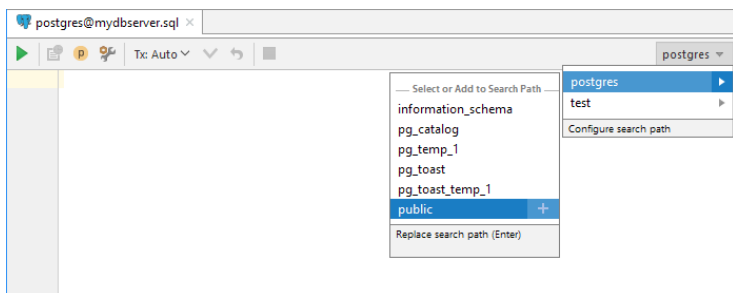
4. Specify the database connection settings and your user account info:
  - Host. If you database server is on a different computer, replace `localhost` with the [FQDN](#) or [IP address](#) of the server host, e.g. `mydbserver.example.com` or `172.20.240.163` .
  - Port. The default PostgreSQL server port is `5432` . If your server uses a different port, specify that port.
  - Database. The name of the database that you are going to work with.
  - User and Password. These are your database user name and password.
5. If necessary, edit the data source name.
6. To connect via SSH, [specify the SSH proxy settings](#) .
7. To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .


Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

8. If necessary, form the schema search path using the popup in the upper-right part of the console. For instructions, see [Controlling the schema search path for PostgreSQL and Redshift](#) .



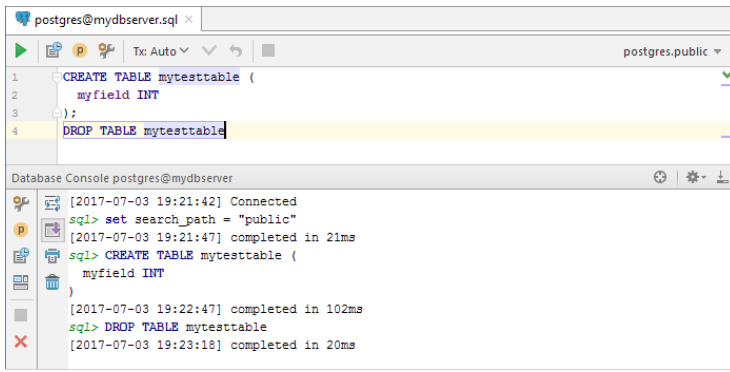
9. Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE TABLE mytesttable (  
  myfield INT  
);
```

0. Execute the query:  or `Ctrl+Enter` .
1. If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

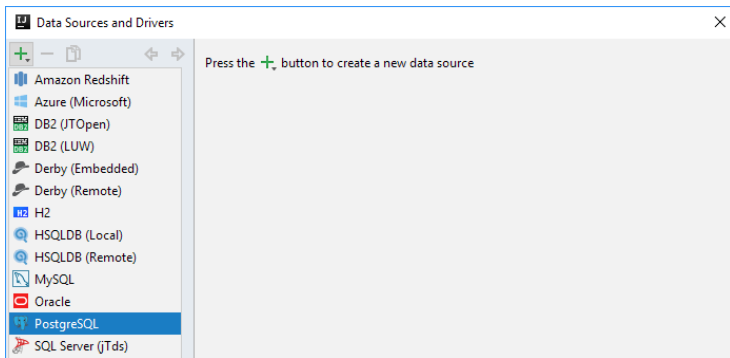
```
DROP TABLE mytesttable
```



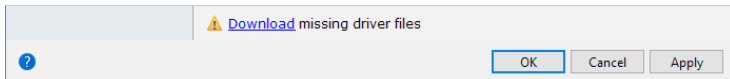


## PostgreSQL on Heroku

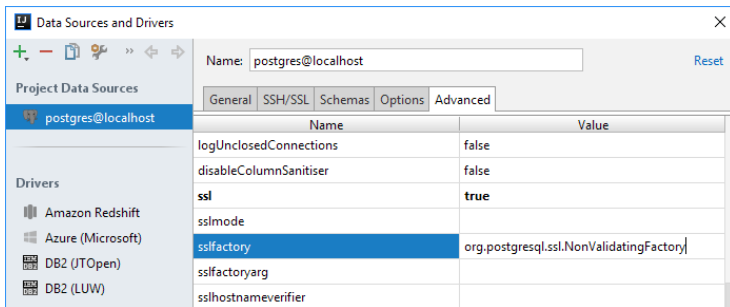
1. Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
2. Click and select PostgreSQL .



3. In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.

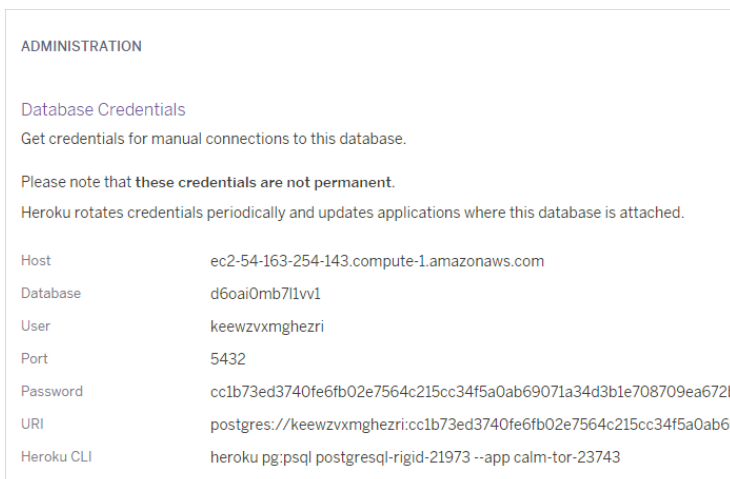


4. Select the Advanced tab and specify the following properties:
  - ssl: true
  - sslfactory: org.postgresql.ssl.NonValidatingFactory



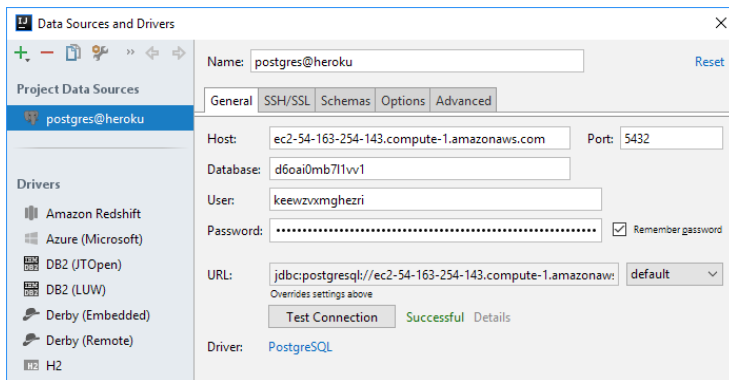
These will turn SSL on and the certificate validation off.

5. Click Apply and select the General tab.
6. Go to your Heroku dashboard and display your database settings: e.g. click your app, under Installed add-ons , click Heroku Postgres , and then, in the ADMINISTRATION section, click View Credentials .



7. Copy the settings from the dashboard onto the General tab.

- If necessary, edit the data source name.
- To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

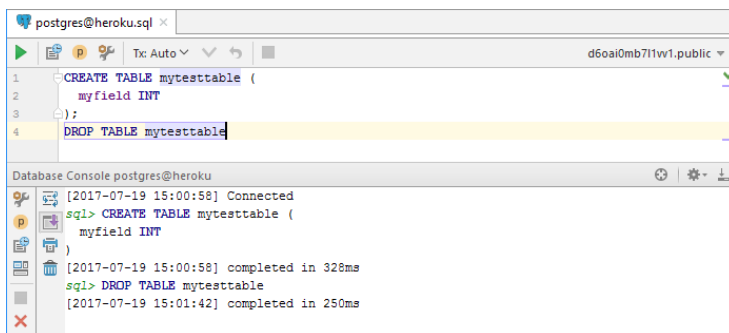
Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

- If necessary, form the schema search path using the popup in the upper-right part of the console. For instructions, see [Controlling the schema search path for PostgreSQL and Redshift](#) .
- Type your query, e.g.

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CREATE TABLE mytesttable (
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```

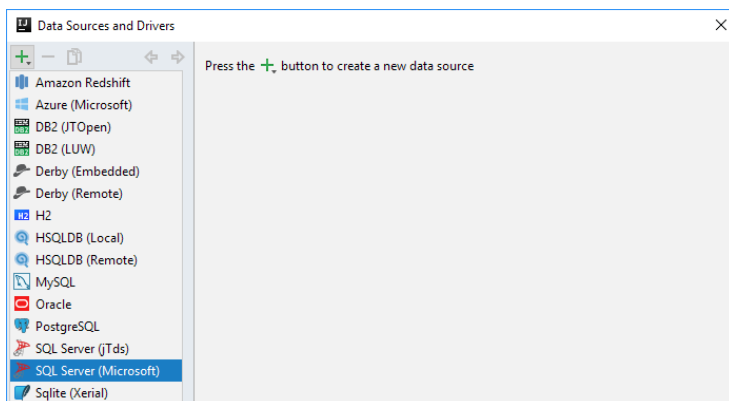
- Execute the query: or `Ctrl+Enter` .
- If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

```
DROP TABLE mytesttable
```

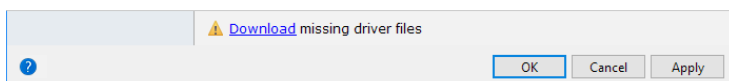


## Microsoft SQL Server

- Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
- Click and select SQL Server (JTDs) or SQL Server (Microsoft) . These options differ only in the database driver that is used: [JTDs](#) or [Microsoft](#) .



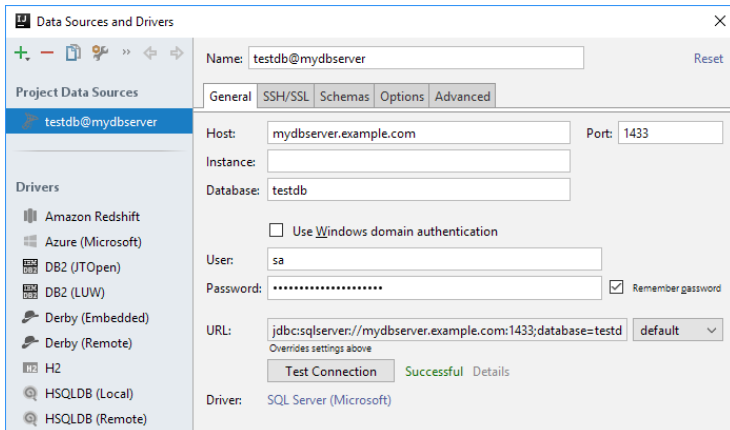
- In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.



- Specify the database connection settings and authentication options:
  - Host. If you database server is on a different computer, replace `localhost` with the [FQDN](#) or [IP address](#) of the server host, e.g. `mydbserver.example.com` or `172.20.240.163` .
  - Port. Specify the server port; the default port for SQL Server is `1433` .
  - Instance. If you are connecting to a default [server instance](#) , don't specify anything. Otherwise, specify the instance

name.

- Database. Specify the name of the database that you are going to work with.
  - Use Windows domain authentication. To use [Windows Authentication](#) , leave the checkbox selected. To use SQL Server Authentication, clear the checkbox, and specify your user name and password.
5. If necessary, edit the data source name.
  6. To connect via SSH, [specify the SSH proxy settings](#) .
  7. To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

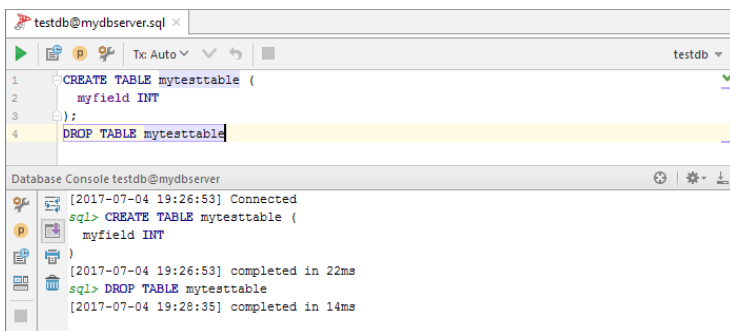
8. Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE TABLE mytesttable (  
  myfield INT  
);
```



9. Execute the query:  or `Ctrl+Enter` .

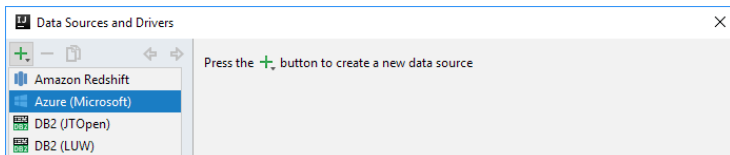
0. If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

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DROP TABLE mytesttable
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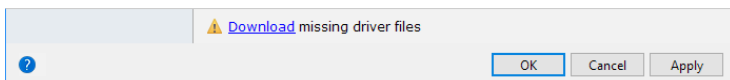


## Microsoft Azure

1. Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click  to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
2. Click  and select Azure (Microsoft) .

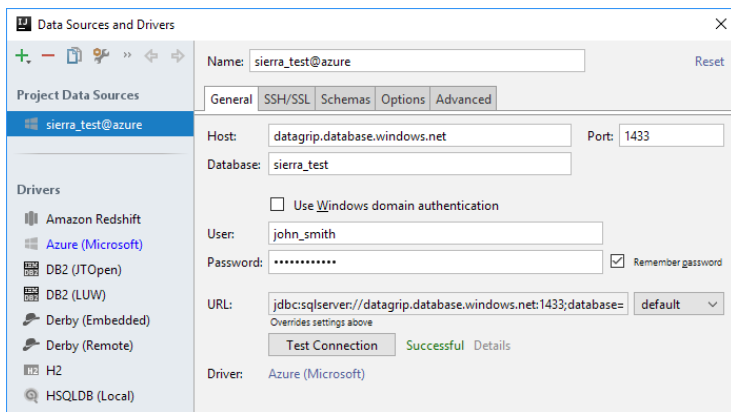


3. In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.



4. Specify the database connection settings and authentication options:
  - Host. This is the [FQDN](#) of your server. Within the default `server.database.windows.net` you, most likely, only need to replace the `server` part with the name of your server.
  - Port. The default Azure server port is `1433` .
  - Database. The name of the database that you are going to work with.
  - Use Windows domain authentication. To use [Azure Active Directory Authentication](#) , leave the checkbox selected. To use SQL Authentication, clear the checkbox, and specify your user name and password.
5. If necessary, edit the data source name.

- To connect via SSH, [specify the SSH proxy settings](#) .
- To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

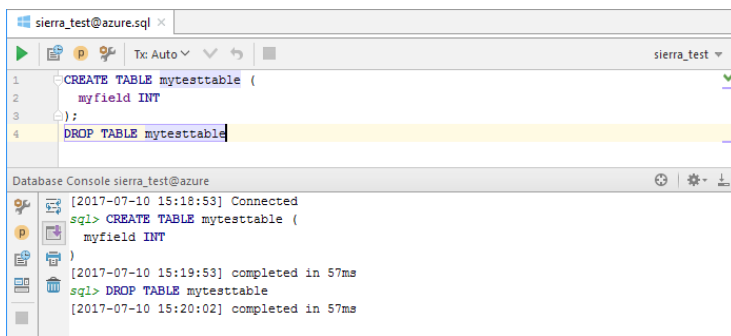
- Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE TABLE mytesttable (
  myfield INT
);
```

- Execute the query: or `Ctrl+Enter` .

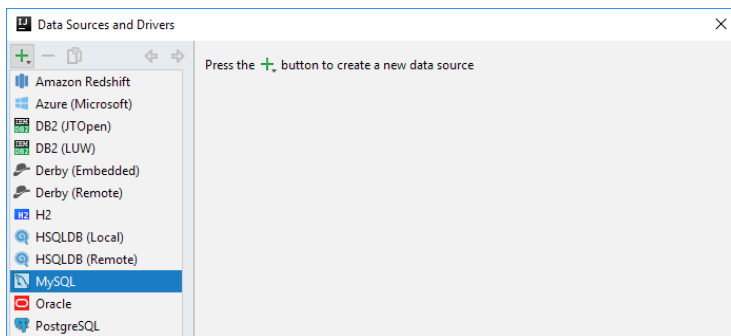
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DROP TABLE mytesttable
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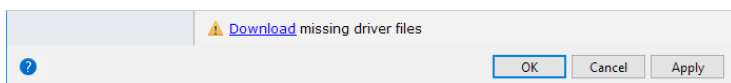


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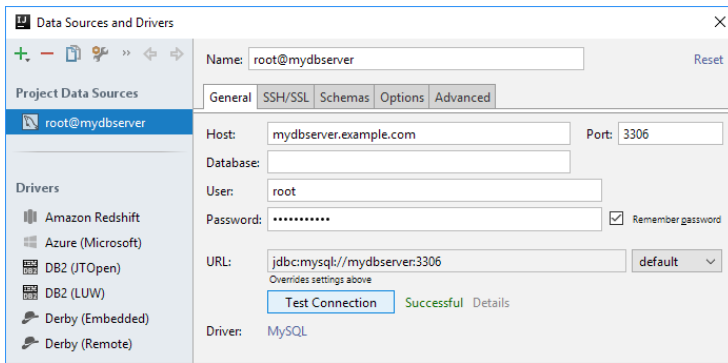
- Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
- Click and select MySQL .



- In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.



- Specify the database connection settings and your user account info:
  - Host. If you database server is on a different computer, replace `localhost` with the [FQDN](#) or [IP address](#) of the server host, e.g. `mydbserver.example.com` or `172.20.240.163` .
  - Port. The default MySQL server port is `3306` . If your server uses a different port, specify that port.
  - User and Password. These are your database user name and password.
- If necessary, edit the data source name.
- To connect via SSH, [specify the SSH proxy settings](#) .
- To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

8. Select your default schema from the list in the upper-right part of the console.



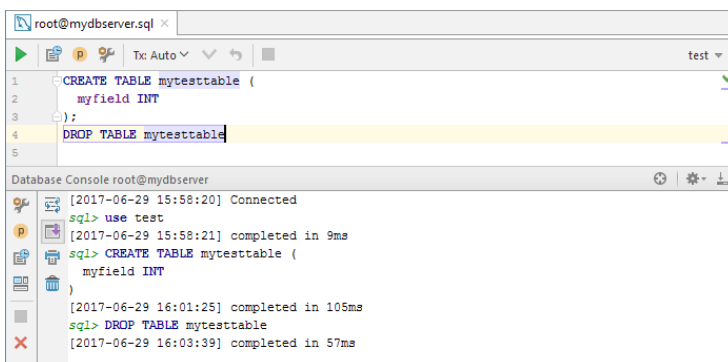
9. Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE TABLE mytesttable (
  myfield INT
);
```

10. Execute the query: or `Ctrl+Enter` .

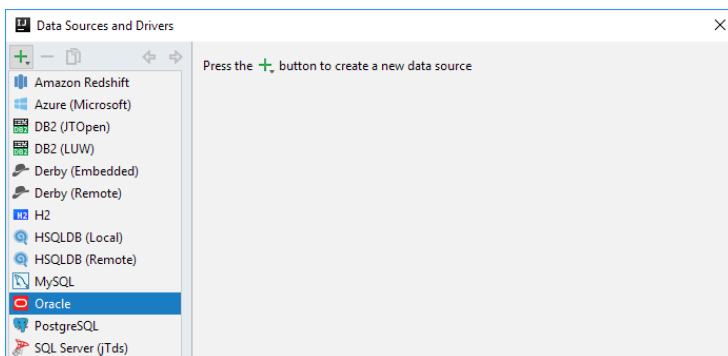
11. If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

```
DROP TABLE mytesttable
```

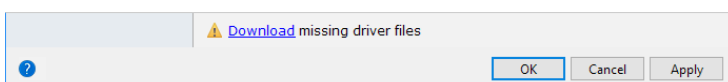


## Oracle

1. Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
2. Click and select Oracle .



3. In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.



4. Specify the database connection settings and your user account info:

From the list to the right of URL , select **SID or Service Name** , or **TNS** .

– If SID or Service Name is selected, the settings are:

- Host. If you database server is on a different computer, replace `localhost` with the [FQDN](#) or [IP address](#) of the server host, e.g. `mydbserver.example.com` or `172.20.240.163` .

- Port. The default Oracle server port is `1521` . If your server uses a different port, specify that port.
- SID or Service. The Oracle system ID or service name for your database. The typical values are `XE` or `ORCL` .  
To find out what the value should be, check the environment variable `ORACLE_SID` on the server host, or contact your database administrator.
- If TNS is selected, the connection settings are read from a [tnsnames.ora](#) configuration file. So you should specify:
  - TNSADMIN. The path to the directory in which your `tnsnames.ora` file is located.
  - TNS name. If in your `tnsnames.ora` file, there is more than one `net_service_name` , specify the one that should be used.

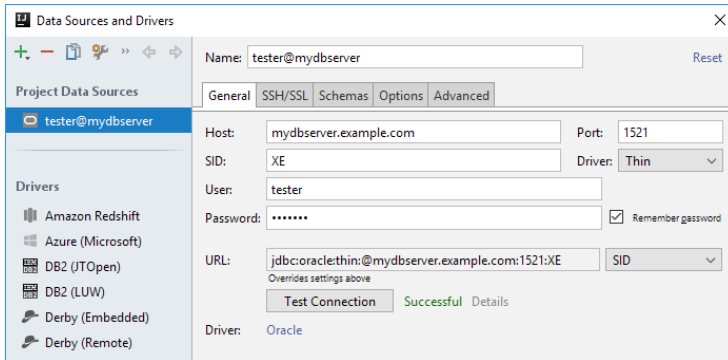
The rest of the settings are:

- Driver. The default Thin driver will do in most of the cases. For more info, see [Oracle JDBC FAQ](#) .
- User and Password. These are your database user name and password.

5. If necessary, edit the data source name.

6. To connect via SSH, [specify the SSH proxy settings](#) .

7. To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

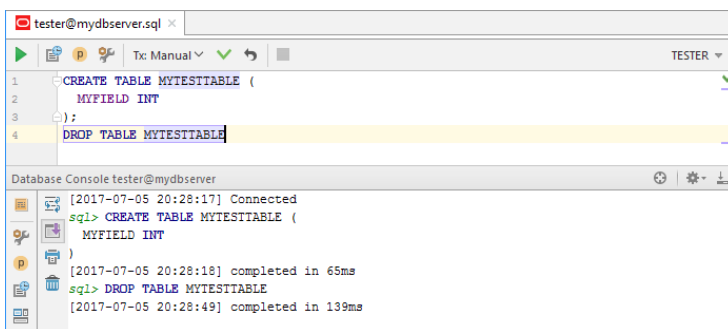
8. Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE TABLE MYTESTTABLE (
  MYFIELD INT
);
```

9. Execute the query: or `Ctrl+Enter` .

10. If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

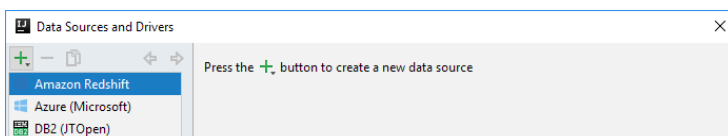
```
DROP TABLE MYTESTTABLE
```



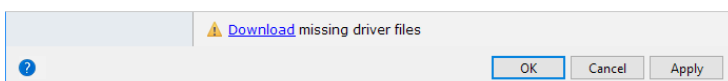
## Amazon Redshift

1. Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.

2. Click and select Amazon Redshift .



3. In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.

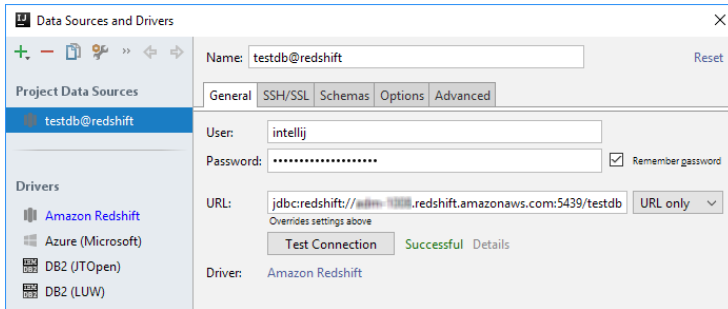


4. To the right of the URL field, select URL only .

5. Go to your Redshift Dashboard, select Clusters , select the cluster you want to connect to, and copy the JDBC URL listed under Cluster Database Properties onto the clipboard.

6. Paste the URL into the URL field.

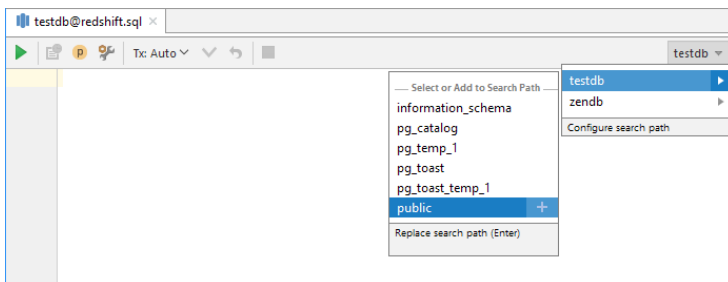
- Specify your user name and password.
- If necessary, edit the data source name.
- To connect via SSH, [specify the SSH proxy settings](#) .
- To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

- If necessary, form the schema search path using the popup in the upper-right part of the console. For instructions, see [Controlling the schema search path for PostgreSQL and Redshift](#) .



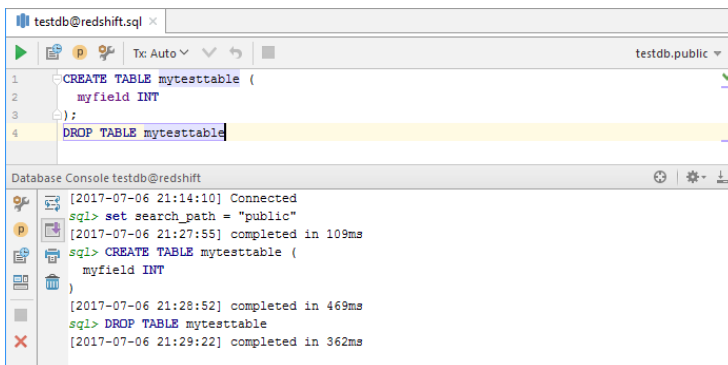
- Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE TABLE mytesttable (
  myfield INT
);
```

- Execute the query: or `Ctrl+Enter` .

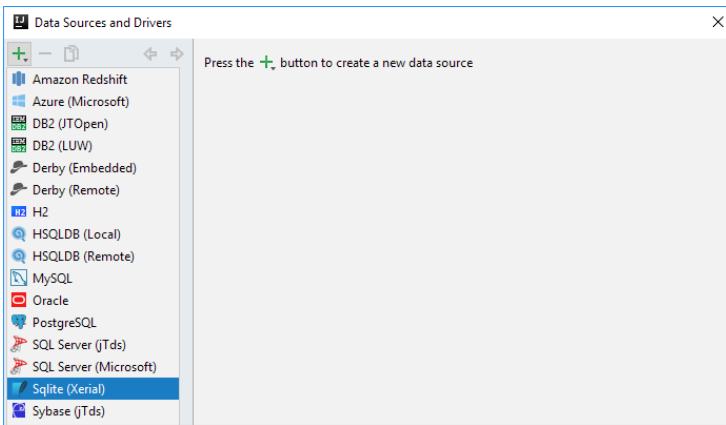
- If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

```
DROP TABLE mytesttable
```

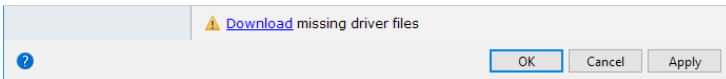


## SQLite

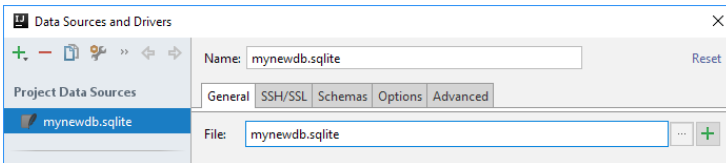
- Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
- Click and select SQLite .



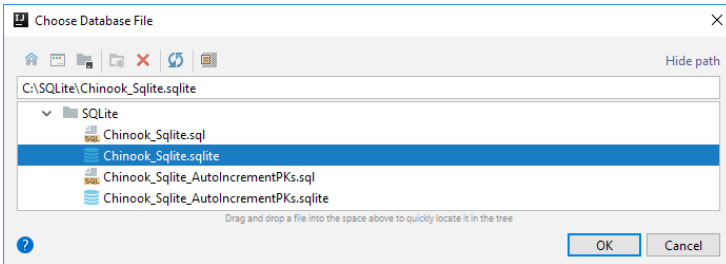
3. In the lower part of the dialog, within Download missing driver files , click the Download link.



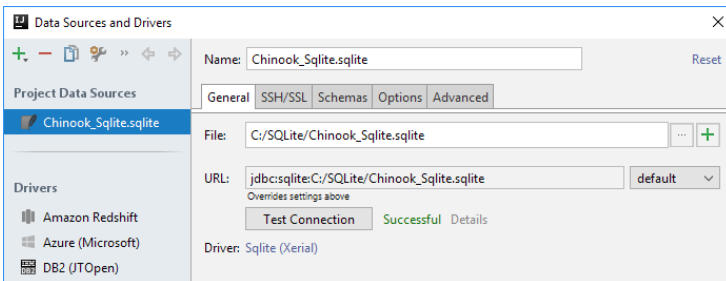
4. To create a new database, specify its name in the File field (e.g. mynewdb.sqlite ) and click + .



To use an existing database, click  and select the database file in the dialog that opens.



5. To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

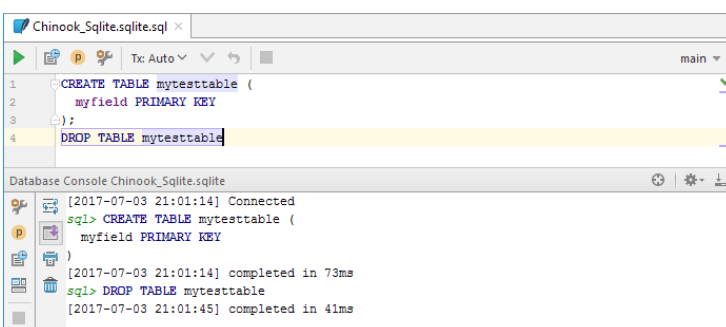
6. Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE TABLE mytesttable (
  myfield PRIMARY KEY
);
```

7. Execute the query:  or **Ctrl+Enter** .

8. If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

```
DROP TABLE mytesttable
```



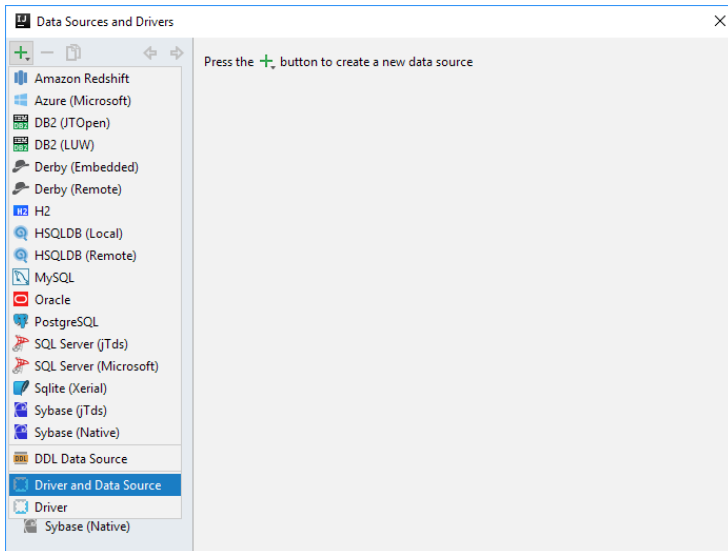


## Vertica as an example of 'unsupported' DBMS

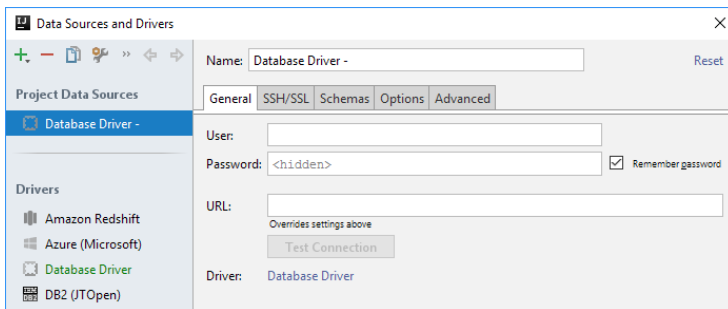
An "unsupported" DBMS is one that is not present in the list of database management systems, when you click **+** in the Data Sources and Drivers dialog. You can still connect to such a database if there is a JDBC driver for it.

In this section, we provide corresponding how-to instructions using [Vertica](#) as an example.

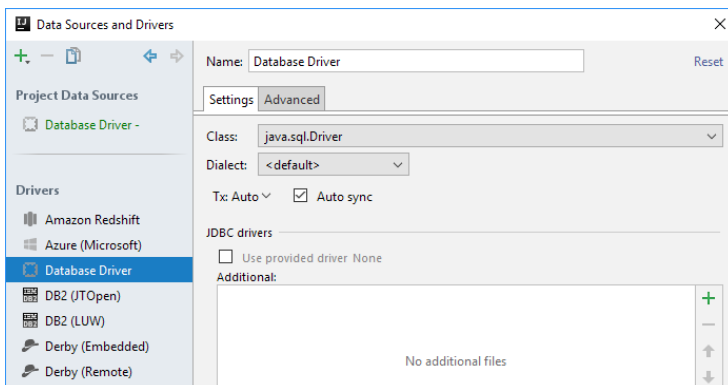
1. Download a JDBC driver for the DBMS that you are going to connect to. A driver, usually, is one or more `.jar` files.
2. Open the Database tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database ) and click **+** to open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
3. Click **+** and select Driver and Data Source .



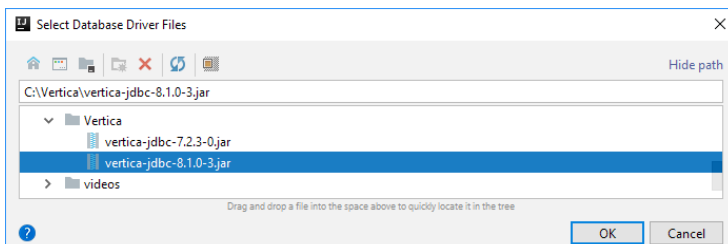
Your data source settings, initially, look something like this:



4. To the right of Driver , click the Database Driver link.  
Now we are going to specify the driver.



5. In the JDBC drivers section, click **+** and select your driver file or files in the dialog that opens.

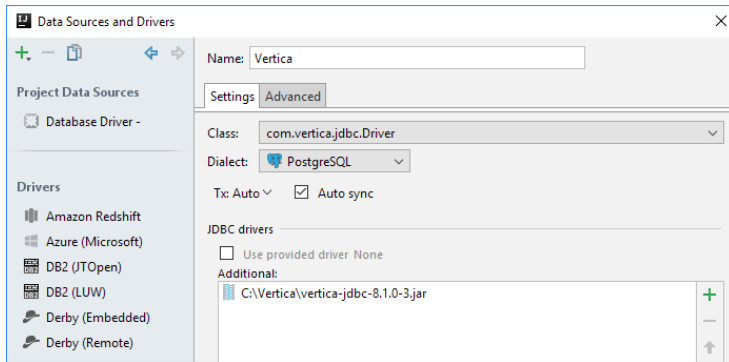


6. Specify:
  - Name. Change the default name, for example, to the name of your DBMS.
  - Class. Usually, this is something like

`com.<company_name>.jdbc.Driver` e.g.

`com.vertica.jdbc.Driver`

– Dialect. Select the dialect which is the closest to your DBMS SQL dialect.



7. Click Apply, and select your data source under Project Data Sources .

8. Specify:

– URL. Your database connection URL. For corresponding info, refer to your DBMS documentation. Usually, this is something like

`jdbc:<dbms_name>://<host>:<port>/<db_name>` e.g.

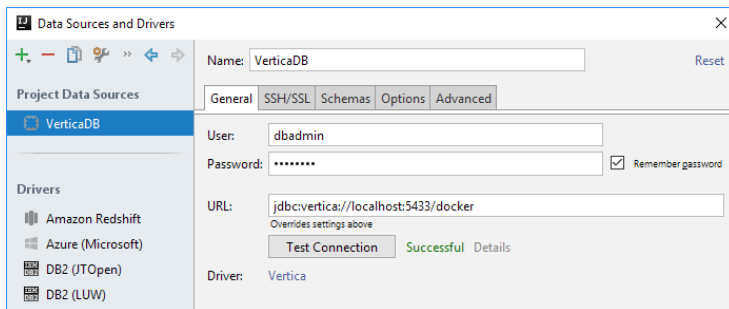
`jdbc:vertica://localhost:5433/docker`

– User and Password . These are your database user name and password.

If necessary, edit the data source name.

9. To connect via SSH, [specify the SSH proxy settings](#) .

0. To make sure that the settings are OK, click Test Connection .



Click OK .

Now, as a final check, execute a couple of queries.

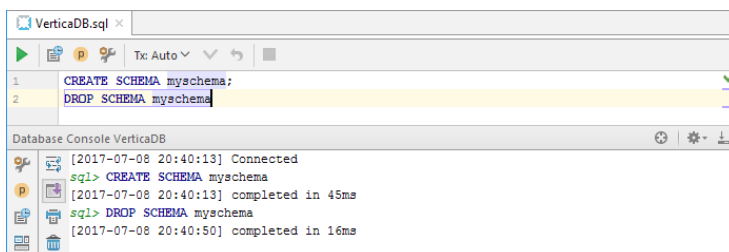
1. Type your query, e.g.

```
CREATE SCHEMA myschema;
```

2. Execute the query:  or `Ctrl+Enter` .

3. If necessary, execute another query, e.g.

```
DROP SCHEMA myschema
```



## Connecting via SSH

To access your database via [SSH](#) , specify the settings for your SSH proxy server on the SSH/SSL tab.

1. Select the Use SSH tunnel checkbox.

2. Specify the settings:

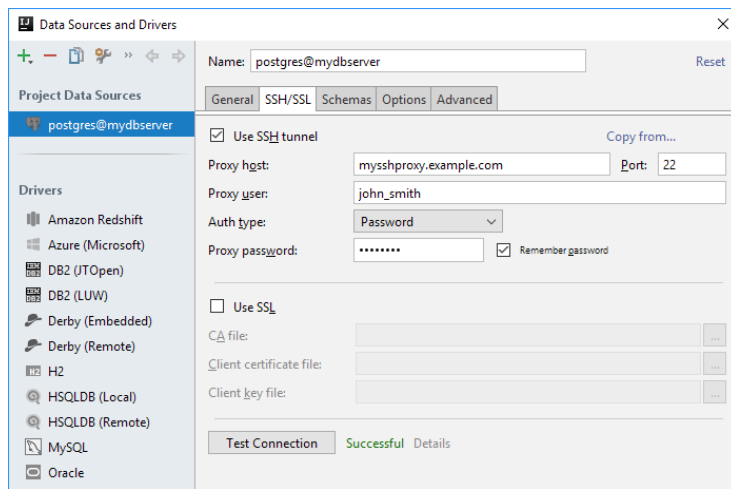
– Proxy host. `localhost` if the server is on the same computer. Otherwise, the [FQDN](#) or [IP address](#) of the server host, e.g. `mysshproxy.example.com` or `172.20.241.34` . The server host must be accessible by the specified name or IP address from your local computer.

– Port. The SSH port; the default port is `22` .

– Proxy user. Your SSH server user name.

- Auth type. The authentication type used by your server:
  - Password. Password-based authentication. If this authentication type is used, you should specify your password.
  - Key pair (OpenSSH). Key-based authentication. If this authentication type is used, you should specify:
    - The location of your private key file.
    - The passphrase for the private key - if the key is locked with the passphrase.

3. To make sure that the settings - ones for the database and the proxy server - are all OK, click Test Connection .



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

## About data sources

To be able to work with your databases in IntelliJ IDEA, you should define them as data sources. See [Connecting to a database](#).

In addition to data sources that correspond to real databases (DB data sources), IntelliJ IDEA also supports DDL data sources. These are represented by one or more SQL files containing data definition language statements (SQL DDL statements).

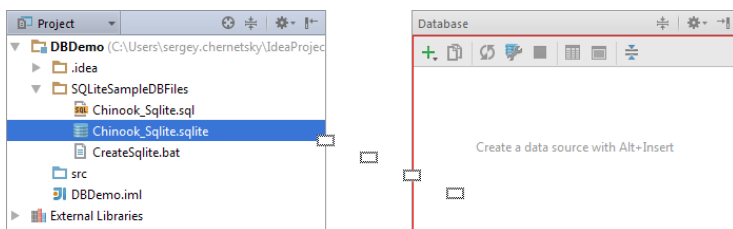
Metaphorically, DDL data sources function as databases without data.


Data sources provide the basis for SQL coding assistance and code validation.

## Creating a DB data source for H2 or SQLite by means of drag and drop

If you have H2 or SQLite database files available locally, you can create DB data sources for them by dragging the files to the Database tool window. The files can be dragged from the Project tool window, or from your file manager (e.g. Explorer or Finder).


1. If the database files are in your project folder, open the Project tool window. Otherwise, open your file manager.
2. [Open the Database tool window](#).
3. Select the file or files of interest in the Project tool window, or in your file manager.
4. Drag the selected file or files into the Database tool window. (For each of the files a separate data source will be created.)




5. If you don't have the necessary database driver files yet, you can download them now. Click  on the toolbar of the Database tool window. (Alternatively, select Properties from the context menu.)
6. In the Data Sources and Drivers dialog that opens, within the line Download missing driver files, click the Download link.
7. Click Test Connection to make sure that IntelliJ IDEA can properly communicate with the database.
8. Click OK in the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.

## Creating DB data sources by importing connection settings

XML files that contain database connection settings can be used for creating DB data sources. These may be Spring, Hibernate, JPA and Tomcat `context.xml` configuration files.

1. If the files that you want to import the settings from are not in your project yet, copy them there.
2. [Open the Database tool window](#).
3. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar and select Import from sources.
  - Right-click the area under the toolbar or any of the existing data sources, point to New and click Import from sources.




The Data Sources and Drivers dialog opens. The names of candidate data sources are shown in the left-hand pane in green.

4. Specify the driver files if they are missing.  
Do one of the following:
  - To download the necessary driver, click the Download link.
  - To specify the driver files that you already have available on your computer, click the `<DriverName>` link to the right of Driver.  
On the page where the driver settings are shown, under JDBC drivers / Additional, click  and select the files in the dialog that opens.

Go back to the page with the data source settings.

5. Click Test Connection to make sure that IntelliJ IDEA can properly communicate with the database.
6. Click OK in the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.

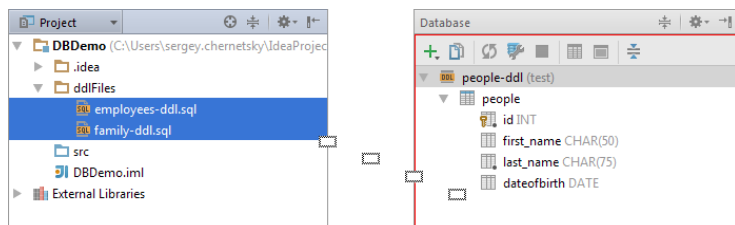
## Creating a DDL data source

1. [Open the Database tool window](#) and click  on the toolbar.
2. In the Data Sources and Drivers dialog that opens, click  and select DDL Data Source.
3. In the Name field, if necessary, edit the name of the data source.
4. Under DDL Files, click  and select the necessary SQL file or files in the dialog that opens.
5. From the Extend list, if necessary, select another data source as a parent. As a result, the data source whose properties you are editing will "inherit" all the DDL definitions from its parent.
6. Click OK to save the settings and close the dialog.


## Creating a DDL data source by means of drag and drop

You can create DDL data sources by dragging DDL SQL files to the Database tool window. The files can be dragged from the Project tool window, or from your file manager (e.g. Explorer or Finder).

1. If the necessary DDL SQL files are in your project folder, open the Project tool window. Otherwise, open your file manager.
2. [Open the Database tool window](#) .
3. Select the file or files of interest in the Project tool window, or in your file manager.
4. Drag the selected file or files into the Database tool window. For a new data source to be created, the red border, when dropping the file or files, should surround most of the window area (rather than one of the existing data sources).




## Changing data source settings


1. [Open the Database tool window](#) and select the data source of interest.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select Properties from the context menu.
  - Press `Alt+Enter` .
3. In the Data Sources and Drivers dialog that opens, edit the settings as necessary. See:
  - [DB data source settings](#)
  - [DDL data source settings](#)

## Making a DB data source available in all your projects

When a DB data source is created, it's assigned to a project. That is, by default, it's available only in the project in which it was defined.

If you want to make a data source available in all your projects, you should make it global:

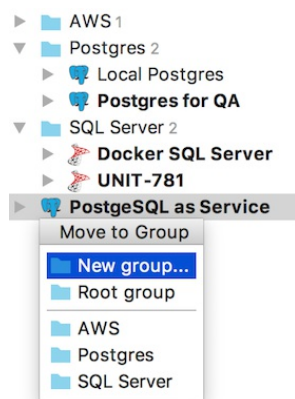
1. Open the Data Sources and Drivers dialog (e.g. `Alt+Enter` ) and select the data source of interest.
2. Click  on the toolbar or select Make Global from the context menu.
3. Click Apply or OK .

In a similar way, you can move a global data source to the project level - to make it available only in the current project: use  or Move to Project from the context menu.

Note that the DDL data sources exist only on the project level.

## Grouping data sources

If you have many different databases, you can group data sources in the [Database tool window](#) . For this, select the necessary data source and press `F6` or select Move to Group from the context menu.



From this menu, you can move the data source to an existing group, create a new group for it, or remove it from a group (move it into the root list).

## Removing data sources

To remove unnecessary data sources, you can use the Database tool window or the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.

Using the Database tool window. Select the data sources to be removed and do one of the following:


Press `Alt+Enter`

\_ Press **Delete** .

- Select Delete from the context menu.

- Select Edit | Delete .

Using the Data Sources and Drivers dialog. Select the data sources to be removed and do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.

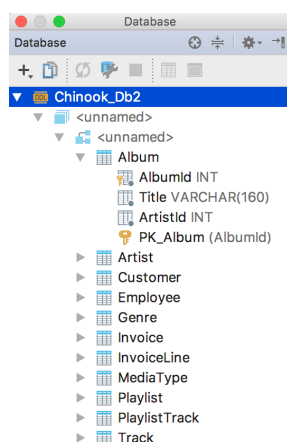
- Press **Delete** .

- Select Remove from the context menu.

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## Overview

The Database tool window provides access to functions for working with databases and DDL data sources. It lets you view and modify data structures in your databases, and perform other associated tasks.



## Opening the Database tool window

Do one of the following:

- Select View | Tool Windows | Database .
- Point to  or  in lower-left corner of the workspace, and then click Database .
- Click Database on the right-hand [tool window bar](#) (if the tool window bars are currently shown).



## Creating a data source

To start creating a [data source](#) , you can use the New command when the Database tool window is active, e.g.:

- File | New
-  on the toolbar
- New in the context menu
- 

The DDL Data Source option is for creating a DDL data source. Other data source options correspond to different scenarios of creating a DB data source:



- Data Source. A "usual way" of creating a data source. In this scenario, you start by selecting your DBMS.
- Data Source from URL. In this scenario, you start by specifying your database URL.
- Data Source from Path. In this scenario, you start by specifying your database location (a local file or folder). This option is appropriate only for Derby, H2, HSQLDB and SQLite.
- Import from sources. If you have files that contain database connection settings, you can create data sources by importing those settings. See [Creating DB data sources by importing connection settings](#) .

You can also start creating a data source in the [Data Sources and Drivers dialog](#) . Open the dialog (e.g. ) and use the Add command there: Add from the context menu,  on the toolbar, or  .

For more information, see [Managing data sources](#) .



## Synchronizing the view of a DB data source

If the [Auto sync option](#) for a DB data source is off, the only way to synchronize its view in the Database tool window with the actual state of the database is by using the Synchronize command.


1. Select the item whose view you want to synchronize. This may be a DB data source, schema or table.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press  .
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select Synchronize from the context menu.

## Resolving visualization problems

If what you see in the Database tool window is somewhat problematic (e.g. no data structures are shown, the objects below the schema level are missing, etc.), try the following to resolve the problem:


1. [Synchronize the view of your data source](#) ().
2. Make sure that at least one of the available schemas is selected for viewing: check the Schemas popup. See [Showing and hiding schemas](#) .
3. Switch to using the JDBC-based introspector:  | Options , select the [Introspect using JDBC metadata](#) checkbox. Then synchronize the view.
4. Clear the IntelliJ IDEA schema cache ([Database Tools](#) | [Forget Cached Schema](#) from the context menu for the data source) and then synchronize the view.

## Adjusting the view by means of view options

You can adjust the view in the tool window by turning the corresponding view options on and off. To access those options, click  on the title bar.

For more information, see [View options](#).

## Adjusting the view by means of object filters

You can limit the set of tables and other database objects shown in the Database tool window by specifying object filters. The object filter is set for each DB data source individually, in the Data Sources and Drivers dialog () , on the Options tab. The object filter syntax is described underneath the Object filter field.

Filter examples

`f.*` Only the objects whose names start with `f` will be shown.

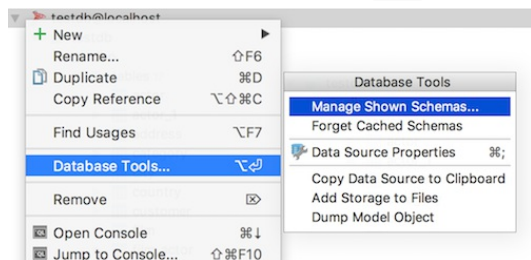
`table:[gh].*` The tables whose names start with `g` or `h` and all the objects in other categories will be shown.

`view:new_.*||routine:-[ps].*` The views whose names start with `new_`, the routines whose names start with the letters other than `p` or `s`, and all the objects in the categories other than views and routines will be shown.

## Showing and hiding schemas

To show or hide schemas:

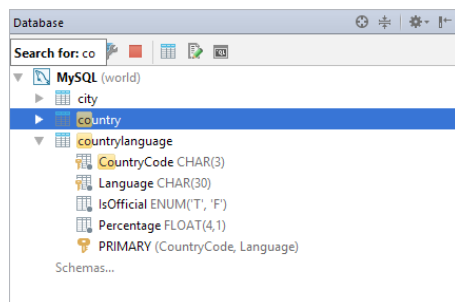
1. Right-click any element within the corresponding data source, point to Database Tools and select Manage Shown Schemas.)
2. Select the schemas you want to show and press `Enter`.



To hide schemas, use the Schemas popup or the Database Tools | Hide Schemas context menu command.

## Finding items

To find an item of interest, simply start typing its name. The specified text within item names is highlighted, and the first of the items that contains the specified text is selected.




## Finding usages of database objects

You can search for usages of database objects in your files and consoles, and also in the source code of other objects (if loaded, see [Load sources for](#)). For example, you can look for references to a table or view in the code of other views, stored procedures and functions.


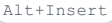
1. Select the item of interest.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Alt+F7`.
  - Select Find Usages from the context menu.
  - Select Edit | Find | Find Usages in the main menu.

## Creating a copy of a data source

1. Select the data source of interest.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select Duplicate from the context menu.
  - Press `Ctrl+D`.





## Creating a database or schema

1. Select any element within the DB data source of interest.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select File | New | Schema or File | New | Database .
  - Click  and select Schema or Database .
  - In the context menu, select New | Schema or New | Database .
  - Press  and select Schema or Database .
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the name of the schema or database. If necessary, under SQL Script , edit the statement to be executed. Click Execute .
4. If you have created a PostgreSQL database and want to see it in the Database tool window, [create a data source](#) for that database.

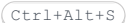
See also, [Track creation and deletion of databases/schemas](#) .

## Creating a table, a column, an index, or a primary or foreign key


1. Depending on what you are going to create:
  - To create a table, select a schema, table or column within the target DB data source.
  - To create a column, select the target table or a column within that table.
  - To create an index, or a primary or foreign key, select the column or columns for which you want to create an index, or a primary or foreign key constraint.
2. Carry out the New command and select the item to be created. E.g. for a table, do one of the following:
  - Select File | New | Table .
  - Click  and select Table .
  - In the context menu, select New | Table .
  - Press  and select Table .
3. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the item definition.

## Modifying templates for generated index and key names

When you [create indexes, and primary and foreign key constraints](#) , their default names are generated according to corresponding templates. For a primary key, for example, the template is `{table}_{columns}_pk` .

You can view and modify these templates in the Settings / Preferences dialog:  | Editor | Code Style | SQL | Code Generation .

The templates can contain variables (e.g. `{table}` ) and text. When generating a name, the specified text is reproduced literally.

To get the info about the variables and how you should use them, place the cursor into the field of interest and press  .

`{columns}` and `{ref_columns}` , depending on the situation, are the name of the column, or a list where the column names are separated with the underscore (`_`).


`{unique?u:}` checks if the index is unique ( `unique?` ), and, if it is, inserts the sequence of characters specified between `?` and `:` (in this example, it's `u` ). If the index is not unique, the sequence between `:` and `}` is inserted (in this example, it's nothing).

Example. Using the template `{table}_{columns}_{unique?u:}index` , you are creating an index on the columns `FirstName` and `LastName` in the table `persons` . If the index is unique, its name, by default, will be `persons_FirstName_LastName_uindex` . If the index is not unique, its name will be `persons_FirstName_LastName_index` .

## Viewing basic info about an item


You can view basic info about an item in the quick documentation view. For a table, for example, the first ten rows and the table definition (the `CREATE TABLE` statement) are shown.

To open the quick documentation view, select the item of interest and do one of the following:

- Select View | Quick Documentation .
- Press  .

See also, [Show first rows](#) .

## Renaming items

1. Select the item to be renamed.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Refactor | Rename .
  - Select Rename from the context menu.
  - Press  .
3. Use the [dialog that opens](#) to specify a new name and associated options.

## Previewing changes

Changes to database objects sometimes assume associated changes to SQL script files and statements in database consoles. For example, you may be changing the name of a table, and this name may be used in your files and consoles.

In such cases, you can look at potential changes, and decide where those changes are desirable and where aren't.

Potentially affected code fragments are shown in the [Find tool window](#) when you click Preview in the corresponding dialogs. Here is an overview of some of the available controls:

- Exclude ([Delete](#)) and Remove ([Alt+Delete](#)). Use these context menu commands for the items that shouldn't be changed.
- Execute SQL Script. If this option is on, and you click Do Refactor, the corresponding SQL statements are run to modify the corresponding database objects.
- Open in Console. Use this button to open the corresponding SQL statements in a [database console](#).
- Do Refactor. Click this button to change the corresponding code fragments and, if the Execute SQL Script option is on, to run the corresponding SQL statements.

## Modifying the definition of a table, column, index, or a primary or foreign key

1. Select the item whose definition you want to change. This may be a table, a column, an index, or a primary or foreign key.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Modify <item\_type> from the context menu (e.g. Modify Table).
  - Press [Ctrl+F6](#).
3. Use the [dialog that opens](#) to change the item definition.

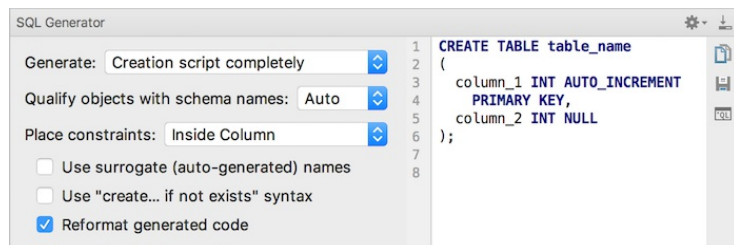
## Opening DDL definitions of database objects in the editor

1. Select the object whose definition you want to view or edit.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click [DDL](#) on the toolbar.
  - Press [Ctrl+B](#).
  - Select Source Editor under SQL Scripts in the context menu.

## Generating DDL definitions

You can generate DDL for any object or several objects (table, schema, procedure, and so on). To open the SQL Generator tool window, select the object or objects in the Database tree, open the context menu and select SQL Generator under SQL Scripts.

In the SQL Generator window you can configure the output, copy it to clipboard, save it to file, or open it in a database console.



## Opening DDL definitions in a database console

You can open DDL definitions of tables and views in [database consoles](#).

1. In a DB data source, select the table or view of interest.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Generate DDL to Console under SQL Scripts in the context menu.
  - Press [Shift+F4](#).

## Generating DDL definitions on the clipboard

1. Select the item or items of interest. These may be data sources, schemas, tables, views, stored procedures or functions, etc.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Generate DDL to Clipboard under SQL Scripts in the context menu.
  - Press [Ctrl+Shift+C](#).

Now you can paste the definitions into a [database console](#) or an SQL file.

## Comparing table structures

1. Select two data sources, schemas or tables.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Compare from the context menu.

- Press **Ctrl+D** .

The comparison results are shown in the differences viewer.

## Viewing diagrams

To open a diagram for a data source, schema or table, select the item of interest and do one of the following:

- Press **Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U** or **Ctrl+Alt+U** .
- In the context menu, select **Diagrams** , and then select **Show Visualisation** or **Show Visualisation Popup** .

## Copying a table to another database or schema

You can copy (export) a table along with all its data to another schema or database. This is possible even when the source and target databases belong to different DBMSs, e.g. PostgreSQL and MySQL.

To copy a table:

1. Drag the table to the destination schema or database.
2. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the settings for your new table.


## Importing delimiter-separated values into a database

To import a text file containing delimiter-separated values (CSV, TSV, etc.) into your database, use drag-and-drop or the **Import from File** context menu command.

If you drag a file into a schema (or carry out the **Import from File** command for a schema), IntelliJ IDEA will create a new table for the data that you are importing. If you drag a file into an existing table (or perform the command for a table), IntelliJ IDEA will try to add the data to that table.

1. Do one of the following:
  - Drag a file from the Project tool window (the file may be a .zip archive) onto a schema or table in the Database tool window.
  - Right-click the target schema or table in the Database tool window, select **Import from File** and then select the file to import the data from (this file may be a .zip archive).
2. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the data conversion settings, and, if a new table is to be created, the table name and structure.

## Opening the data editor

1. Select the table of interest.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select **Open Editor** from the context menu.
  - Press **F4** .

For more information, see [Working with the data editor](#) .

## Copying data from one table to another one

1. Drag the source table to the destination table.
2. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the data mapping info and other settings for the destination table.

## Saving data in files in various forms and formats

You can save database data in files as SQL **INSERT** and **UPDATE** statements, [TSV and CSV](#) , HTML tables and [JSON](#) data. A separate file is created for each individual table or view.

1. Select the data source or the schemas, tables and views of interest.
2. In the context menu, point to **Dump Data to File(s)** and select the output format (e.g. **Comma Separated Values (CSV)** ).
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the destination directory and, if a single file is going to be created, the file name.

## Configuring data output formats and options

To configure the output formats for the **Dump Data to File(s)** command (see [Saving data in files in various forms and formats](#) ), select one of the following from the menu associated with the command:

- **Configure CSV Formats**. This command opens the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- **Go to Scripts Directory**. This command lets you switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.

For SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs, there are additional options: **Add Table Definition** and **Skip Generated Columns**. Those can be set in a data editor or the result pane of a database console. See e.g. [Specifying data output format and options](#) .

## Creating database backups with mysqldump or pg\_dump

You can create backups for database objects by running [mysqldump](#) for MySQL or [pg\\_dump](#) for PostgreSQL.

1. Within a MySQL or PostgreSQL data source, select the items of interest (e.g. schemas, tables and views).


2. From the context menu, select Dump with "mysqldump" or Dump with "pg\_dump" .
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the location of `mysqldump` or `pg_dump` executable, and the settings for performing the dump. If necessary, edit the command-line options in the lower part of the dialog (autocompletion is available).

## Restoring data dumps with mysql, pg\_restore or psql

You can restore [data dumps](#) by means of the `mysql` client utility for MySQL, or `pg_restore` or `psql` for PostgreSQL.


1. Select the target MySQL or PostgreSQL data source, database or schema. For PostgreSQL, you can also select a table.
2. From the context menu, select Restore with "mysql" , Restore with "psql" or Restore .
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the location of the utility executable, the options for restoring the data, and the path to the dump file. If necessary, edit the command-line options in the lower part of the dialog (autocompletion is available).

## Opening a default database console

1. Select the DB data source of interest or any node within it.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select Open Console from the context menu.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+F10` .

For more information, see [Working with database consoles](#) .

## Creating and opening a new database console

1. Select the DB data source of interest or any node within it.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Select Open New Console from the context menu.
  - Click  and select Console File .

For more information, see [Working with database consoles](#) .


## Generating Java entity classes for tables and views

1. Select the tables and views of interest.
2. In the context menu, point to Scripted Extensions and click Generate POJOs.cj or Generate POJOs.groovy .
3. In the dialog that opens, specify the directory in which you want to create your `.java` class files.

## Closing database connections


IntelliJ IDEA connects to databases automatically, when needed. (The names of the data sources with open database connections are shown in the Database tool window in bold.)

To close unnecessary database connections, select the corresponding data sources and do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Select Disconnect from the context menu.
- Press `Ctrl+F2` .

## Removing items

Depending on what you are going to remove:

- Data source. Use the Remove command ( `Edit | Remove` , Remove from the context menu, or `Delete` on the keyboard).
- Schema, table, column, index, a primary or foreign key constraint, stored procedure or function, etc. Use the Drop command ( `Edit | Drop` , Drop from the context menu, or `Delete` on the keyboard).
- Primary or foreign key constraint. For removing primary and foreign key constraints, in addition to Drop , there are the following context menu commands: Database Tools | Drop Primary Key and Database Tools | Drop Foreign Key . Note that the Drop Foreign Key command is available only when a column with the corresponding foreign key constraint is selected ().
- All rows in a table. Use the Database Tools | Truncate context menu command for the corresponding table.

See also, [Confirm Drop dialog](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Database consoles let you compose and execute SQL statements for databases defined in IntelliJ IDEA as data sources. They also let you analyze and modify the retrieved data.

The following standardized and DBMS vendor-specific SQL dialects are supported: DB2, Derby, H2, HSQLDB, MySQL, Oracle, Oracle SQL\*Plus, PostgreSQL, SQL Server, SQL92, SQLite, and Sybase.

One database console is created for a data source automatically when a data source is created. If necessary, you can create additional consoles.

Database consoles are persistent: they are stored as SQL files.

A database console created in one of your projects can then be accessed from any other project.

## Creating a database console

When you create a DB data source, one database console for that data source is created automatically. If necessary, you can create additional consoles.

To create a database console, you can use the [Database tool window](#) or the [Scratches view](#) of the [Project tool window](#). The procedure is the same in both cases:



Select the data source of interest or any node within it, and do one of the following:

- Select File | New | Console File from the main menu.
- Select New | Console File from the context menu
- Press **Alt+Insert** and select Console File .

In the Database tool window, you can also use **+ | Console File** and the Open New Console context menu command.

## Opening a database console

You can jump to the default console or any custom console that you created from the [Database tool window](#). Select a data source in the list and do one of the following:


- Click  on the title bar if the toolbar is hidden.
- Click  on the toolbar if the toolbar is shown.
- Select Open Console from the context menu to open the default console for this source. Or press **F4** .
- Select Jump to Console from the context menu to choose any console for this source. Or press **Ctrl+Shift+F10** .

You can also open any console in [Scratches view](#) of the [Project tool window](#). Select the console and do one of the following:

- Double-click the console.
- Select View | Jump to Source from the main menu.
- Select Jump to Source from the context menu.
- Press **F4** .

## Viewing and modifying console settings

Before actually starting to use a console, you may want to take a look at the console settings and adjust them to your needs.

- To access these settings, click  on the toolbar of the input pane or on the toolbar of the Database Console tool window. (Alternatively, **Ctrl+Alt+S** | Tools | Database .)



As a result, the [Database page](#) of the Settings / Preferences dialog will open.

## Changing the SQL dialect

By default, the SQL dialect used in a console is defined by the DBMS of an associated data source. If for some reason you want to use a different dialect:

- Right-click the editing area of the input pane, select Change Dialect (<CurrentDialect>), and select the necessary dialect. In addition to particular dialects, also the following option is available:
  - <Generic SQL>. Basic SQL92-based support is provided including completion and highlighting for SQL keywords, and table and column names. Syntax error highlighting is not available. So all the statements in the input pane are always shown as syntactically correct.

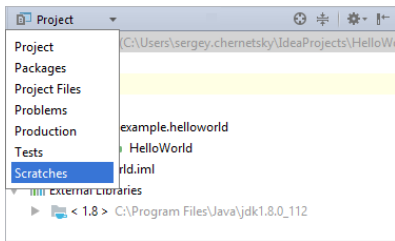
## Closing a console

1. Click  (**Ctrl+Shift+F4**) to close the Database Console tool window.
2. Click  on the editor tab (**Ctrl+F4**) to close the input pane.

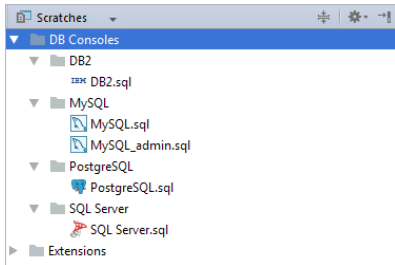
## Managing database consoles

To manage your database consoles, use the [Scratches view](#) of the [Project tool window](#).

To open this view, select Scratches from the list in the left-hand part of the title bar.



The view shows the existing database consoles (represented by SQL files) grouped by your data sources (shown as folders). The default consoles (the ones that were created by IntelliJ IDEA automatically) have the same names as the corresponding data sources.



You can:

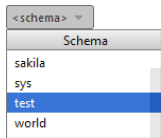
- Create new consoles. Select the target data source or a node within it, and do one of the following:
  - Select File | New | Console File from the main menu.
  - Select New | Console File from the context menu
  - Press **Alt+Insert** and select Console File .
- Rename your consoles. When a new console is created, it has the name of the data source with a number at the end, e.g. `MySQL_1` . If you want to give a console a more descriptive name, select the console and do one of the following:
  - Select Refactor | Rename from the main or the context menu.
  - Press **Shift+F6** .

Then, specify a new name in the dialog that opens.

- Save your console files in arbitrary directories. Select the console and then choose Refactor | Copy (**F5**) . Specify the file name and location in the dialog that opens.
- Group your consoles. This is done by creating folders and then dragging your consoles into those folders.
- Open your consoles. Select the consoles of interest and do one of the following:
  - Select View | Jump to Source from the main menu.
  - Select Jump to Source from the context menu.
  - Press **F4** .
- View the history of changes for your consoles. Select File | Local History | Show History from the main menu or Local History | Show History from the context menu.
- Delete individual consoles and groups of consoles. Use Edit | Delete , Delete from the context menu or **Delete** on the keyboard.

## Selecting the default schema or database

You can select the default schema or database by using the list in the right-hand part of the toolbar. If you do so, you'll be able to omit the name of that schema or database in your statements.

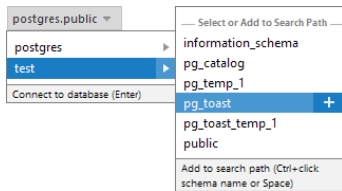


See also, [Controlling the schema search path for PostgreSQL and Redshift](#).

## Controlling the schema search path for PostgreSQL and Redshift

When working with a PostgreSQL or Redshift data source, the default search path (one set in a database) is used unless you specify a different search path.

To control the search path, use the popup in the right-hand part of the toolbar. The popup also lets you switch your databases.



To select a database or set the default search path for it, click the database or press `Enter`.

To change the search path for the current database, open the schema list.

If the search path should include only one schema, click the necessary schema. In the same way you can replace a schema with another one in a single-schema search path.

To form a search path that includes two or more schemas, use:

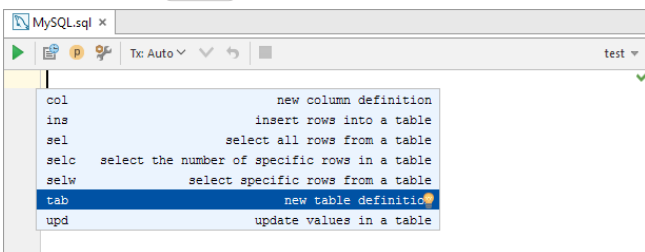
- `Space` to add a highlighted schema to the search path and also to remove a schema from the search path.
- `Alt+Up` and `Alt+Down` to reorder the schemas within the search path.
- OK to apply the changes.

More instructions and usage hints are available right in the popup.

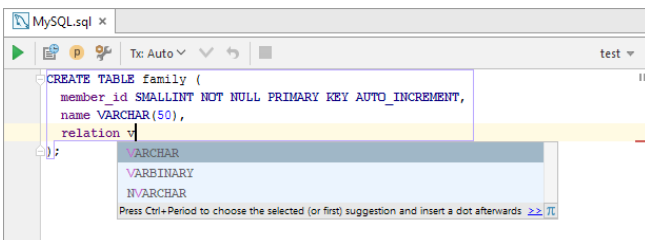
## Composing SQL statements

When composing your SQL statements, use:

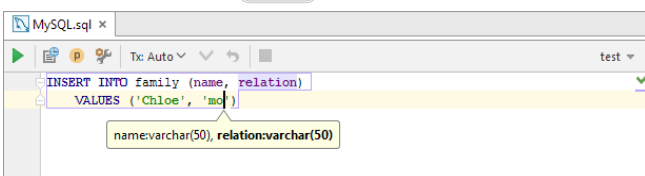
- Predefined patterns (`Ctrl+J` or Code | Insert Live Template).



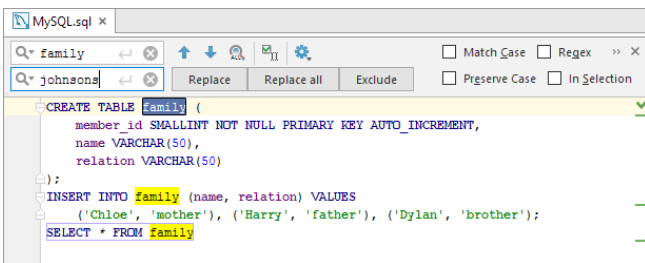
- Auto-completion and highlighting of SQL keywords, and table and column names.



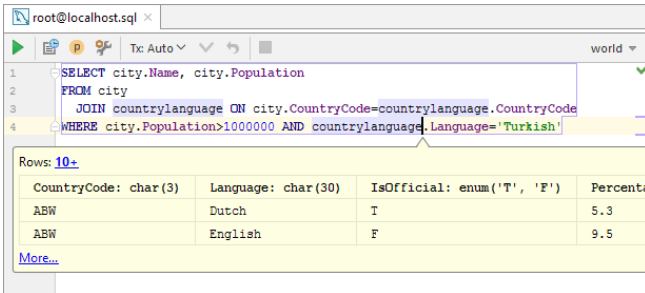
- Data type prompts for columns (`Ctrl+P` or View | Parameter Info).



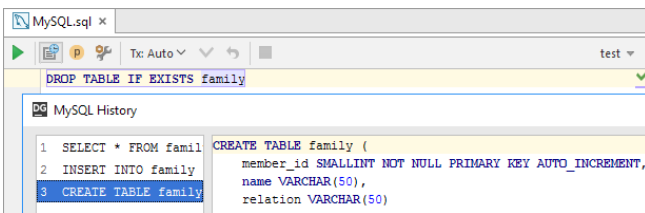
- Advanced find and replace capabilities (`Ctrl+F` or Edit | Find | Find, and `Ctrl+R` or Edit | Find | Replace).



- Quick evaluations (`Ctrl+Alt+F8`). They are available for table and column names, and SQL keywords, and give you hints about the data and potential result when you compose your statements.



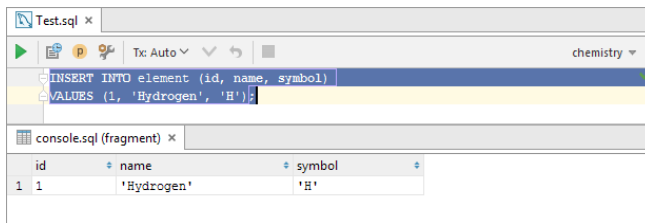
- The console history (`Ctrl+Alt+E`). See [Executing auto-memorized statements](#).



See also, [Navigating to a table or column view in the Database tool window](#).

## Editing data for INSERT statements in table format

1. Select the `INSERT` statement of interest.
2. Select Edit as Table from the context menu.



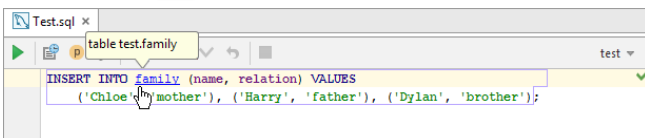
3. Use context menu commands and associated shortcuts for working with the data.

## Navigating to a table or column view in the Database tool window

When composing a statement, it's sometimes useful to take a look at the structure of a table, or to see the info about a column (field) in the context of the table to which it belongs. For such purposes, IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to switch from the name of a table or column in the input pane to its view in the Database tool window.

The following ways are available for using this feature:

- Place the cursor within the name of the table or column of interest. Then use `Ctrl+B`. (Alternatively, you can use `Navigate | Declaration` from the main menu or `Go To | Declaration` from the context menu.)
- Press and hold the `Ctrl` key, and point to the name of interest. When the text turns into a hyperlink, click the hyperlink.



## Configuring the Execute command


The Execute command (`Ctrl+Enter` or Execute from the context menu) is used to run your statements.

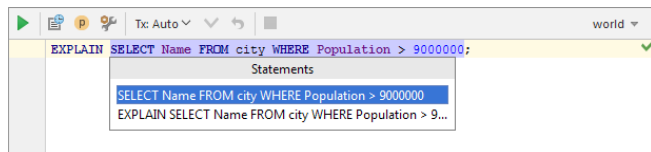
IntelliJ IDEA provides many options for the Execute command depending on the cursor position and on whether there is a selection.

The options are specified on the `Tools | Database` page in the Settings / Preferences dialog (`File | Settings | Tools | Database on Windows and Linux; IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | Database on macOS`). For more information, see [Execute in Console](#).



## Executing an SQL statement

1. Place the cursor within the statement.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Press `Ctrl+Enter`.
  - Select Execute from the context menu.
3. Select the statement or statements to be run. (The suggestion list always contains an item for running all the statements.)

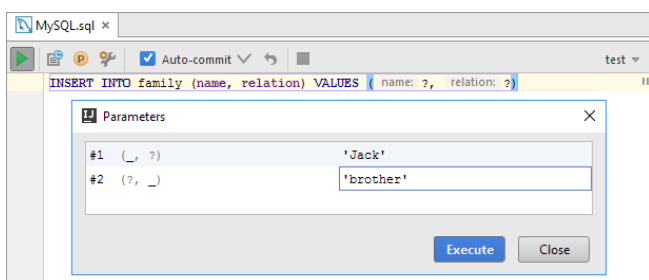


See also, [Execute in Console](#).



## Executing parameterized statements

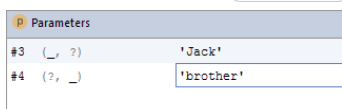
Your statements can contain parameters, however, by the time you execute such statements the values of the parameters must be specified. There are the following ways of specifying the parameter values:

- Click  on the toolbar or press `Ctrl+Enter` to execute the statement. In the dialog that opens, specify the parameter values and click OK.



( To start editing a value, switch to the corresponding table cell and start typing. To indicate that you have finished editing a value, press `Enter` or switch to a different cell. To quit the editing mode and restore an initial value, press `Escape` . )

- Alternatively, you can open the Parameters pane in the Database Console tool window ( on the toolbar) and specify the corresponding values there. (The values are edited in the same way as in the corresponding dialog.) Then execute the statement ( on the toolbar or `Ctrl+Enter` ).




For more information, see [Parameters pane](#).

See also, [User Parameters](#) and [Always review parameters before execution](#).

## Executing a group of statements

To execute a group of statements that follow one another in the console, select (highlight) the statements (to select all the statements, use `Ctrl+A`) and do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Enter`.
- Select Execute from the context menu.

See also, [Using the error notification bar](#) and [Execute in Console](#).

## Executing all statements

To execute all the statements contained in a console, as an alternative to the Execute command, you can use the Run console.sql command.


This command is available in the context menu, and its keyboard equivalent is `Ctrl+Shift+F10`.

The Run console.sql command, generally, runs faster but:

- The statements with parameters don't run.
- Retrieved data for the `SELECT` statements are not shown.

## Executing a part of a statement (e.g. a subquery)

To execute a part of a statement (e.g. a subquery), select (highlight) the fragment that you want to execute and do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Enter`.


- Select Execute from the context menu.

See also, [Execute in Console](#) .

## Executing auto-memorized statements

As you run SQL statements in the consoles, IntelliJ IDEA memorizes them. So, at a later time, you can view the statements you have already run and, if necessary, run them again.

To open the dialog where the auto-memorized statements are shown (the History dialog), do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Alt+E` .

There are two panes in the History dialog. The left-hand pane shows the list of the statements that you have run. For "long" statements, only their beginnings are shown. When you select a statement in this pane, the overall statement is shown in the pane to the right.

You can filter the information: just start typing. As a result, only the statements that contain the typed text will be shown.

You can copy the statements from the History dialog into the input pane of the console. To copy a statement, do one of the following:

- Double-click the statement to be copied.
- Select the statement of interest and press `Enter` .
- Select the statement and click OK .

(Once the statement is in the input pane, you can run it straight away.)

You can delete unnecessary memorized statements. To delete a statement, select the statement in the History dialog and press `Delete` .

## Outputting the result of a SELECT statement into a file

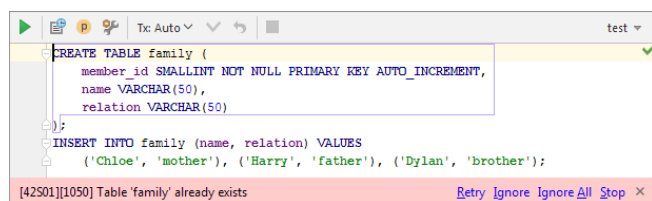
Instead of the Result pane of the Database Console tool window, you can output the result of a `SELECT` statement into a file.

1. Right-click the `SELECT` statement of interest.
2. Point to Execute to File and select the output format.
3. Specify the output file location and name.

## Using the error notification bar

If when running a statement an error occurs, an error notification bar appears in the lower part of the input pane.

This bar may be particularly useful when executing a sequence of statements (see [Executing a group of statements](#) ) because in such a case it lets you select how to react.




The options are:

- Retry. Execute the sequence of statements starting from the one that caused the error.
- Ignore. Skip the erroneous statement and execute the sequence starting from the next statement. If another error occurs, the error notification bar will appear again.
- Ignore All. Skip the erroneous statement and execute the sequence starting from the next statement. If other errors occur, all the erroneous statements will be skipped and the error notification bar won't appear for these statements.
- Stop. Stop the execution of the sequence.

Showing the error notification bar in the input pane is enabled or disabled in the Settings dialog (the [Show error notifications in editor](#) checkbox on the [Database page](#) ).

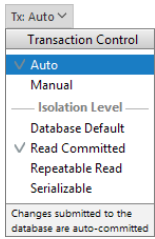
## Canceling running statements

To terminate execution of the current statement or statements, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar of the input pane, or on the toolbar of the Database Console tool window.
- Press `Ctrl+F2` .

## Managing database transactions

You can select to commit transactions automatically or manually. To change the commit mode, use the Tx switch `Tx: Auto` on the toolbar.



If the commit mode is set to Auto , each SQL statement is executed in its own transaction that is implicitly committed. Consequently, the SQL statements executed in this mode cannot be rolled back.

If the commit mode is set to Manual , transactions are committed or rolled back explicitly by means of  or  on the toolbar.


The Tx switch can also be used for selecting the [isolation level](#) for the transactions.

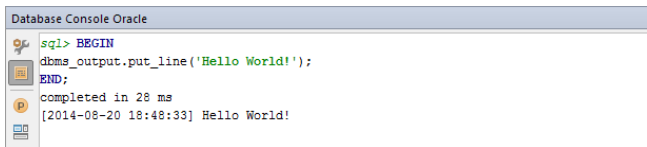
## Showing execution plans

The following context menu commands let you show an [execution plan](#) (a.k.a. explain plan) for a statement:

- Explain Plan. The result is shown in a mixed tree/table format on a dedicated Plan tab.
- Explain Plan (Raw). The result is shown in table format. (Technically, `EXPLAIN <CURRENT_STATEMENT>` or similar statement is executed.)

## Showing DBMS\_OUTPUT for Oracle

For Oracle, you can enable or disable showing the contents of the DBMS\_OUTPUT buffer in the output pane. To do that, use  on the toolbar of the Database Console tool window ( `Ctrl+F8` ).



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

## Introduction

When you run a query (a `SELECT` statement) in the console, the data retrieved from the database are shown in table format in the Result pane of the Database Console tool window. Depending on the settings, a new Result tab opens for each query, or one and the same tab is used. In the latter case, the results on the tab are updated for each next query.

Use the Result pane to sort, add, edit and remove the data as well as to perform other, associated tasks.


## Hiding or showing the toolbar

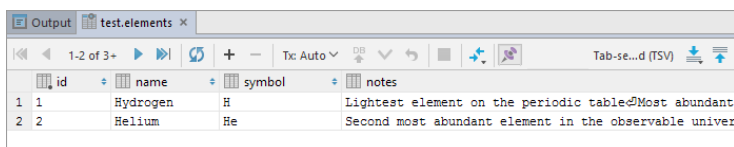
To hide or show the toolbar of the Result pane and also that of the Database Console tool window:

- Click  on the title bar of the Database Console tool window and click Show Toolbar .

## Pinning the Result tab

If one and the same tab is used to show your query results, and you get the result that you want to keep, you can pin the tab to the tool window. Do one of the following:

- Right-click the tab and select Pin Tab .
- Click  on the toolbar.



id	name	symbol	notes
1	Hydrogen	H	Lightest element on the periodic table. Most abundant
2	Helium	He	Second most abundant element in the observable universe

See also, [Show query results in new tab](#) .

## Switching between subsets of rows



If only a subset of the rows that satisfy the query is currently shown, to switch between the subsets, use:

-  First Page
-  Previous Page ( `Ctrl+Alt+Up` )
-  Next Page ( `Ctrl+Alt+Down` )
-  Last Page

See also, [Making all rows visible simultaneously](#) .

## Making all rows visible simultaneously

If you want all the rows that satisfy the query to be shown simultaneously:

1. Click  on the toolbar of the Database Console tool window.
2. Switch to the Database | Data Views page, specify `0` in the Result set page size field, and click OK .
3. Click  or press `Ctrl+F5` to refresh the table view.

See also, [Updating the table view](#) and [Result set page size](#) .

## Navigating to a specified row

To switch to a row with a specified number:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+G` .
  - Right-click the table and select Go To | Row from the context menu.
  - Select Navigate | Row from the main menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number and click OK .

## Navigating to related records

If a row references a record in a different table or is referenced in a different table, you can switch to the corresponding table to see the related record or records.

To switch to a referenced row:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+B` .
  - Select Go To | Referenced Data from the context menu.
2. If more than one record is referenced, select the target record in the pop-up that appears.

To switch to a row that references the current one, or to see all the rows that reference the current one:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Alt+F7` .
  - Select Go To | Referencing Data from the context menu.
2. Select the target in one of the following categories:
  - First Referencing Row. All the rows in the corresponding table will be shown and the first of the rows that references the

current row will be selected.


- All Referencing Rows. Only the rows that reference the current row will be shown.


The options described above can also be accessed by using one of the following:


- **F4** .
- Go To | Related Data in the context menu.
- Navigate | Related Data in the main menu.


## Sorting data

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.

Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this:  . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.

If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance:  . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)

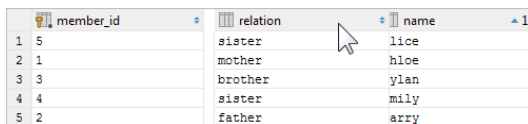
When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order:  .

Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is restored. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled:  .

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Reordering columns

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row.



	member_id	relation	name
1	5	sister	lice
2	1	mother	hloe
3	3	brother	ylan
4	4	sister	mily
5	2	father	arry

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) .

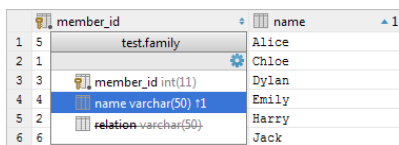
## Hiding and showing columns

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column .

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List .
  - Press **Ctrl+F12** .

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.




	member_id	name	relation
1	5	Alice	
2	1	Chloe	
3	3	Dylan	
4	4	Emily	
5	2	Harry	
6	6	Jack	

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press **Space** .
3. Press **Enter** or **Escape** to close the list.

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Restoring the initial table view

Click  on the toolbar and select Reset View to restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data. As a result, the data, generally, becomes unsorted, the columns appear in the order they are defined in the corresponding query, and all the columns are shown.

## Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns

When working with the Result pane, the table structure view is available as the corresponding popup.

The structure view shows the list of all the columns and lets you sort the data as well as hide and show the columns.

To open the structure popup, do one of the following:

- Right-click a cell in the table header row and select Column List .
- Press **Ctrl+F12** .

In the popup, select the column of interest and do one of the following:

- To sort the data by this column in the ascending order, press **Shift+Alt+Up** .
- To sort the data in the descending order, press **Shift+Alt+Down** .

- To cancel sorting by this column, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` .
- To hide the column (or show a hidden column), press `Space` . (The names of hidden columns are shown struck through.)

	member_id	name
1	5	Alice
2	1	Chloe
3	3	Dylan
4	4	Emily
5	2	Harry
6	6	Jack

The shortcuts for sorting table data (`Shift+Alt+Up` , `Shift+Alt+Down` and `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` ) can be used in the Result pane without opening the structure view.

See also, [You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row](#) , [Hiding and showing columns](#) and [Restoring the initial table view](#) .


## Using the quick documentation view

The quick documentation view provides details about the values in the selected cell or cells. For example, if a cell contains long text, normally, you can see only its beginning. The whole text is shown in the quick documentation view.

Most abundant pure element on Earth	Most abundant pure element on Earth
Highly reactive nonmetallic element	Highly reactive nonmetallic element
Lightest halogen	Lightest halogen
Colorless, odorless, inert monatomic gas	Third most abundant element in the universe
Soft, silver-white, highly reactive metal	Colorless gas or pale blue liquid
Alkaline earth metal	Extremely reactive
Silvery white soft metal	Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas
Crystalline, reflective with bluish-tint	

If a cell contains an image, you can see that image in the quick documentation view.

relation	picture
brother	120x120 PNG image 24.95K
brother	120x120 PNG image 22.32K
cat	120x120 PNG image 25.95K
father	120x120 PNG image 17.65K
mother	120x120 PNG image 27.38K
sister	120x120 PNG image 27.78K



You can also see the records referenced in the current record as well as the records that reference the current one.

first_name	last_name	address_id	email
MARY	SMITH	5	MARY.SMITH@sakilacustomer.org
PATRICIA	JOHNSON	6	PATRICIA.JOHNSON@sakilacustomer.org

Documentation for [1x2]

Transposed View

first_name	last_name
MARY	SMITH

Referenced address:

fk_customer_address(address_id)	address_id	address	address2	district	city_id	postal_code	phone
5	1913 Hanoi Way		Nagasaki	463	35200	2830338429	

If necessary, you can switch to the transposed view. This is when the rows and columns are interchanged. Thus, for a row, the cells are shown one beneath the other.

first_name	last_name	address_id	email
MARY	SMITH	5	MARY.SMITH@sakilacustomer.org
PATRICIA	JOHNSON	6	PATRICIA.JOHNSON@sakilacustomer.org

Documentation for [1x2]

Regular View

Column	1
first_name	MARY
last_name	SMITH
address_id	5
email	MARY.SMITH@sakilacustomer.org

To open the quick documentation view, press `Ctrl+Q` or select Quick Documentation from the View or the context menu.

To switch to the transposed view, click Transposed View . See also, [Transposing the table](#) .

To close the quick documentation view, press `Escape` .

## Transposing the table

The transposed table view is available. In this view, the rows and columns are interchanged.

To turn this view on or off, click  on the toolbar and select Transpose . Alternatively, use the Transpose context menu command.

## Enabling coding assistance for a column

You can assign a column one of the supported languages (e.g. SQL, HTML or XML): right-click the corresponding header cell, select Edit As and select the language. As a result, you get coding assistance for the selected language in all the cells of the corresponding column.

You can also assign a language to an [individual cell](#) .

## Selecting cells and ranges: using unobvious techniques

Adding cells with the same contents. Select a cell. Now, to add the nearest cell with the same contents to the selection, press `Alt+J` . (When looking for the corresponding cell, IntelliJ IDEA moves down.) Each next press of `Alt+J` will add another cell to the selection.

To remove the cells from the selection one by one - starting from the last selected cell - use `Shift+Alt+J` .

If a number of cells in the same row are initially selected, `Alt+J` and `Shift+Alt+J` work the same way.

Expanding a selection: cell - column - row - table. Select a cell. Now, to select all the cells in the current column, press `Ctrl+W` . The second press of `Ctrl+W` cancels the selection of the column and selects all the cells in the current row. Finally, the third press of `Ctrl+W` selects the whole table.

`Ctrl+W` works similarly if a number of cells or a range is initially selected.

## Modifying cell contents

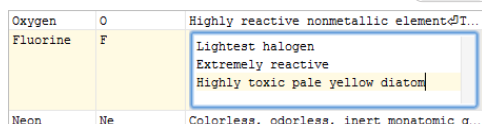
You can modify values in the table cells and, if appropriate, upload files.

1. To start editing a value or uploading a file, do one of the following:

- Double-click the corresponding table cell.
- Right-click the cell and select Edit or Edit Maximized from the context menu.
- Select the cell and press `F2` or `Shift+Enter` . In the latter case, the cell will be maximized.
- Select the cell and start typing. Note that in this case the initial cell contents are deleted right away and is replaced with the typed value.

2. When in the editing mode, you can:

- Modify the value right in the cell. To start a new line, use `Ctrl+Enter` . To enter the value, press `Enter` . To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press `Escape` .

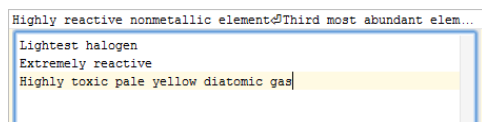


Oxygen	O	Highly reactive nonmetallic element of T...
Fluorine	F	Lightest halogen Extremely reactive Highly toxic pale yellow diatom
Neon	Ne	Colorless, odorless, inert monatomic g...

- Use value completion. Press `Ctrl+Space` to open the suggestion list. The list contains the values from the current column that match your input.

- Maximize the cell if you need more room for editing. To do that, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+M` , or right-click the cell and select Maximize .

When working in a maximized cell, use `Enter` to start a new line and `Ctrl+Enter` to enter the value. To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press `Escape` .

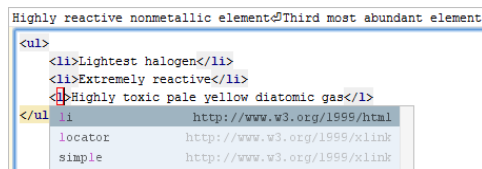


Highly reactive nonmetallic element of Third most abundant elem...
Lightest halogen Extremely reactive Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas

- Upload a file into the field (e.g. to replace an existing file with a new one). To do that, right-click the cell and select Load File . Then select the necessary file in the dialog that opens.

If a field can contain text, this function can be used to insert the contents of a text file into the field.

- Replace the current value with the default one or `null` (if appropriate). To do that, right-click the cell and select Set DEFAULT or Set NULL .
- Edit a value in the cell as a fragment in one of the supported languages (e.g. SQL, HTML or XML). To do that, right-click the cell, select Edit As and select the language. As a result, you get coding assistance for the language you have selected.



Highly reactive nonmetallic element of Third most abundant element
<ul> <li>Lightest halogen</li> <li>Extremely reactive</li> <li>Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas</li> </ul>
locator http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml simple http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml

3. To complete the task, you may want to submit the changes. See [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .


## Modifying values in a number of cells at once

You can modify a value in a number of cells at once:


1. Select the range or ranges of interest.
2. Start editing the value: select Edit from the context menu, press `F2` or simply start typing. The changes are applied to all the selected cells only if those cells can contain the same value.
3. To enter the value, press `Enter` . To cancel editing, press `Escape` .

4. To complete the task, you may want to submit the changes. See [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .

## Adding a row

If  on the toolbar is enabled, you can add rows to the table.

1. To start adding a row, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and select Add New Row from the context menu.
- Press `Alt+Insert` .


Note that the context menu Clone Row command ( `Ctrl+D` ) can be used as an alternative.

2. Enter the values into the cells. For instructions, see [Modifying cell contents](#) .

3. To save the new row, select Submit from the context menu or press `Ctrl+Enter` .

See also, [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .


## Deleting rows

If  on the toolbar is enabled, you can delete rows. To do that:

1. Select the row or rows that you want to delete.

Rows are selected by clicking the cells in the column where the row numbers are shown. To select more than one row, use mouse clicks in combination with the `Ctrl` key.

2. Do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Y` or `Delete` .

3. Submit the changes to the server or confirm you intention to delete the selected row or rows.

See also, [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .

## Submitting and reverting changes


IntelliJ IDEA lets you specify how the changes that you make to data in a table are submitted to the database server. There is the [Submit changes immediately option](#) for that.

By default, this option is off. So the changes are accumulated in IntelliJ IDEA unless you carry out the Submit command (  ) on the toolbar, Submit in the context menu or `Ctrl+Enter` . Before you submit the changes, you can revert them ( Revert in the context menu or `Ctrl+Z` ).

The changes for a table are submitted all at once.

The scope of the Revert command is defined by the current selection in a table: the command is applied only to the changes within the selection. So you can revert an individual change, a group of changes or all the changes.

If nothing is currently selected, the Revert command is applied to the whole table.

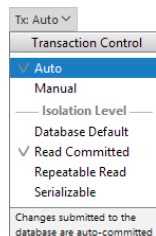
To revert the changes, if the [manual commit mode](#) is selected, you can also use  or the Rollback command.

Unsubmitted changes are highlighted. New rows are green, cells with changed values are blue, and the rows that are going to be deleted are gray.



If the Submit changes immediately option is on, the changes are submitted right-away, and, generally, you don't need to use the Submit command.

## Managing database transactions

You can select to commit transactions automatically or manually. To change the commit mode, use the Tx switch `Tx: Auto` on the toolbar.




If the commit mode is set to Auto , each change of a value, or adding or deleting a row - [when submitted to the database server](#) - is implicitly committed and cannot be rolled back.

If the commit mode is set to Manual , the changes you have submitted to the server can be explicitly committed or rolled back by means of  or  on the toolbar, or the Commit or the Rollback context menu command.

The Tx switch can also be used for selecting the [isolation level](#) for the transactions.

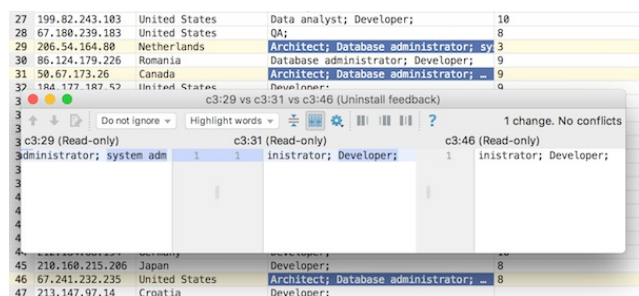
## Comparing tables

You can compare the current table with any other table which is open in a data editor or shown in the Database Console tool window. To do that, click  on the toolbar and select the table of interest.



The comparison results are shown in the [differences viewer](#) .



To compare contents of two or three cells within one table, select them and press `Ctrl+Shift+D` or select Compare Cells from the context menu.



## Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file

When copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file, the data are converted into one of the available output formats. This can be SQL `INSERT` or `UPDATE` statements, [TSV or CSV](#) , an HTML table or [JSON](#) data. See [Specifying data output format and options](#) .

To copy or save the data, use:

- Copy (available in the Edit and the context menu, the keyboard equivalent is `Ctrl+C` ). This command copies the data for the selected cells onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To Clipboard (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command copies the data for the whole table onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To File (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command saves the data for the whole table in a file. Before actually saving the data, the dialog is shown which lets you select the output format and see how your data will look in a file.

## Copying and pasting data: data types are converted if necessary

You can copy (`Ctrl+C` ) and paste (`Ctrl+V` ) selected cells and ranges of cells - within the same table or from one table to another one. When pasting, IntelliJ IDEA converts data types automatically if and as necessary.

## Specifying data output format and options

To specify the output format and options for the Copy and Dump Data commands (see [Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file](#) ), do one of the following:

- Click `Tab-se...d (TSV)` on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and point to Data Extractor: <current\_format> .

In the menu that opens, the output formats are in the upper part: SQL Inserts , SQL Updates , etc. (The options that look like file names are also the output formats or, to be more exact, the scripts that implement corresponding data converters.)

The output option are:


- Allow Transposition. This option affects only delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV). If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. `Ctrl+C` ), the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.
- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). This is the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, auto-increment fields are not included.
- Add Table Definition (SQL). This is also the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, the table definition (CREATE TABLE) is added.

Additionally:

- Configure CSV Formats. This command opens the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- Go to Scripts Directory. This command lets you switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.

## Exporting the data to another table, schema or database

You can export the data to another table, schema or database:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select Export to Database from the context menu.
2. Select the target schema (a new table will be created) or table (the data will be added to the selected table).
3. In the [dialog that opens](#) , specify the data mapping info and the settings for the target table.

## Saving a LOB in a file


If a cell contains a [binary large object](#) (a.k.a. BLOB or LOB), you can save such a LOB in a file.

Right-click the cell that contains the LOB of interest and select Save LOB To File.

1. Right-click the cell that contains the LOB of interest and select **Save LOB To File**.
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the name and location of the destination file and click **OK**.

## Updating the table view

To refresh the table view, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and select **Reload Page** from the context menu.
- Press `Ctrl+F5`.

Use this function to:

- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.
- Apply the [Result set page size](#) setting after its change.

## Viewing the query

To see the query that was used to generate the table:

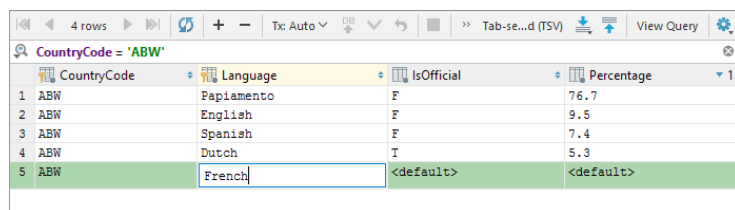
- Click **View Query** on the toolbar.
- If necessary, you can select the query text and copy it to the clipboard (`Ctrl+C`).

To close the pane where the query is shown, press `Escape`.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

## Overview


The data editor provides a GUI for working with table data. You can sort, filter, add, edit and remove the data as well as perform other, associated tasks.



	CountryCode	Language	IsOfficial	Percentage
1	ABW	Papiamentu	F	76.7
2	ABW	English	F	9.5
3	ABW	Spanish	F	7.4
4	ABW	Dutch	T	5.3
5	ABW	<input type="text" value="French"/>	<input type="text" value="&lt;default&gt;"/>	<input type="text" value="&lt;default&gt;"/>

## Opening a table in the data editor


In the [Database tool window](#), do one of the following:

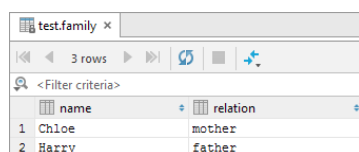
- Double-click the table of interest.
- Click the table and click  on the toolbar (if the toolbar is not currently hidden).
- Select the table and press **F4**.
- Right-click the table and select Open Editor from the context menu.

## Protecting a table from accidental modifications

To protect a table from accidental modifications in the data editor, you can make it read-only. To do that, click the padlock icon in the lower-right corner of IntelliJ IDEA workspace.



As a result, the icon appearance will change to , a padlock will appear on the corresponding editor tab, and you won't be able to make changes to the table.



	name	relation
1	Chloe	mother
2	Harry	father

To turn off the table's read-only status, click the padlock icon again.

Note that the tables with the read-only status in the data editor can still be modified when using the database consoles or in the Database tool window.

## Switching between subsets of rows




If only a subset of all the rows is currently shown, to switch between the subsets, use:

-  First Page
-  Previous Page (**Ctrl+Alt+Up**)
-  Next Page (**Ctrl+Alt+Down**)
-  Last Page

See also, [Making all rows visible simultaneously](#).

## Making all rows visible simultaneously

If you want all the rows to be shown simultaneously:

1. Click  on the toolbar and select Settings.
2. Switch to the Database | Data Views page, specify  in the Result set page size field, and click OK.
3. Click  or press **Ctrl+F5** to refresh the table view.

See also, [Updating the table view](#) and [Result set page size](#).

## Navigating to a specified row

To switch to a row with a specified number:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Press **Ctrl+G**.
  - Right-click the table and select Go To | Row from the context menu.
  - Select Navigate | Row from the main menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number and click OK.

## Navigating to related records

If a row references a record in a different table or is referenced in a different table, you can switch to the corresponding table

to see the related record or records.

To switch to a referenced row:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Press **Ctrl+B**.
  - Select **Go To | Referenced Data** from the context menu.
2. If more than one record is referenced, select the target record in the pop-up that appears.

To switch to a row that references the current one, or to see all the rows that reference the current one:


1. Do one of the following:
  - Press **Alt+F7**.
  - Select **Go To | Referencing Data** from the context menu.
2. Select the target in one of the following categories:
  - **First Referencing Row**. All the rows in the corresponding table will be shown and the first of the rows that references the current row will be selected.
  - **All Referencing Rows**. Only the rows that reference the current row will be shown.


The options described above can also be accessed by using one of the following:


- **F4**.
- **Go To | Related Data** in the context menu.
- **Navigate | Related Data** in the main menu.


## Sorting data

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.

Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this: . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.

If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance: . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)


When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order: .

Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is resorted. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled: .

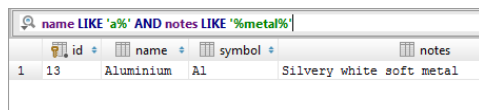
You can turn on the **Sort via ORDER BY** option, to enable sorting the data by the corresponding DBMS.

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#).


## Filtering data

1. If the filter box is not currently shown, click  on the toolbar and select **Row Filter**.
2. In the filter box, specify filtering conditions.

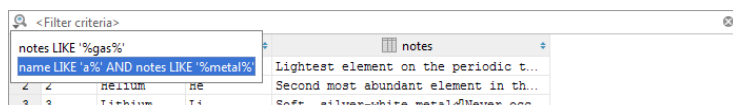
The filtering conditions are specified as in a **WHERE** clause but without the word **WHERE**, e.g. `name LIKE 'a%' AND notes LIKE '%metal%'`. Within the **LIKE** expressions, the SQL wildcards can be used: the percent sign (`%`) for zero or more characters and underscore (`_`) for a single character.



	id	name	symbol	notes
1	13	Aluminium	Al	Silvery white soft metal

To apply the conditions currently specified in the box, press **Enter**. To cancel filtering, click , or delete the contents of the filter box and press **Enter**.

To reapply a memorized filter, click  and select the filter in the list. See also, [Filter history size](#).



<Filter criteria>		notes
notes LIKE '%gas%'		
name LIKE 'a%' AND notes LIKE '%metal%'		Lightest element on the periodic t...
2 2 Helium He		Second most abundant element in th...
3 3 Lithium Li		Soft, silver-white metal; Never occ...

## Using quick filtering options

In addition to specifying filtering conditions manually (see [Filtering data](#)), you can use quick filtering options.

Available as context menu commands, these options are a set of filtering conditions for the current column name. The conditions themselves depend on the value in the current cell.

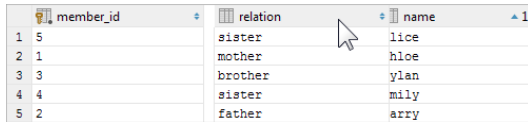
To use a quick filtering option:

1. Right-click a cell of interest and point to **Filter by**.

2. Select the necessary condition from the list.

## Reordering columns

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row.



	member_id	relation	name
1	5	sister	lice
2	1	mother	hloe
3	3	brother	ylan
4	4	sister	mily
5	2	father	arry

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) .

## Hiding and showing columns

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column .

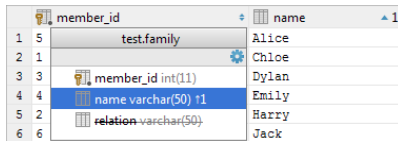
To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:

– Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List .

– Press `Ctrl+F12` .

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.




	member_id	name	relation
1	5	Alice	
2	1	Chloe	
3	3	Dylan	
4	4	Emily	
5	2	Harry	
6	6	Jack	

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press `Space` .

3. Press `Enter` or `Escape` to close the list.

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Restoring the initial table view

Click  on the toolbar and select Reset View to restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data. As a result, the data, generally, becomes unsorted, the columns appear in the order they are defined in the database, and all the columns are shown.

## Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns

When working with a data editor, the table structure view is available in the Structure tool window or as the corresponding popup.

The structure view shows the list of all the columns and lets you sort the data as well as hide and show the columns.

To open the Structure tool window, do one of the following:

– Select View | Tool Windows | Structure in the main menu.

– Click Structure on the left-hand [tool window bar](#) .

– Press `Alt+7` .

To open the structure popup, do one of the following:

– Right-click a cell in the table header row and select Column List .

– Press `Ctrl+F12` .

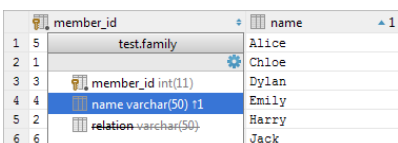
In the tool window or the popup, select the column of interest and do one of the following:

– To sort the data by this column in the ascending order, press `Shift+Alt+Up` . (In the tool window, you can, alternatively, select Sort | Ascending from the context menu.)

– To sort the data in the descending order, press `Shift+Alt+Down` . (In the tool window, alternatively, Sort | Descending .)

– To cancel sorting by this column, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` . (In the tool window, alternatively, Sort | Unsorted .)

– To hide the column (or show a hidden column), press `Space` . (The names of hidden columns are shown struck through. In the tool window, alternatively, the Hide Column or Show Column context menu command can be used.)



	member_id	name	relation
1	5	Alice	
2	1	Chloe	
3	3	Dylan	
4	4	Emily	
5	2	Harry	
6	6	Jack	

The shortcuts for sorting table data (`Shift+Alt+Up` , `Shift+Alt+Down` and `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` ) can be used in the data editor without opening the structure view.

See also, [Sorting data](#) , [Hiding and showing columns](#) and [Restoring the initial table view](#) .

## Using the quick documentation view

The quick documentation view provides details about the values in the selected cell or cells. For example, if a cell contains long text, normally, you can see only its beginning. The whole text is shown in the quick documentation view.

Most abundant pure element on Earth	Most abundant pure element on Earth
Highly reactive nonmetallic element	Highly reactive nonmetallic element
Lightest halogen	Lightest halogen
Colorless, odorless, inert monatomic gas	Third most abundant element in the universe
Soft, silver-white, highly reactive metal	Colorless gas or pale blue liquid
Alkaline earth metal	Extremely reactive
Silvery white soft metal	Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas
Crystalline, reflective with bluish-tint	

If a cell contains an image, you can see that image in the quick documentation view.

relation	picture
brother	120x120 PNG image 24.95K
brother	120x120 PNG image 22.32K
cat	120x120 PNG image 25.95K
father	120x120 PNG image 17.65K
mother	120x120 PNG image 27.38K
sister	120x120 PNG image 27.78K



You can also see the records referenced in the current record as well as the records that reference the current one.

first_name	last_name	address_id	email
MARY	SMITH	5	MARY.SMITH@sakilacustomer.org
PATRICIA	JOHNSON	6	PATRICIA.JOHNSON@sakilacustomer.org

Documentation for [1x2]

first_name	last_name
MARY	SMITH

Referenced address:

fk_customer_address(address_id)						
address_id	address	address2	district	city_id	postal_code	phone
5	1913 Hanoi Way		Nagasaki	463	35200	2830338429

If necessary, you can switch to the transposed view. This is when the rows and columns are interchanged. Thus, for a row, the cells are shown one beneath the other.

first_name	last_name	address_id	email
MARY	SMITH	5	MARY.SMITH@sakilacustomer.org
PATRICIA	JOHNSON	6	PATRICIA.JOHNSON@sakilacustomer.org

Documentation for [1x2]

Column	1
first_name	MARY
last_name	SMITH
address_id	5
email	MARY.SMITH@sakilacustomer.org


To open the quick documentation view, press `Ctrl+Q` or select Quick Documentation from the View or the context menu.

To switch to the transposed view, click Transposed View. See also, [Transposing the table](#).

To close the quick documentation view, press `Escape`.

## Transposing the table

The transposed table view is available. In this view, the rows and columns are interchanged.

To turn this view on or off, click  on the toolbar and select Transpose. Alternatively, use the Transpose context menu command.

## Enabling coding assistance for a column

You can assign a column one of the supported languages (e.g. SQL, HTML or XML): right-click the corresponding header cell, select Edit As and select the language. As a result, you get coding assistance for the selected language in all the cells of the corresponding column.

You can also assign a language to an [individual cell](#).

## Selecting cells and ranges: using unobvious techniques

Adding cells with the same contents. Select a cell. Now, to add the nearest cell with the same contents to the selection, press `Alt+J`. (When looking for the corresponding cell, IntelliJ IDEA moves down.) Each next press of `Alt+J` will add another cell to the selection.

To remove the cells from the selection one by one - starting from the last selected cell - use `Shift+Alt+J`.

If a number of cells in the same row are initially selected, `Alt+J` and `Shift+Alt+J` work the same way.

Expanding a selection: cell - column - row - table. Select a cell. Now, to select all the cells in the current column, press

**Ctrl+W** . The second press of **Ctrl+W** cancels the selection of the column and selects all the cells in the current row.

Finally, the third press of **Ctrl+W** selects the whole table.

**Ctrl+W** works similarly if a number of cells or a range is initially selected.

## Modifying cell contents

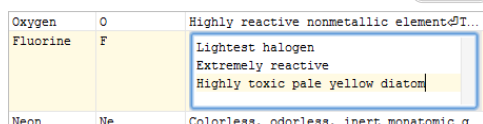
You can modify values in the table cells and, if appropriate, upload files.

1. To start editing a value or uploading a file, do one of the following:

- Double-click the corresponding table cell.
- Right-click the cell and select Edit or Edit Maximized from the context menu.
- Select the cell and press **F2** or **Shift+Enter** . In the latter case, the cell will be maximized.
- Select the cell and start typing. Note that in this case the initial cell contents are deleted right away and is replaced with the typed value.

2. When in the editing mode, you can:

- Modify the value right in the cell. To start a new line, use **Ctrl+Enter** . To enter the value, press **Enter** . To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press **Escape** .

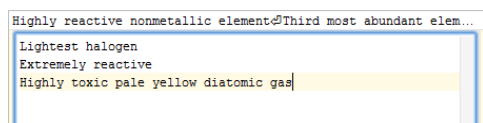


Oxygen	O	Highly reactive nonmetallic element
Fluorine	F	Lightest halogen Extremely reactive Highly toxic pale yellow diatom
Neon	Ne	Colorless, odorless, inert monatomic gas

- Use value completion. Press **Ctrl+Space** to open the suggestion list. The list contains the values from the current column that match your input.

- Maximize the cell if you need more room for editing. To do that, press **Ctrl+Shift+Alt+M** , or right-click the cell and select Maximize .

When working in a maximized cell, use **Enter** to start a new line and **Ctrl+Enter** to enter the value. To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press **Escape** .

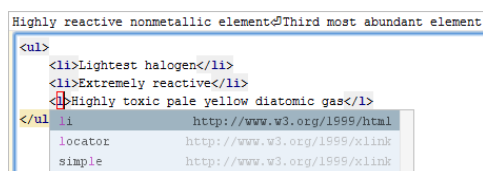


Highly reactive nonmetallic element	Third most abundant element
Lightest halogen	
Extremely reactive	
Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas	

- Upload a file into the field (e.g. to replace an existing file with a new one). To do that, right-click the cell and select Load File . Then select the necessary file in the dialog that opens.

If a field can contain text, this function can be used to insert the contents of a text file into the field.

- Replace the current value with the default one or `null` (if appropriate). To do that, right-click the cell and select Set DEFAULT or Set NULL .
- Edit a value in the cell as a fragment in one of the supported languages (e.g. SQL, HTML or XML). To do that, right-click the cell, select Edit As and select the language. As a result, you get coding assistance for the language you have selected.



Highly reactive nonmetallic element	Third most abundant element
<ul>	
<li>Lightest halogen</li>	
<li>Extremely reactive</li>	
<li>Highly toxic pale yellow diatomic gas</li>	
</ul>	
locator	http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml
simple	http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml

3. To complete the task, you may want to submit the changes. See [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .

## Modifying values in a number of cells at once

You can modify a value in a number of cells at once:

1. Select the range or ranges of interest.
2. Start editing the value: select Edit from the context menu, press **F2** or simply start typing. The changes are applied to all the selected cells only if those cells can contain the same value.
3. To enter the value, press **Enter** . To cancel editing, press **Escape** .
4. To complete the task, you may want to submit the changes. See [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .

## Adding a row

If **+** on the toolbar is enabled, you can add rows to the table.

1. To start adding a row, do one of the following:

- Click **+** on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and select Add New Row from the context menu.
- Press **Alt+Insert** .


Note that the context menu Clone Row command ( **Ctrl+D** ) can be used as an alternative.

2. Enter the values into the cells. For instructions, see [Modifying cell contents](#) .


3. To save the new row, select Submit from the context menu or press **Ctrl+Enter** .

See also, [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .




## Deleting rows

If  on the toolbar is enabled, you can delete rows. To do that:

1. Select the row or rows that you want to delete.

Rows are selected by clicking the cells in the column where the row numbers are shown. To select more than one row, use mouse clicks in combination with the  key.

2. Do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press  or .

3. Submit the changes to the server or confirm you intention to delete the selected row or rows.

See also, [Submitting and reverting changes](#).

## Submitting and reverting changes


IntelliJ IDEA lets you specify how the changes that you make to data in a table are submitted to the database server. There is the [Submit changes immediately option](#) for that.

By default, this option is off. So the changes are accumulated in IntelliJ IDEA unless you carry out the Submit command  on the toolbar, Submit in the context menu or . Before you submit the changes, you can revert them ( Revert in the context menu or ).

The changes for a table are submitted all at once.

The scope of the Revert command is defined by the current selection in a table: the command is applied only to the changes within the selection. So you can revert an individual change, a group of changes or all the changes.


If nothing is currently selected, the Revert command is applied to the whole table.

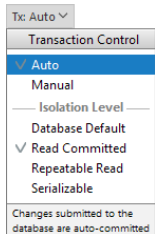
To revert the changes, if the [manual commit mode](#) is selected, you can also use  or the Rollback command.

Unsubmitted changes are highlighted. New rows are green, cells with changed values are blue, and the rows that are going to be deleted are gray.



If the Submit changes immediately option is on, the changes are submitted right-away, and, generally, you don't need to use the Submit command.

## Managing database transactions

You can select to commit transactions automatically or manually. To change the commit mode, use the Tx switch  on the toolbar.




If the commit mode is set to Auto, each change of a value, or adding or deleting a row - [when submitted to the database server](#) - is implicitly committed and cannot be rolled back.


If the commit mode is set to Manual, the changes you have submitted to the server can be explicitly committed or rolled back by means of  or  on the toolbar, or the Commit or the Rollback context menu command.

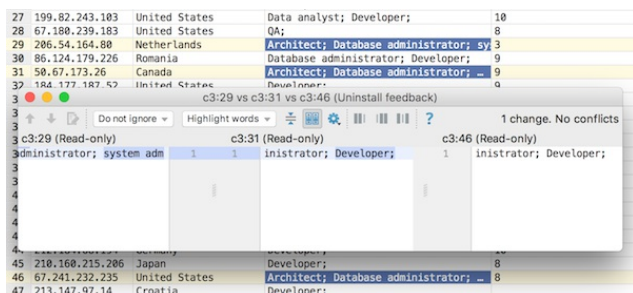
The Tx switch can also be used for selecting the [isolation level](#) for the transactions.

## Comparing tables

You can compare the current table with any other table which is open in a data editor or shown in the Database Console tool window. To do that, click  on the toolbar and select the table of interest.

The comparison results are shown in the [differences viewer](#).

To compare contents of two or three cells within one table, select them and press  or select Compare Cells from the context menu.







## Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file

When copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file, the data are converted into one of the available output formats. This can be SQL `INSERT` or `UPDATE` statements, [TSV or CSV](#), an HTML table or [JSON](#) data. See [Specifying data output format and options](#).

To copy or save the data, use:

- Copy (available in the Edit and the context menu, the keyboard equivalent is `Ctrl+C`). This command copies the data for the selected cells onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To Clipboard (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command copies the data for the whole table onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To File (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command saves the data for the whole table in a file. Before actually saving the data, the dialog is shown which lets you select the output format and see how your data will look in a file.

## Copying and pasting data: data types are converted if necessary

You can copy (`Ctrl+C`) and paste (`Ctrl+V`) selected cells and ranges of cells - within the same table or from one table to another one. When pasting, IntelliJ IDEA converts data types automatically if and as necessary.

## Specifying data output format and options

To specify the output format and options for the Copy and Dump Data commands (see [Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file](#)), do one of the following:

- Click `Tab-separated (TSV)` on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and point to Data Extractor: `<current_format>`.

In the menu that opens, the output formats are in the upper part: SQL Inserts, SQL Updates, etc. (The options that look like file names are also the output formats or, to be more exact, the scripts that implement corresponding data converters.)

The output options are:


- Allow Transposition. This option affects only delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV). If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. `Ctrl+C`), the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.
- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). This is the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, auto-increment fields are not included.
- Add Table Definition (SQL). This is also the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, the table definition (CREATE TABLE) is added.

Additionally:

- Configure CSV Formats. This command opens the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- Go to Scripts Directory. This command lets you switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.

## Exporting the data to another table, schema or database

You can export the data to another table, schema or database:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Select Export to Database from the context menu.
2. Select the target schema (a new table will be created) or table (the data will be added to the selected table).
3. In the [dialog that opens](#), specify the data mapping info and the settings for the target table.


## Saving a LOB in a file

If a cell contains a [binary large object](#) (a.k.a. BLOB or LOB), you can save such a LOB in a file.

1. Right-click the cell that contains the LOB of interest and select Save LOB To File.
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the name and location of the destination file and click OK.

## Updating the table view

To refresh the table view, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and select Reload Page from the context menu.
- Press `Ctrl+F5`.

Use this function to:

- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.
- Apply the [Result set page size](#) setting after its change.

## Viewing the query

To see the query that was used to generate the table:

– Click View Query on the toolbar.

If necessary, you can select the query text and copy it to the clipboard ( `Ctrl+C` ).

To close the pane where the query is shown, press `Escape` .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can run an SQL file as a whole. You can also execute individual statements contained in an SQL file.

– [Running an SQL file](#)

– [Executing individual statements](#)

## Running an SQL file

When running an SQL script file as a whole:

- You don't need to open the file in the editor. You can select the necessary file in the Project tool window.
- You can run the file for more than one data source at once.

On the other hand:

- The statements with parameters won't run.
- Retrieved data for the `SELECT` statements won't be shown.

To run an SQL file:

1. Select the necessary SQL file in the Project tool window, or open the file in the editor.

2. Do one of the following:

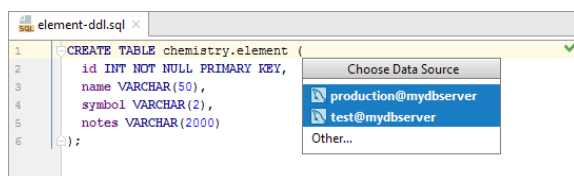
– Select Run "<file\_name>" from the context menu.

– Press `Ctrl+Shift+F10`.

3. In the Choose Data Source pop-up, click the data source to which the script should be applied.

If you want to run the script for more than one data source, select the data sources of interest in the pop-up and press

`Enter`.



## Executing individual statements

When running individual statements contained in an SQL file:

- The statements can contain parameters. Prior to running such statements IntelliJ IDEA will ask you to specify the parameter values.

On the other hand:

- The statements are run for only one data source at a time.

To run a statement or statements:

1. Open the SQL file of interest in the editor.

2. Place the cursor within the statement you want to execute.

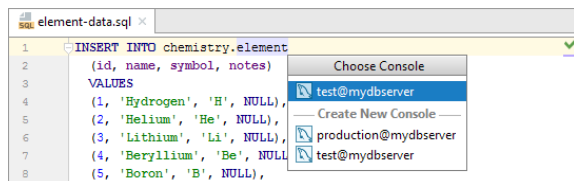
If you want to run more than one statement, select (highlight) the necessary statements.

3. Do one of the following:

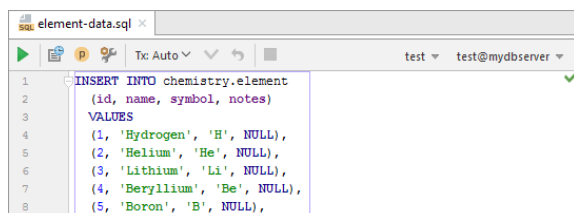
– Press `Ctrl+Enter` or select Execute from the context menu.

– Press `Alt+Enter` or click , and select Run query in console.

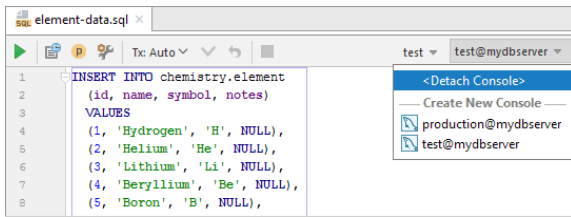
4. Select the database console to be used.



The statement or statements are executed using the selected console. The corresponding console is associated with the file. The name of the associated console is shown in the right-hand part of the toolbar.



The console menu, lets you associate a different console with the file, or remove the association between the file and the console ( `<Detach Console>` ).



The screenshot shows a code editor window titled "element-data.sql". The editor contains the following SQL code:

```
1 INSERT INTO chemistry.element
2 (id, name, symbol, notes)
3 VALUES
4 (1, 'Hydrogen', 'H', NULL),
5 (2, 'Helium', 'He', NULL),
6 (3, 'Lithium', 'Li', NULL),
7 (4, 'Beryllium', 'Be', NULL),
8 (5, 'Boron', 'B', NULL),
```

A context menu is open over the code, with the following options:


- <Detach Console>
- Create New Console —
- production@mydbserver
- test@mydbserver

The IDE interface includes a toolbar with icons for running, saving, and undo/redo, and a status bar at the bottom showing "test" and "test@mydbserver".

**Tip** You can associate a console with a file by using the Attach Console context menu command in the editor or in the Project tool window.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can [inject](#) an SQL statement into a string literal and then run that statement:

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the corresponding string literal.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+Enter` .
  - Press `Alt+Enter` and select Run query in console .
  - Click  and select Run query in console .
3. If asked, select the [database console](#) to be used.
4. If the statement contains parameters, specify the parameter values.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when IntelliJLang, Database Tools and SQL plugins are installed and enabled!

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

For language injections in SQL, IntelliJ IDEA provides the following additional features (for general info, see [Using Language Injections](#)):

- Auto-injection for XML and JSON data types, see [Using auto-injection for XML and JSON](#).
- Data type patterns, see [Using pattern-based injections for user-defined data types](#).

## Using auto-injection for XML and JSON

For values defined as XML and JSON types, the corresponding languages are injected automatically.

Example

1. Create an SQL file and open it in the editor.
2. Specify PostgreSQL as an SQL dialect for that file.
3. Copy the following into your SQL file:

```
CREATE TABLE test (  
  my_xml XML DEFAULT ''  
);
```

4. Place the cursor between the quotation marks.
5. Check the light bulb menu ([Alt+Enter](#)): there is the Edit XML Fragment command there which means that XML has been auto-injected.

## Using pattern-based injections for user-defined data types

You can create patterns - e.g. for user-defined data types - and associate those patterns with languages. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA, when it comes across a data type that matches the pattern, will inject the language specified for that pattern.

In the following example, we'll create a pattern for a data type ending in `DATA` and associate that pattern with XML.

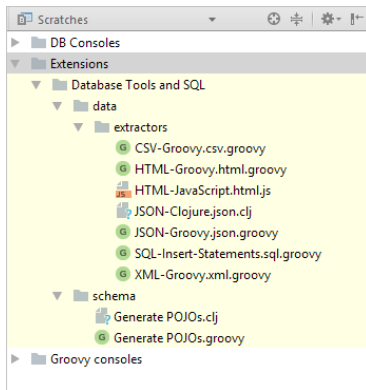
Example

1. In your SQL file, replace `XML` with `MYDATA`.
2. Place the cursor between the quotation marks.
3. Press [Alt+Enter](#). Note that there is no more Edit XML Fragment command in the menu. Select Inject by Type, and then select XML (XML files).
4. In the dialog that opens, in the Type pattern field, specify `(?i).*DATA`. (The type patterns are specified using regular expressions. In this example, `(?i)` turns the case-insensitive mode on; `.*` stands for any number of any characters.)
5. Check the light bulb menu again ([Alt+Enter](#)). The Edit XML Fragment command has become available which means that XML has been injected for the value of the `MYDATA` type.
6. To remove the pattern you have just created (if you don't need it), open the Settings / Preferences dialog (e.g. [Ctrl+Alt+S](#)), go to the Editor | Language Injections page, find and delete the pattern.

You can extend the functionality of your database tools by writing scripts in Groovy, Clojure and JavaScript.

## Example scripts

The IntelliJ IDEA distribution includes example extension scripts which you can access using the Scratches view of the Project tool window.



The `Extensions/Database Tools and SQL/data/extractors` folder contains the scripts that convert table data into CSV, HTML, JSON, SQL INSERTs and XML formats (see e.g. [Specifying data output format and options](#) ).

The `Extensions/Database Tools and SQL/schema` folder contains the scripts that generate a Java entity class for a table (see [Generating Java entity classes for tables and views](#) ).

IntelliJ IDEA supports developing, running, and debugging [Dart](#) web and command-line applications providing code completion, error and syntax highlighting, code inspections and quick-fixes, search and navigation, refactoring, and much more. IntelliJ IDEA also integrates with the [pub tool](#) and the [Dart Analysis Server](#) .

**Warning:** Before you start, install and activate the Dart repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Downloading the Dart tools

**Tip** Dart SDK contains all the tools for developing both command-line and web Dart applications.

1. Download and install the [Dart SDK](#) .

The Dart SDK incorporates the [Dart Virtual Machine](#) , the [Dart Libraries](#) , as well as all the command line tools, including compilers ([dart2js](#) and [dartdevc](#) ) and the [pub](#) tool.

2. For web development, optionally download the [Dartium browser](#) .

This browser provides native Dart support so you can run and debug Dart code without previously compiling it into JavaScript.

Learn more about the Dart development tools from [Dart Official website](#) .

## Creating a new Dart application

If you have no application yet, you can generate a IntelliJ IDEA project with Dart-specific structure from a [Stagehand template](#) . Alternatively, create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project and configure Dart support in it as described in [Starting with an existing Dart application](#) below.

**Tip** Dart SDK is configured for each project separately. This means that you can have several Dart SDKs in IntelliJ IDEA and switch between them from one project to another.

– Dartium is configured globally, see [Web Browsers](#) .

### To create a Dart project from a Stagehand template

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Dart in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, specify the paths to the Dart SDK and optionally to the Dartium executable file (Windows and Linux)/Dartium application (macOS). IntelliJ IDEA detects and displays the **Dart version** .  
To have a sample application created in the project, select the Generate sample content checkbox and choose the relevant Stagehand template from the list below. If you clear the checkbox, IntelliJ IDEA creates an empty project.  
  
Click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored. When you click Finish , IntelliJ IDEA sets up the project structure and generates some sources based on the selected Stagehand template.

### To create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, again choose Static Web and click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project folder and name and click Finish .

## Starting with an existing Dart application

If you are going to continue developing an existing Dart application, open it in IntelliJ IDEA, configure Dart in it, and download the required dependencies as described in [Managing Dart dependencies](#) below.

### If the application sources are already on your machine

Click Open on the Welcome screen or choose File | Open on the main menu. In the dialog that opens, select the folder where your sources are stored.

### If the application sources are under version control

1. Click Check out from Version Control on the Welcome screen or choose VCS | Check out from Version Control on the main menu.
2. Select your version control system from the list.
3. In the VCS-specific dialog that opens, type your credentials and the repository to check out the application sources from.



To configure Dart support in an existing project

1. In Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), choose Dart under Languages and Frameworks . The [Dart page](#) opens.
2. Select the Enable Dart support for the project <project name> checkbox.
3. In the Dart SDK Path text box, specify the location of the downloaded **Dart SDK** . Type the path manually or click `...` and choose the path in the dialog box that opens. If IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the Dart SDK correctly, its revision number is displayed in the Version read-only field.
4. For Dart web development: optionally specify the location of the Dartium executable (Windows and Linux)/Dartium application (macOS). Type the path manually or click `...` and choose the path in the dialog box that opens. Learn more about Dart web tools from the [Dart Official website](#) .
5. In the Enable Dart support for the following modules area, select the checkboxes next to the names of the modules where you need Dart support.

## Working with several Dart projects (packages) in one IntelliJ IDEA project

To attach a Dart project (package) to an existing IntelliJ IDEA project you need to add its root folder as a content root or as a new module.

To add a Dart project (package) to an existing IntelliJ IDEA project, do one of the following:

- Add a content root on the [Modules page](#) ( File | Project Structure | Modules ) as described in [Adding a content root](#) .
- Add a module to your project: choose File | New | Module from Existing Sources and select the relevant module in the dialog that opens.

## Using Pub

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [pub tool](#) and provides a Pub actions pane for running its actions such as installing dependencies or building the project from the editor.

IntelliJ IDEA logs execution of pub commands in the [Messages Tool Window](#) where you can also re-run the last executed command by clicking  on the toolbar.

**Tip** You can also use the tool in the command line mode from the [embedded local terminal](#) .

## Managing Dart dependencies

**Tip** Alternatively open `pubspec.yaml` in the editor or select it in the Project tool window and invoke **pub** actions from the context menu of the selection.

As soon as you open a `pubspec.yaml` file in the editor, IntelliJ IDEA displays a Pub actions pane at the top of the `pubspec.yaml` editor tab. Use the links on this pane to invoke [pub get](#) , [pub upgrade](#) , and [pub cache repair](#) actions.

The **pub** tool saves the downloaded packages in the cache and creates a `.packages` file and a `pubspec.lock` file next to the `pubspec.yaml` file.

## Building a Dart application

**Tip** The term **minification** or **compression** in the context of JavaScript means removing all unnecessary characters, such as **spaces** , **new lines** , **comments** without changing the functionality of the source code.

You can also run the [pub build](#) action from the Pub actions pane in the editor.

To build a Dart application

1. Open the `pubspec.yaml` file in the editor or switch to the tab where it is opened.
2. On the Pub actions pane at the top of the tab, click Build .
3. In the dialog box that opens, choose the build mode which determines the behaviour of the compiler:
  - Release: choose this option to minify the generated JavaScript code. In the **Release** mode, the source `.dart` files are not included in the build output. This mode is applicable when you are going to publish your application.
  - Debug: choose this option if you do not want to compress the generated JavaScript. In this mode, the generated JavaScript files are included in the build output without compression, as well as the source `.dart` files.
  - Other: choose this option if you want to use a custom build mode.

## Running and debugging Dart command-line applications

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can run and debug Dart command line applications. IntelliJ IDEA supports two debugging modes:

- **Local debugging** : in this mode, your application is started from IntelliJ IDEA and is running locally on your computer. To run or debug it, use a Dart Command Line App configuration.
- **Debugging a remote application** : in this mode, your application is running in a remote environment, for example, in a Docker container. To debug it, use a Dart Remote Debug configuration.

## Running a Dart command-line application

1. Open the the Dart file to start the application from or select it in the [Project view](#) . This file must contain a `main()` method.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Run '<dart\_file\_name>' . IntelliJ IDEA generates a run/debug configuration of the type [Dart Command Line App](#) and launches your application with it.

## Debugging a Dart command-line application locally

1. [Configure and set breakpoints](#) in the Dart code.
2. Open the the Dart file to start the application from or select it in the [Project view](#) . This file must contain a `main()` method.
3. On the context menu of the selection, choose Debug '<dart\_file\_name>' . IntelliJ IDEA generates a run/debug configuration of the type [Dart Command Line App](#) and starts a debugging session with it.
4. In the [Debug Tool Window](#) that opens, [step through the program](#) , [stop and resume](#) program execution, [examine it when suspended](#) , etc.


## Debugging a remote Dart command-line application

If your application is running in a remote environment, for example, in a Docker container, you can debug it using a Dart Remote Debug configuration.

### To create a Dart Remote Debug run/debug configuration

1. On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations , click **+** and choose Dart Remote Debug from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Dart Remote Debug](#) opens.
2. In the Host field, specify the address of the computer where the Dart Virtual Machine is running, the default value is `localhost` .
3. Specify the port through which the debugger will connect to the remote application, the default value is `5858` . The specified port is shown in the Use the command line arguments when starting the remote VM read-only field. Note that a remote application must be started exactly with these arguments.
4. From the Search Sources in drop-down list, choose the Dart project to debug if your IntelliJ IDEA project contains [several Dart projects](#) configured as content roots.


### To launch a remote debugging session

1. Start a remote Dart application with the VM options from the Command line arguments for the remote Dart VM field in the [Dart Remote Debug](#) run configuration, for example, `--enable-vm-service:5858 --pause_isolates_on_start` . The application starts, immediately suspends thanks to the `--pause_isolates_on_start` argument, and waits for the debugger to connect.
2. Choose the newly created [Dart Remote Debug](#) configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list and click  .
3. In the [Debug Tool Window](#) that opens, [step through the program](#) , [stop and resume](#) program execution, [examine it when suspended](#) , etc.

## Running and debugging Dart web applications

You can run a Dart web application in any browser, while debugging is supported only in [Dartium](#) and Chrome. To run a Dart web application, open the main HTML file of your application in a browser. Debugging a Dart web application is initiated through a run configuration of the type [JavaScript Debug](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [pub serve](#) tool to compile Dart code into JavaScript if necessary. When you open a Dart web application in a browser, it normally starts with a built-in server URL like `http://localhost:63342/project-name/web/index.html` . However, the built-in server is not used to serve the application. Instead, IntelliJ IDEA automatically starts pub serve (on a random free port, e.g. `54321` ) and the browser page is redirected to the pub serve URL (like `http://localhost:54321/index.html` ).

The work of pub serve is logged in the dedicated Pub Serve tool window. The tool window opens when you start running or debugging a Dart web application for the first time during the current IntelliJ IDEA session. You can stop the tool by clicking  on the toolbar. When you start running or debugging again, pub serve restarts automatically.

## Running a Dart web application

**Tip** Alternatively, open the HTML file in the editor, press `Alt+F2` , and select a browser from the pop-up menu.

Open the HTML file with a Dart reference or select it in the [Project view](#) . On the context menu of the editor or selection, click Open in Browser and choose the required browser in the list.

## Debugging a Dart web application

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Tip** Make sure the port in this URL address is the same as the Built-in server port on the [Debugger](#) page and the port from the Chrome extension settings .


Debugging of Dart web applications is supported only in Dartium and Chrome. A debugging session is initiated via a run configuration of the type [JavaScript Debug](#) .

Before you start, configure the built-in debugger as described in [Configuring JavaScript Debugger](#) . To use the **Live Edit** functionality that shows the changes in your HTML and CSS in the browser on the fly, install the [JetBrains IDE Support](#) Chrome extension. Find more about that in [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#) .

#### To create a JavaScript Debug run/debug configuration

1. Open the HTML file that references Dart or select the file in the [Project view](#) .
2. On the context menu, choose **Create '<HTML\_file\_name>'** . The **Run/Debug Configuration: JavaScript Debug dialog** opens.
3. Choose the browser to debug the application in. If you choose Dartium which has a built-in Dart virtual machine, the Dart code is executed natively. If you choose Chrome, the Dart code is compiled into JavaScript through the [dart2js](#) or [dartdevc](#) tool.
4. The **URL** field already shows the URL address of the application in the format `http://localhost:<built-in server port>/<project-name>/<relative path to the HTML file>` . During a debugging session, the browser will be redirected from this URL to the pub serve URL.

#### To start debugging

1. [Configure and set breakpoints](#) in the Dart code.
2. Initiate a debugging session: choose the created run configuration from the Edit configurations drop-down list on the toolbar and click  . IntelliJ IDEA opens the specified URL in the chosen browser.
3. In the **Debug Tool Window** that opens, [step through the program](#) , [stop and resume](#) program execution, [examine it when suspended](#) , etc.

## Testing Dart applications

IntelliJ IDEA supports running and debugging Dart tests that are written using the [dart test package](#) . You can run tests on any [target platform](#) , debugging is supported only for VM tests.

You can run and debug single tests, test groups, as well as tests from entire files and folders. IntelliJ IDEA creates a run/debug configuration with the default settings and a launches the tests. You can later save this configuration for further re-use.

#### To run or debug a single test

Open the test file in the editor, right-click the call of the [test\(\) method](#) , and choose **Run '<test\_name>'** or **Debug '<test\_name>'** on the context menu.

#### To run or debug a group

Open the test file in the editor, right-click the call of the [group\(\) method](#) , and choose **Run '<group\_name>'** or **Debug '<group\_name>'** on the context menu.

**TIP** If a folder is selected, the test runner looks for tests only in the files with the names in the format `*_test.dart` .

#### To run or debug Dart tests from a file

In the [Project view](#) , select the file with the tests to run and choose **Run '<file\_name>'** or **Debug '<file\_name>'** on the context menu.



#### To run or debug Dart tests from a folder

In the [Project view](#) , select the folder with the tests to run and choose **Run '<folder\_name>'** or **Debug '<folder\_name>'** on the context menu.

#### To save an automatically generated default configuration

After a test session is over, choose **Save <default\_test\_configuration\_name>** on the context menu of the test, test group, test file, or folder.

#### To run or debug tests through a previously saved run/debug configuration

Choose the required **Dart Test** configuration from the list on the tool bar and click  or  .

## Preparing to use Docker

### 1. Download, install and start Docker

To download [Docker](#) and find out how to install and start it, see [Install Docker](#) .

### 2. Specify Docker connection settings

**Warning!** To be able to use Docker, you need the Docker integration [plugin](#) .

This plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, and should be installed separately, from the JetBrains plugin repository. See [Downloading and installing repository plugins](#) .

**Tip** The default setting `docker-machine` is fine if:

- The actual name of the executable file is `docker-machine` .
- The path to the directory where the file is located is included in the environment variable `Path` .

To specify an actual path to the executable file, click `...` and select the file in the dialog that opens.

1. Open the Settings / Preferences dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ) and go to the Docker page ( Build, Execution, Deployment | Docker ).

2. Click `+` .

3. The connection settings depend on your Docker version and operating system:

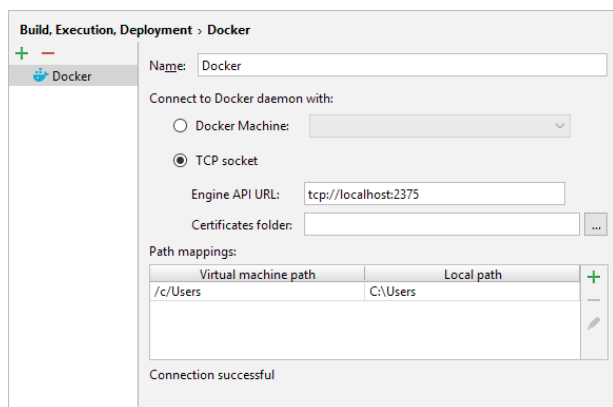
Docker for macOS:

- *Connect to Docker daemon with:* Docker for Mac

Docker for Windows:

- *Connect to Docker daemon with:* TCP socket
- *Engine API URL:* `tcp://localhost:2375`
- *Certificates folder:* This field must be empty.

**IMPORTANT!** In the General section of your Docker settings, turn on the Expose daemon on `tcp://localhost:2375` without TLS option.



Docker for Linux:

- *Connect to Docker daemon with:* Unix socket

Docker Toolbox for Windows or macOS:

- *Connect to Docker daemon with:* Docker Machine

The *Connection successful* message should appear right away. If it doesn't, check your Docker Machine executable setting on the Docker | Tools page.

For more info, see [Docker connection settings](#) .

4. If you are going to map container [volumes](#) onto local host folders, note that on Windows and macOS only the local folders specified in the Path mappings section will be available for corresponding bindings. For more info, see [Working with volume bindings](#) .

5. If you are going to use [Docker Compose](#) , go to the Tools page in the Docker section ( Build, Execution, Deployment | Docker | Tools ) and specify the location of your Docker Compose executable. The default setting `docker-compose` is fine if:



- The actual name of the executable file is `docker-compose` .
- The path to the directory where the file is located is included in the environment variable `Path` .

To specify an actual path to the executable file, click `...` and select the file in the dialog that opens.

6. Click OK in the Settings / Preferences dialog.

### 3. Connect to Docker

**Tip** For the Docker nodes, `D` on the toolbar and the Edit Configuration context menu command provide quick access to your Docker connection settings.



In the Docker tool window ( View | Tool Windows | Docker ), select a Docker node , and then click  or select Connect from the context menu.

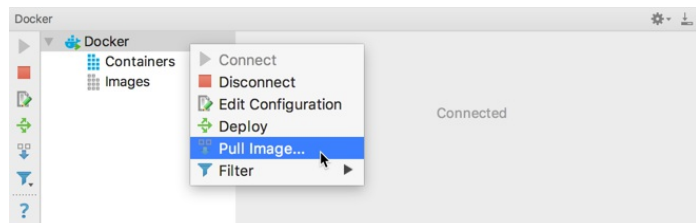


## Managing images

### Pulling an image

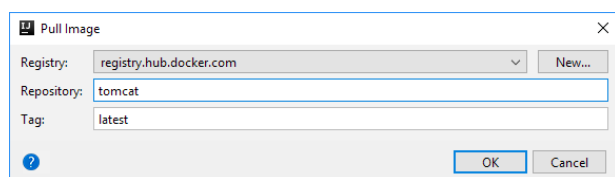
**Note** If pulling an image assumes user authentication, click New in the Pull Image dialog to create a Docker Registry configuration and [specify your Docker image repository user account info](#).

1. In the Docker tool window, select a Docker node  or the Images node, and then click  or select Pull image from the context menu.



2. In the dialog that opens, specify:

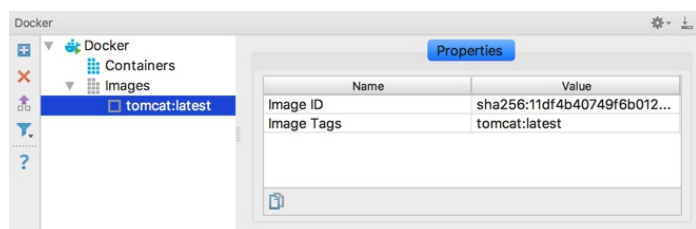
- Registry. The URL of the image repository service (by default, `registry.hub.docker.com` for [Docker Hub](#)) or a Docker Registry configuration.
- Repository. The image name.
- Tag. The image tag, e.g. `latest`.




You can also pull and run an image using a [Dockerfile](#), see [Running an image from a Dockerfile](#).

### Finding out the image ID

In the Docker tool window, select the image of interest. The image ID is shown on the Properties tab.



You can copy the image ID onto the clipboard by using the Copy image ID context menu command or  on the Properties tab.

### Hiding untagged images

Images with no tags ( `<none>: <none>` ) can be one of the following:

- *Intermediate images* serve as layers for other images and do not take up any space.
- *Dangling images* remain when you rebuild an image based on a newer version of another image.

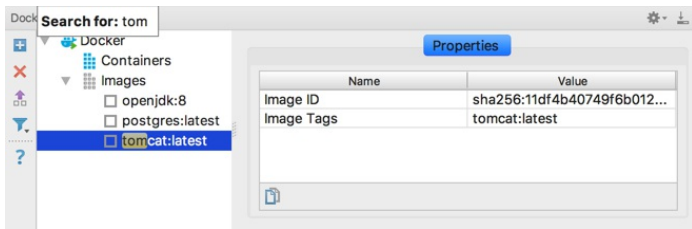
Dangling images should be pruned, because they take up space.

To hide untagged images, click the Filter menu on the Docker toolbar, and then click Show Untagged Images to remove the check mark.

### Finding local images by name or ID

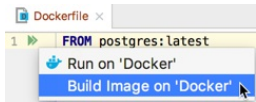
In the Docker tool window, you can search for images:

When in the leftmost pane, simply start typing. As a result, the text you have typed is highlighted in the names and IDs of the images and containers, if present.



## Building an image

Docker can build images by reading instructions from a [Dockerfile](#) . When the Dockerfile is open in the editor, click in the gutter and select to build the image on a specific Docker node.

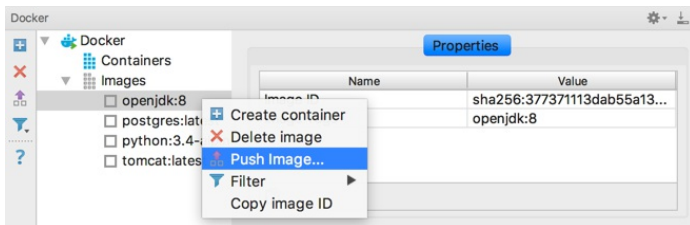


You can also build the image using `docker build` in the Terminal tool window ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ).

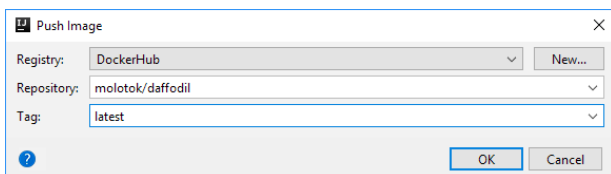
For information about running images, see [Running an image from a Dockerfile](#)

## Pushing an image

1. In the Docker tool window, select the image that you want to upload to an image repository, and then click or select Push image from the context menu.



2. If you haven't pushed to the corresponding repository yet, click New in the dialog that opens to create a Docker Registry configuration and [specify your image repository user account info](#) .
3. Specify the settings for the image that you are pushing:
  - Registry. The Docker Registry configuration to be used.
  - Repository. The name for the image that you are pushing.
  - Tag. The tag for the image that you are pushing.



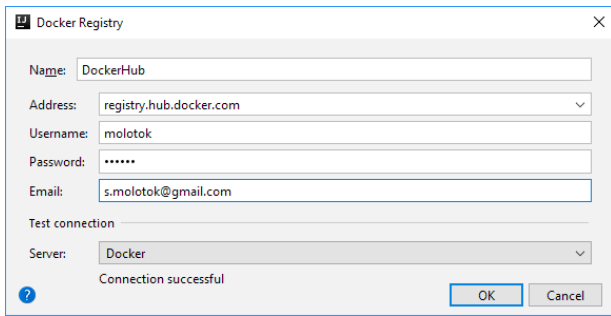
## Specifying your image repository user account info

**TIP** You can manage your Docker Registry configurations in the Settings / Preferences dialog: `Ctrl+Alt+S` | Build, Execution, Deployment | Docker Registry .

Pushing an image to an image repository and, for certain image repositories, also pulling an image from the repository requires your logging on to the corresponding server. Your image repository user account info that you have to provide in such cases is stored in what is called a Docker Registry configuration.

You can start creating a Docker Registry configuration when pulling or pushing an image by clicking New in the Pull image or the Push image dialog. Here are the Docker Registry configuration settings:

- Address. The image repository service URL (by default, `registry.hub.docker.com` for [Docker Hub](#) or `quay.io` for [Quay](#) ).
- Username and Password. The user name and password for your user account.
- Email. The email address that you specified when creating your user account.
- Server. The name for the associated [Docker connection settings](#) (usually, Docker ). They are used to connect to the service to check that your user account info is correct.



## Running images

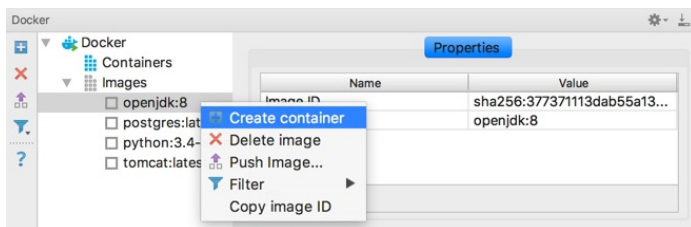
IntelliJ IDEA uses [run configurations](#) ( Run | Edit Configurations | ) to run Docker images. There are three types of Docker run configurations:

- Docker Image : Created automatically when you [run an image from the Docker tool window](#) . It must be a locally existing Docker image that you either [pulled](#) or [built](#) previously.
- Dockerfile : Created automatically when you [run an image from a Dockerfile](#) .
- Docker-compose : Created manually if you want to [run a multi-container Docker application](#) using [Docker Compose](#) .

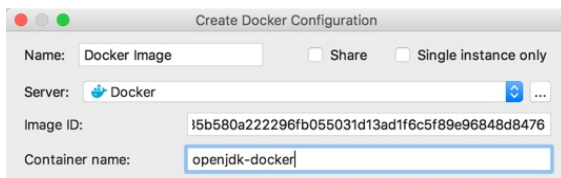
## Running an image from the Docker tool window

**Tip** If you already have a [Docker run configuration](#) for your image, the Create container popup, in addition to Create , will also have the name of that run configuration as an option. By selecting the run configuration name, you can run your image according to that run configuration.

1. In the Docker tool window, select the image of interest, and then click or select Create container from the context menu.



2. In the Create container popup, click Create .
3. In the Create Docker Configuration dialog that opens:
  - Image ID. Initially, this is the ID of the image for which you called the Create container command.
  - Container name. You can specify the name for the container that will be created or, otherwise, Docker will itself give your container a name.



4. Click Run .

## Running an image from a Dockerfile

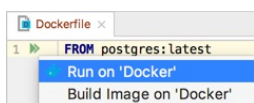
**Tip** In the Project tool window, for Dockerfiles, there are context menu commands that you may find useful:

Run 'Docker ...' runs the Dockerfile, creates a run configuration for it, and makes it current.

Save 'Docker ...' saves the run configuration.

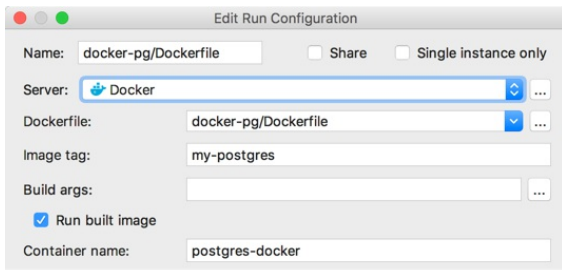
Select 'Docker ...' makes the run configuration for the Dockerfile current, so you can run it straight away by clicking .

1. Open your [Dockerfile](#) in the editor.
2. Click in the gutter and select to run the image on a specific Docker server. If there is an existing configuration for the image, you can run this configuration or edit it.



The main settings of a run configuration associated with a `Dockerfile` are:

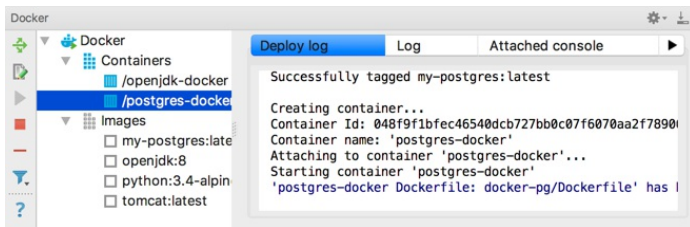
- Image Tag. Custom name and optional tag for the image that will be built, for example `my-image:latest` .
- Container Name. The name of the container that will be created. If omitted, Docker will itself give your container a name.



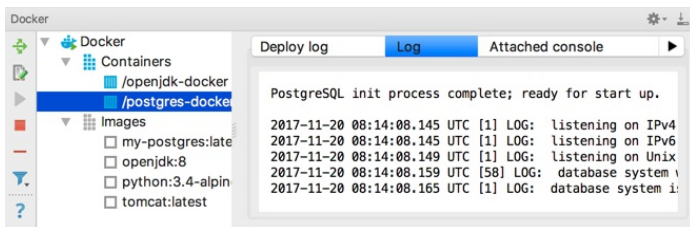
## Viewing logs

After an image is built and the corresponding container is started, select the container in the Docker tool window and open one of the following tabs in the right-hand pane:

- Deploy log shows log messages from the run configuration



- Log shows log messages from the running container



## Adding command-line options for the container

When running a container on the command line, the following syntax is used:

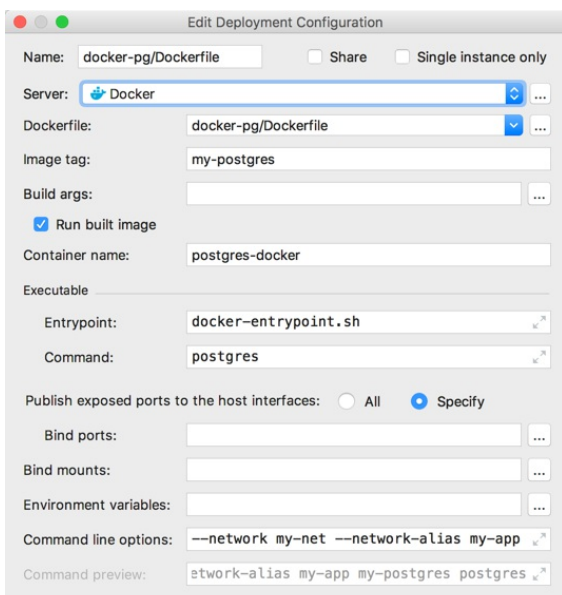
```
docker run [OPTIONS] IMAGE [COMMAND] [ARG...]
```

All optional parameters can be specified in the corresponding [Docker run configuration](#) fields.

- Options are specified in the Command line options field. In the previous screenshot, the container is connected to the `my-net` network and is assigned an alias `my-app`.

**Note** Not all `docker run` options are supported. If you would like to request support for some option, leave a comment in [IDEA-181088](#).

- Commands and arguments to be executed when starting the container are specified in the Entrypoint and Command fields. These fields override the corresponding `ENTRYPOINT` and `CMD` instructions in the Dockerfile. In the previous screenshot, when the container starts, it executes the `docker-entrypoint.sh` script with `postgres` as an argument.



The Command preview field shows the actual Docker command used for this run configuration.



You can also use the run configuration to bind [volumes](#) and [ports](#) , set [environment variables](#) and [build-time arguments](#) .

## Working with containers

### Running commands in a container

**Tip** As you run the commands, IntelliJ IDEA memorizes them. So you can rerun the commands by selecting them in the Run command in container popup.

You can run [docker exec](#) commands:

1. In the Docker tool window, right-click the container of interest and select Exec .
2. In the Run command in container popup, click Create .
3. In the dialog that opens, type the command and click OK . For

```
docker exec [OPTIONS] CONTAINER COMMAND [ARG...]
```

you need to specify only the

```
COMMAND [ARG...] part. For example:
```

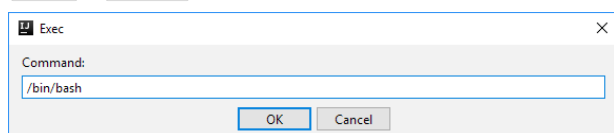
```
ls /tmp or mkdir /tmp/my-new-dir .
```

### Starting a Shell or Bash session in a container

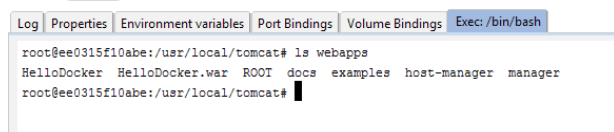
Use Exec as [described earlier](#) , i.e:

1. In the Docker tool window, right-click the container and select Exec | Create .
2. Type:

```
/bin/sh or /bin/bash
```




3. Press **Enter** or click OK .



**Tip** For Bash, instead of `/bin/bash` , try just `bash` .

### Finding out the container and image IDs

In the Docker tool window, select the container of interest. Its ID and the ID of its parent image are shown on the Properties tab.

You can copy the image ID, and the container ID and name onto the clipboard: select the corresponding row in the table and click  . As an alternative, you can use the Copy image ID and Copy container ID context menu commands.

### Renaming a container

**Note** As a result, the container is stopped and removed, and then re-created from scratch. The previous state of the container is effectively lost. The new container, most probably, will have a different ID.

1. In the Docker tool window, select the container of interest.
2. Select the Properties tab.
3. In the Container name field, specify a new name for your container, and click Save .

### Inspecting a container

**Tip** Use **Ctrl+F** to find the necessary information in the inspection result.

You can get detailed low-level information about a container in JSON format by running [docker inspect](#) :

In the Docker tool window, right-click the container of interest and select Inspect . The result is shown on the Inspection tab.

```

"NetworkSettings": {
  "Bridge": "",
  "SandboxID": "dbacd106e93c0f4ff76b32ba07bfb987e36af6de17d2787669262a172d909",
  "HairpinMode": false,
  "LinkLocalIPv6Address": "",
  "LinkLocalIPv6PrefixLen": 0,
  "Ports": {
    "8080/tcp": [ {
      "HostIp": "0.0.0.0",
      "HostPort": "8888"
    } ]
  }
},

```

## Showing container processes

To show the list of processes running in a container, right-click the container of interest in the Docker tool window and select Show processes . The result is shown on the Processes tab.

## Opening a console for an ENTRYPOINT process

To see the output of the [ENTRYPOINT](#) process running inside a container, you can attach to its `stdin/out` :

In the Docker tool window, right-click the container and select Attach . The console will open on the Attached console tab.

## Viewing the container log

**Tip** There is also the Show log context menu command that you may find useful.

When you select a container in the Docker tool window, the container log is shown on the Log tab.

## Stopping a container

In the Docker tool window, select the container, and then click or select Stop container from the context menu.

## Restarting a container

In the Docker tool window, select the container, and then click or select Redeploy from the context menu.

## Rerunning an image with different settings

1. In the Docker tool window, select the container in which the image of interest runs.
2. Click or select Edit Configuration from the context menu.
3. In the associated [Docker run configuration](#) that opens, edit the settings as necessary.
4. Click or select Redeploy from the context menu.

## Hiding stopped containers

By default, the Docker tool window displays all containers, including those that are not running. To hide stopped containers from the list, click the Filter menu on the Docker toolbar, and then click Show Stopped Containers to remove the check mark.

## Working with volume bindings

### Preparing for volume bindings on Windows and macOS

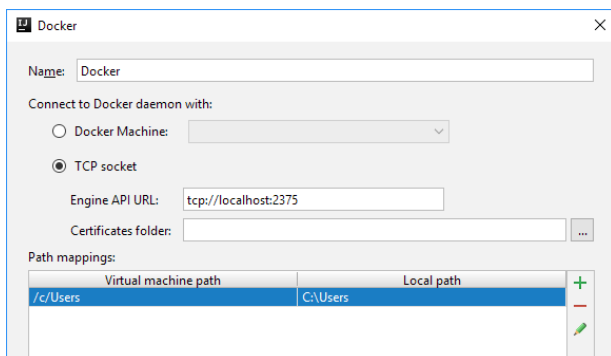
To be able to map host folders to container [volumes](#) on Windows or macOS, you should first specify corresponding path mappings:

**Warning!** If you are using Docker for Windows, you should start by enabling drive sharing:

Open your Docker settings, select the Shared Drives section and then select the drive (e.g. C ) that you want to make available to your containers.

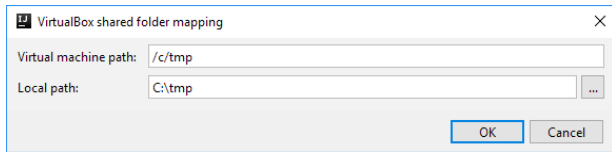
Once you've done that, restart Docker.

1. Open your Docker connection settings: in the Docker tool window, select the Docker node and click . Alternatively, `Ctrl+Alt+S` | Build, Execution, Deployment | Docker .
2. In the Path mappings section, select an existing mapping and click to edit it, or click to create a new mapping.



3. In the dialog that opens, specify the mapping:
  - Local path. The path to a local folder that you want to make available for volume bindings.

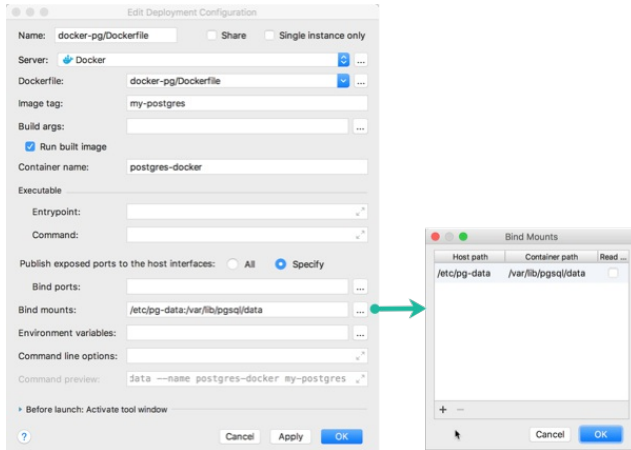
– Virtual machine path. This is the corresponding directory path in the Docker virtual machine's file system.



## Specifying volume bindings in a run configuration

Docker can mount a file or directory from the host machine to the container using the `-v` or `--volume` option. You can configure this in the [Docker run configuration](#) using the Bind mounts field.

In the Bind Mounts dialog, you can create a list of bindings by specifying the host directory and the corresponding path in the container where it should be mounted. Select Read only if you want to disable writing to the container volume.



The Bind mounts field shows the configured volume bindings. For example, if you want to mount some local PostgreSQL data directory ( `/etc/pg-data` ) to the PostgreSQL data directory inside the container ( `/var/lib/pgsql/data` ), this can be configured as illustrated on the previous screenshot.

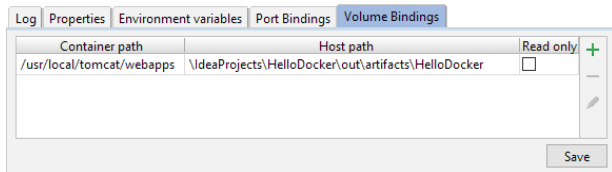
If you expand the Command preview field, you will see that the following line was added:

```
-v /etc/pg-data:/var/lib/pgsql/data
```

This can be used in the Command line options field instead of creating the list of volume bindings using the Bind Mounts dialog.

## Viewing and editing volume bindings for a running container

1. In the Docker tool window, select the container and then select the Volume Bindings tab.
2. To create a new binding, click `+`. To edit an existing one, select the binding and click `✎`.
3. Specify the settings as necessary.
4. To apply the changes, click `Save`.



**Note** As a result, the container is stopped and removed, and then re-created from scratch. The previous state of the container is effectively lost.  
Also note that the changes are not saved in the [corresponding run configuration](#). So, if you restart the container, e.g. `+`, the corresponding run configuration will be rerun, and the settings specified in that run configuration will be reapplied.

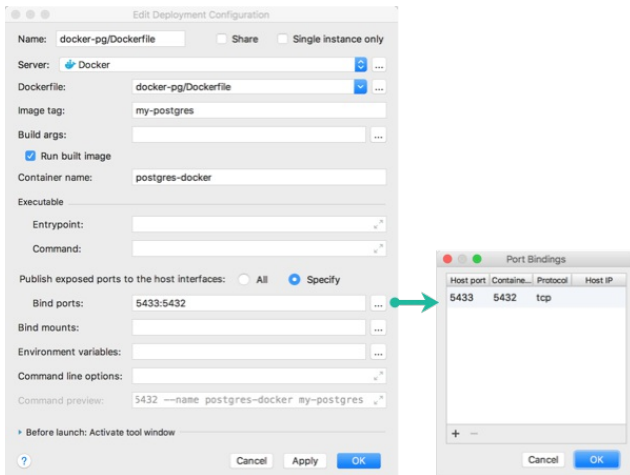
## Working with port bindings

You can specify the [port binding](#) settings in a [Docker run configuration](#). Then, when your container is running, you can [view and change these settings](#), and apply the changes.

## Specifying the port binding settings in a run configuration

Docker can map specific ports on the host machine to ports in the container using the `-p` or `--publish` option. This can be used to make the container accessible from outside. In the [Docker run configuration](#), you can select to expose all container ports to the host or use the Bind ports field to specify port mapping.

In the Port Bindings dialog, you can create a list of bindings by specifying which ports on the host should be mapped to which ports in the container. You can also provide a specific host IP from which the port should be accessible (for example, you can set it to `127.0.0.1` to make it accessible only locally, or set it to `0.0.0.0` to open it for all computers in your network).



The Bind ports field shows the configured port bindings. For example, if you already have PostgreSQL running on the Docker host port 5432, you can map port 5433 on the host to 5432 inside the container as illustrated on the previous screenshot. This will make PostgreSQL running inside the container accessible via port 5433 on the host.

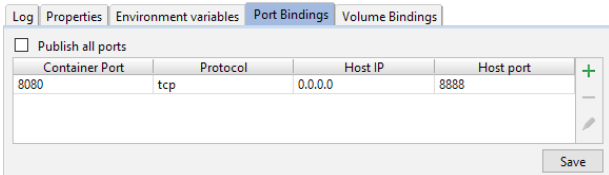
If you expand the Command preview field, you will see that the following line was added:

```
-p 5433:5432
```

This can be used in the Command line options field instead of creating the list of port bindings using the Port Bindings dialog.

### Viewing and editing the port binding settings for a running container

1. In the Docker tool window, select the container and then select the Port Bindings tab.
2. If the container was started with the Publish all ports option on, to see the port mappings, run the Inspect command from the container's context menu, and then search the result (`Ctrl+F`) for "Ports" .
3. To create a new binding, click `+`. To edit an existing one, select the binding and click `✎`. If the Publish all ports option is currently on, turn it off to be able to specify individual port mappings.
4. For each particular binding, specify the settings as necessary.
5. To apply the changes, click Save .



**Note** As a result, the container is stopped and removed, and then re-created from scratch. The previous state of the container is effectively lost. Also note that the changes are not saved in the corresponding run configuration . So, if you restart the container, e.g. `↺`, the corresponding run configuration will be rerun, and the settings specified in that run configuration will be reapplied.

### Working with environment variables

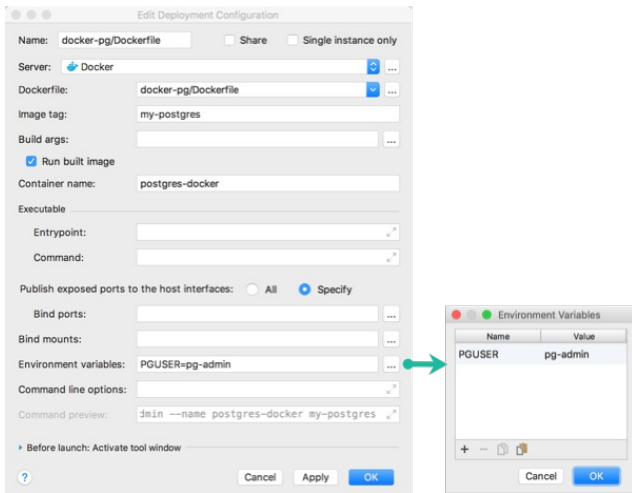
The environment variables are usually set in the [Dockerfile](#) associated with the base image that you are using. There are also the [environment variables that Docker sets automatically](#) for each new container.

In a [Docker run configuration](#) , you can specify additional variables and redefine the ones that Docker sets. At a later time, when your container is running, you can [view and edit](#) the existing variables, and create and set new ones.

### Specifying the environment variables in a run configuration

Docker can define environment variables for the container using the `-e` or `--env` option. You can configure this in the [Docker run configuration](#) using the Environment variables field.

In the Environment Variables dialog, you can create a list of names and values for variables.



The Environment variables field shows the configured variables. For example, if you want to connect to PostgreSQL with a specific user name by default (instead of the operating system name of the user running the application), you can define the `PGUSER` variable as illustrated on the previous screenshot.

If you expand the Command preview field, you will see that the following line was added:

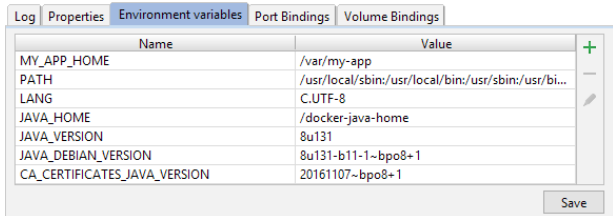
```
--env PGUSER=pg-admin
```

This can be used in the Command line options field instead of creating the list of names and values using the Environment Variables dialog. If you need to pass sensitive information (passwords, secrets, etc.) as environment variables, you can use the `--env-file` option to specify a file with this information.

### Viewing and editing the environment variables for a running container

**Tip** To manage your container's environment variables, you can use your Bash shell. To open the shell: Exec from the context menu, then Create | bash.

1. In the Docker tool window, select the container and then select the Environment variables tab.
2. To create a new variable, click `+`. To edit an existing one, select the variable and click `✎`.
3. To apply the changes, click Save.



**Note** As a result, the container is stopped and removed, and then re-created from scratch. The previous state of the container is effectively lost.

### Specifying build-time variables

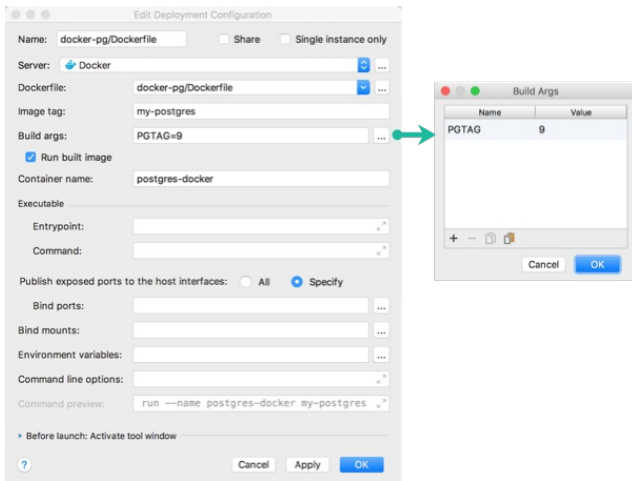
Docker can define build-time values for certain environment variables that do not persist in the intermediate or final images using the `--build-arg` option for `docker build`. These must be specified in the `ARG` instruction of the Dockerfile with a default value. You can configure build-time variables in the [Docker run configuration](#) using the Build args field.

For example, you can use build-time variables to build the image with a specific version of PostgreSQL. To do this, add the `ARG` instruction to the beginning of your Dockerfile:

```
ARG PGTAG=latest

FROM postgres:$PGTAG
```

The `PGTAG` variable in this case will default to `latest` if you do not redefine it as a build-time variable. So by default, this Dockerfile will produce an image with the latest available PostgreSQL version. However, you can use the Build Args dialog to redefine the `PGTAG` variable.



In the previous screenshot, `PGTAG` is set to `9`, which will instruct Docker to pull `postgres:9`. When you build and run the image now, it will start the container with latest PostgreSQL 9 version. To check this, execute `postgres --version` inside the container and see the output; it should be `postgres (PostgreSQL) 9.6.6` or some later version.

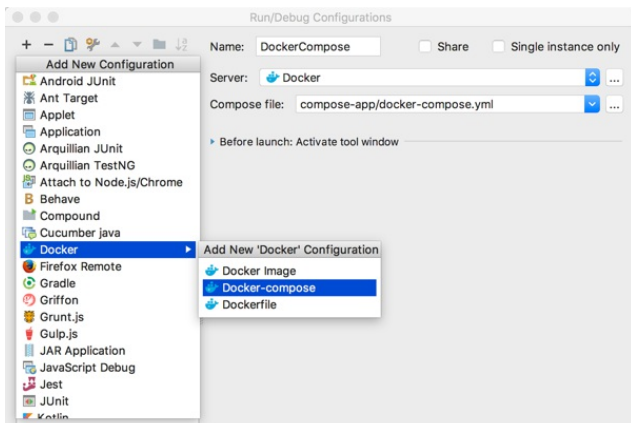
If you expand the Command preview field, you will see that the following option was added to the `docker build` command:

```
--build-arg PGTAG=9
```

## Using Docker Compose

### Running services via a Docker run configuration


1. Create a [Docker Compose docker-compose.yml file](#) and specify your services.
2. Create a *Docker-compose* run configuration: Run | Edit Configurations | + | Docker .

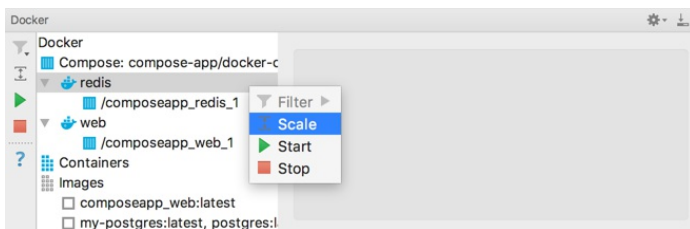


3. Specify your `docker-compose.yml` file in the Compose file field.
4. Execute the run configuration.

## Scaling a service

**Note** Scaling means changing the number of containers within a service.

1. In the Docker tool window, select the service you want to scale.
2. Click  or select Scale from the context menu.





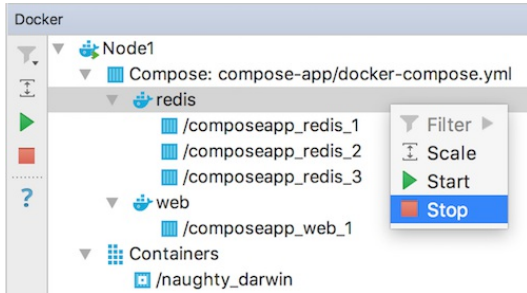
3. Specify how many containers you want in the service.



## Stopping and starting a service

In the Docker tool window, select the service.

- To stop the service, click  or select Stop from the context menu.
- To start the service, click  or select Start from the context menu.



## Interacting with containers

Most of the functions that IntelliJ IDEA provides for working with "independent" containers are also available for the containers within Docker Compose services. To access these functions, use the containers' context menus and the toolbar icons in the Docker tool window. For more info, see [Working with containers](#).

## Troubleshooting

### Unable to connect to Docker

Make sure that:

- Docker is running.
- Your [Docker connection settings](#) are correct.
- If you are using Docker for Windows:

In the General section of your Docker settings, the Expose daemon on top://localhost:2375 without TLS option is on.

- If you are using Docker Toolbox:
  - Your Docker Machine is running.
  - The [Docker Machine executable setting](#) on the Docker | Tools page is correct.

### Unable to use Docker Compose

Make sure that the Docker Compose executable setting in your [Docker settings](#) is correct.

### Unable to use port bindings

Make sure that the corresponding container ports are exposed. Use the [EXPOSE Dockerfile](#) command.

### My deployment log is empty

If you have another project open at the moment, you may find your deployment log in that project.

## Limitations

Our Docker integration has limitations but we are working on its improvement. [See the list of Docker issues](#) in our tracking system and vote for the ones that you think should be resolved first of all.

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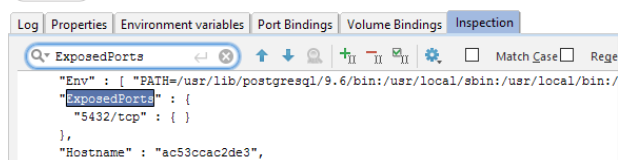
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You can run a DBMS image from a Dockerfile, [from the Docker tool window](#) or [using a Compose file](#) . When the DBMS image is running, you can [connect to the database](#) .

## 1a. Run an image from a Dockerfile


1. Create a Dockerfile and open it in the editor.
2. Type `FROM <DBMS_image_name>:<tag>` e.g. `FROM postgres:latest` . If necessary, add other instructions.
3. Click  and select Run on 'Docker' .
4. When the container starts, find out which port the database server is listening on:

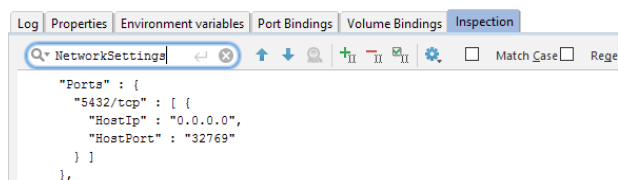
In the Docker tool window, right-click your database container and select Inspect . Search the inspection result ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `ExposedPorts` . For a postgres container you are likely to find something like `5432/tcp` .



5. Make the container database port available on the host:


Select the Port Bindings tab. You can choose to specify the host port yourself or let Docker decide which port should be used. So, do one of the following:

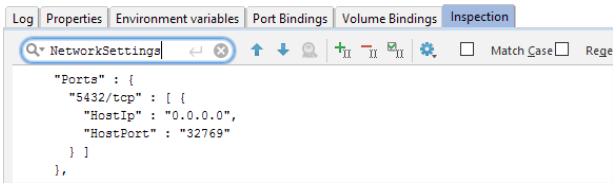
- Click  and specify the mapping. To make the port accessible only from your localhost, for Host IP , specify `localhost` or `127.0.0.1` . To make the port accessible from other computers on your network as well, specify `0.0.0.0` . To apply the changes, click Save .
- Select the Publish all ports checkbox and click Save . Run the Inspect command for the container. Search the inspection result ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `NetworkSettings` . The `"Ports"` subsection will include the info about the database host port you should be using.



6. [Connect to your database](#) .

## 1b. Pull and then run an image from the Docker tool window

1. In the Docker tool window ( `View | Tool Windows | Docker` ), right-click the Docker node and select Pull image .
2. To pull an image from [Docker Hub](#) ( `registry.hub.docker.com` ), specify the image name in the Repository field, e.g. `postgres` , and the image tag, e.g. `latest` .  
If pulling an image assumes user authentication, click New to create a Docker Registry configuration and [specify your Docker image repository user account info](#) .
3. When the image is downloaded, select it, and then click  or select Create container from the context menu.
4. In the Create container popup, click Create .
5. In the dialog that opens, if necessary, specify the name for the container that will be created.
6. To make the database port in the container available from the host, either select All for Publish exposed ports to the host interfaces or specify necessary port bindings.
7. Click Run .
8. When the container starts, run the Inspect command for the container and search the inspection results ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `NetworkSettings` . In the `"Ports"` subsection, note the values for the host IP and port number for connecting to the database.



9. Connect to your database .

### 1c. Run an image using a Compose file

1. Create a `docker-compose.yml` file. A minimal Compose file for a DBMS image should contain something like this:

```

version: '3'
services:
  db:
    image: postgres:latest

```

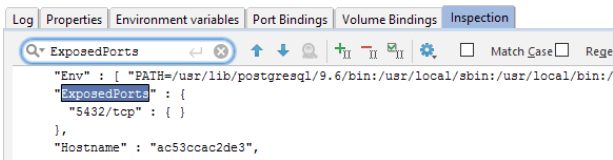
Specify the name and tag of the image that you are going to use in place of `postgres` and `latest` .

2. Create a Docker run configuration ( Run | Edit Configurations | + | Docker | Docker-compose ) and select your `docker-compose.yml` file.

3. To execute the run configuration, right-click the `docker-compose.yml` file in the Project view and click Run (▶).

4. When the container starts, find out which port the database server is listening on:

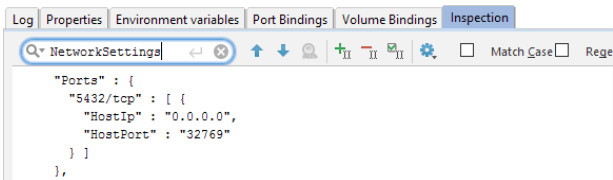
In the Docker tool window, right-click your database container and select Inspect . Search the inspection results ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `ExposedPorts` . For a postgres container you are likely to find something like `5432/tcp` .



5. Make the container database port available on the host:

Select the Port Bindings tab. You can choose to specify the host port yourself or let Docker decide which port should be used. So, do one of the following:

- Click + and specify the mapping. To make the port accessible only from your localhost, for Host IP , specify `localhost` or `127.0.0.1` . To make the port accessible from other computers on your network as well, specify `0.0.0.0` . To apply the changes, click Save .
- Select the Publish all ports checkbox and click Save . Run the Inspect command for the container. Search the inspection result ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `NetworkSettings` . The "Ports" subsection will include the info about the database host port you should be using.

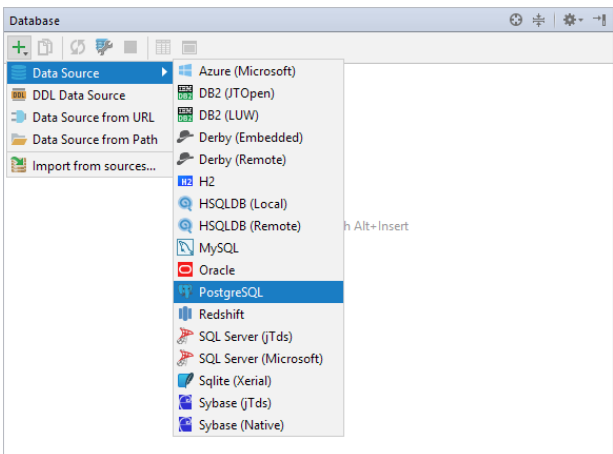


6. Connect to your database .

## 2. Connect to your database

1. Open the Database tool window, e.g. View | Tool Windows | Database .

2. Click + , point to Data Source , and select your DBMS, e.g. PostgreSQL .



3. If there is the message Download missing driver files in the lower part of the Data Sources and Drivers dialog that opens, click the Download link.

- Specify the database settings. In the Port field, specify the host port mapped to the container database port. For the `postgres:latest` image, the database and user, by default, are both `postgres`, and the password is empty. For other images, refer to corresponding documentation to find out what your database settings should be.
- To make sure that the settings are all correct and IntelliJ IDEA can properly interact with your database, click Test Connection.

The screenshot shows the 'Database Configuration' dialog in IntelliJ IDEA. The 'Name' field is set to 'postgres@localhost'. The 'General' tab is selected, showing the following settings:

- Host: localhost
- Port: 32769
- Database: postgres
- User: postgres
- Password: <hidden> (with a checked 'Remember password' checkbox)
- URL: jdbc:postgresql://localhost:32769/postgres (with a 'default' dropdown menu)
- Driver: PostgreSQL
- Options:  Read-only,  Auto commit,  Auto sync

A 'Test Connection' button is present, which has been clicked, resulting in a green 'Successful' status and a 'Details' link. At the bottom, there are 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Apply' buttons.


For more info on working with databases and SQL, see [Databases and SQL](#).

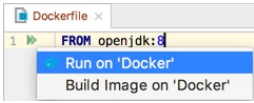


## 1. Run a JDK image


To be able to deploy and run Java apps in containers, you need a JDK image. You can choose to run that image from your [Dockerfile](#) , or you can pull and then run the image from the Docker tool window.

### 1a. Run the image from a Dockerfile

1. Create a `Dockerfile` and open it in the editor.
2. Type `FROM <jdk_image_name>:<tag>` e.g. `FROM openjdk:8` .
3. Click  and select Run on 'Docker' .



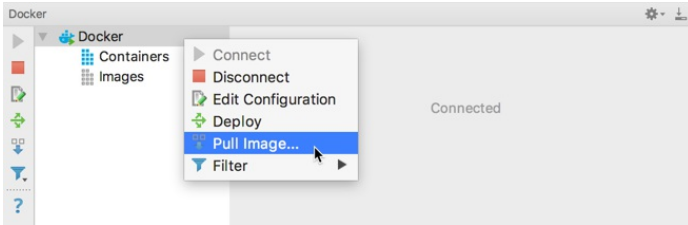
As a result, a Docker run configuration is created, your image runs, and the corresponding container appears in the Docker tool window.

At a later time, you may want to make adjustments to your run configuration. In such a case, click  and select Edit '<Configuration Name>' .

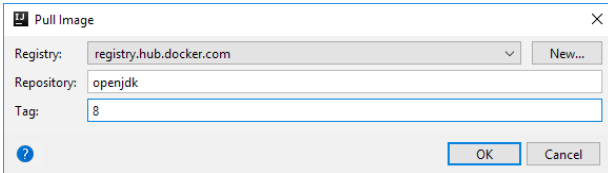


### 1b. Pull and then run the image from the Docker tool window

1. In the Docker tool window ( View | Tool Windows | Docker ), right-click the Docker node and select Pull image .

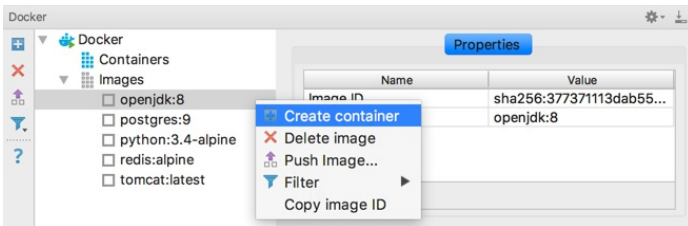


2. To pull an image from [Docker Hub](#) ( `registry.hub.docker.com` ), specify the image name in the Repository field, e.g. `openjdk` , and the image tag, e.g. `8` .

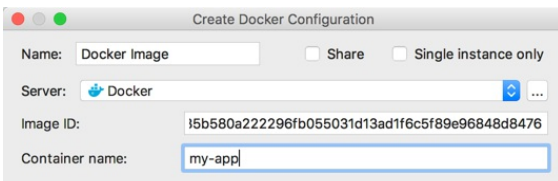


If pulling an image assumes user authentication, click New to create a Docker Registry configuration and [specify your Docker image repository user account info](#) .

3. When the image is downloaded, select it, and then click  or select Create container from the context menu.



4. In the Create container popup, click Create .
5. In the dialog that opens, specify the name for the container that will be created.




6. Click Run .

## 2. Make the app available for the container and run it

You can expose your Java app by mapping the compilation output folder to a container folder or copy the compilation output directly to the container.

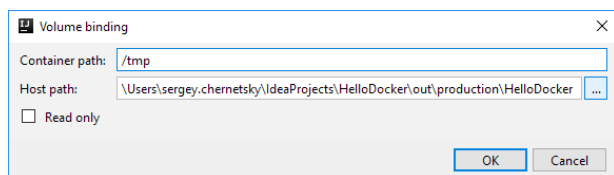
### 2a. Run the app inside the container by mapping the app compilation output folder to a container folder

1. Build the project: e.g. Build | Build Project .
2. Make adjustments to the run configuration associated with the JDK container:

In the Docker tool window, select your JDK container, and then click  or select the Edit Configuration from the context menu.

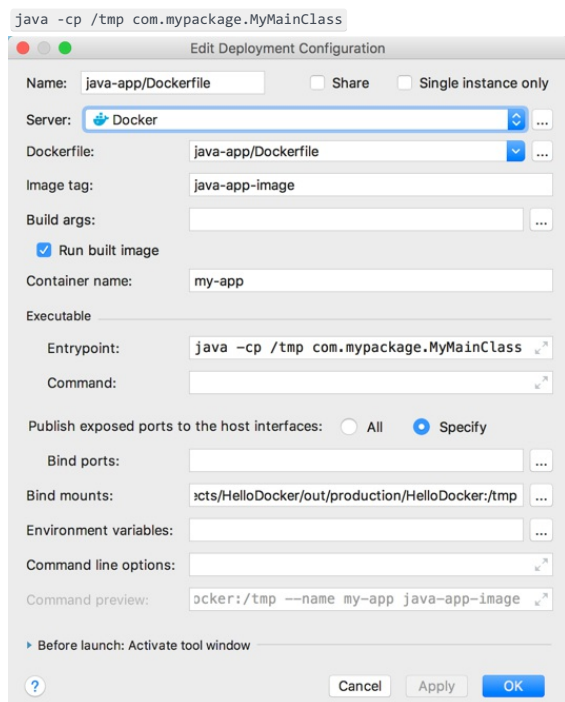
3. Open the Bind mounts dialog and add a new binding:

- Container path : Specify the path to a container folder that you want to map, e.g. `/tmp` .
- Host path: Specify the path to the compilation output folder. If you didn't change the default output paths, select the `<ProjectName>/out/production/<ModuleName>` folder.




4. Specify the command for running the app, for example, as the container's `ENTRYPOINT` . In the Entrypoint field, type:

```
java -cp <pathToMappedContainerFolder> <qualifiedMainClassName> , e.g.
```



**Note** For the image that you are using, just java may not work, and you'll need to specify the full path.

**Note** Make sure that the host path is available for mapping ( Settings / Preferences | Build, Execution, Deployment | Docker | Path mappings ).

5. Rerun the run configuration for your JDK container, e.g. by clicking  or selecting Deploy from the container's context menu in the Docker tool window.

## 2b. Run the app inside the container by copying the compilation output folder to a working container folder

1. Your compilation output must be in the same folder as your `Dockerfile` . So, you should start by changing your module compilation output path(s):

Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ), select Modules , select your module, and select the Paths tab.

2. Under Compiler output , select Use module compile output path . In the Output path field, specify the path to the folder in which your `Dockerfile` is located. E.g. if your `Dockerfile` is in the `docker-dir` folder, specify the path to `docker-dir` . You may also want to turn off the Exclude output paths option in order not to make the folder with your `Dockerfile` excluded .

3. Build the project: e.g. Build | Build Project .

4. In your `Dockerfile` , on the lines that follow `FROM <jdk_image_name>:<tag>` e.g. `FROM openjdk:8` , type:

```
COPY . /tmp
WORKDIR /tmp
ENTRYPOINT ["java", "com.mypackage.MyMainClass"]
```

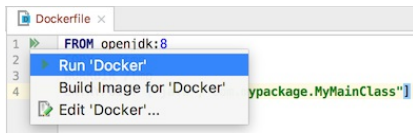
Use your app's qualified main class name in place of `com.mypackage.MyMainClass` . You can as well use a container

folder other than `/tmp` for copying your app to.

**Note** For the image that you are using, just `java` may not work, and you'll need to specify the full path.

**Note** Make sure that the host path is available for mapping ( Settings / Preferences | Build, Execution, Deployment | Docker | Path mappings ).

5. Rerun your `Dockerfile` : click  and select Run '<ConfigurationName>'



### 3. Package your app in a JAR and build an image for it

When happy with your app, you may want to package it in a [JAR](#) , build an image that contains that JAR, and then push the image to the image repository. Here is how you do that:

1. Create a `Dockerfile` for the image you are going to build. A "minimal" file for a JAR app may look something like this (in your situation, the file contents may be different):

```
FROM openjdk:8
RUN mkdir /var/my-app
COPY my-app.jar /var/my-app
WORKDIR /var/my-app
ENTRYPOINT ["java", "-jar", "my-app.jar"]
```

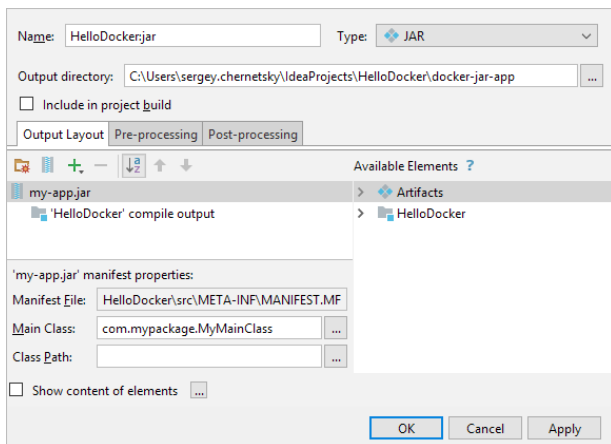
2. Create an artifact configuration for packaging the app in a JAR:

Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ), select Artifacts , click  , select JAR , and select From modules with dependencies .

3. In the dialog that opens, specify your main application class. Specify other options as needed. (The defaults will do.)

4. Specify the following artifact settings:

- Output directory. Specify the path to the directory in which your `Dockerfile` is located.
- The JAR file name (shown on the Output Layout tab underneath the toolbar). Right-click the file name and select Rename . Change the name to `my-app` or whatever you think is appropriate.



5. Build the artifact: Build | Build Artifacts | <ArtifactName> | Build . (Alternatively, you can include the Build artifact task in the Before launch task list in the corresponding Docker run configuration.)

6. Build the image from your Dockerfile:  | Build on 'Docker' .

7. Push the image to the image repository:

Select the image in the Docker tool window, and click  or select Push image from the context menu.

8. In the dialog that opens:

If you already have the corresponding Docker Registry configuration, select it from the list next to Registry . Otherwise, click New and [specify your Docker image repository user account info](#) . Then, specify the name for your image (the Repository field) and its tag.

## 1. Build a web app artifact

**Note** If you already have your web app in deployable format - as a WAR or a directory structure - you can skip this section and go to [Running an app server image](#) .

**Note** Some servers are unable to deploy exploded WAR artifacts.

For web apps, IntelliJ IDEA provides deployment-ready [WAR](#) and Exploded (unzipped) WAR [artifact](#) formats. To build such artifacts:

1. Enable web app development support:

– When creating a project:

File | New | Project | Java Enterprise | Web Application , etc.

– For an existing project:

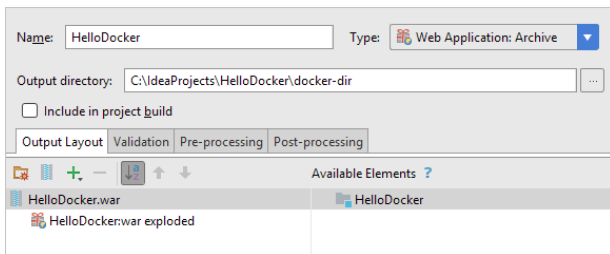
In the Project tool window ( View | Tool Windows | Project ), right-click the corresponding module folder and select Add Framework Support . Then select the Web Application checkbox in the dialog that opens.

2. Create artifact configurations for your app: File | Project Structure | Artifacts .

– Web Application: Exploded artifact configuration was created automatically when you enabled web app development support.

– Web Application: Archive (WAR) artifact configuration. To create such an artifact configuration:

+ | Web Application: Archive | For '...' exploded' . Then click Create Manifest and accept the default location `.../web` for `META-INF/MANIFEST.MF` .



3. Build the artifact: Build | Build Artifacts | <ArtifactName> | Build . Alternatively, you can include the Build artifact task in the Before launch task list in your Docker run configuration.

For more info on web application development and related artifacts, see the [Developing a Java EE Application tutorial](#) .

## 2. Run an app server image

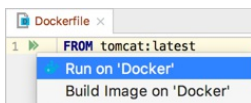
You can choose to run the app server image from your `Dockerfile` , or you can pull and then run the image from the Docker tool window.

### 2a. Run the image from a Dockerfile


1. Create a `Dockerfile` and open it in the editor.

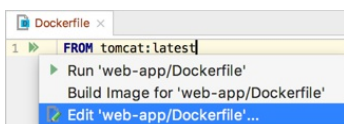
2. Type `FROM <app_server_image_name>:<tag>` e.g. `FROM tomcat:latest` .

3. Click  and select Run on 'Docker' .



As a result, a Docker run configuration is created, your image runs, and the corresponding container appears in the Docker tool window.

At a later time, you may want to make adjustments to your run configuration. In such a case, click  and select Edit '<Configuration Name>' .



### 2b. Pull and then run the image from the Docker tool window

1. In the Docker tool window ( View | Tool Windows | Docker ), right-click the Docker node and select Pull image .

2. To pull an image from [Docker Hub](#) ( `registry.hub.docker.com` ), specify the image name in the Repository field, e.g.

`tomcat` , and the image tag, e.g. `latest` .

If pulling an image assumes user authentication, click New to create a Docker Registry configuration and [specify your Docker image repository user account info](#) .

3. When the image is downloaded, select it, and then click  or select Create container from the context menu.

4. In the Create container popup, click Create .


- In the dialog that opens, if necessary, specify the name for the container that will be created.
- Click Run .


### 3. Deploy the app


You can deploy your web app by mapping the artifact folder to the app server deployment folder. You can as well deploy your app by copying the artifact to the deployment folder.

#### 3a. Deploy the app by mapping the artifact output folder to the deployment folder

**Tip** Alternatively, you can specify the necessary mapping in your Docker run configuration.

To start editing the run configuration, select the container, and then click  or select Edit Configuration from the context menu.

Then, to restart the container, click  or select Redeploy from the context menu.

- In the Docker tool window, select your app server container, and then select the Volume Bindings tab.
- Click  to create a new binding.
- In the dialog that opens, specify:
  - Container path. The path to server deployment folder, e.g. `/usr/local/tomcat/webapps` for Tomcat.
  - Host path. For a WAR artifact, the path to the artifact output directory, for an exploded WAR artifact, the path to the directory that contains the artifact output directory.
- To apply the changes, click Save .
- To check the mapping, run the Inspect command for the container and search the inspection result ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `HostConfig` . You'll find the mapping of interest next to `"Binds"` .


#### 3b. Deploy the app by copying the artifact to the server deployment folder

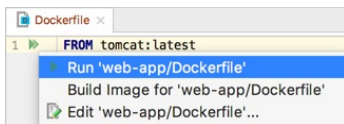
- Make sure that your artifact is in the same directory as your `Dockerfile` .
- In your `Dockerfile` , on the line that follows `FROM <app_server_image_name>:<tag>` , e.g. `FROM tomcat:latest` , add:
  - For an exploded artifact:

```
COPY . </server/deployment/path> , e.g. COPY . /usr/local/tomcat/webapps for Tomcat.
```

- For a WAR artifact:

```
COPY <artifactname>.war </server/deployment/path>
```

- Click  and select Run '<ConfigurationName>' .




### 4. Map the container http port onto a host port

**Tip** Alternatively, you can specify this mapping in your Docker run configuration.

Use:

 to start editing the run configuration.


 to restart the container after specifying the mapping.

- Though the http server port is usually 8080, make sure that this is the case:

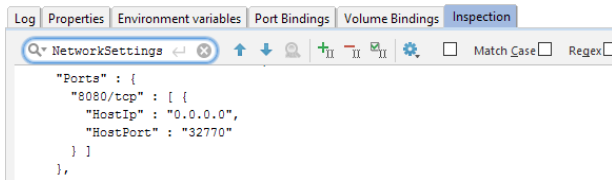
In the Docker tool window, right-click your app server container and select Inspect . Search the inspection result ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `ExposedPorts` to see which port is being used.

- Make the container http port available on the host:

Select the Port Bindings tab. You can choose to specify the host port yourself, or let Docker decide which port should be used. So, do one of the following:

- Click  and specify the mapping. To make the port accessible only from your localhost, for Host IP , specify `localhost` or `127.0.0.1` . To make the port accessible from other computers on your network as well, specify `0.0.0.0` . To apply the changes, click Save .
- Select the Publish all ports checkbox and click Save .

Now, you need to find out which host port is mapped to the container http port. To do that, run the Inspect command for the container. Then search the inspection result ( `Ctrl+F` ) for `NetworkSettings` . The `"Ports"` subsection will include the info about your http host port.



## 5. Check the application output in a web browser

To see the application output, open a web browser and go to:

- `http://localhost:<host-port>/<artifact-name>/` if you are using Docker for Windows, macOS or Linux.
- `http://192.168.99.100:<host-port>/<artifact-name>/` if you are using Docker Toolbox for Windows or macOS (deprecated).

`<host-port>` is the host port mapped onto the container's http port.

`<artifact-name>`, by default, is the name of the `.war` file if you deployed your app as a WAR, or the name of the app root directory if you deployed your app as a directory structure.

**Tip** You can also add the corresponding Build artifact task to the Before launch task list. Then, your WAR artifact will be built automatically each time you execute the run configuration.

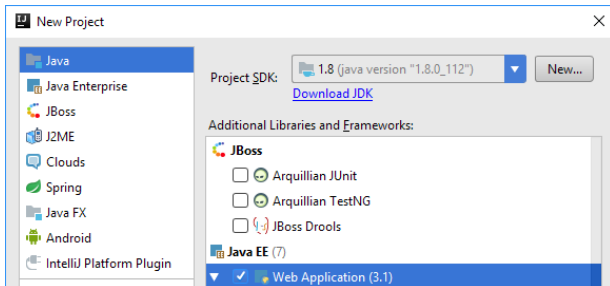
**Tip** This Dockerfile sets `jboss/wildfly` as the base image and copies the local file `<artifact-name>.war` located in the same as the Dockerfile directory to the server deployment directory

```
/opt/jboss/wildfly/standalone/  
deployments/
```

In this example, a one-page JSP application is deployed into a [Wildfly app server image](#) -based container.

## 1. Develop the app

1. Create a project for developing a Java web application: File | New | Project | Java Enterprise | Web Application , etc.



2. When the project is created, add text (e.g. `Hello World!` ) to `index.jsp` , see e.g. [Developing source code](#) .

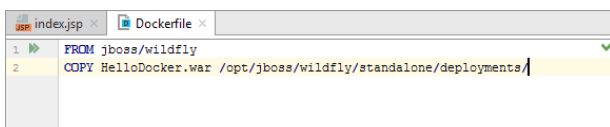


## 2. Specify deployment info in a Dockerfile

1. In the project root directory, create a new directory (e.g. `docker-dir` ): File | New | Directory .  
We'll use this directory to store our `Dockerfile` and a `.war` application artifact.
2. In the `docker-dir` directory, create a `Dockerfile` .
3. Add the following to your `Dockerfile` :

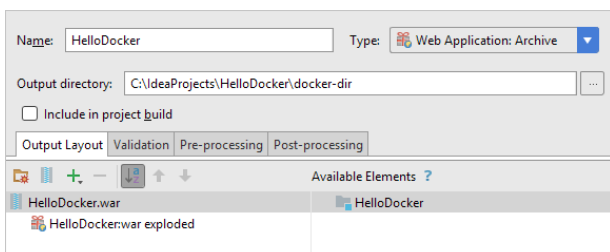
```
FROM jboss/wildfly  
COPY <artifact-name>.war /opt/jboss/wildfly/standalone/deployments/
```

Use the actual artifact name in place of `<artifact-name>` . On the following picture, the name of the artifact is `HelloDocker` .



## 3. Configure a WAR artifact

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ) and select Artifacts .
2. Click `+` , select Web Application: Archive and select For '`<project-name>.war exploded`' .
3. Change the artifact name. The name should be the same as in your `Dockerfile` ( `<artifact-name>` ) but without `.war` at the end.
4. Select the `docker-dir` directory as the artifact output directory.



5. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.



## 4. Build the artifact

- Select Build | Build Artifacts | `<WarArtifactName>` | Build .

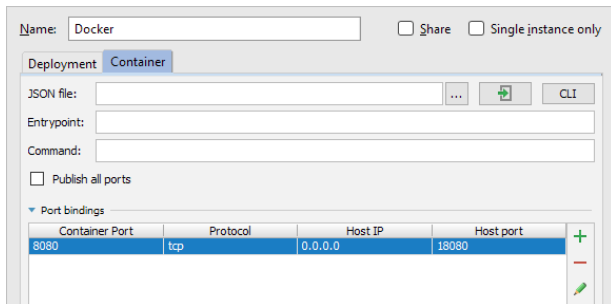
## 5. Run your Dockerfile

- In your `Dockerfile`, click  and select Run on 'Docker'.

## 6. Map the container http port 8080 onto a host port

1. Open the run configuration associated with your `Dockerfile` for editing:  | Edit '<ConfigurationName>'
2. Select the Container tab, expand the Port bindings section, and click  to create a new port mapping.
3. In the dialog that opens, specify:

- Container port: `8080`
- Protocol: `tcp`
- Host IP: `0.0.0.0`
- Host port: `18080`

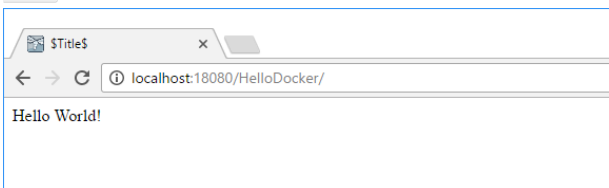


4. Click Run.

## 7. Check the application output in a browser

When the container is started, open a web browser and go to:

- If you are using Docker for Windows, macOS or Linux: `http://localhost:18080/<artifact-name>/`
- If you are using the Docker Toolbox for Windows or macOS (deprecated): `http://192.168.99.100:18080/<artifact-name>/`





This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## General EJB features

IntelliJ IDEA features the complete EJB support. It understands EJB specifications from 1.x to 3.0, and leverages them through all of its productivity-boosting features - from coding assistance to refactoring, creating the environment ideally suited for developing EJB applications.

- [File](#) and [live](#) templates for entity, session, message and other beans.
- Auto-generating code for CMP beans, fields and relationships.
- Dedicated context editors for all supported beans.
- Automatic building of standard EJB deployment packages.
- Automatic generation of appropriate EJB XML descriptors.
- Complete EJB-aware coding assistance:
  - [Code completion](#) for both EJB code and descriptor files.
  - EJB error highlighting.
  - EJB-aware [intention actions](#) and [quick fixes](#).
  - Powerful EJB-aware [refactorings](#).

IntelliJ IDEA unifies all EJB-related application parts in the dedicated [facet](#), which includes EJB descriptors, build, and library settings.

Multiple EJB facets are allowed per module.

## EJB 3.0-specific features

- Annotation mechanism for creating EJB, and Interceptors.
- Automatic code generation, completion and dedicated binding editor.
- Full EJB persistence support, powered with generating of persistence mapping from entity beans, [Hibernate](#) or JDBC source.
- Visual Persistence diagram builder.
- Migration of your existing EJB projects (versions 1.x and 2.x) to EJB 3.0 with:
  - Converting EJB environment access.
  - Rebuilding EJB deployment descriptors.
  - Transforming EJB interfaces.
  - Turning Entity Beans into Container Managed Persistence.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can enable EJB support when creating a new project or module. You can also add the EJB support for an existing module.

- [Enabling EJB support when creating a project or module](#)
- [Enabling EJB support for an existing module](#)

## Enabling EJB support when creating a project or module

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.

2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) to be used and select the Java EE version to be supported.


3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the EJB: Enterprise Java Beans checkbox.

4. Select the EJB version to be supported from the Versions list.  
If you want an EJB deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml` to be created, select the Create ejb-jar.xml checkbox.

Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:

- Download and use an EJB library.  
To do that, under Libraries , select Download .

Now, to view or modify the associated options, click [Configure](#) , and in the Downloading Options dialog that opens:

- Specify the library name.
- Select the [library level](#) (global, project, or module).
- Under Files to download , select which of the files you want to download.
- Under Copy downloaded files to , specify the path to the destination folder. If you want to change the default path, click  and specify the folder location in the [dialog that opens](#) .
- Use an EJB library IntelliJ IDEA is already aware of.  
To do that, click Use library and select the required library from the list.

If necessary, configure the library settings (for example, change its name). This is done in the Edit Library dialog which you can open by clicking [Configure](#) .

- Create a new library using the appropriate JAR files available on your computer.  
To do that, click Use library and then click [Create](#) . Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (For multiple selection, keep the `Ctrl` key pressed.)

If necessary, configure the new library (for example, change its name or [level](#) ). To do that, click [Configure](#) and specify the required settings in the Create Library dialog.

- Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select Set up library later .

Click [Next](#) .

5. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click [Finish](#) .

## Enabling EJB support for an existing module

1. [Open the Project tool window](#) (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the module and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the Add Frameworks Support dialog, select the EJB: Enterprise Java Beans checkbox.  
Select the EJB version to be supported from the Versions list.


If you want an EJB deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml` to be created, select the Create ejb-jar.xml checkbox.

Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:


- Download and use an EJB library.  
To do that, under Libraries , select Download .

Now, to view or modify the associated options, click [Configure](#) , and in the Downloading Options dialog that opens:

- Specify the library name.

- Select the [library level](#) (global, project, or module).
- Under Files to download , select which of the files you want to download.
- Under Copy downloaded files to , specify the path to the destination folder. If you want to change the default path, click  and specify the folder location in the [dialog that opens](#) .
- Use an EJB library IntelliJ IDEA is already aware of.  
To do that, click Use library and select the required library from the list.

If necessary, configure the library settings (for example, change its name). This is done in the Edit Library dialog which you can open by clicking Configure .

- Create a new library using the appropriate JAR files available on your computer.  
To do that, click Use library and then click Create . Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#) .  
(For multiple selection, keep the  key pressed.)

If necessary, configure the new library (for example, change its name or [level](#) ). To do that, click Configure and specify the required settings in the Create Library dialog.

- Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select Set up library later .

4. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.

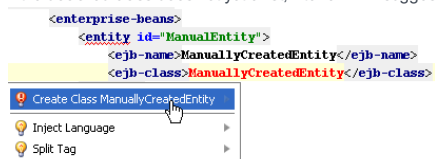
This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following ways to create beans:

- Manually, by means of direct [editing](#) the `ejb-jar.xml` file, using the extensive coding assistance provided by IntelliJ IDEA.
- Using the [context menu](#) commands.

## To create an Enterprise Java bean using the editor

1. Open the deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml` for editing.
2. Create the `<enterprise-beans>` section.
3. In this section, create tags for the desired bean types: `<session>` , `<entity>` , or `<message-driven >`
4. Specify the bean name and class by adding tags `<ejb-name>` . and `<ejb-class>` . Note that you can specify the target package in this tag, for example, `samples.ejb.ManuallyCreatedEntity` , using code completion after each dot.
5. If the declared class does not yet exist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a quick fix:



Choose Create Class `<class name>` from the suggestion list. If the target package was not defined in the `<ejb-class>` tag, select the desired package in the Choose Destination Directory dialog box. The stub class is created in the specified location.

6. Proceed with defining the other bean components.

## To create an Enterprise Java bean, follow these general steps

1. Open the [EJB tool window](#) .
2. Right-click the desired module, choose New on the context menu, and then select the bean type on the submenu.  
The New `<bean type>` Bean dialog box opens.

**Tip** Alternatively, choose Jump to Source on the context menu of a module, to open the dedicated editor, in the General tab click New , or right-click the diagram background in the EJB Relationships tab, and select the desired bean type.

3. Specify the [bean name](#), [class](#) and [package](#) .
4. Define the bean-specific settings:
  - For Entity beans (1.x and 2.x) and Session beans (1.x and 2.x), [configure local and remote interfaces](#) .
  - For Entity beans (1.x and 2.x), [configure primary keys](#) and [CMP bean fields](#) .
  - For Message beans, [configure message listener](#) .
  - For Session beans, [configure service endpoint](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Primary keys are defined for CMP Entity beans and BMP Entity beans , versions 1.x and 2.x.

Same as the other bean properties, the primary keys can be defined by editing the source code, or using the tools provided by IntelliJ IDEA.

## To configure a primary key

1. [Create a new entity bean](#) .  
Alternatively, [open the desired bean for editing](#) , and click the Change EJB Classes button.
2. In the Primary key class field specify the class that will be used to access the primary key of a datasource the bean is associated with.
3. From the CMP version list select EJB specification version for the bean. This setting is disabled for BMP entity beans.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Service endpoint is defined for Session beans , versions 1.x, 2.x and 3.0.

Same as the other bean properties, the service endpoint can be defined by editing the source code, or using the tools provided by IntelliJ IDEA.

## To configure a service endpoint

1. Open a session bean for [editing](#) , and click Change EJB Classes .
2. In the Change EJB Classes dialog box, select the Service Endpoint checkbox and specify the to be used as an endpoint for calling services.

**Note** For bean specification prior to 3.0 you also need to [configure interfaces](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Assembly Descriptors define how a bean is deployed and configured at the application server.

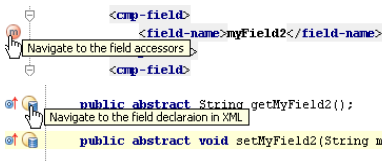
Same as the other bean properties, the application descriptors can be defined by editing the source code, or using the tools provided by IntelliJ IDEA.

### To add an assembly descriptor to a bean

1. [Open the desired bean for editing](#) , and select the [Assembly Descriptor](#) tab.
2. Click **+** on the toolbar.
3. From the drop-down list, select the desired assembly descriptor type.
4. In the dialog box that opens, specify the assembly descriptor properties. Refer to the [EJB Editor - Assembly Descriptor](#) page for the detailed description of options.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

CMP fields are used to provide persistence of the entity beans. Being created, a CMP field appears in the deployment descriptor, and its accessor methods are added to the entity bean classes. So doing, IntelliJ IDEA provides gutter icons in the editor that help you jump from a CMP field declaration in the deployment descriptor to the accessor methods in the bean class, and vice versa:

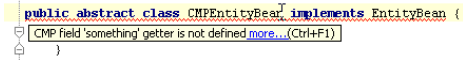


IntelliJ IDEA enables you to create CMP fields in several ways:

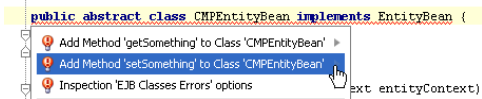
- By means of direct [editing the source code](#) . In this case, IntelliJ IDEA provides coding assistance, and the corresponding nodes are created in the [EJB](#) tool window.
- Using the [context menu of an entity bean](#) .
- Using the [bean editor](#) .

## To create a CMP field by editing the source code

1. Open the deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml` for editing.
2. In the `entity` section for the corresponding entity bean, type the tags for CMP fields, and specify their names.
3. Open the source code of the desired entity bean class for editing. The code inspection detects missing accessor methods:



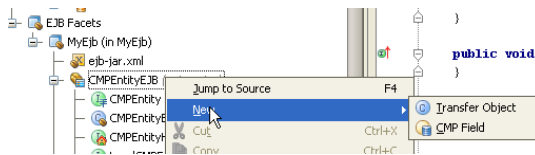
4. Press `Alt+Enter` to reveal the list of suggested quick fixes:



5. Create getter and setter methods in the bean implementation class.
6. If you want to make the new CMP field a primary key , add the `<primkey-field>` entry to the deployment descriptor.

## To create a CMP field

1. In the [EJB](#) tool window, right-click the desired entity bean.
2. On the context menu, click `New` , and then choose `CMP field` on the submenu.



**Tip** Alternatively, [open the desired bean for editing](#) , and in the `CMP Fields` section click `+` .

3. In the `Create CMP Field` dialog box, specify the following parameters:
  - Field name, optional description and type. You can choose the desired type from the drop-down list, or click the ellipsis button and select type from the `Choose CMP Field Class` dialog box.
  - Whether the new CMP field will be a primary key. Select the `Primary key` checkbox, if you want to make this field a primary key.
  - Whether the accessor methods will be generated in the local and remote interfaces. If you select the corresponding checkboxes, the getter and setter methods will be created in the local and remote interfaces, in addition to the bean class.
4. Click `OK` .



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Local and remote interfaces are used to provide access to the bean from the calling clients, and are defined for the following types of beans:

- Entity Beans, both CMP and BMP versions 1.x and 2.x
- Session Beans versions prior to 3.0

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following ways to create local and remote interfaces:

- Manually, by means of direct [editing](#) the `ejb-jar.xml` file, using the extensive coding assistance provided by IntelliJ IDEA.
- Using the [context menu](#) commands.

## To define local and remote interfaces of an enterprise bean using the editor

1. Open the deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml` for editing.
2. In the `<entity>` section, create tag `<local>`, or `<remote>` and type the name of the desired interface. Note that you can specify the target package in this tag, for example, `samples.ejb.ManuallyCreatedEntityLocalInterface`, using code completion after each dot.
3. If the declared class does not yet exist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a quick fix. Choose Create Class `<class name>` from the suggestion list. If the target package was not defined in the `<ejb-class>` tag, select the desired package in the Choose Destination Directory dialog box. The stub class is created in the specified location.

## To configure local and remote interfaces

1. [Open the New Bean dialog box](#).
2. If you need to configure remote client view of a bean, select the Remote Interface checkbox.
  - In the Home field specify the name for the bean remote home interface .
  - In the Remote field specify the name for the bean remote interface .
3. If you need to configure local client view of a bean, select the Local Interface checkbox.
  - In the Home field specify the name for the bean local home interface .
  - In the Remote field specify the name for the bean local interface .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Message listener is defined for a Message bean , versions 1.x, 2.x or 3.0.

Same as the other bean properties, the message listener can be defined by editing the source code, or using the tools provided by IntelliJ IDEA.

### **To configure a message listener**

1. [Open the New Bean dialog box](#) .  
Alternatively, [open the message desired bean for editing](#) , and click the Change EJB Classes button.
2. In the Message Listener field specify class that will be used to handle the Java Messaging Service messages.

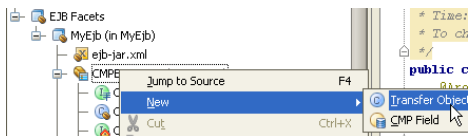
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Transfer Object is used as a proxy between an entity bean and its client. Entity beans use transfer objects to send data to the clients thus reducing the exchange traffic, because all required data are transferred at once, packed in a single object.

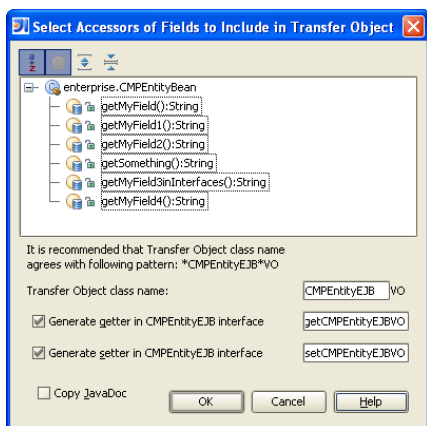
Though you can create a transfer object manually, as a class that implements the `Serializable` interface and provides accessor methods to certain fields of an entity bean, IntelliJ IDEA helps automatically generate stub source code.

## To create a transfer object

1. In the EJB tool window, right-click the desired entity bean.
2. On the context menu, click New , and then choose Transfer Object on the submenu.



3. In the dialog box Select Accessors of Fields to Include in Transfer Object , select the methods to be included in the new transfer object.



**Tip** Use **Ctrl** and **Shift** keys in combination with the mouse click to select multiple adjacent or non-adjacent methods.

4. Specify the following parameters:
  - Name of the transfer object class. Note that IntelliJ IDEA suggests a pattern for generating the class name, so you can only change the initial part of it.
  - Whether the accessor methods will be generated in the bean interface.
5. Click OK .

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You can define the bean class and package by means of editing the source code, or use the tools provided by IntelliJ IDEA.

## To define bean class and package

1. [Open the New Bean dialog box](#) .

Alternatively, [open the desired bean for editing](#) , and click the Change EJB Classes button.

2. In the <ejb-name > field, specify the bean name that will be complemented with a prefix and suffix configured in the [Java EE Names](#) tab of the [Global Code Style](#) dialog box.
3. In the Package field, specify the name of the package where the bean will reside. In the EJB class field, specify class name for this bean.

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Though you can directly edit the source code of the deployment descriptor of a module with EJB facet, it is also possible to use a dedicated [editor](#) , where you can manage the contained beans, their relationships and security permissions.

**Note** You can only edit the modules that contain `ejb-jar.xml` descriptor. For annotations-only modules, edit the annotations manually to adjust the module settings. If both annotations and `ejb-jar.xml` descriptor are present in a module, the descriptor settings override annotations.

## To edit a module with EJB facet

1. Open the [EJB tool window](#) .
2. Right-click the desired module, and do one of the following:
  - Choose Jump to Source on the context menu.
  - Press `F4` .
  - Double-click the EJB module node.

**Tip** Same way you can also open for editing the `ejb-jar.xml` file. In this case, in addition to the General , Method Permissions , and Transaction Attributes tabs, the editor provides the Text tab, with the EJB-aware XML editor.

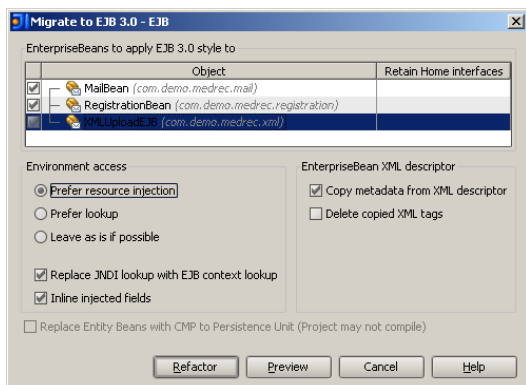
3. On the [General tab](#) of the editor, [add new beans](#) , [edit existing beans](#) , or delete them.
4. On the [Method Permissions tab](#) , configure security roles.
5. On the [Transaction Attributes tab](#) , specify transaction attributes for the bean methods.

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If you want to use the advantages of EJB 3.0 specification, you can migrate your existing beans of the various types from EJB 1.x or 2.0 to EJB 3.0. IntelliJ IDEA suggests the Apply EJB 3.0 Style refactoring that brings the structure of the beans into compliance with the requirements of EJB 3.0 specification.

## To migrate a bean to EJB 3.0 specification

1. Open the [EJB tool window](#) .
2. Select the desired module, or bean, to be migrated, and choose Apply EJB 3.0 Style on the context menu.
3. In the Apply EJB 3.0 Style dialog box displaying the list of all items within the module, select the ones to be migrated:



If you want to convert home interfaces rather than remove them, select the Retain Home Interfaces checkbox, where applicable.

4. Configure the environment access and XML descriptor options. Refer to the [Apply EJB 3.0 Style dialog](#) for the detailed description of options.
5. Though you can click Refactor and perform migration straight away, it is recommended to click Preview first, and explore the tentative migration results in the [Find Tool Window](#) .
6. In the Find tool window, click Do Refactor .


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EJB entity-relationship (ER) diagrams let you view entity beans, and also create and edit relationships between them.


### To select elements in an EJB ER diagram

- To select an element, just click it on the diagram.
- To select multiple adjacent elements, keep the **Shift** key pressed, and click the desired elements, or just drag a *lasso* around the elements to be selected.
- To select multiple non-adjacent elements, keep **Ctrl+Shift** pressed and click the desired elements.

### To manage the diagram layout

- Right-click the diagram background, and choose Layout command in the diagram context menu. Next, select the desired layout from the submenu.
- Use Drag-and-drop technique to lay out entities in the diagram manually.
- Restore the last selected layout by clicking  on the diagram toolbar.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Erlang Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA provides [Erlang](#) support. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes `*.erl` files, and allows you to edit them providing full range of coding assistance. Erlang files are marked with  icon.

In this section:

- [Getting Started with Erlang](#)



[Erlang](#) is a great language that lets you build highly concurrent applications. This tutorial will teach you how to quickly get started with it.

In this section:

- [Preliminary steps](#)
  - [Installing Erlang OTP](#)
    - [Windows](#)
    - [macOS](#)
    - [Linux](#)
  - [Verifying Erlang OTP installation](#)
  - [Installing Rebar](#)
- [Setting up IntelliJ IDEA](#)
  - [Configuring an Erlang SDK](#)
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  - [Importing a project into IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Running and debugging an application](#)
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  - [Providing Feedback](#)

## Preliminary steps

### Installing Erlang OTP

The first thing for setting up an Erlang environment is installing Erlang OTP, a set of Erlang libraries essential for development.

#### Windows

If you are a Windows user, download the [Erlang OTP package](#) and run the installation wizard. Once the installation is over, add the installation path plus `\bin` to the PATH environment variable.

#### MacOS

If you are an macOS user, to install Erlang OTP, type the following at the Terminal prompt (make sure you have [Homebrew](#) installed on your machine):

```
brew install erlang
```

If you prefer [MacPorts](#) to Homebrew, your command line should be different:

```
port install erlang +ssl
```

#### Linux

The installation process for Linux is similar to macOS, except that instead of `brew` or `port` you have to use `apt-get` (a Linux package management utility):

```
apt-get install erlang
```

**Tip** You can always [download](#) the latest version of Erlang OTP package for any OS.

### Verifying Erlang OTP installation

To verify that Erlang OTP is installed correctly, run the Erlang shell by typing `erl` in a Terminal prompt:

```
unit-496:local jetbrains$ erl
Erlang/OTP 17 [erts-6.3] [source] [64-bit] [smp:4:4] [async-threads:10] [hipe] [kernel-poll:false] [dtrace] 3 shell

Eshell V6.3 (abort with ^C)
1> X = 42.
42
2>
```

To learn more about the Erlang shell, read its [user guide](#).

### Installing Rebar

In addition to Erlang OTP, you'll also need [Rebar](#), a build tool that helps compile and test Erlang applications. The easiest way to install it on your machine is to download its sources and build it locally:

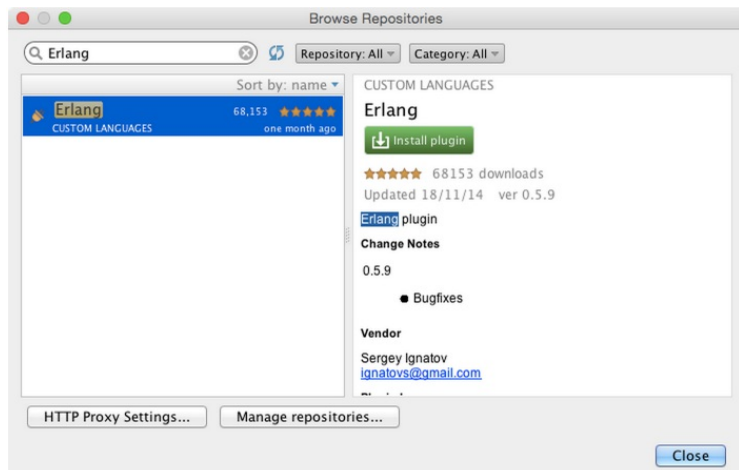
```
git clone git://github.com/rebar/rebar.git
$ cd rebar
$ ./bootstrap
Recompile: src/getopt
...
Recompile: src/rebar_utils
==> rebar (compile)
```

Congratulations! You now have a self-contained script called "rebar" in your current working directory. Place this script anywhere in your path and you can use rebar to build OTP-compliant apps.

## Setting up IntelliJ IDEA

Now when Erlang OTP and Rebar are set up, it's time to [download](#) and [install](#) IntelliJ IDEA. Keep in mind, that for Erlang development you can use IntelliJ IDEA Community Edition (which is free and open-source).

Once the IDE is up and you see its [Welcome screen](#), go to [Configure | Plugins](#), then click [Browse repositories](#), locate the Erlang plugin and install it:



After installing the plugin, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

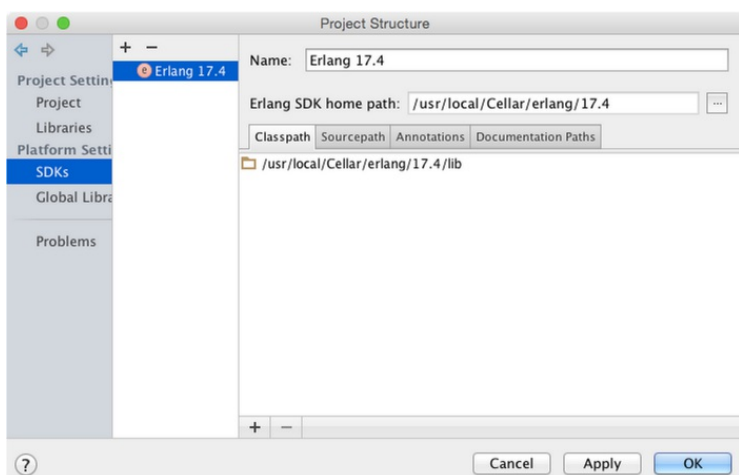
## Configuring an Erlang SDK

One more thing you'll have to do to configure IntelliJ IDEA is to add an Erlang SDK.

To do that, change the structure of the default project. Open the default project structure in one of the two ways:

- On the [Welcome screen](#), go to [Configure | Project Defaults | Project Structure](#)
- On the main menu, choose [File | Other Settings | Default Project Structure](#)

Then, add an Erlang SDK by specifying the path to the Erlang OTP installation directory.



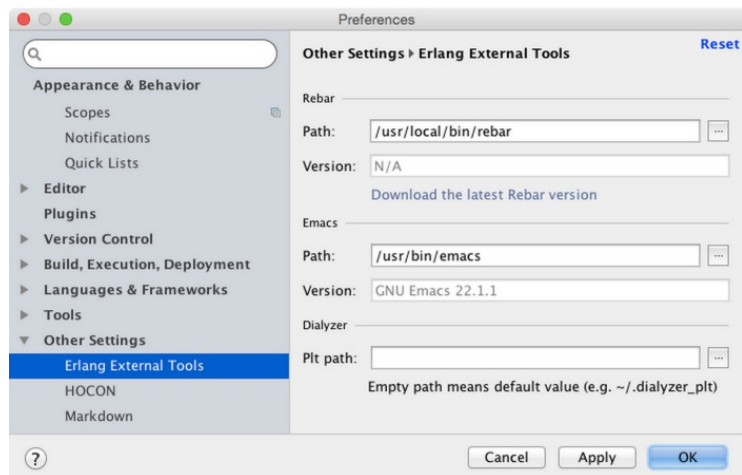
If you don't know where Erlang OTP was installed, check the following directories:

- Windows: `C:\Program Files\erl<version>`
- Linux: `/usr/lib/erlang/<version>`
- MacPorts, macOS: `/opt/local/lib/erlang/<version>`
- Homebrew, macOS: `/usr/local/Cellar/erlang/<version>`

## Configuring Rebar

The final adjustment you have to do is to specify the path to Rebar, so that IntelliJ IDEA can run Rebar commands from the IDE.

You can do it via Configure | Preferences | Other Settings → Erlang External Tools :



## Creating a new project

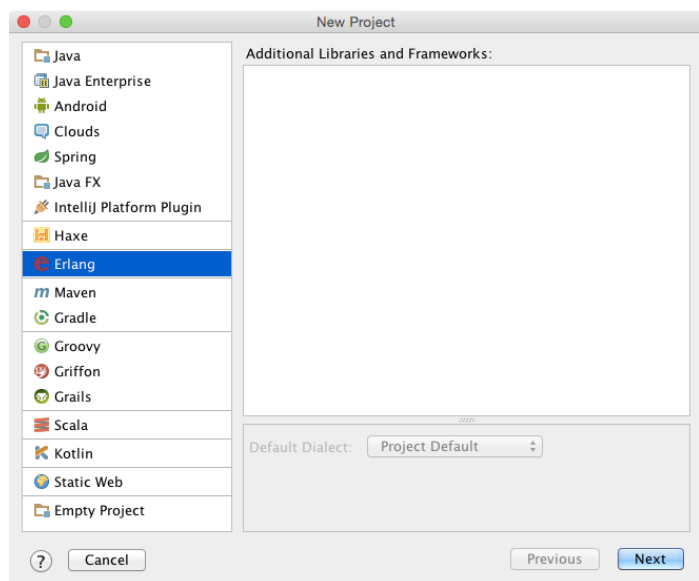
### Creating an Erlang project

There are several ways to [create](#) a new Erlang project. The easiest one is to use the [New Project Wizard](#) from the Welcome screen.

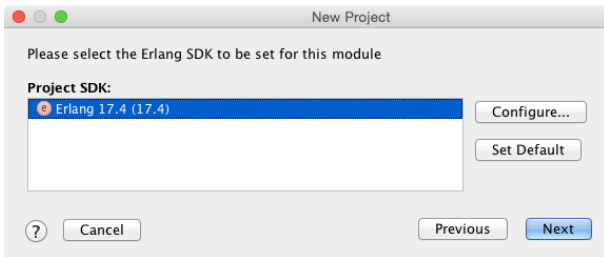
Click Create New Project :



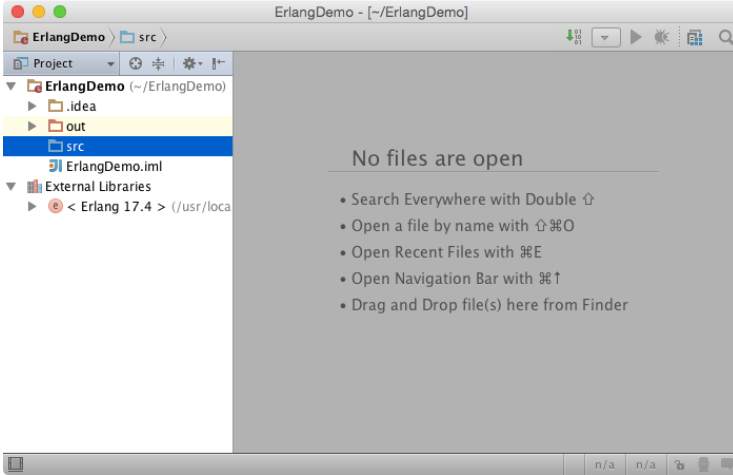
Then choose Erlang in the left pane, and click Next.



IntelliJ IDEA prompts you to choose an Erlang SDK (which you've already configured):



After that you'll be asked to specify the name of your project and its directory. The following image shows the resulting Erlang project with the name `Er1angDemo` :



## Creating a Rebar project

Instead of a pure Erlang project, you might want to create a [Rebar](#) project. To do that, type the following code at the Terminal prompt:

```
rebar create-app appid=<project name>
```

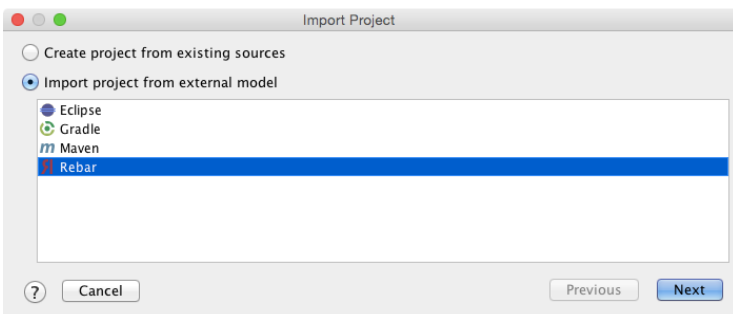
Once the project has been created, [import](#) it into IntelliJ IDEA to make it possible to open this project in the IDE.

## Importing a project into IntelliJ IDEA

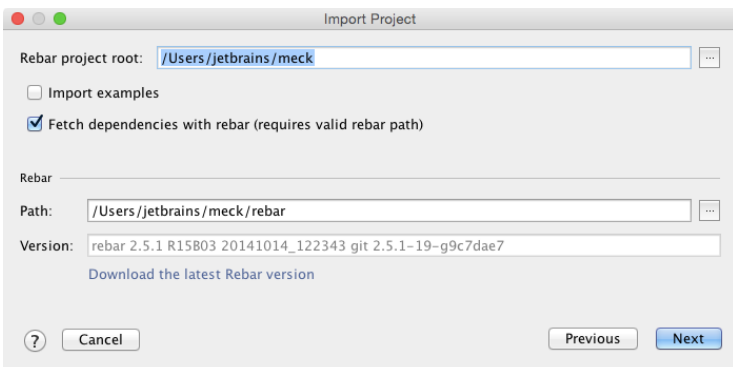
You can [import](#) a project into IntelliJ IDEA in several ways. Let's explore importing from the Welcome screen.

To import an existing project into IntelliJ IDEA, click Import on the Welcome Screen, and choose the project directory. IntelliJ IDEA offers you to either import the project from existing sources, or from an external model (a build file).

If your project uses Rebar, select the corresponding option when asked.

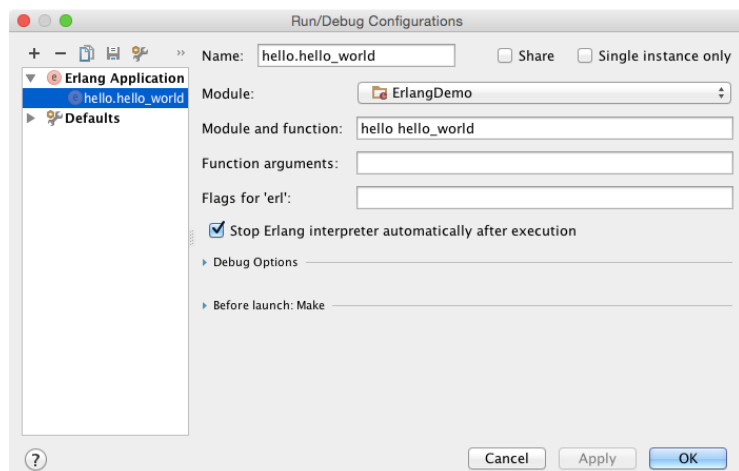



When importing a Rebar project, make sure to enable the option Fetch dependencies with rebar :




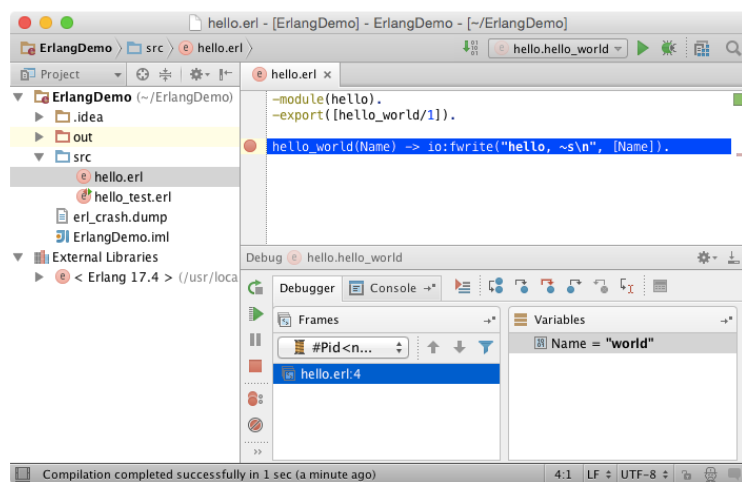
## Running and debugging an application

To run an application, you have to [create a run/debug configuration](#) created against the stub Erlang Application . To do this, on the main menu choose Run | Edit Configurations , select the stub Erlang Application , specify the name (here it is `hello.hello_world` ), and specify the application's module and function:



After that you'll be able to run your application via the main menu ( Run | Run <run configuration name> ), the toolbar (  ), or a even a shortcut ( `Ctrl+Shift+F10` ).

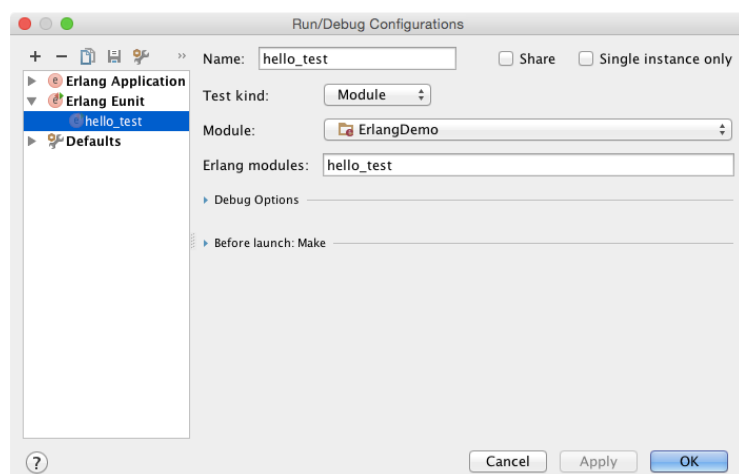
Once you have a run/debug configuration, you can also debug your application via the main menu ( Run | Debug '<run configuration name>' ), the toolbar (  ), or a shortcut ( `Shift+F9` ):



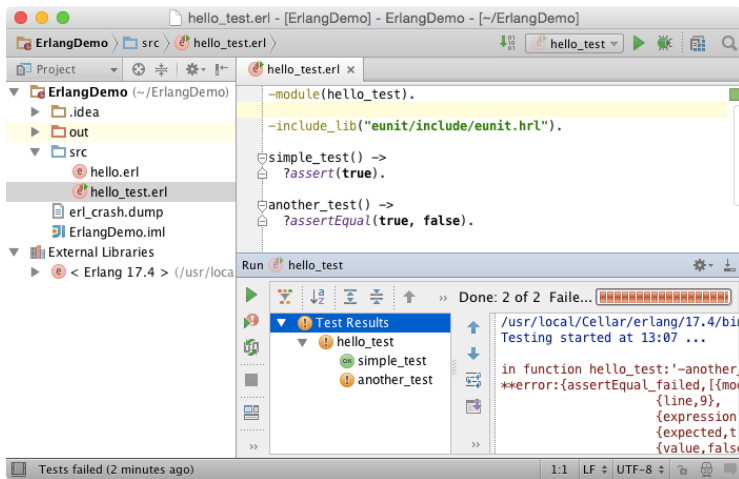
For more information, refer to the [concept of a run/debug configuration](#) and the procedural sections [Running](#) and [Debugging](#)

## Running Eunit tests

Running Eunit tests is similar to running an application, but needs a different run/debug configuration, created against the stub Erlang Eunit :

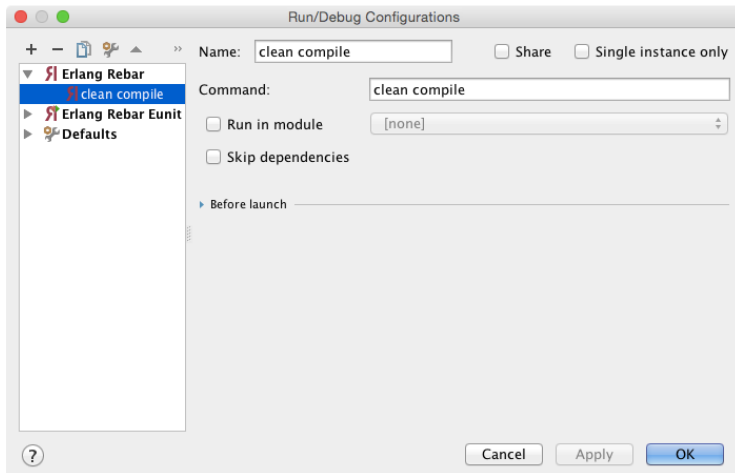


IntelliJ IDEA provides a handy [Test Runner](#) with support for [Eunit](#) . It shows test results, lets you rerun tests of you choice, jump to failed tests, etc.:



## Running Rebar commands

Running Rebar commands is also possible right from the IDE – with the help of the Erlang Rebar run/debug configuration:



Note that if your Rebar commands run tests, you can use a Erlang Rebar Eunit run/debug configuration to see test results in a Test Runner.

## Additional

### Learning Erlang

To learn Erlang, we recommend that you start by reading the [official Erlang user guide](#), and of course the [Learn You Some Erlang for Great Good](#) tutorial by [Fred Hebert](#).

### Learning IntelliJ IDEA

IntelliJ IDEA is a Java IDE in the first place, however it's also a platform and IDE for other languages, such as Erlang, Python, Ruby, PHP, and many other. To learn more about IntelliJ IDEA, it's worth checking out the section [Discover IntelliJ IDEA](#) and watch the [Video Tutorials](#).

If you have a question, you can always ask it on [StackOverflow](#) (probably it's already answered).

### Providing Feedback

In case you'd like to share your feedback about IntelliJ IDEA or its support for Erlang, feel free to submit an issue in [Erlang plugin GitHub repository](#), or to the [IntelliJ IDEA issue tracker](#).

Refer to the section [Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA implements [Grails](#) technology and allows creating Grails application with the specific folder structure and all the necessary artifacts.

IntelliJ IDEA supports all features of Grails 3.0.0 and later versions.

In this section:

- Grails
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [Grails features in IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Getting Started with Grails 3](#)
- [Getting Started with Grails 1/2](#)
- [Creating a Grails Application Module](#)
- [Creating Grails Application from Existing Code](#)
- [Grails Procedures](#)

## Prerequisites

Make sure that the desired SDK is downloaded and installed on your computer, and the libraries are properly configured.

Also, make sure that the Grails plugin is enabled in IntelliJ IDEA. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not enabled, [enable the plugin](#).

## Grails Features in IntelliJ IDEA

Grails support in IntelliJ IDEA includes the following features:

- Automated way of creating Grails Applications that provides generation of the specific structure and artifacts.
- Automatic enabling Groovy support in the Grails Application modules, allowing creation of the Groovy classes, interfaces and scripts.
- Execution of the [targets](#).
- Possibility to [generate scaffolding](#).
- Possibility to [generate tests](#).
- [Code completion](#).
- Querying with [dynamic finders](#).
- Dedicated [run/debug configuration](#).
- Grails 3.1.0 supports the GORM version 5.0.
- Grails [Web Layer](#).
- [Grails Resources plugin](#).
- Grails [Spock](#).
- Grails [Standalone GORM](#)

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IntelliJ IDEA supports [Grails version 3.0](#) and later.

- [Before you start](#)
- [Creating Grails 3 Project](#)
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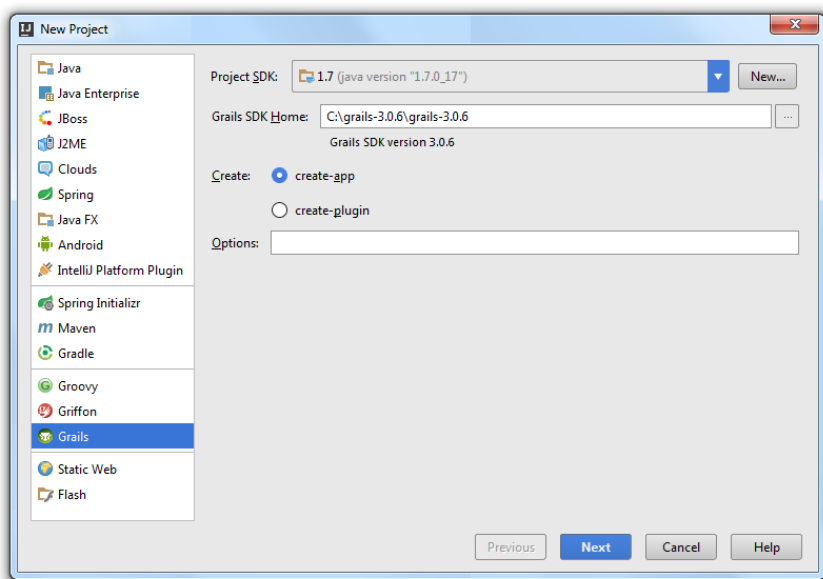
## Before you start

Before you start creating your project with Grails framework, make sure that you have the latest Grails SDK version downloaded on your machine. You can download the latest SDK version from the [Grails page](#) . Also, make sure that you are working with IntelliJ IDEA ultimate edition, version 15 or higher if you want to work with the Grails 3.0 version. See the [latest available version](#) .

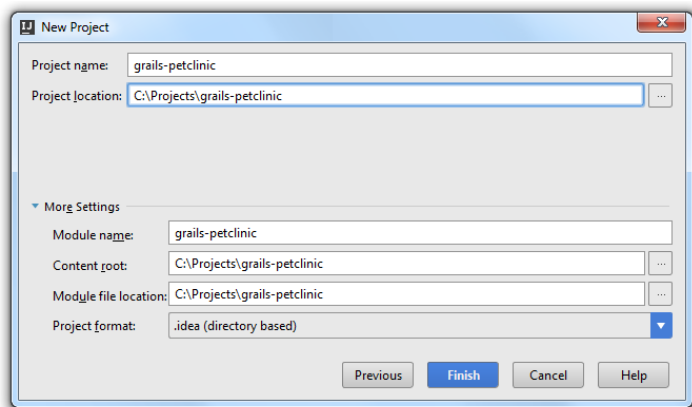
## Creating Grails 3 Project

1. Open [Project Wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane select Grails .
2. In the right-hand part of the page, specify the following information:
  - Project [JDK](#) that you are going to use for your project.
  - Grails SDK Home - your local Grails 3 installation which is represented by a [library](#) .
  - Create create-app or create-plugin - select one of these options depending on what you want to create.
  - Options - use this field for additional options. For example, you can specify a profile such as `--profile=web` for Grails 3.

Click Next .



3. On the next page of the wizard, specify the project's information and click Finish .

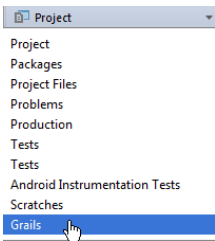


IntelliJ IDEA creates the Grails application.

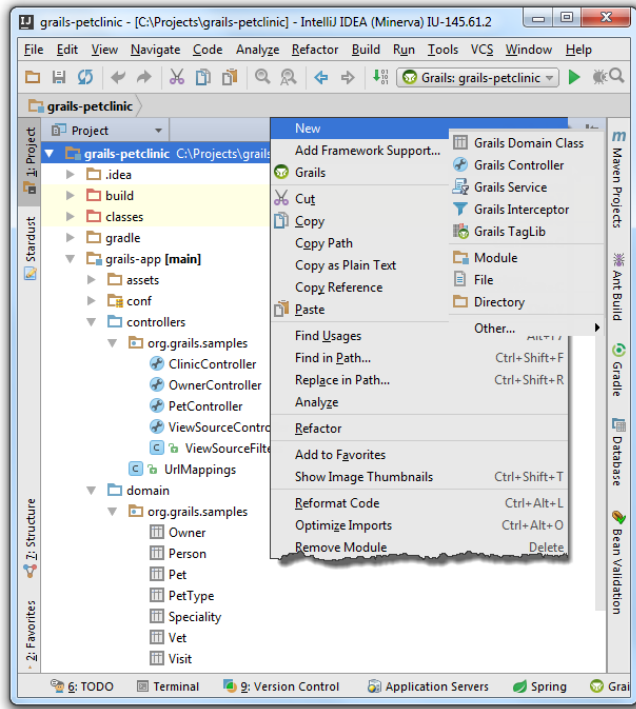
## Exploring Grails Application

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to explore your Grails application. Note that the [Grails view](#) is supported for Grails 3. Also, note that all the [Project view settings](#) are available for the Grails view as well.



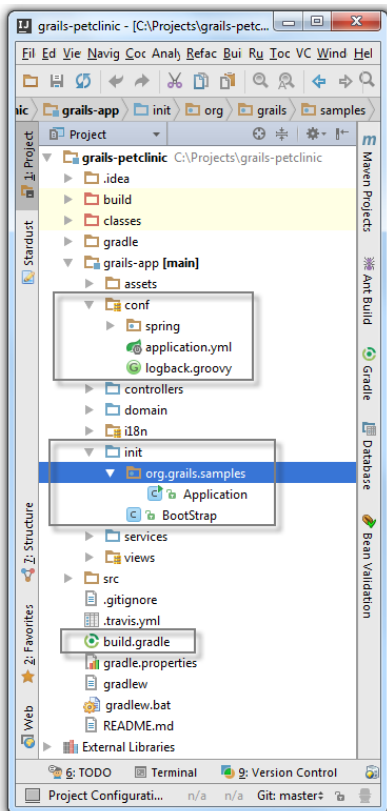


Grails actions are available in the Project view. All artifact icons are changed to Grails icons.



Other notable differences from the previous Grails versions are as follows:


- `build.gradle` - the Grails version 3 uses Gradle for building. When you import Grails 3 project you can import it through the Gradle model.
- `config` directory - the content of the config directory enables you to use either a YAML file or Groovy file for your configuration. The logging configuration is also available.
- `init` directory - this directory contains main application file the lets you run your application with default settings.




For more information on the Grails version 3 changes, please see the [Grails](#) page.

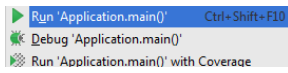
## Running Grails 3 Application

When the Grails application is created it is ready to run.

Click the  icon on the top right corner of your workspace.

If you want to run the application from the editor, perform the following steps:

1. In the Project tool window, click the init folder.
2. From the drop-down list, select Application.groovy to open the file in the editor.
3. In the editor, in the left gutter, click  icon and in the window that opens click Run 'Application.main()' .



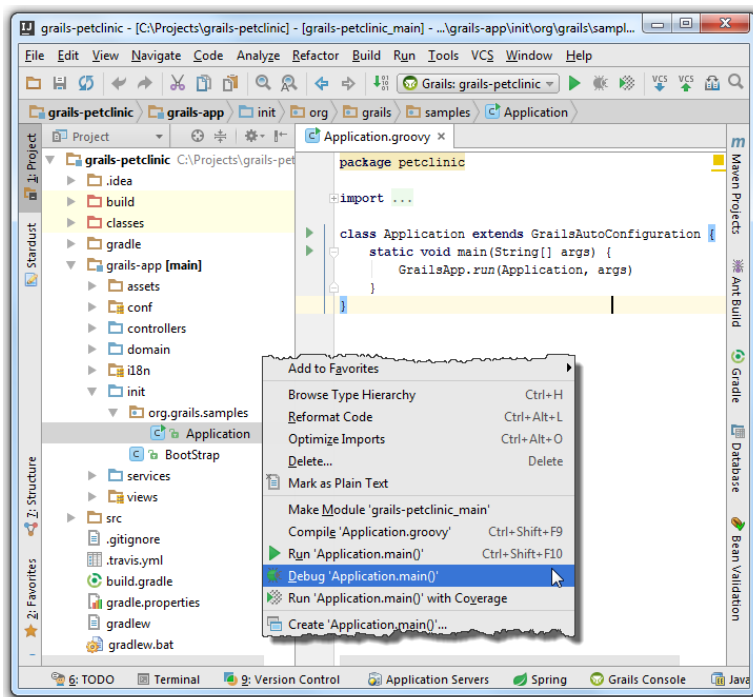
Your application starts in your default browser, with the following URL in the address bar:

`http://localhost:8080/`

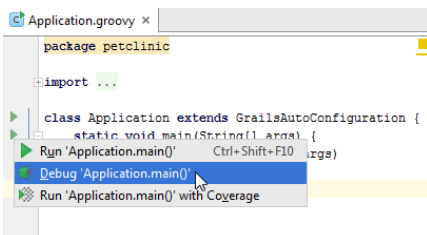
## Debugging Grails 3 Application

IntelliJ IDEA lets you debug your Grails 3 application using `Application.groovy` .

1. In the Project tool window, open init directory and right-click the Application.groovy
2. From the drop-down list select Debug Grails:'name'

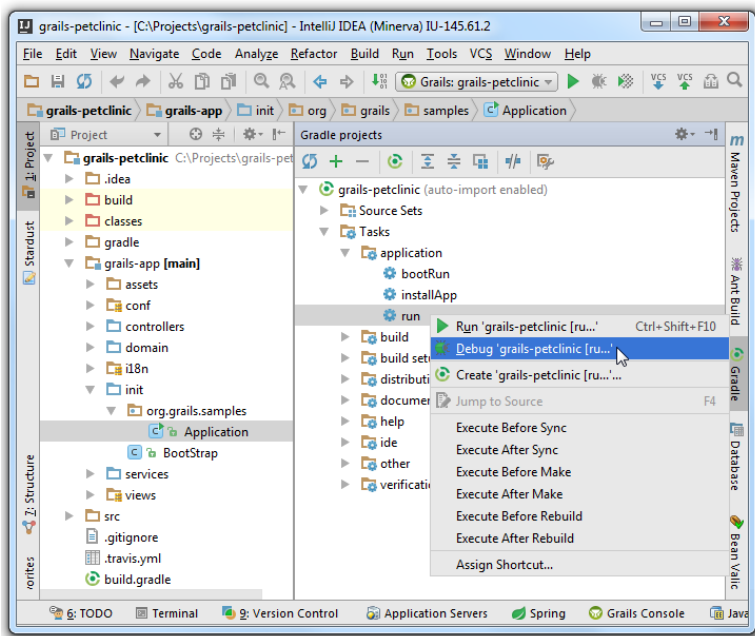


You can also use the editor to start the debugging process.



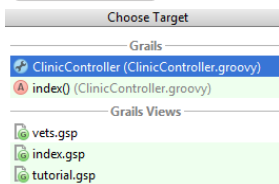
IntelliJ IDEA lets you also debug your Grails 3 application using Gradle tasks.

1. Open [Gradle tool window](#) .
2. From the list of tasks, click application and in the list that opens, right-click run .
3. From the drop-down list that opens, select Debug Grails:'name'

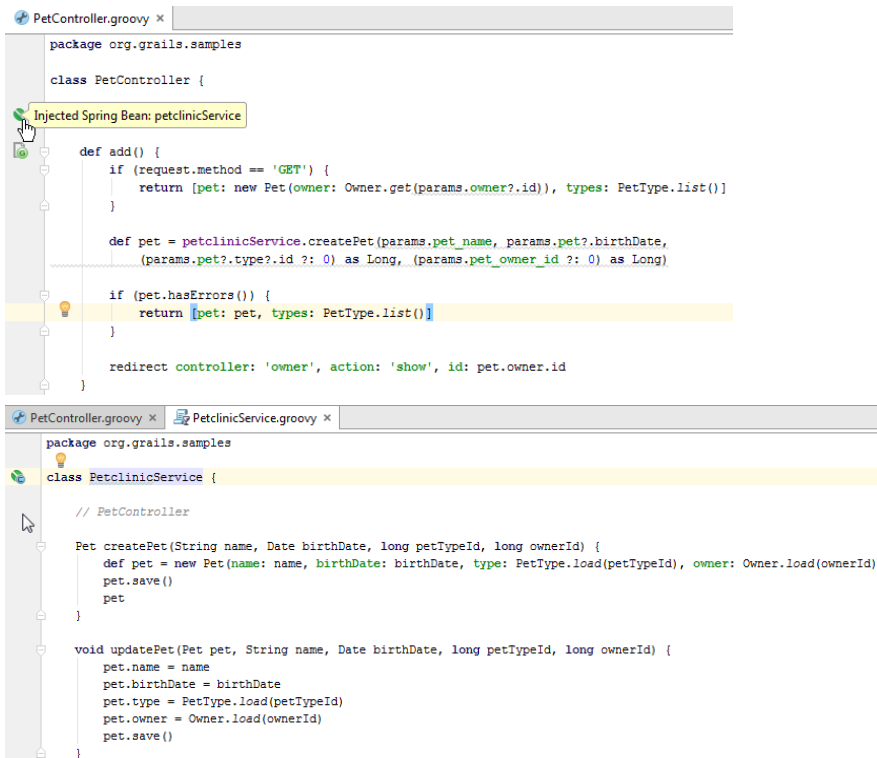


### Grails 3 Coding Assistance

- IntelliJ IDEA provides navigation between all related files such as domain classes, views, services and controllers. Press `Ctrl+Alt+Home` in the editor and choose your target.



- IntelliJ IDEA provides navigation between the injected dependencies.



- IntelliJ IDEA also provides navigation between the methods of the controller and `.gsp` files.

```

package org.grails.samples

class PetController {

    def petclinicService

    def add() {
        if (request.method == 'GET') {
            return [pet: new Pet(owner: Owner.get(params.owner?.id)), types: PetType.list()]
        }

        def pet = petclinicService.createPet(params.pet_name, params.pet?.birthDate,
            (params.pet?.type?.id ?: 0) as Long, (params.pet_owner_id ?: 0) as Long)

        if (pet.hasErrors()) {
            return [pet: pet, types: PetType.list()]
        }

        redirect controller: 'owner', action: 'show', id: pet.owner.id
    }
}

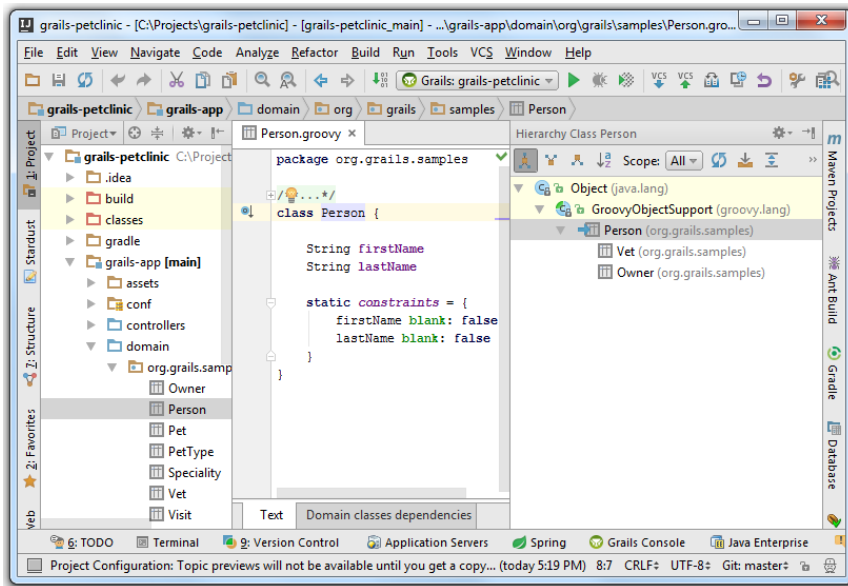
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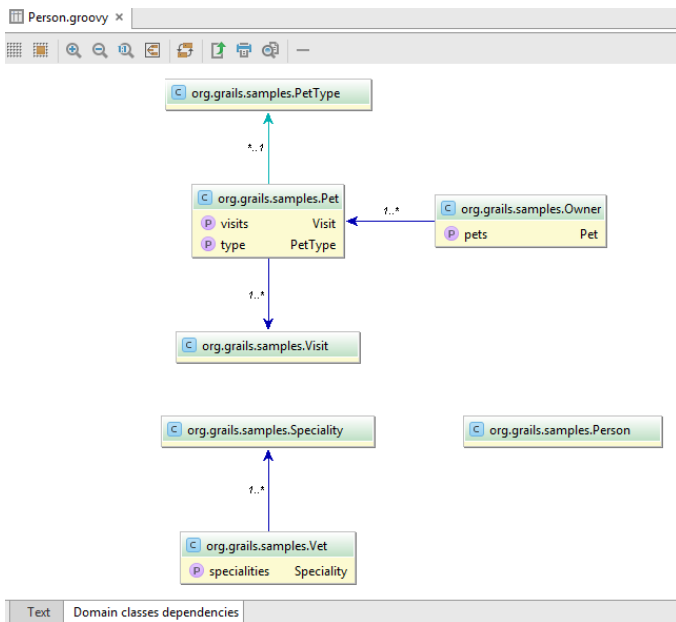
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<meta name="layout" content="main">
<title>${ pet.id ? 'Update' : 'Add'} Pet</title>
</head>
<body id="add">
<h2><g:if test="${!pet.id}">New </g:if>Pet</h2>
<br><b>Owner:</b> ${pet.owner?.firstName} ${pet.owner?.lastName}
<br>
<g:form action="${pet.id ? 'edit' : 'add'}">
<g:if test="${pet.id}">
<input type="hidden" name="id" value="${pet.id}" />
</g:if>
<input type="hidden" name="pet_owner_id" value="${pet.owner.id}" />
<table>
<tr>
<th>
<g:render template="/common/formField"
model="[name:'pet', bean:pet, field:'name', label:'Name']" />
</th>
</tr>
</table>
</body>
</html>

```

IntelliJ IDEA lets you open and check the hierarchy of the domain classes. Press `Ctrl+H` in the editor to open Hierarchy tool window.



IntelliJ IDEA also lets you check the domain classes dependencies.



### Grails 3 Gradle Support

Grails 3 uses Gradle build system. You can use Gradle for the following actions:

- run Gradle tasks
- rely on the coding assistance when you edit build files
- import Grails 3 project from a Gradle model
- automatically update project dependencies

The screenshot shows an IDE window for a Grails 3 project. The main editor displays a `buildscript` block with the following content:

```

buildscript {
  ext {
    grailsVersion = project.grailsVersion
  }
  repositories {
    mavenLocal()
    maven { url "https://repo.grails.org/grails/core" }
  }
  dependencies {
    classpath "org.grails:grails-gradle-plugin:$grailsVersion"
    classpath 'com.bertramlabs.plugins:asset-pipeline-gradle:2.1.1'
  }
}

```

The right-hand pane shows the 'Gradle projects' view for the `grails-petclinic-master` project, listing tasks such as `bootRun`, `installApp`, `run`, `build`, `build setup`, `distribution`, and `documentation`. The `bootRun` task is currently selected.

The bottom pane shows the 'Run' console output for the `bootRun` task:

```

Run grails-petclinic-master [bootRun]
5:12:21 PM: Executing external task 'bootRun'...
:compileJava UP-TO-DATE
:compileGroovy
:processResources UP-TO-DATE
:classes
:findMainClass
:bootRun
Grails application running at http://localhost:8080 in environment: development

```

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IntelliJ IDEA tightly integrates with [Grails](#) , and makes it possible to work with Grails applications from within the IDE, sparing you from the need to use a command line. Grails support in IntelliJ IDEA lets you do the following:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Creating Grails Project](#)
- [Exploring Grails Application](#)
- [Creating Elements in your Grails Project](#)
- [Running the Application](#)

## Before you start

Before you start creating your Grails project, make sure that you have Grails SDK downloaded on your machine. You can download the latest SDK version from the [Grails page](#) . Also, make sure that you are working with IntelliJ IDEA ultimate edition, version 9 or higher. See the [latest available version](#) .

**Warning!** If you plan on using the Grails 3.0 version, please see the [Getting Started with Grails 3](#) .

## Creating Grails Project

Do one of the following:

- If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project . As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
- If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module . As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.

On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Grails . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the following setting:

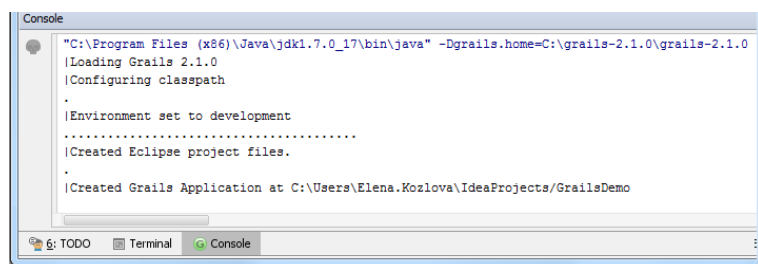
- [Project SDK](#) that you are going to use.
- Grails SDK Home - select a local Grails installation that is represented by a [library](#) .
- Create create-app or create-plugin - select one of these options depending on what you want to create.
- Options - specify additional options.

Click Next .

Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

Since we chose to create an application, IntelliJ IDEA executes the **create-app** target, which generates the directory structure of a Grails application. All output information is displayed in the Console :

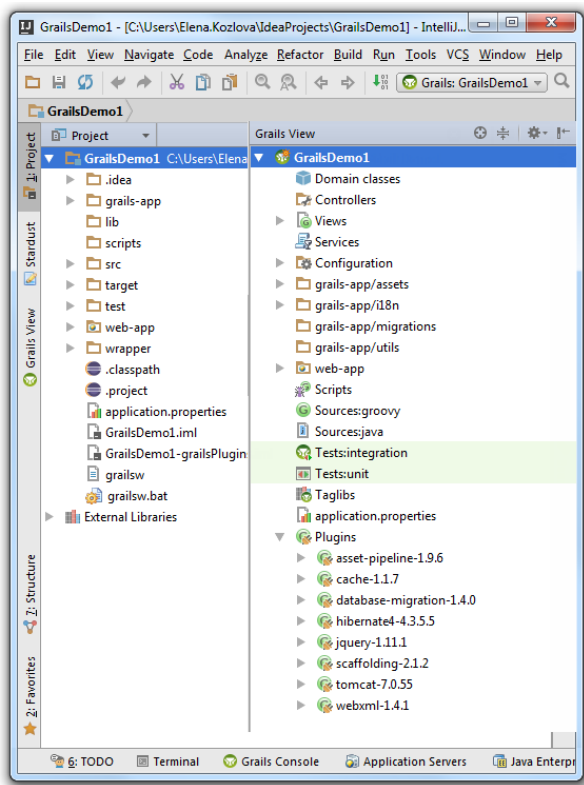


```
Console
"C:\Program Files (x86)\Java\jdk1.7.0_17\bin\java" -Dgrails.home=C:\grails-2.1.0\grails-2.1.0
|Loading Grails 2.1.0
|Configuring classpath
.
|Environment set to development
.....
|Created Eclipse project files.
.
|Created Grails Application at C:\Users\Elena.Kozlova\IdeaProjects\GrailsDemo
```

## Exploring Grails Application

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to explore your Grails application from two different viewpoints:

- The Project tool window shows the typical Grails directory structure.
- The Grails tool window shows the logical set of Grails application elements (Domain classes, Controllers, Views, etc.)



## Creating Elements in your Grails Project

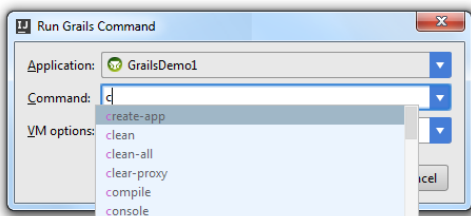
To illustrate IntelliJ IDEA abilities, let's start developing a very basic library management system.

1. Create a domain class for the library system. This class will represent a book within a library.

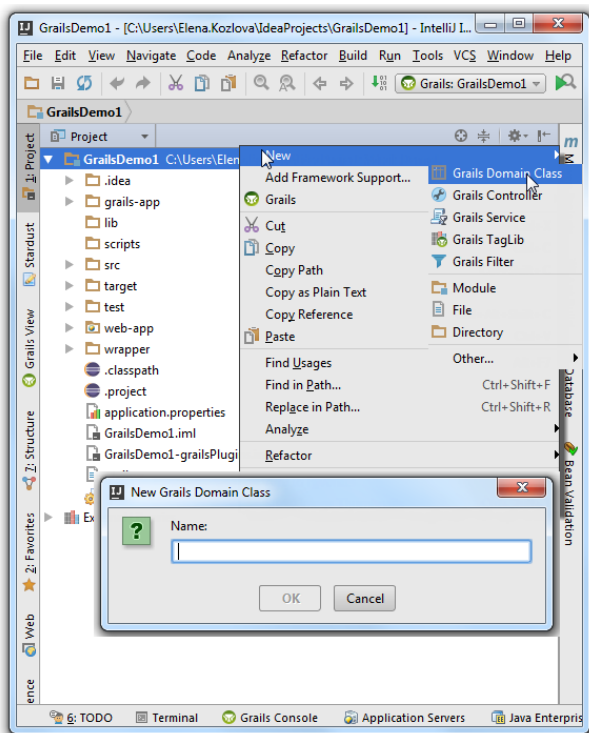
There are two possible ways of doing that in IntelliJ IDEA:

- Execute a Grails target. Press `Ctrl+Alt+G`, and enter Grails target name.

Note that code completion `?` is available in the Run Grails target dialog box:



- Right-click the Grails tool window background, and choose New | Grails Domain class on the context menu:



As a result, two stub classes are created in the project:

- Domain class Book.groovy
- Test class BookTests.groovy

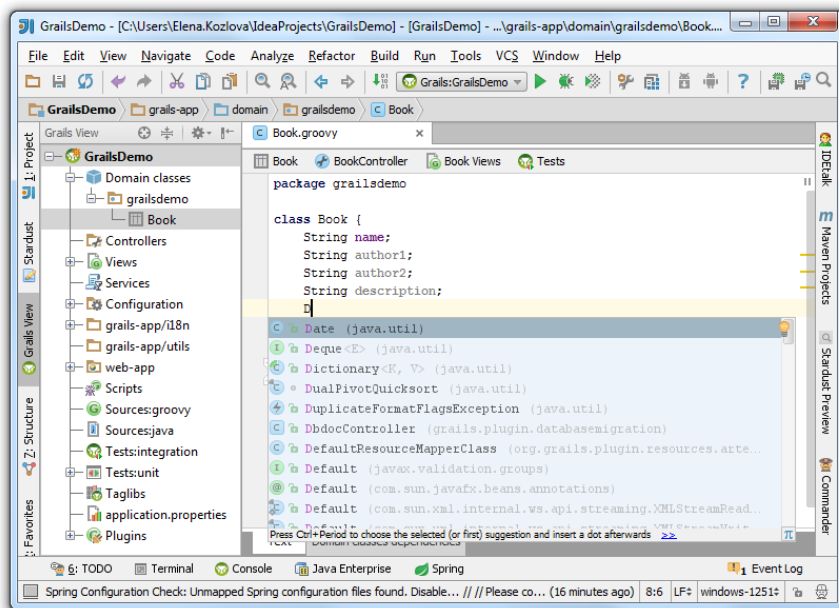
IntelliJ IDEA diligently shows all output messages in the Console .

For the purposes of our tutorial, we will work with the domain class Book.groovy .

Now it is just a stub, and we'll add the following fields:

- Book title
- Author name (maybe two author names?)
- Description
- Publisher
- Date published
- Copyright
- ISBN
- Reader name
- Date taken

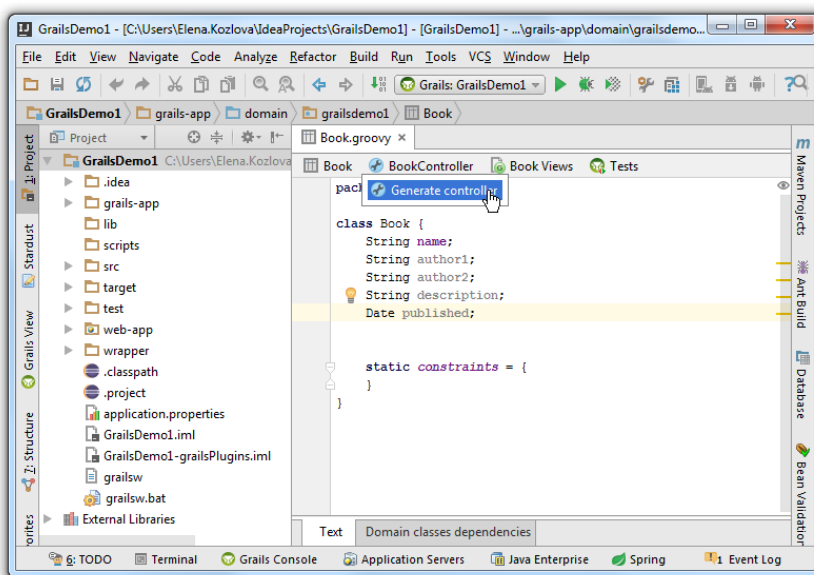
2. Open Book.groovy for editing ( F4 ), and type these fields in your code, using the code completion Ctrl+Space :



3. Provide a controller and views.

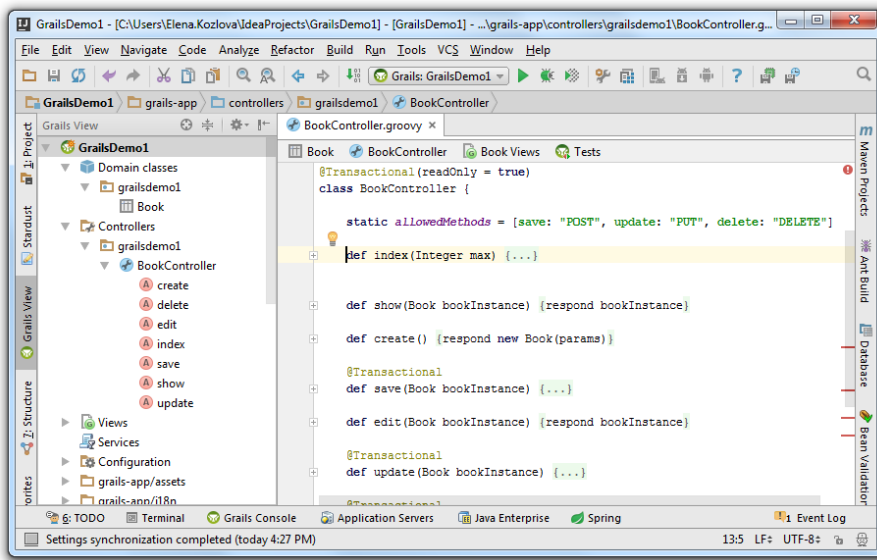
You can do it in two ways:

- run the Grails target generate-all Book
- use Scaffolding - the handy tool that you can find at the top of the domain class editor:

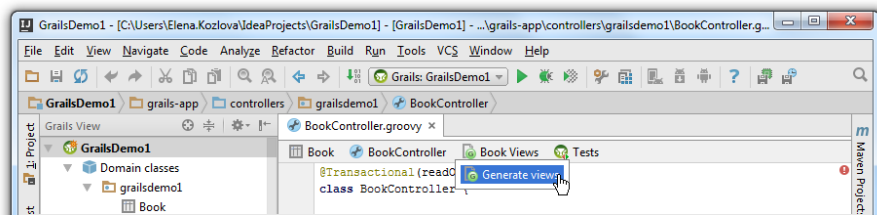


IntelliJ IDEA works hard (you can see that in the console), and produces the BookController.groovy class:

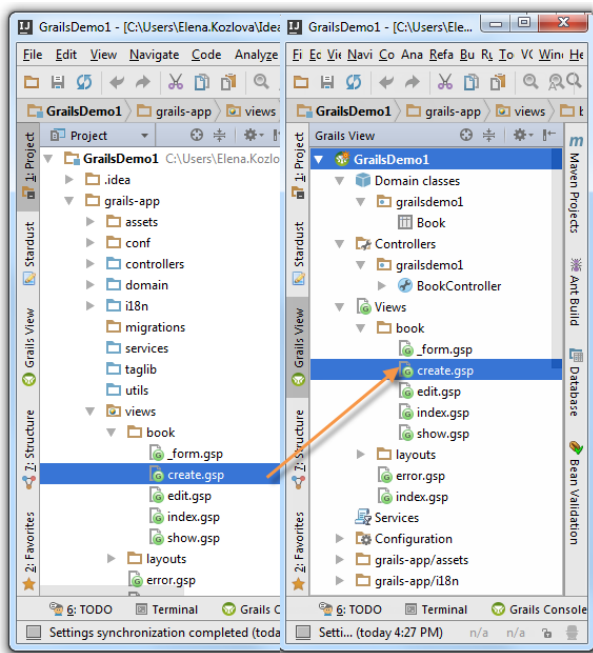




Next, create views the same way:



For each method of the controller, IntelliJ IDEA generates a file with the .gsp extension (create.gsp, edit.gsp, list.gsp, show.gsp).



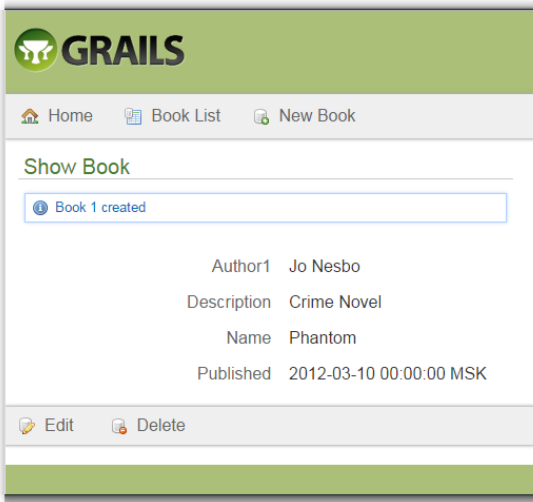
## Running the Application

There are more things you might want to do to make your application useful, but let's try to run it straight away with the default settings. To do that, press `?` and after a turmoil of messages in the Console, your application starts in your default browser, with the following URL in the address bar: `http://localhost:8080/GrailsDemo`.

On that page, you will see something like this:

- [grailsdemo.BookController](#)

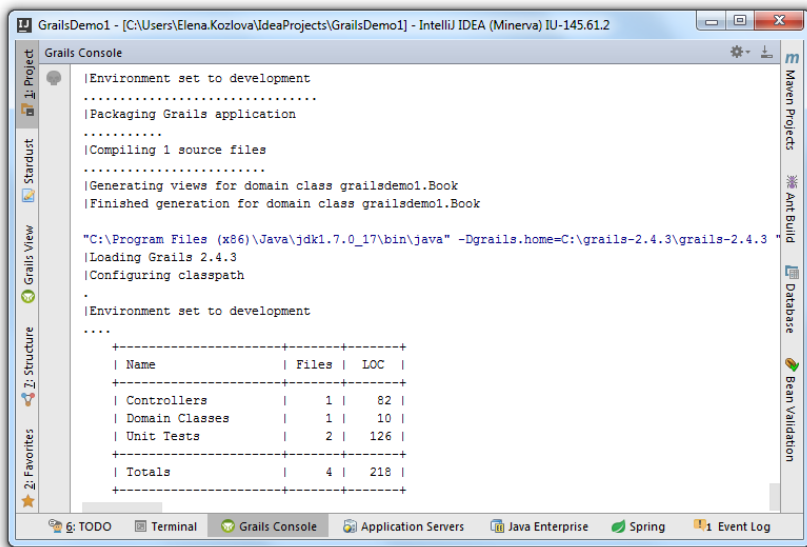
Click the controller link to open the list of books, which is empty by default. Now, you can try to fill out the entries of your library management system, for example, click the New Book button to add a book:



As you see, our basic library management system is ready. If you want to extend its functionality or you are not very happy with the code generated by Grails, you can modify the files in the IntelliJ IDEA editor to fit your particular needs, and rerun the application.

Finally, if you want to evaluate your effort for creating and running your Grails application under IntelliJ IDEA, view the number of files and lines of source code.

Press `Ctrl+Alt+G`, type `stats` in the pop-up window, and see the results in the Console :



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You can create a new project with a Grails module or add a new Grails module to an existing project.

## To create a Grails Application module

1. Do one of the following:

- If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
- If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.

2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Grails . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the following setting:

- [Project SDK](#) that you are going to use.
- Grails SDK Home - select a local Grails installation that is represented by a [library](#) .
- Create create-app or create-plugin - select one of these options depending on what you want to create.
- Options - specify additional options.

Click Next .

3. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

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If you already have a Grails project, you can create a IntelliJ IDEA Grails Application around its source code. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the structure and creates the Grails project view.

1. Launch the [New Project wizard](#) . If no project is currently opened in IntelliJ IDEA, click Import Project on the Welcome screen. Otherwise, select File | New | Project from Existing Sources from the main menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, select your Grails project and click OK .
3. On the next page of the wizard, select Create project from existing sources and click Next .
4. On the next page of the wizard, specify the name and the location of your Grails project and click Next .
5. On the next page of the wizard, select the source roots that you want to include in your project and click Next .
6. On the next page of the wizard, select the libraries that will be included in your project and click Next .
7. On the next page of the wizard, review the module structure and dependencies that will be added to the project and click Next .
8. On the next page of the wizard, select the project SDK and click Next .
9. On the next page of the wizard, IntelliJ IDEA displays frameworks if they were detected. Click Finish .

IntelliJ IDEA opens a Grails project with its dedicated structure. At this point if IntelliJ IDEA detects a Gradle build tool inside your project, the pop-up message suggesting to import the Gradle project will be displayed.

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This section covers Grails- and Griffon-specific procedures:

- [Creating Grails Application Elements](#)
- [Scaffolding](#)
- [Creating and Editing Relationships Between Domain Classes](#)
- [Creating Grails Views and Actions](#)
- [Navigating Between Actions and Views](#)
- [Running Grails Targets](#)
- [Running and Debugging Grails Applications](#)
- [Testing Grails Applications](#)
- [Working with Grails Plugins](#)
- [Dynamic Finders](#)

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IntelliJ IDEA enables easy creation of the Grails or Griffon Application elements in the modules of the corresponding type (domain classes, controllers, scripts etc.) You can create new elements using the application-specific Grails or Griffon tool windows, or the Project tool window.

Execution of the target that corresponds to the selected element type, is displayed in the console.

## To add a new Grails or Griffon element

1. Open [Grails](#) or [Griffon](#) tool window, depending on the desired application type, and right-click the package where a new application element should be added.
2. On the context menu of the destination package, choose New , or press `Alt+Insert` , and choose the element type.
3. Type the name of the new element. So doing, you may not care about capitalization: when a new element is generated, its name is capitalized automatically. Click OK . A Groovy class of the selected type is created in the location stipulated by the application structure.
4. Add the necessary source code in the editor, using the Groovy-aware coding assistance, refactorings and intention actions.

IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to create Grails filters in one click. Just press `Alt+Insert` , and choose Grails Filter on the pop-up menu. After executing the `CreateFilters.groovy` target, the stub class with the filter definition is created under `grails-app/conf` directory of your Grails application.

Note that IntelliJ IDEA automatically provides the proper name of your filter class ( `*Filters.groovy` ), so you only need to specify the initial characters of the filter class name.

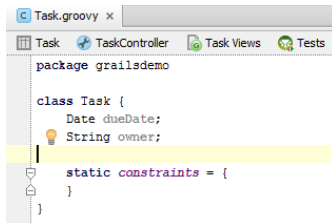
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IntelliJ IDEA implements the powerful Grails facility to generate controllers, views, and tests from the Grails elements. For this purpose, the editor for the Grails elements provides a toolbar, which enables you to run the Grails scaffolding generation targets.

When you run a target, the names of the scaffolding elements are generated on the base of the Grails elements' names, and the scaffolding files are placed to the corresponding directories of the module structure.

## To generate scaffolding for a Grails element

1. Open the desired Grails element in the editor:

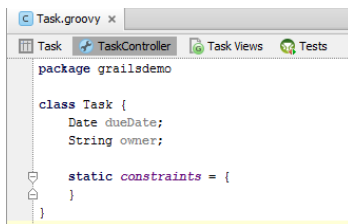


```
Task.groovy x
Task TaskController Task Views Tests
package grailsdemo

class Task {
    Date dueDate;
    String owner;

    static constraints = {
    }
}
```

2. Click the desired scaffolding button, and choose Generate :



```
Task.groovy x
Task TaskController Task Views Tests
package grailsdemo

class Task {
    Date dueDate;
    String owner;

    static constraints = {
    }
}
```

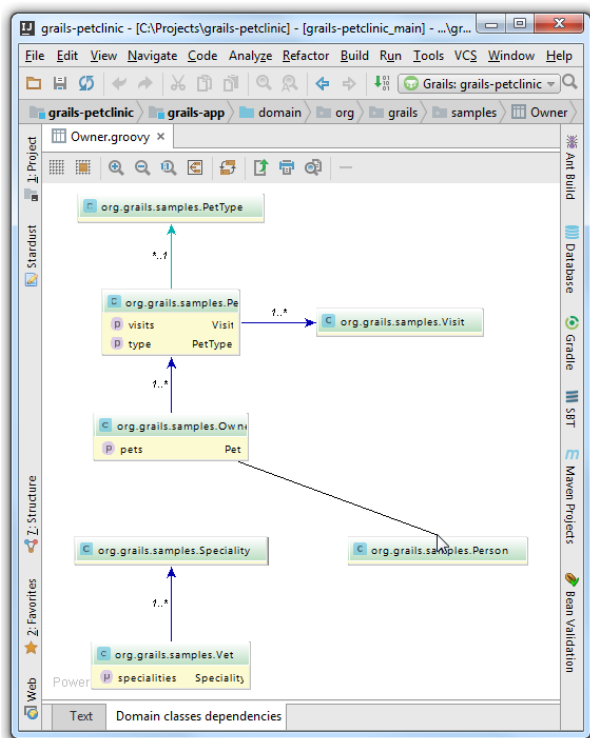
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Use the Domain classes dependencies diagram for creating and editing relationships between the domain classes.

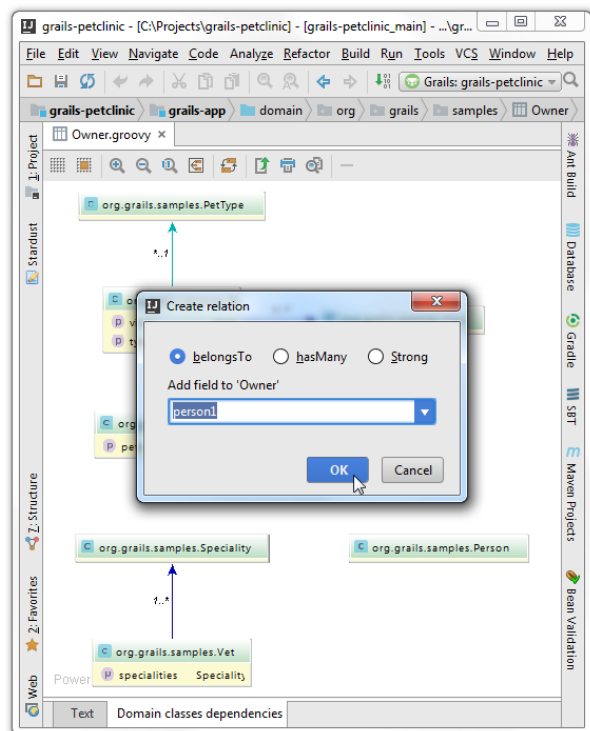
The [diagram](#) is completely synchronized with the source code: the changes in the source code are immediately reflected in the diagram, and vice versa, adding or deleting a link in diagram introduces relevant changes to the source code.

## To create relationship between domain classes

1. Select the desired domain class, and click the Domain classes dependencies tab that is located on the bottom of the editor.
2. Click the source domain class and draw a link to the target domain class:

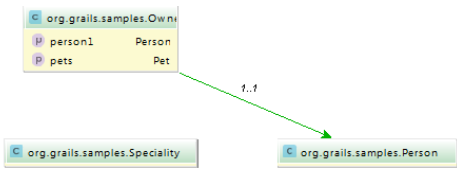


3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the type of relationship, and the name of the field to be created:



The resulting relationship is displayed in diagram:





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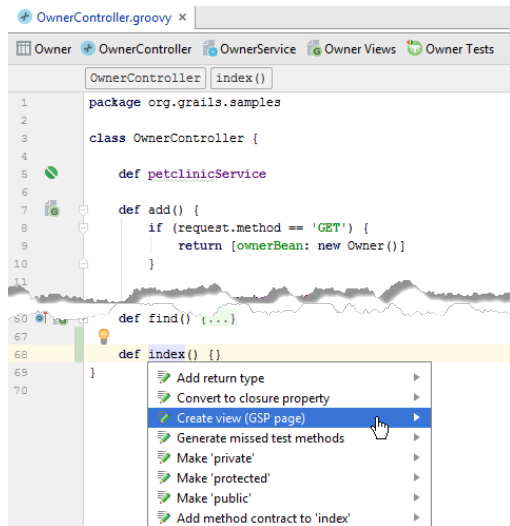
IntelliJ IDEA provides intention actions to create views and actions "from usage".

## To create an action from a view

1. In a Grails `*.gsp` page, place the caret at a view that refers to a non-existent action.
2. Press `Alt+Enter`, and choose Create Action from the suggestion list. The action is created in the controller, with the caret at the insertion point.
3. Type the meaningful action code.

## To create a Grails view from an action

1. In a Grails controller, place the caret at an action that refers to a non-existent view.
2. Press `Alt+Enter`, and choose Create View (GSP page) from the suggestion list.



A `.gsp` file with the corresponding name is created under the `views` directory of the Grails application.

**Tip** Configure code style of `.gsp` pages [here](#).

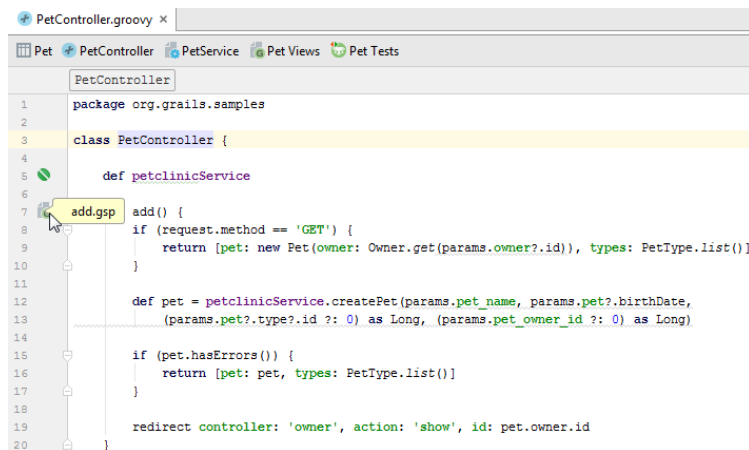
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IntelliJ IDEA suggests convenient means of navigation within Grails applications. The following cases are possible:

- Between a [controller action and a view with the same name](#) .
- From `redirect` and `render` [methods to the corresponding controllers and actions](#) .

## To navigate between an action and the corresponding view

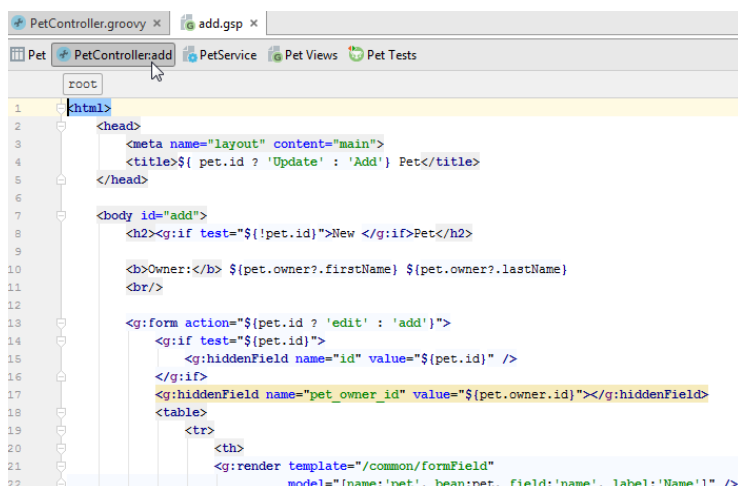
- In a controller, with the caret within an action: Click the icon  in the left gutter:



```
1 package org.grails.samples
2
3 class PetController {
4
5     def petclinicService
6
7     add.gsp add() {
8         if (request.method == 'GET') {
9             return [pet: new Pet(owner: Owner.get(params.owner?.id)), types: PetType.list()]
10        }
11
12        def pet = petclinicService.createPet(params.pet_name, params.pet?.birthDate,
13            (params.pet?.type?.id ?: 0) as Long, (params.pet_owner_id ?: 0) as Long)
14
15        if (pet.hasErrors()) {
16            return [pet: pet, types: PetType.list()]
17        }
18
19        redirect controller: 'owner', action: 'show', id: pet.owner.id
20    }
```

The corresponding `<name>.gsp` file opens in the editor.

- In a view file `<name>.gsp` : click the Controller button on the [scaffolding toolbar](#) :



```
1 <html>
2 <head>
3     <meta name="layout" content="main">
4     <title>${ pet.id ? 'Update' : 'Add'} Pet</title>
5 </head>
6
7 <body id="add">
8     <h2><g:if test="!{pet.id}">New </g:if>Pet</h2>
9
10    <b>Owner:</b> ${pet.owner?.firstName} ${pet.owner?.lastName}
11    <br/>
12
13    <g:form action="{pet.id ? 'edit' : 'add'}">
14        <g:if test="{pet.id}">
15            <g:hiddenField name="id" value="{pet.id}" />
16        </g:if>
17        <g:hiddenField name="pet_owner_id" value="{pet.owner.id}"></g:hiddenField>
18        <table>
19            <tr>
20                <th>
21                    <g:render template="/common/formField"
22                        model=[name:'pet', bean:pet, field:'name', label:'Name'] />
```

The corresponding controller opens in the editor, with the caret resting before the action name.

## To navigate from Grails render or redirect methods, do one of the following

- With the caret at the template name, press `Ctrl+B`
- Keeping `Ctrl` pressed, click the template name:

```
PetController.groovy x Pet.groovy x add.gsp x
Pet PetController PetService Pet Views Pet Tests

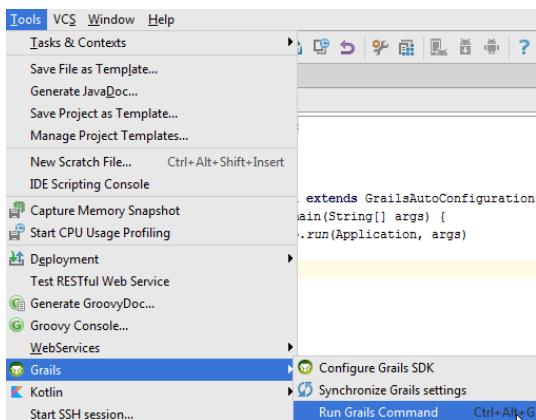
1 package org.grails.samples
2
3 class PetController {
4
5     def petclinicService
6
7     def add() {
8         if (params.owner) {
9             private def petclinicService
10             [inferred type] PetclinicService
11             owner: Owner.get(params.owner?.id), types: PetType.list()
12
13             def pet = petclinicService.createPet(params.pet_name, params.pet?.birthDate,
14                 (params.pet?.type?.id ?: 0) as Long, (params.pet_owner_id ?: 0) as Long)
15
16             if (pet.hasErrors()) {
17                 return [pet: pet, types: PetType.list()]
18             }
19
20             redirect controller: 'owner', action: 'show', id: pet.owner.id
21         }
22     def edit() {
```

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IntelliJ IDEA enables launching targets in the Grails or Griffon applications. When Grails or Griffon application is selected, the respective Run target command appears in the Grails or Griffon nodes of the main Tools menu.

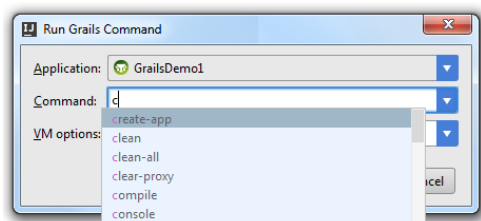
## To run a Grails or Griffon target

1. Select Grails or Griffon application module. You can do this in a number of ways:
  - In the Project tool window, select module of the corresponding type.
  - Bring forward [Grails View](#) or [Griffon View](#) tool window.
  - Open in the editor the desired file that pertains to a Grails or Griffon application.
2. On the Tools menu, choose Grails | Run Grails Command or Griffon | Run Griffon Command :



Alternatively, just press `Ctrl+Alt+G` .

3. In the dialog box that opens, start typing the target name, and press `Ctrl+Space` to show the list of matching targets:



4. Click OK , and view the output messages in the console.

Please note the following:

- The history drop-down list is available in the RunTarget dialog box. Use the arrow keys to browse through the recently executed targets.
- You can run or debug any target immediately from the Run/Debug configuration, if you enter an arbitrary command in the Command line field of the Run/Debug Configuration dialog.

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In IntelliJ IDEA, you can launch Grails or Griffon applications using the regular procedures, with the dedicated [Grails Application](#) or [Griffon Application](#) run/debug configuration:

- [Running](#)
- [Debugging](#)

**Note** Note that IntelliJ IDEA enables you to debug `*.gsp` files: you can set breakpoints at the lines of the views, examine variables, and evaluate expressions.

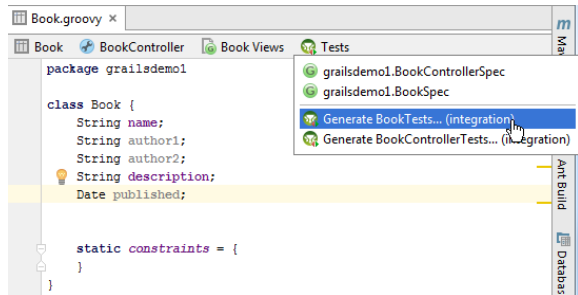
Besides that, you can [execute Groovy scripts](#) that exist in Grails or Griffon applications. Observe results in the [Run](#) and [Debug](#) tool windows.

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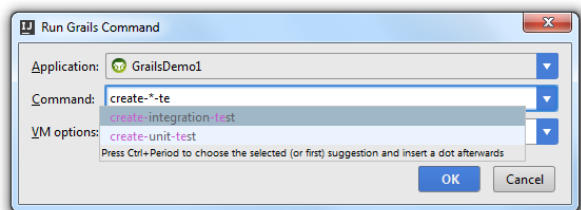
IntelliJ IDEA enables creating and running unit and integration Grails tests, and provides run configurations for each test type.

### To create Grails test, do one of the following:

- Use **scaffolding** of a domain class you want to create a test for:

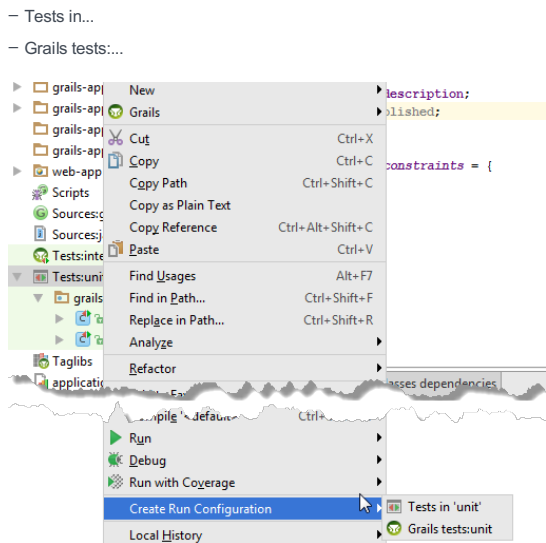


- **Run Grails target**: press **Ctrl+Alt+G**, and type the target name in the text field. Use code completion to narrow down the list of matching targets:



### To create a Grails test run/debug configuration

1. In the **Grails view**, right-click one of the test directories, point to **Create Run Configuration** on the context menu, and then choose one of the suggested options:

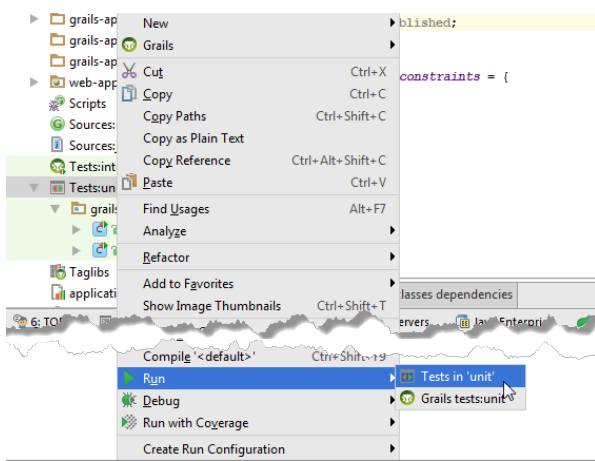


2. In the Run/Debug Configuration dialog that opens, specify the run/debug configuration settings: test type, Grails scripts etc.

**Note** You can specify several test names separated with spaces, all these tests will run in a single run configuration.

### To run a Grails test


1. In the **Grails view**, select the desired test class.
2. In the menu that opens, select **Run** and the desired configuration type:



The selected run/debug configuration is executed in the Run tool window.



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You can extend the functionality of your Grails application with the Grails plugins downloaded from the Grails repository. Once downloaded, the plugins reside under the `plugins` directory of your Grails application. Each plugin has the same directory structure as the entire Grails application. The source directories of the installed plugins are included in the source routes and are marked in the module tree view with the  icon.

For the sake of better communication with the Grails repository, IntelliJ IDEA provides the plugin manager that enables viewing, installing and uninstalling plugins.


**Note** The first communication with the Grails repository from a Grails application can take time.

For Grails versions 2.3.0 and later, refer to the [Grails documentation](#).

## To open the Grails plugin manager, do one of the following

- On the main menu choose Tools | Grails | Plugins .
- On the context menu of the Project view, choose Grails | Plugins .

## To view the available plugins

- Open the Grails plugin manager, click the refresh button  if necessary, and view the list of plugins in the Grails plugins dialog box:



**Tip** You can also view the list of plugins by running the `list-plugins` Grails target. To do that, press `Ctrl+Alt+G`, and type `list-plugins` in the Run Grails Target dialog box.

## To install or uninstall Grails plugins

1. Open the Grails plugin manager. In the Enable column, select the checkboxes of the plugins to be installed, and clear the checkboxes of the plugins to be uninstalled. Then click Apply Changes .
2. In the Install/Uninstall Grails plugins dialog box, review the list of plugins. If necessary, select the plugin version. Click OK .



**Tip** You can also install plugins using the `install-plugin` Grails target. To do that, press `Ctrl+Alt+G`, and in the Run Grails Target dialog box type `install-plugin <plugin name>`.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Grails integration allows performing dynamic queries for the domain class instances. So doing, code completion makes it possible to combine different queries based on the fields of the domain classes.

## To create a dynamic query

1. In a Grails domain class, declare fields to define mappings. For example, in the domain class `Pet.groovy` there are four fields:

```
String name
Date birthDate
PetType type
Owner owner
```

2. In a Grails view, controller, or test class, create a method. For example, in the `PetSpec.groovy`, create method `testSomething()`.

3. In the method body, reference a domain class to be queried, and start typing the query. Press

`Ctrl+Space` :

```
void testSomething() {
    assert true
    Pet.findByVisitsBetween(1>5)
    Pet.
}
@Test
class Pet {
    m countBy... int
    m findAllBy... List<Pet>
    m findBy... Pet
    m findOrCreateBy... Pet
    m findOrSaveBy... Pet
    p all List<Pet>
    p async GormAsyncStaticApi<Pet>
    p constrainedProperties Map<String, Constrained>
    p constraints Closure
    p count Integer
    p ...
}
Press Ctrl+Period to choose the selected (or first) suggestion and insert a dot afterwards >>
```

4. Press `Ctrl+Space` once more, and select the desired condition from the suggestion list:

```
void testSomething() {
    assert true
    Pet.findByVisitsBetween(1>5)
    Pet.countBy
}
@Test
class Pet {
    m countBy... int
    m findAllBy... List<Pet>
    m findBy... Pet
    m findOrCreateBy... Pet
    m findOrSaveBy... Pet
    p all List<Pet>
    p async GormAsyncStaticApi<Pet>
    p constrainedProperties Map<String, Constrained>
    p constraints Closure
    p count Integer
    p ...
}
Pressing Ctrl+Space twice without a class qualifier would show all accessible static methods
```

Repeat code completion to concatenate as many search conditions as required.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a project using [Grails Application Forge](#) service. Application Forge generates a template project and automatically sets all required dependencies according to the selected features and profiles instead of configuring them manually. It generates a full project, or a build file with Gradle.

## Creating a project with Grails Application Forge

1. If no project is currently open, click Create New Project on the welcome screen; otherwise select File | New | Project .
2. On the [page that opens](#) , in the left pane, select Application Forge .
3. In the right pane, specify a project SDK (JDK). If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. Otherwise, click New and select JDK from the list. Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK (by this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer).
4. Specify the Grails SDK, other [Application Forge settings](#) and click Next .
5. On the next page, specify the project information and click Finish .

IntelliJ IDEA will create a fully-functional Grails project with the predefined structure, Gradle build file and a set of libraries.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

[Griffon](#) support is available in the Community and in the Ultimate editions of IntelliJ IDEA.

In this section:

- Griffon
- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Griffon features in IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Griffon changes in the IntelliJ IDEA UI](#)
- [Creating a Griffon Application Module](#)

## Prerequisites

Make sure that the desired SDK is downloaded and installed on your computer, and the libraries are properly configured.

Also, make sure that the Groovy plugin is enabled in IntelliJ IDEA. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not enabled, [enable the plugin](#).

## Griffon Features in IntelliJ IDEA

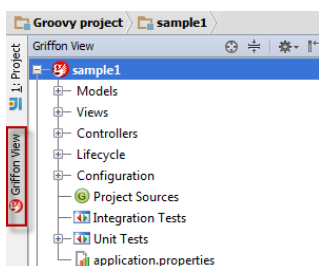
[Griffon](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA includes the following features:

- Automated way of creating Griffon Applications that provides generation of the specific structure and artifacts.
- Automatic enabling Groovy support in the Griffon Application modules, allowing creation of the Groovy classes, interfaces and scripts.
- Execution of the [targets](#).
- ability to [generate tests](#).
- [Code completion](#).
- Dedicated [run/debug configuration](#).

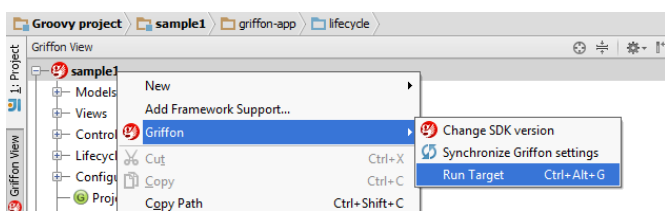
## Griffon Changes in the IntelliJ IDEA UI

Once IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the project or module as a Griffon application, it introduces the following changes to the UI:

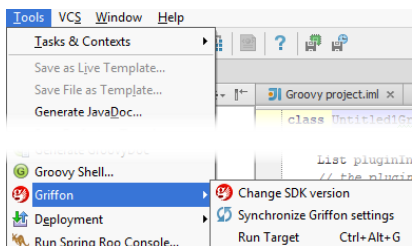
- [Griffon View](#) tool window is added, and the tool window button appears in the left tool windows bar:



- Griffon node is added to the context menu of the Griffon modules in the Griffon view:



- Griffon node is added to the Tools menu:



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can create Griffon Application modules. IntelliJ IDEA generates the necessary infrastructure. You can view module structure in the [Griffon](#) tool window, and use framework-specific commands.

## To create a Griffon Application module

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Griffon . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use and your local Griffon installation. (Griffon in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a [library](#) .) If you need, specify additional libraries and frameworks.  
Click Next .
3. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .  
Click Finish .

In this section:

- Groovy
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [Groovy support](#)
- [Getting Started with Groovy](#)
- [Coding Assistance in Groovy](#)
- [Groovy Procedures](#)
- [Groovy-Specific Refactorings](#)
- [Launching Groovy Interactive Console](#)

## Prerequisites

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## Groovy support

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to use [Groovy language](#) and Groovy-based frameworks.

IntelliJ IDEA supports Groovy versions up to 2.4.

Groovy files are marked with  icon.

Groovy support includes:

- Ability to add Groovy framework to the Java module dependency.
- Ability to create an extension module to support custom extension methods.
- [Coding assistance](#).
- [Common](#) and [specific](#) refactorings.
- Numerous ways to [navigate](#) through the source code, among them:
  - [Navigating with Structure View](#).
  - Navigate | Declaration ([Ctrl+B](#)).
  - Navigate | Implementation ([Ctrl+Alt+B](#)) from overridden method / subclassed class.
- Advanced facilities to [search through the source code](#).
- [Viewing reference](#) information.
- Possibility to [generate](#) documentation, created according to GroovyDoc syntax.
- Possibility to [compile](#) mixed Groovy and Java code.
- [Running and debugging](#).
- Possibility to [create](#), and [perform](#) tests.

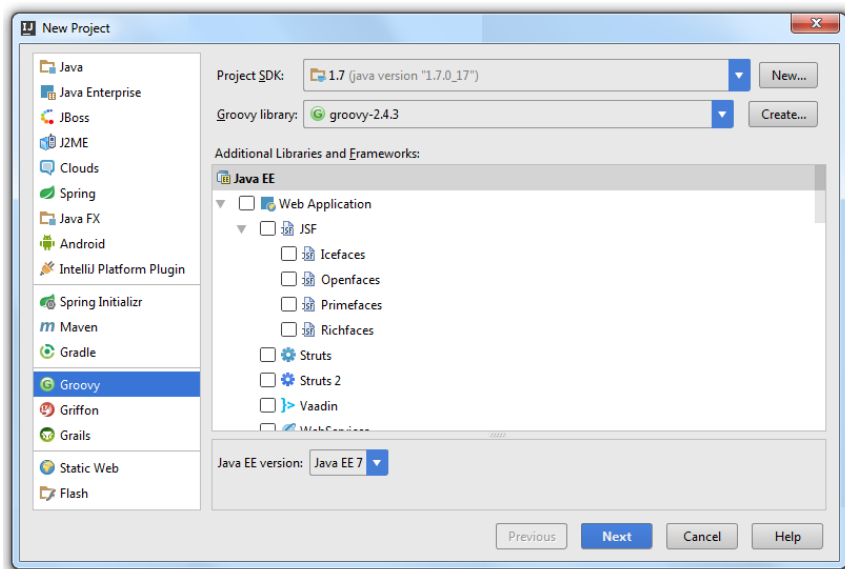
IntelliJ IDEA lets you create and run Groovy applications.

Before you start working with Groovy, make sure that the Groovy plugin is [enabled](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.

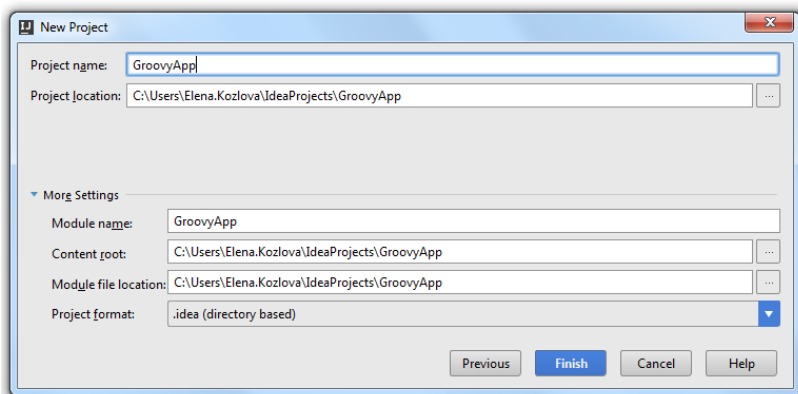
- [Creating a Groovy Project](#)
- [Adding Frameworks to Existing Groovy Project](#)
- [Creating Groovy Class](#)
- [Creating Groovy Script](#)
- [Running Groovy Application](#)

## Creating a Groovy Project

1. Open [Project Wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane select Groovy .
2. In the right-hand pane, specify the following settings:
  - Project SDK - specify your project SDK.
  - Groovy library - specify your Groovy SDK or click Create to choose one from the list that opens.
  - Additional libraries and frameworks - specify additional libraries and frameworks that Groovy supports.
  - Java EE version - select the appropriate Java EE version.

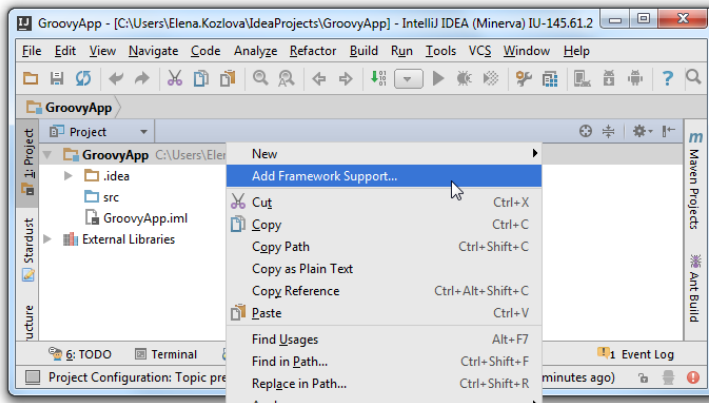


3. Click Next .
4. Specify your project information and click Finish .

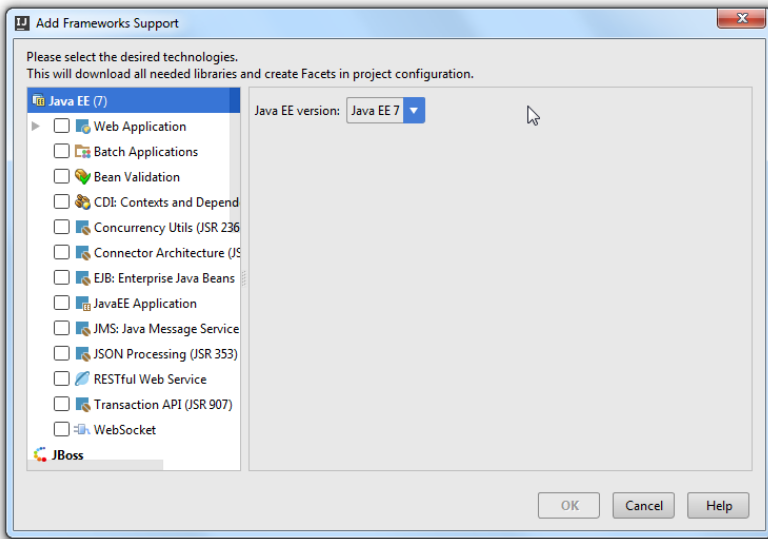


## Adding Frameworks to Existing Groovy Project

1. In the [Project](#) tool window, right-click the project directory and from the drop-down list select Add Framework Support .

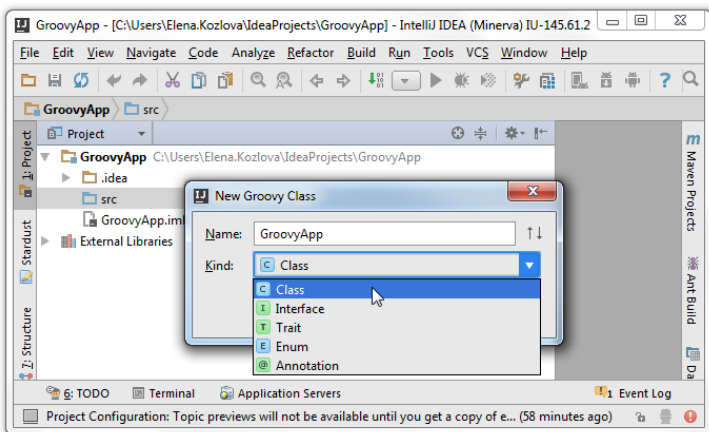


2. In the **Add Frameworks Support** dialog, select a framework and click **OK** .



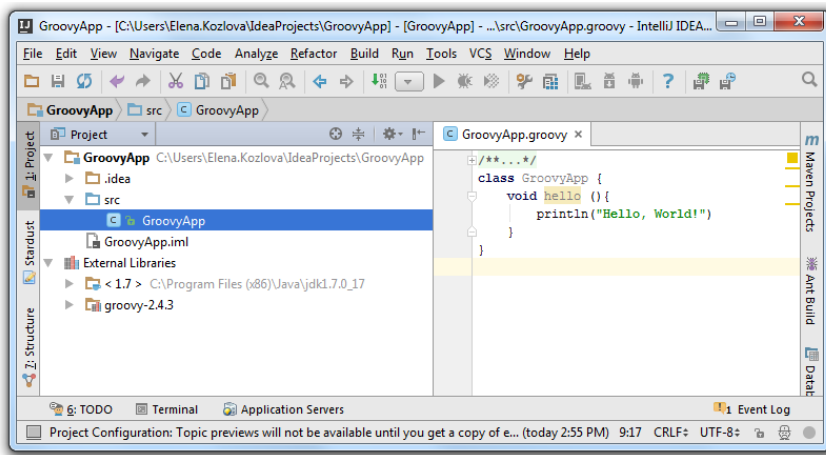
## Creating Groovy Class

1. Press **Ctrl+N** or in the **Project** tool window right-click on the directory and select **New | Groovy Class**
2. In the **New Groovy Class** dialog, in the **Name** field, specify a name of the class. In the **Kind** field, choose between class, interface, trait, enum or annotation.



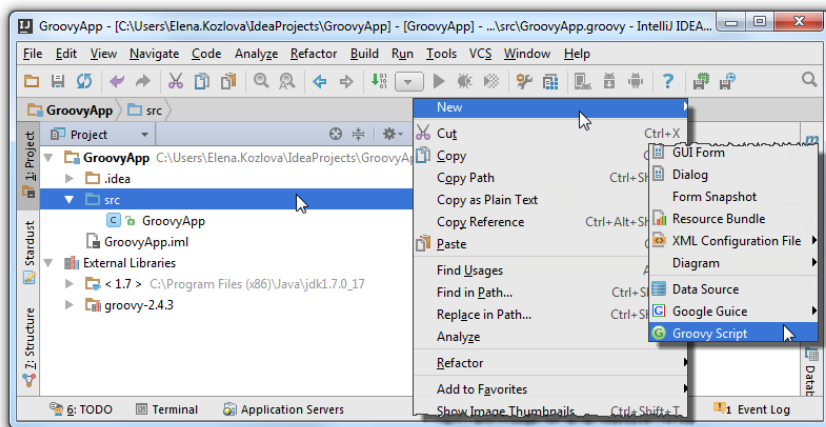
3. Now you can enter your code.



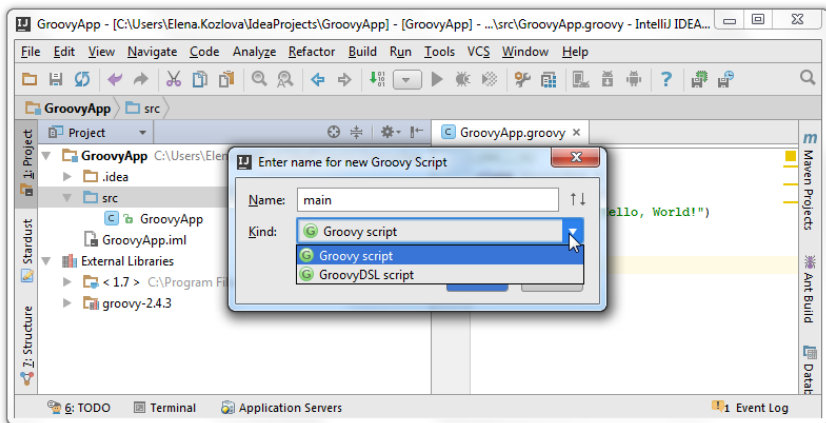


## Creating Groovy Script

1. Press `Ctrl+N` or in the **Project** tool window right-click on the directory and select **New | Groovy Script**.



2. In the dialog that opens, in the **Name** field, enter the name of your Groovy script. In the **Kind** field, choose between Groovy script and GroovyDSL script.

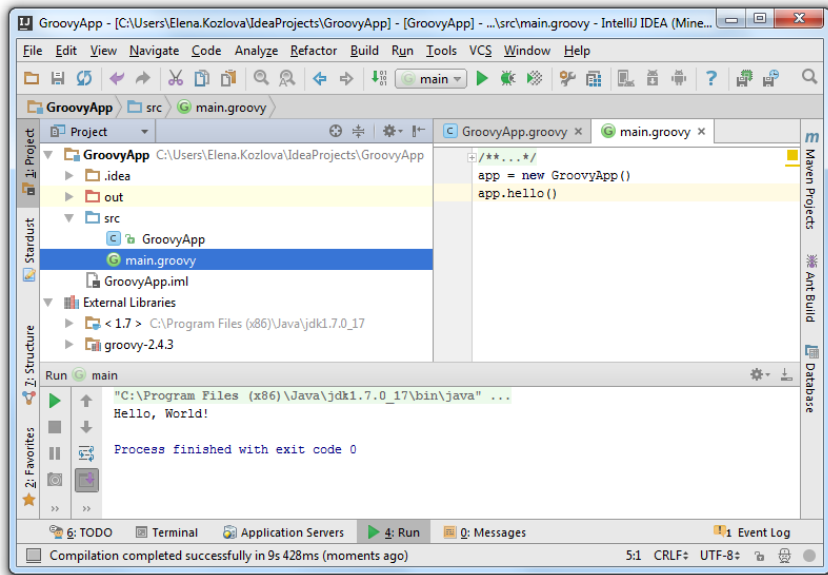


3. IntelliJ IDEA creates a file with the specified name and `groovy` extension, and adds a node to the module tree view.

## Running Groovy Application

1. Create a Run configuration using **Run | Edit Configurations** or run the active script automatically by pressing

`Ctrl+Shift+F10`.



2. View the result in the Run tool window.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the following coding assistance for Groovy:

- [Code completion](#) for keywords, labels, variables, parameters and functions.
- [Chained expression completion](#).
- Error and syntax highlighting.
- Code [formatting](#) and [folding](#).

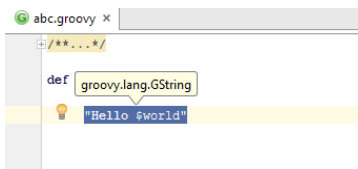
For example, all closures that have their parameters described in the separate line are formatted the following way:

```
def c1 = {  
    param1, param2 ->  
    body()  
}
```

- Numerous code [inspections](#) and [quick-fixes](#).
- Ability to check what generics to specify for a method call or for a type variable using Parameter info (Ctrl+P).
- [Code generation](#)
  - Inserting, expanding, and generating code blocks using [live templates](#).
  - Creating various applications elements via [intention actions](#).
  - Possibility to create [line and block comments](#) (`Ctrl+Slash` / `Ctrl+Shift+Slash`).
- Ability to add [annotations](#). For example, `@Builder` annotation. IntelliJ IDEA supports all Strategies from the standard library as well as code completion and navigation.

```
import groovy.transform.builder.Builder  
@Builder  
class GroovyApp {  
    //You can enter fields for the class  
}
```

- Expression Type action for Groovy expressions. Use `Ctrl+Shift+P` to see the expression type without clicking the mouse.



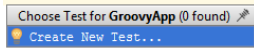
This section covers Groovy-specific procedures:

- [Creating Groovy Tests and Navigating to Tests](#)
- [Generating Groovy Documentation](#)
- [Running and Debugging Groovy Scripts](#)
- [Working with Lists and Maps](#)

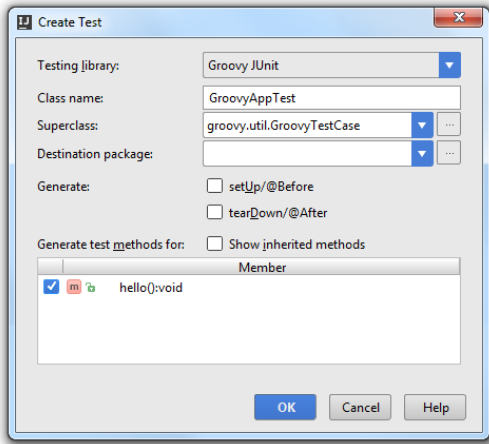
## To create a test for a Groovy class


1. Do one of the following:

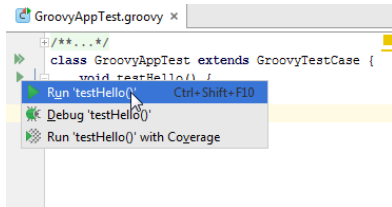
- Use [intention action Create test](#).
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+T`, and choose Create New Test.



2. In the Create Test dialog box, specify the required information, as described in the section [Creating Tests](#).



3. In the editor of the created test file, in the left gutter, click on the  icon to execute run/debug configuration.



You can also use a context menu to run or debug your test.

**Note** You can navigate between Groovy tests and test subjects ( `Navigate | Test / Test Subject` ). If a test class doesn't yet exist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create one.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a front-end to the standard GroovyDoc utility for generating GroovyDoc reference for your Groovy-enabled project. This feature is available when the editor has the focus.

## To generate Groovy project documentation

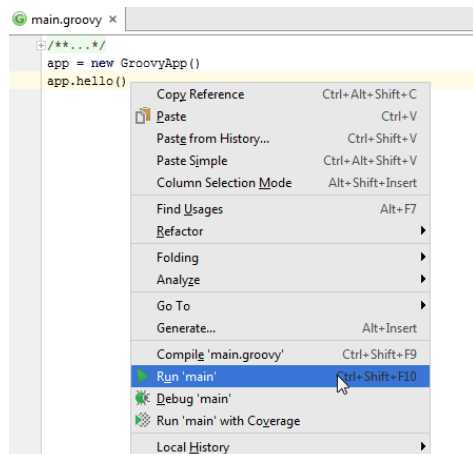
1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Generate GroovyDoc. [Generate Groovy Documentation](#) dialog box opens.
2. In the Generate GroovyDoc dialog, specify the input and output directories, and the visibility level. Refer to [Generate Groovy Documentation](#) for description of controls.
3. Click Start .

## Running Groovy scripts

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can run and debug Groovy scripts using the regular procedures:

- [Running](#)
- [Debugging](#)

Besides executing a Groovy script with the permanent run/debug configuration, you can use a temporary one, which is available at the context menu of a script:



Observe results in the [Run](#) and [Debug](#) tool windows. Note that in Groovy-enabled modules, the debugger is aware of the Groovy syntax, and enables handy evaluation of expressions.

## Validating Groovy scripts located in resource directories

Starting with the IntelliJ IDEA version 2016.3 you can validate Groovy scripts that are located in resource roots.

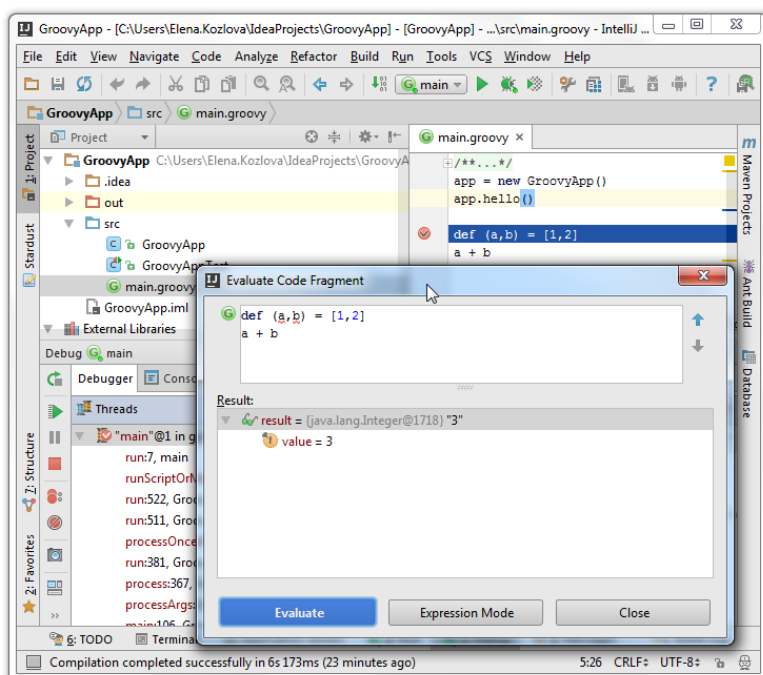
1. Select directories for which you want to start the build.
2. On the main menu, select Build | Groovy Resources .
3. In the drop-down list select Build Resources .

IntelliJ IDEA starts the incremental build for the files located in the resource directories.

Use Rebuild Resources for re-compiling. Note that all files in the project are compiled or recompiled excluding the ones that are specifically excluded from the [Validation](#) .

## Evaluating Groovy expression

1. Launch the debugger session, as described in the section [Debugging](#) .
2. When you reach a breakpoint, where you want to evaluate expression, press `Alt+F8` .
3. In the [Code Fragment Evaluation](#) dialog box, select Groovy from the Language drop-down list, type the desired expression, and click Evaluate :



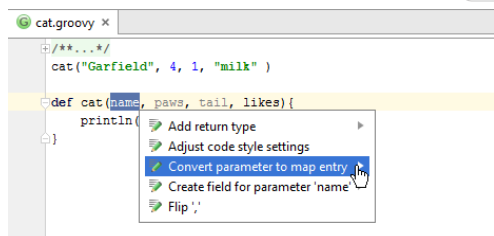
In this section you can find some examples of working with lists and maps in IntelliJ IDEA:

- [To convert a parameter of a function to a map entry](#)
- [To convert Groovy map to a class instance](#)
- [To produce a list or a map](#)
- [To inline a list or a map](#)

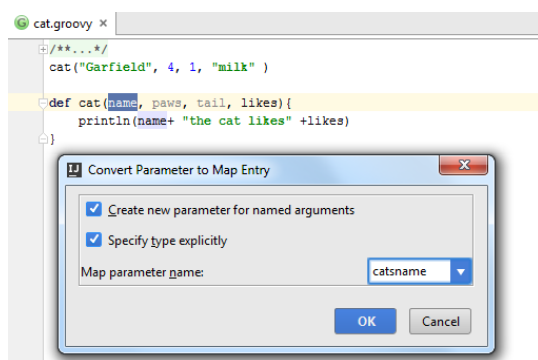
## To convert a parameter of a function to a map entry

If a function has a lengthy list of named arguments, you can reduce it by representing parameters as map entries. For this purpose, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the Convert parameter to map entry intention action.

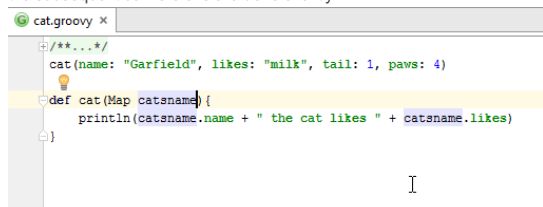
1. Place the caret at a parameter you want to convert, and press `Alt+Enter` :



2. On the context menu, choose Convert parameter to map entry , and specify conversion parameters:

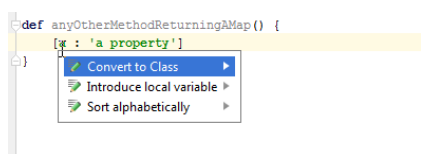



3. Repeat the procedure until all the required named arguments are represented as map entries. Note that all the subsequent conversions are done silently.



## To convert Groovy map to a class instance

1. In a Groovy method, place the caret at a map to be converted, and press `Alt+Enter` :



2. On the context menu, choose Convert to class , and specify new class name and the package where the new class will be created. If such package doesn't yet exist, click  to create one.
3. If necessary, choose to change return type of the method.
4. Click OK to apply changes and perform conversion.  
As a result, a class is created, with the fields corresponding to the keys of the original map.

## To produce a list or a map

1. Type contents of a list or a map in the editor:

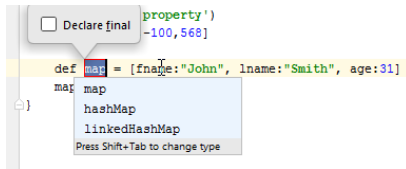
```
[55, 127, -9, -100, 568]
```

or

```
[fname:"John", lname:"Smith", age:31]
```

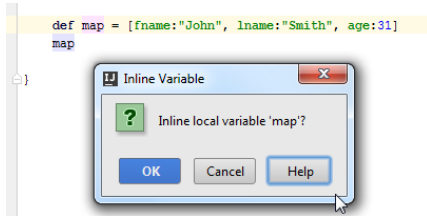


2. Place the caret somewhere inside the square brackets, and press `Ctrl+Alt+V`. The expression in brackets is converted to a list or map respectively.



## To inline a list or a map

1. Place the caret on the list or map declaration, and press `Ctrl+Alt+N`. IntelliJ IDEA highlights the encountered usages:



2. Confirm inlining:

```
println [fname:"John", lname:"Smith", age:31]
```

This section covers Groovy-specific refactoring procedures:

- [Extracting Parameter in Groovy](#)
- [Extracting Method in Groovy](#)

This section discusses the [Extract Parameter](#) refactoring for Groovy. This refactoring lets you perform the following actions:

- Creating a new method parameter from the selected expression within a method. All the usages of the method will be auto-updated.
- Adding a parameter to a closure. If there is a variable, associated with the closure, the calls to this variable are replaced with the corresponding expressions.

In this section:

- [Examples](#)
- [To extract a parameter in Groovy](#)

## Examples

### Before/After

<pre>class Cat {     Cat cat = new Cat()     def makePestOfItself(){         print ("miaou!!!!!!!!!!")     }     def makeTroubles(){         if (makePest){             makePestOfItself()         }     } }</pre>	<pre>class Cat {     Cat cat = new Cat()     def makePestOfItself(String warning){         print (warning)     }     def makeTroubles(){         if (makePest){             makePestOfItself("miaou!!!!!!!!!!")         }     } }</pre>
<pre>class Bar {     def foo = {         print 'Hccaret here&gt;ello, world!'     } }  new Bar().foo() new Bar().foo.call()</pre>	<pre>class Bar {     def foo = { String s -&gt;         print s     } }  new Bar().foo('Hello, world!') new Bar().foo.call('Hello, world!')</pre>

## To extract a parameter in Groovy

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the expression to be replaced by a parameter.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+P`.
  - Choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter on the main menu.
  - Choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter from the context menu.
3. In the [Extract Parameter](#) dialog:
  1. Specify the parameter name in the Name field.
  2. Choose parameter type, and specify whether you want to declare the new parameter final, and create the overloading method.
  3. Click OK.

This section discusses Extract Method refactoring in Groovy.

This refactoring lets you perform the following actions:

- Extract method for a variable.
- Extract method for a list of variables.
- Extract method for one or several statements.

In this section:

- [Examples](#)
- [To extract a method in Groovy](#)

## Examples

### Before/After

<pre>iii = 6 int kkk = 5 def vv = 6 def gg = 7  println(kkk + iii + (vv + gg))</pre>	<pre>iii = 6 int kkk = 5 def vv = 6 def gg = 7  println(kkk + iii + testMethod(vv, gg))  private int testMethod(int vv, int gg) {     return vv + gg }</pre>
<pre>def a = 5</pre>	<pre>def a = 5  thod(a)  stMethod(int a) {</pre>
<pre>static def foo(int i, int j, int k){     def v     println(i + j - k)     v = 42      if (i &gt; 42) {         println("hello!")     } else {         return v + j     }     return 239 }</pre>	<pre>static def foo(int i, int j, int k) {     def v     println(i + j - k)     v = 42     return testMethod(i, v, j) }  private static int testMethod(int i, int v, int j) {     if (i &gt; 42) {         println("hello!")     } else {         return v + j     } } return 239 }</pre>

## To extract a method in Groovy

1. In the editor, select a block of code to be transformed into a method or a function.

**Tip** The code fragment to form the method does not necessarily have to be a set of statements. It may also be an expression used somewhere in the code.

2. On the main menu or on the context menu of the selection, choose Refactor | Extract | Method or press

`Ctrl+Alt+M` .

3. In the [Extract Method](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the new method.
4. To return the value of a data type explicitly, select the Specify return type explicitly checkbox.
5. To return a keyword, select the Use explicit return statement checkbox.
6. In the Parameters area, do the following:
  - Specify the variables to be passed as method parameters, by selecting/clearing the corresponding checkboxes; if a parameter is disabled, a local variable of the corresponding type, with the initial value ... will be created in the extracted method, so that you will have to enter the initializer with an appropriate value manually.
  - Rename the desired parameters, by double-clicking the corresponding parameter lines and entering new names.
7. Check the result in the Signature Preview pane and click OK to create the method. The selected code fragment will be replaced with a method call. Additionally, IntelliJ IDEA will propose to replace any similar code fragments found within the current class.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you launch an interactive Groovy console in any project. You can use the console as a temporary file to write and evaluate your code. If dependencies in your project contain a Groovy library then the specified Groovy library is used to launch the Groovy console. If the dependencies do not contain a Groovy library then the bundled Groovy library of the Groovy version 2.3.9 will be used.

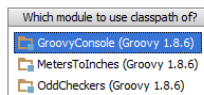
**Note** You can access the Groovy console in any Java project ( [Tools | Groovy Console](#) ).

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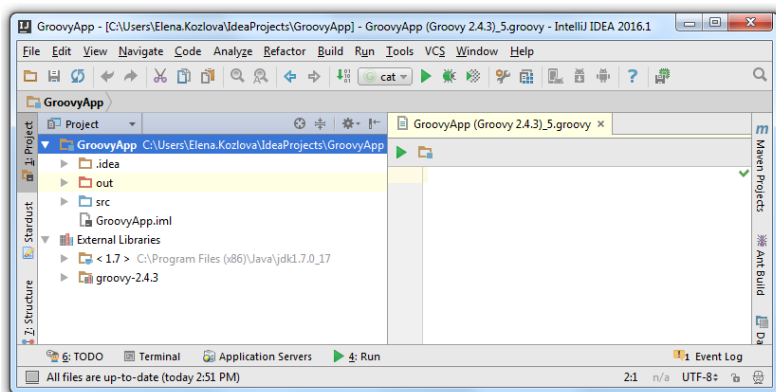
- [Launching the Groovy interactive console](#)
- [Working in Groovy interactive console](#)

## To launch Groovy console

1. On the main menu, choose [Tools | Groovy Console](#) .
2. If your project consists of two modules or more, choose the module to use the classpath of:



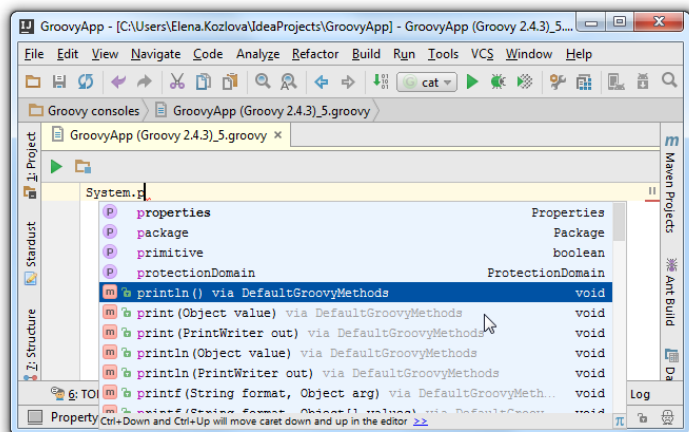
The Groovy console starts in a separate tab in the editor:



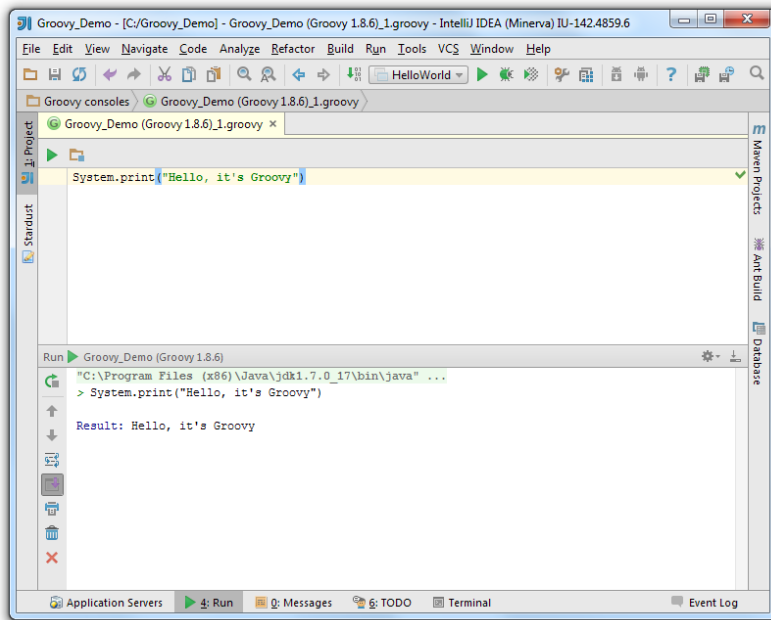
## To use Groovy interactive console

1. Type code in the console after the prompt character, or just paste from a different file.

Note that coding assistance is available, as you type (code completion and error highlighting):



2. Click , or press  to execute the entered code.




3. View the results in the **Run Tool Window for Groovy Console** .
4. Use up and down arrow keys to navigate through the results' history. Depth of the history is defined by the Console commands history size in the **Editor** settings.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with the GWT Support plugin that provides native support for developing Web applications based on the [Google Web Toolkit](#) (GWT).

IntelliJ IDEA GWT support, that extends to the version 2.7, includes the following features:

- GWT-aware coding assistance, such as [refactoring](#), code completion, [code inspections](#) with quick-fixes in the following areas:
  - client-side Java code
  - [remote services](#)
  - [JavaScript methods in Java code](#)
  - [enhanced syntax in \\*.css files](#)
  - [UiBinder \\*.ui.xml files](#)
- [Navigation to implementation](#),  .
- [Intention Actions](#) that let create various application elements.
- Code blocks, [live templates](#), and [file templates](#) .
- Integration with GWT compiler.
- GWT-ready [internationalization](#) (i18n).
- Automatic [creation of GWT components](#) : modules, entry points, remote services and serializable classes.
- Support of GWT specific [run configurations](#) for running and debugging GWT applications directly from IntelliJ IDEA.
- Basic [Vaadin](#) support, implemented by the Vaadin Support plugin that comes bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the use of Google Web Toolkit through the dedicated GWT [facet](#) . Before you enable GWT support, make sure [GWT SDK](#) is downloaded and installed on your computer.

When you have downloaded and installed GWT SDK, there are several ways to enable the GWT support, depending on your context:

- [Create a module](#) with a dedicated GWT facet.
- [Attach a GWT facet](#) to an existing module.

To have IntelliJ IDEA pick the path to the GWT installation folder every time you enable GWT support for a module, specify this path in the default GWT facet settings.

### Configuring default path to GWT

1. Open the Project Structure dialog ( `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Go to Facets , and select GWT .
3. In the Defaults tab, specify the path to the GWT installation folder. Click OK .



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

When you create a module with a dedicated GWT [facet](#), IntelliJ IDEA configures the module and adds all the necessary libraries automatically.

## To create a module with a GWT facet

Depending on the situation, you can choose to create a new project or to add a module to an existing project.

1. Do one of the following:

- If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .

As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.

- If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .

As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.

2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) to be used and select the Java EE version to be supported.

3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Google Web Toolkit checkbox.

In the GWT SDK field, specify the GWT SDK location. (To download the latest version of the GWT SDK, use the [Download GWT link](#).)

If you want a [sample GWT application](#) to be created, select the Create sample application checkbox and specify the application name in the field underneath.

Click Next .

4. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

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When you add a dedicated GWT [facet](#) to a module, IntelliJ IDEA re-configures the module and adds all the necessary libraries automatically.

### Adding a GWT facet to an existing module

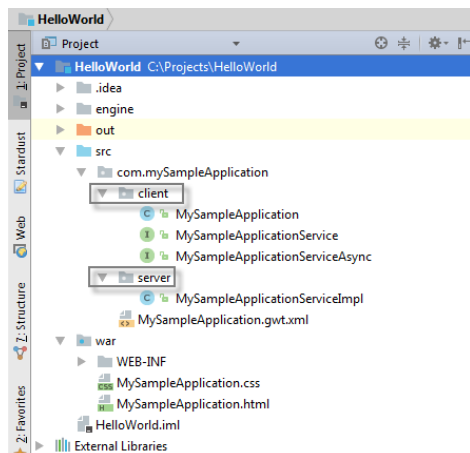
1. [Open the Project tool window](#) (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the module and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the Add Frameworks Support dialog, select the Google Web Toolkit checkbox.
4. In the GWT SDK field, specify the GWT SDK location. (To download the latest version of the GWT SDK, use the [Download GWT link](#).)
5. If you want a [sample GWT application](#) to be created, select the Create sample application checkbox and specify the application name in the field underneath.
6. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.

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When the GWT support is [enabled](#), you can start developing GWT application components.

### GWT Package Structure

The standard GWT package layout facilitates differentiating the client-side code from the server-side code. The image below illustrates the structure of a standard GWT package.



- Client - this directory contains the client-side source files and subpackages.
- Public - this directory contains various static resources that can be served publicly. By default, this directory is not created in the project.
- Server - this directory contains the server-side code and subpackages.
- GWT Module XML descriptor.

### GWT Module

Individual units of a GWT configuration are XML files called modules. A module bundles all the configuration settings that your GWT project needs, namely:

- Inherited modules.
- An entry point application class name; these are optional, although any module referred to in HTML must have at least one entry-point class specified.
- Source path entries.
- Public path entries.
- Deferred binding rules, including property providers and class generators.

The GWT Module XML descriptor (5) should reside in the root package of a standard project layout. IntelliJ IDEA can simply [generate a GWT Module](#) with the corresponding project structure for you.

### Entry Point

A module entry-point is any class that is assignable to `EntryPoint` and that can be constructed without parameters.

When a module is loaded, every entry point class is instantiated and its `EntryPoint.onModuleLoad()` method is called.

**Tip** To get more familiar with the GWT application structure, have IntelliJ IDEA generate a [GWT Sample Application](#) for you.

In this part:

- [Creating a GWT Module](#)
- [Creating an Entry Point](#)
- [Creating a Remote Service](#)
- [Creating a GWT UiBinder](#)
- [Creating GWT UiRenderer and ui.xml file](#)
- [Creating Event and Event Handler Classes](#)



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With IntelliJ IDEA, you do not need to remember the required GWT module structure because a GWT module will be generated along with the standard package layout. IntelliJ IDEA also enables [code completion](#) for you by adding the relevant GWT DOCTYPE to the `.xml` descriptor of a new module automatically.

## To generate a GWT module

1. In the Project view , right-click the package where you want to generate a GWT module. If you already have a GWT module, select any package outside the existing GWT module, to generate a new one.
2. From the context menu, select New | Google Web Toolkit | GWT Module .
3. Specify the name for the module and directory where html and css files should be created, then click OK .  
IntelliJ IDEA creates an `.xml` GWT Module descriptor and generates the correct package layout:
  - The client part with an entry point in it.
  - The server part.
  - A public folder with an `html` page and a `css` .

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A GWT module entry point is any class that can be assigned to `EntryPoint` and can be constructed without parameters. When a module is loaded, every entry point class is instantiated and its `EntryPoint.onModuleLoad()` method is called.

## To generate an entry point

1. In the Project view , right-click the client package.
2. From the context menu, select New | Google Web Toolkit | GWT Entry point .
3. Specify the name of the entry point and click OK .

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Developing a GWT service requires creating synchronous and asynchronous interfaces as well as server implementation with the correct names and structure. Also they should be registered in the `xml` module descriptor. IntelliJ IDEA can generate all the required parts automatically.


### **To generate a remote service**

1. In the Project view , right-click the client package.
2. From the context menu, select New | Google Web Toolkit | GWT Remote service .
3. Specify the name for the service and click OK .

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IntelliJ IDEA can generate a [GWT UiBinder](#) and a `ui.xml` file for you. While defining the declarative layout in the `ui.xml`, various types of coding assistance, such as [code completion](#) and [generation of import statements](#), are at your disposal.

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration between the declarative layout in the `ui.xml` and the corresponding Java class, including [Finding usages](#).

If you are using the `ClientBundle` interface, IntelliJ IDEA marks its methods with the icon  in the left gutter area. Click this icon to navigate to the corresponding resource.

**Warning!** A GWT UiBinder can be created in the client part only.

## To generate a GWT UiBinder


1. In the Project view, right-click the client package.
2. From the context menu, select New | Google Web Toolkit | GWT UiBinder and ui.xml.
3. In the Create GWT UiBinder and ui.xml file dialog box that opens, specify the name of the UiBinder and the ui.xml file.
4. Specify the [type of the root element](#). Select the relevant item from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  and choose the relevant type in the Search dialog box that opens.



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IntelliJ IDEA can generate a [GWT UiRenderer](#) and a `ui.xml` file for you. While defining the declarative layout in the `ui.xml`, various types of coding assistance, such as [code completion](#) and [generation of import statements](#), are at your disposal.

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If you are using the `ClientBundle` interface, IntelliJ IDEA marks its methods with the icon  in the left gutter area. Click this icon to navigate to the corresponding resource.

**Warning!** A GWT UiRenderer can be created in the client part only.

## Generating GWT UiRenderer

1. In the Project view, right-click the client package.
2. From the context menu, select New | Google Web Toolkit | GWT Renderer and ui.xml file.
3. In the Create New GWT Renderer and ui.xml file dialog box that opens, specify the name of the UiRenderer and the ui.xml file.

Click OK.

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IntelliJ IDEA can generate stubs for [GWT Event](#) classes and [GWT Event Handler](#) interfaces.

**Tip** GWT Event classes and Event Handler interfaces can be created in the client part only.

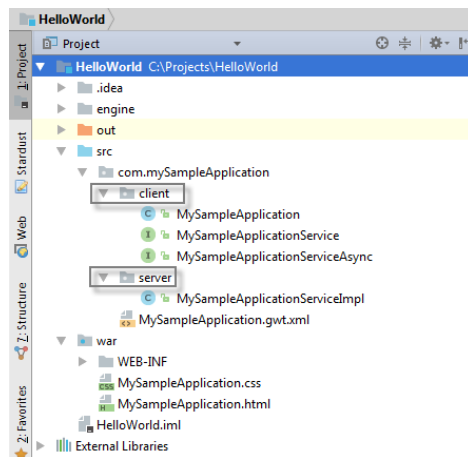
## To create a GWT event and event handler

1. In the Project view , right-click the client package.
2. From the context menu, select New | Google Web Toolkit | GWT Event and Handler classes .
3. In the Create GWT Event and Handler Classes dialog box that opens, specify the names of the event class, the event handler interface, and the abstract "callback" method for callers to override.  
Actually, you do not need to specify all the three names manually. As soon as you type the event class name in the Event class name text box, IntelliJ IDEA automatically completes the names of the handler interface and the "callback" method and displays the suggestions in the Handler class name and Handle method name text boxes respectively. This ensures that the generated stubs will be generated in accordance with [GWT Google API libraries](#).
4. When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA generates the stubs for the event class and event handler interface and opens them in the editor. Populate the generated stubs as necessary.

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IntelliJ IDEA can generate a sample GWT application when you are [creating a module with GWT support](#) . This application helps you familiarize yourself with the GWT application structure. For a detailed description of the GWT fundamentals, please refer to <http://code.google.com/webtoolkit/overview.html> .

IntelliJ IDEA creates a simple HelloWorld application that meets all the GWT requirements.



As you can see, IntelliJ IDEA has generated a [GWT Module](#) ( `MySampleApplication.gwt.xml` ) in the root of the package. The corresponding package layout (client and server parts) is also generated automatically.

- `client` : contains the required entry point ( `MySampleApplication` class) and remote service interfaces.
- `server` : contains the server implementation of the remote service.

When creating a remote GWT service, IntelliJ IDEA automatically generates both synchronous and asynchronous interfaces (in the `client` part), creates the server implementation, and registers them in the GWT Module `.xml` , as required.

The HTML host file, that is used to run the application, is located in a separate Web facet.

IntelliJ IDEA also adds comments to the sample application code to make it clear to the maximum.

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IntelliJ IDEA helps you understand the compiled output of your GWT application by providing [GWT Compile Reports](#).  
Generated reports are displayed in the browser.

## To view the GWT compile output report

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Generate GWT Compile Report .
2. In the [Generate GWT Compile Report](#) dialog box that opens, choose the module to view the output of from the GWT Module drop-down list.
3. Specify whether you want to view an existing report or a new one. Do one of the following:
  - To have a new report created, click the Generate button.
  - To view the previous generated report, click the View Report button.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA informs you how long ago the last report was generated.

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You can specify whether you need the [application to open in a browser](#) or not. Moreover, you can choose a browser to use. This can be the default IntelliJ IDEA browser or any other browser of your choice.

## To enable or disable opening a GWT application in the browser

1. Open [Run/Debug Configuration for GWT](#) .
2. Select Open in browser checkbox and from the drop-down list select a browser that you want to use for your application. Otherwise, clear the Open in browser checkbox.

Note that even if you decide to run the application in the embedded [GWT development mode](#) without launching the browser, you can still specify the `.html` file from which you can start the application.

## To configure the way to show a GWT application

1. Open [Run/Debug Configuration for GWT](#) .
2. Select the Open in browser checkbox and from the drop-down list, select the browser in which you want to open the application.  
To use the default IntelliJ IDEA browser, choose the Default item from the drop-down list.
3. To specify the starting page of the application, in the Start page field, select the `.html` file that implements this page.

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Creating an HTML file](#)
- [Generating references in an HTML file](#)
- [Previewing output of an HTML file in a browser](#)
- [Viewing HTML source code of a web page in the editor](#)
- [Viewing embedded images](#)
- [Extracting an include file](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA brings powerful support for HTML that includes syntax and error highlighting, formatting according to the code style, structure validation, code completion, and much more .

## Creating an HTML file

On the main menu, choose File | New , and then choose HTML File in the pop-up list. IntelliJ IDEA creates a stub file and opens it in the editor.

**Tip** The stub is generated using the [HTML file template](#) .

## Generating references in an HTML file

IntelliJ IDEA can generate `<script>` , `<link>` , or `<img>` tags inside `<head>` .

To generate a tag, select a JavaScript, CSS, or image file in the Project tool window and drag it into the HTML file.

**Tip** The `width` and `height` attributes are also generated automatically.

## Previewing output of an HTML file in a browser

You can preview a file with Web contents in the [IntelliJ IDEA default browser](#) or in the one of your choice.

**Tip** To preview PHP pages in the browser, you need to [configure synchronization with a server](#) first.

To open the page preview in the default browser

Open the file in the editor and choose View | Open in Browser on the main menu.

To open the page preview in a browser of your choice

Open the file in the editor, choose View | Preview file in on the main menu, and select the desired browser from the pop-up menu. Alternatively, hover your mouse pointer over the code to show the browser icons bar, and click the icon that indicates the desired browser:



**Tip** To hide all the icons or some of them, clear the Active checkboxes for the unnecessary browsers on the [Web Browsers page](#) .

## Viewing HTML source code of a web page in the editor

1. Choose File | Open URL .
2. In the Open URL dialog box that opens, type the URL address of the web page or choose a previously opened URL from the list.

## Viewing embedded images

IntelliJ IDEA offers several ways to view images embedded in an HTML file. You can use [navigation to source](#) , [open an image in an external graphical editor](#) , or [preview images on-the-fly](#) .

**Tip** Check and configure the preview appearance on the [Images page](#) .

To view an image in IntelliJ IDEA, do one of the following

- Select the image file in the Project tool window, and choose Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection or press `F4` .
- In the editor, place the cursor at the reference to the image, and choose Jump to Source on the context menu or press `Ctrl+B` .

To view an image in an external editor

1. Configure the path to the external editor on the [Images page](#) ( File | Settings | Editor | Images for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | Images for macOS).
2. Select the image file in the Project tool window, and choose Open in external editor or press `Ctrl+Alt+F4` .

## Extracting an include file

**Tip** Type the file name without an extension.

**Tip** If there are any duplicates of the selected fragment, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to change them for the corresponding reference as well.

You can extract a fragment of HTML or CSS code into a separate include file. Entire JavaScript code blocks inside a `<script>` tags can also be extracted.

1. In the editor, select the code block to be extracted and choose Refactor | Extract | Extract Include File on the main menu or on the context menu of the selection.
2. In the [Extract Include File](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the target include file in the Name for extracted include file text box.
3. In the Extract to directory text box, specify the directory to store the include file in. Leave the predefined directory or choose another one.
4. Click **OK** , when ready. IntelliJ IDEA extracts the selected source code into the specified file in the target directory and generates the corresponding reference in the source file.

The following basic how tos are intended to help you get started using Java in IntelliJ IDEA.

## Moving source files into a subfolder

You shouldn't keep your source (.java) files in the project root directory. If this is, currently, the case, create a subdirectory in the project root directory and move all your source files into that subdirectory.

## Enabling coding assistance for .Java files

Coding assistance for [Java](#) turns on automatically as soon as you mark the folder with your .java files as containing source code. In the Project tool window ( View | Tool Windows | Project ), right-click the folder, point to Mark Directory as and select Sources Root .

## Making the Java API accessible to your code

When writing in Java, you, generally, reuse (i.e. reference) the [Java API](#) classes. These classes are available in a [JDK](#) . So, to make the Java API accessible to your code, you should [download](#) and then specify your JDK:

1. Open your .java file in the editor: select the file in the Project tool window and press `F4` .  
If you haven't specified your JDK yet, there will be a *Project SDK is not defined* message above the editing area.
2. Click Setup SDK .
3. In the dialog that opens, select your JDK and click OK , or click Configure , click `+` , select JDK , and then select the directory where you have the desired JDK installed.

## Creating a folder structure for your package or specifying a package prefix

If you don't have an appropriate folder structure for your [package](#) yet (let's assume that the name of your package is `com.example.mypackage` ), you have two options leading to about the same result:

- *Create the corresponding folder structure* in your source directory (e.g. `<your-source-dir>/com/example/mypackage` ):  
In the editor, within the package statement (e.g. `package com.example.mypackage;` ), place the cursor within the package name, press `Alt+Enter` and select Move to package 'com.example.mypackage' .
- *Assign your source folder a package prefix* without actually creating the folder structure:
  1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ), select Modules and select your module.
  2. In the right-hand part of the Sources tab, next to your source folder, click `⋮` .
  3. In the dialog that opens, specify the prefix (e.g. `com.example.mypackage` ).

## Making classes in a JAR accessible to your app

Say, you have a [JAR](#) with the classes that you want to reuse in your app. In that case, you should add the JAR to the dependencies of your module. As a result, the JAR classes become available for referencing in your code, and they are included in your app when you build it.

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ), select Modules and select your module.
2. Select the Dependencies tab, click `+` and select JARs or directories .
3. In the dialog that opens, select your JAR file.

## Compiling .Java files

If you did everything as discussed earlier on this page, compiling your .java file or files is not going to be a problem. Just select one of the following options: Build | Build Project or Build | Build Module 'module\_name' .

If compilation is problematic, IntelliJ IDEA will inform you about the reason and provide hints for fixing the problem.

## Running your app

If the [compilation is a success](#) , you can run your app:

1. Open the class with a [main\(\) method](#) in the editor.
2. In the left margin, next to the main() method, click the run marker (the green arrow) and select Run '<ClassName>.main()' .

## Packaging your app in a JAR

To package your app in a JAR, you should configure a JAR artifact and then build it:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (`Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ) and select Artifacts .
2. Click `+` , select JAR and select From modules with dependencies .
3. In the dialog that opens, select the class with a main() method (the Main Class field).
4. Save the artifact settings by clicking OK in the Project Structure dialog.
5. Select Build | Build Artifacts , select your artifact and select Build . (If there's only one artifact, you can just press `Enter` when the Build Artifact menu pops up.)



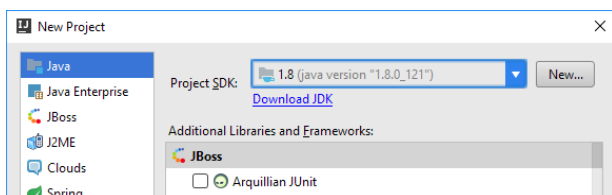
This tutorial illustrates a Java SE application development workflow. The age-old [Hello, World](#) application is used as an example.

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## Creating a project

Any new development in IntelliJ IDEA starts with creating a [project](#) . So let's create one now.

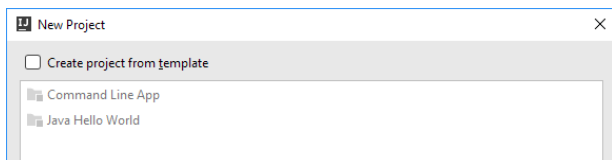
1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the Welcome screen. Otherwise, select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the New Project wizard opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Java . (We want a Java-enabled project to be created, or, to be more exact, a project with a Java [module](#) .)
3. Specify the [JDK](#) that you want to use in your project (the Project SDK field). Do one of the following:
  - Select the JDK from the list.
  - If the desired JDK is already available on your computer but is missing from the list, click New and, in the dialog that opens, select the JDK installation directory.
  - Click Download JDK .



Because our application is going to be a "plain old Java application", we don't need any additional technologies to be supported. So, don't select any of the options under Additional Libraries and Frameworks .

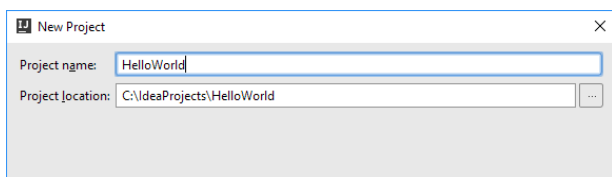
Click Next .

4. The options on the next page have to do with creating a Java class with a `main()` method.  
Since we are going to study the very basics of IntelliJ IDEA, and do everything from scratch, we don't need these options at the moment. So, don't select any of the options.



Click Next .

5. On the next page, specify the project name (e.g. `HelloWorld` ). If necessary, change the project location suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.

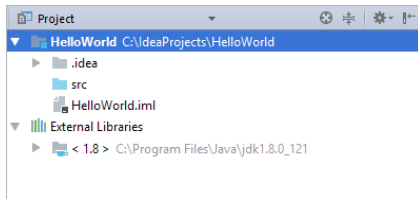


Click Finish .

Wait while IntelliJ IDEA is creating the project. When this process is complete, the structure of your new project is shown in the Project tool window.

## Exploring the project structure

Let's take a quick look at the project structure.



There are two top-level nodes:

- HelloWorld. This node represents your Java module. The `.idea` folder and the file `HelloWorld.iml` are used to store configuration data for your project and module respectively. The folder `src` is for your source code.
- External Libraries. This is a category that represents all the "external" resources necessary for your development work. Currently in this category are the `.jar` files that make up your JDK.

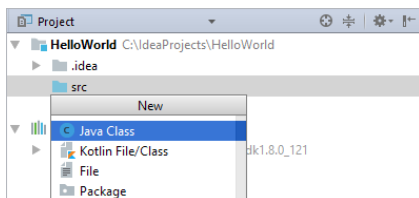
(For more information, see [Tool Windows](#) and [Project Tool Window](#).)

## Creating a package and a class

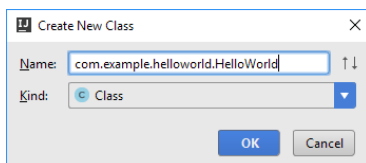
Now we are going to create a package and a class. Let the package and the class names be `com.example.helloworld` and `HelloWorld` respectively.

Though a package can be created separately, we will create both the package and the class at once.

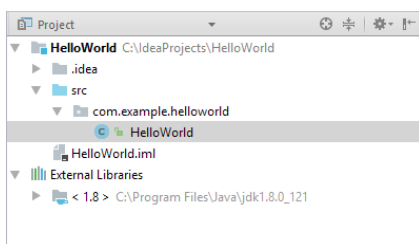
1. In the Project tool window, select the `src` folder and press `Alt+Insert`. (Alternatively, you can select `File | New`, or `New` from the context menu for the folder `src`.)
2. In the New menu, select `Java Class` (e.g. by pressing `Enter`).



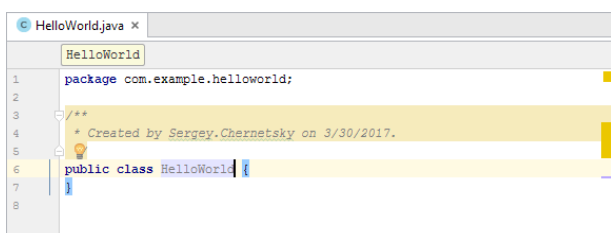
3. In the Create New Class dialog that opens, type `com.example.helloworld.HelloWorld` in the Name field. The `Class` option selected in the Kind list is OK for creating a class. Press `Enter` to create the package and the class, and close the dialog.



The package `com.example.helloworld` and the class `HelloWorld` are shown in the Project tool window.

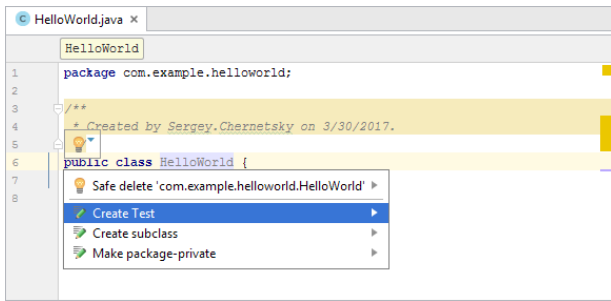


At the same time, the file `HelloWorld.java` (corresponding to the class) opens in the editor.



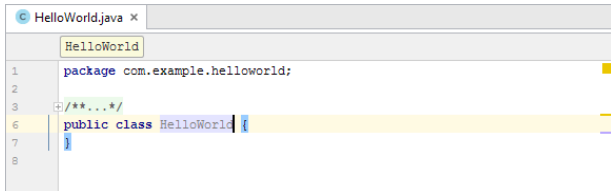
Note the package statement at the beginning of the file and also the class declaration. When creating the class, IntelliJ IDEA used a file template for a Java class. (IntelliJ IDEA provides a number of predefined file templates for creating various file types. For more information, see [File and Code Templates](#).)

Also note a yellow light bulb . This bulb indicates that IntelliJ IDEA has suggestions for the current context. Click the light bulb, or press `Alt+Enter` to see the suggestion list.



At the moment, we are not going to perform any of the actions suggested by IntelliJ IDEA (such actions are called [intention actions](#) .) Note, however, that this IntelliJ IDEA feature may sometimes be very useful.

Finally, there are code folding markers next to the commented code fragment (☰). Click one of them to collapse that fragment. (For more information, see [Folding Code Elements](#) .)



## Writing code for the HelloWorld class

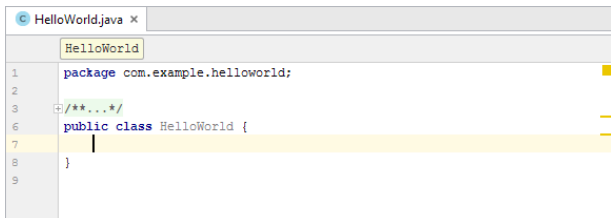
The code in its final state (as you probably know) will look this way:

```
package com.example.helloworld;

public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello, World!");
    }
}
```

The package statement and the class declaration are already there. Now we are going to add the missing couple of lines.

Press `Shift+Enter` . (In contrast to `Enter` , `Shift+Enter` starts a new line without breaking the current one.)

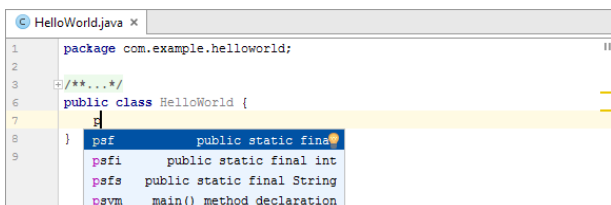


## Using a live template for the main() method

The line

```
public static void main(String[] args) {}
```

may well be typed. However, we suggest that you use a different method. Type `p` and press `Ctrl+J` .



Select `psvm` - `main()` method declaration . (Use the `Up` and `Down` arrow keys for moving within the suggestion list, `Enter` for selecting a highlighted element.)

Here is the result:

```
1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 /**...*/
4
5 public class HelloWorld {
6     public static void main(String[] args) {
7
8     }
9 }
10
11
```

IntelliJ IDEA provides code snippets called live templates. `psvm` is an abbreviation for one of such templates. To insert a live template into your code, you can use Code | Insert Live Template or `Ctrl+J`. For more information, see [Live Templates](#).

### Using code auto-completion

Now, it's time to add the remaining line of code

```
System.out.println("Hello, World!");
```

We'll do that using code auto-completion.

Type `Sy`

The code completion suggestion list is shown.

```
1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 /**...*/
4
5 public class HelloWorld {
6     public static void main(String[] args) {
7         Sy
8     }
9 }
10
11
```

Suggestion list:

- System (java.lang)
- SynchronousQueue<E> (java.util.concurrent)
- Sync (com.sun.corba.se.impl.orbutil.concurrent)

Select System (java.lang) by pressing `Enter`.

Type `.o` and press `Ctrl+Period`.

```
1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 /**...*/
4
5 public class HelloWorld {
6     public static void main(String[] args) {
7         System.o
8     }
9 }
10
11
```

Suggestion list:

- out (= null) PrintStream
- setOut(PrintStream out) void
- runFinalizersOnExit(boolean value) void

`out` is inserted followed by a dot. (You can select an item in the suggestion list by pressing `Ctrl+Period`. In that case, the selected item is inserted into the editor followed by a dot.)

Type `p` and then find and select `println(String x)`.

```
1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 /**...*/
4
5 public class HelloWorld {
6     public static void main(String[] args) {
7         System.out.p
8     }
9 }
10
11
```

Suggestion list:

- println(long x) void
- println(Object x) void
- println(String x) void
- append(char c) PrintStream

IntelliJ IDEA prompts you which parameter types can be used in the current context.

```
1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 /**...*/
4
5 public class HelloWorld {
6     public static void main(String[] args) {
7         System.out.println(
8     }
9 }
10
11
```

Suggestion list:

- <no parameters>
- boolean x
- char x
- int x
- long x
- float x
- double x
- @NotNull char[] x
- String x
- @Nullable Object x

Type `"`

The second quotation mark is inserted automatically and the cursor is placed between the quotation marks. Type `Hello, World!`

```
1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 /**...*/
4
5
6 public class HelloWorld {
7     public static void main(String[] args) {
8         System.out.println("Hello, World!");
9     }
10 }
11
```

The code at this step is ready.

(For more information, see [Auto-Completing Code](#).)

## Using a live template for println()

As a side note, we could have inserted the call to `println()` by using a live template (`sout`).

If you think that it's enough for live templates, proceed to [running the application](#). Otherwise, try that now as an additional exercise. Delete

```
System.out.println("Hello, World!");
```

Type `s`, press `Ctrl+J` and select `sout` - Prints a string to System.out.


The line

```
System.out.println();
```

is added and the cursor is placed between `(` and `)`.

Type `"` and then type `Hello, World!`

## Building and running the application

Classes with a `main()` method can be run right from the editor. To show that, there are the green arrow markers () in the left margin.

Click one of the markers and select `Run 'HelloWorld.main()'`.

```
1 package com.example.helloworld;
2
3 /**...*/
4
5
6 public class HelloWorld {
7     public static void main(String[] args) {
8         System.out.println("Hello, World!");
9     }
10 }
11
```

Wait while IntelliJ IDEA is compiling the class. When the compilation is complete, the Run tool window opens at the bottom of the screen.

```
Run HelloWorld
"C:\Program Files\Java\jdk1.8.0_121\bin\java" ...
Hello, World!
Process finished with exit code 0
```

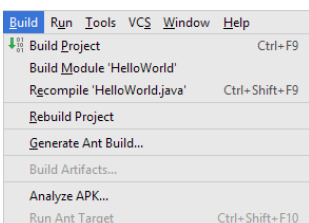
On the first line, there is a fragment of the command that IntelliJ IDEA used to run the class. (Click the fragment to see the whole command line including all options and arguments.) The last line shows that the process has exited normally, and no infinite loops occurred. And, finally, you see the program output `Hello, World!` between these lines.

(For more information, see [Run Tool Window](#).)

## Remarks: building and running applications

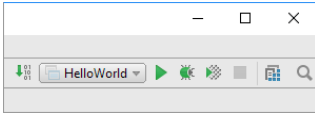
Some remarks related to building and running applications in IntelliJ IDEA:

– Prior to running the class, IntelliJ IDEA has automatically compiled it. When necessary, you can initiate the compilation yourself. The corresponding options can be found in the Build menu.



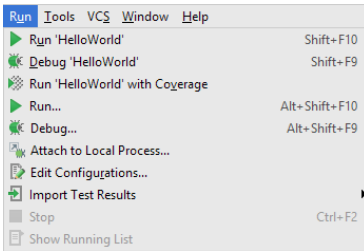
Many of these options are also available as context menu commands in the Project tool window and in the editor.

Finally, there is an icon in the upper-right part of the workspace that corresponds to the Build Project command (🏗).



For more information, see [Build Process](#) and [Compilation Types](#).

- The options for running and debugging applications can be found in the Run menu.



As in the case of the build operations, the run options can also be accessed from the Project tool window and the editor, as well as by means of controls in the upper-right part of the workspace.

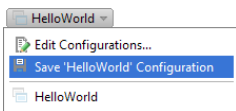


- Applications in IntelliJ IDEA are run according to what is called run/debug configurations. Such configurations, generally, should be created prior to running an application.

When you performed the Run 'HelloWorld.main()' command, IntelliJ IDEA, first, created a run configuration and then executed it.

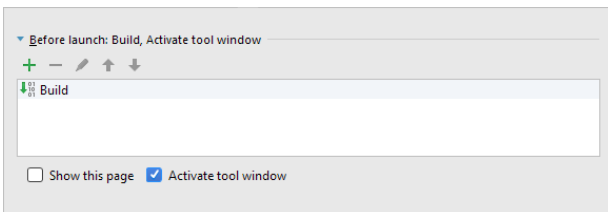
The name of this run configuration (HelloWorld) is now shown in the run/debug configuration selector to the left of ▶.

The HelloWorld configuration now exists as a temporary configuration and, if necessary, you can save it to make it permanent.



- Run/debug configurations can do a lot more than just run applications. They can also build applications and perform other useful tasks.

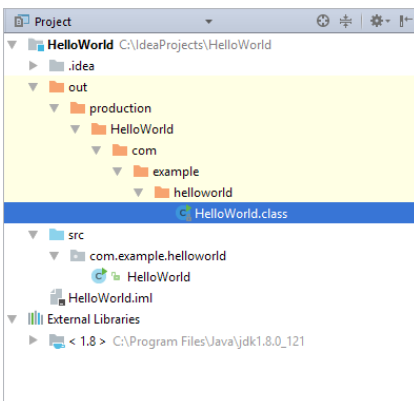
If you look at the settings for the HelloWorld run configuration (Run | Edit Configurations or Edit Configurations from the run configuration selector), you'll see that the Build option is included by default in the Before launch task list. That's why IntelliJ IDEA compiled the class when you performed the Run 'HelloWorld.main()' command.



- If you look at the Project tool window, you'll see that now there is the folder `out` there. This is the project output folder.

Inside it is the module output folder ( `production\HelloWorld` ), the folder structure for the package

`com.example.helloworld` and the compiled class file `HelloWorld.class`.



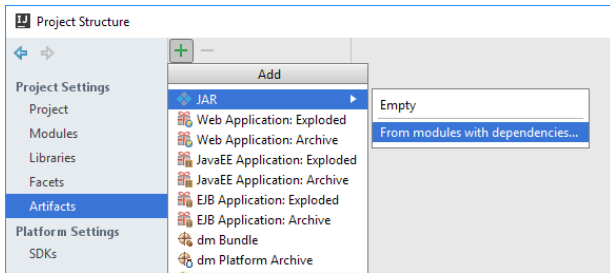
For more information, see [Specifying Compilation Settings](#).

## Packaging the application in a JAR

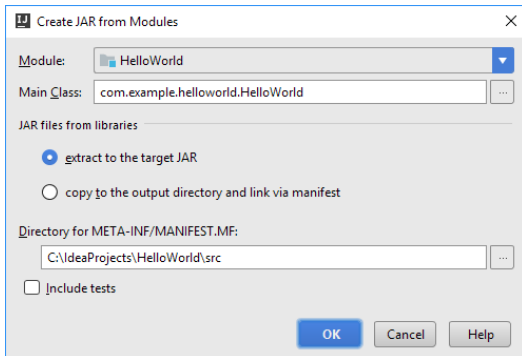
When happy with your application, you may want to package it in a Java archive ([JAR](#)) for distribution. To do that, you should create an [artifact](#) configuration for your JAR and then build the artifact.

## Creating an artifact configuration for the JAR

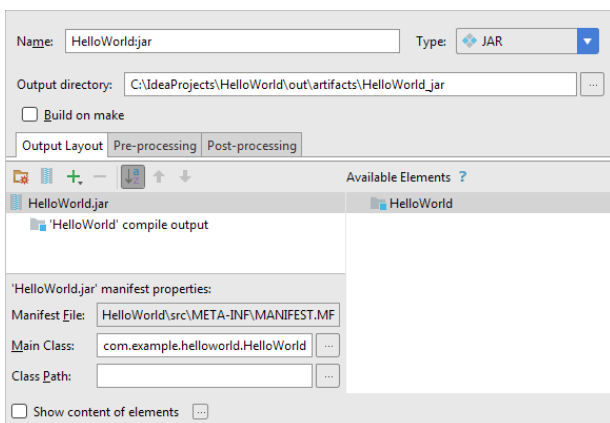
1. Select File | Project Structure to open the Project Structure dialog.
2. Under Project Settings, select Artifacts.
3. Click +, point to JAR and select From modules with dependencies.



4. In the dialog that opens, specify the main application class. (To the right of the Main Class field, click ... and select HelloWorld (com.example.helloworld) in the dialog that opens.)



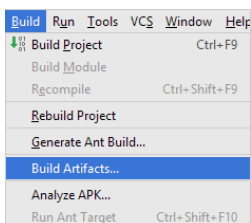
As a result, the artifact configuration is created and its settings are shown in the right-hand part of the Project Structure dialog.



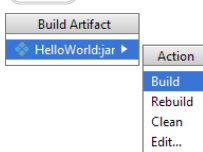
5. Click OK.

## Building the JAR artifact

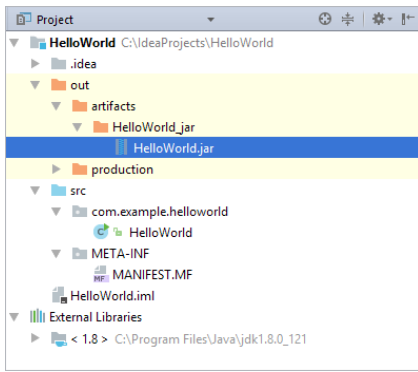
1. Select Build | Build Artifacts.



2. Point to HelloWorld.jar and select Build. (In this particular case, Build is the default action, so you can just press Enter instead.)



If you now look at the `out/artifacts` folder, you'll find your JAR there.



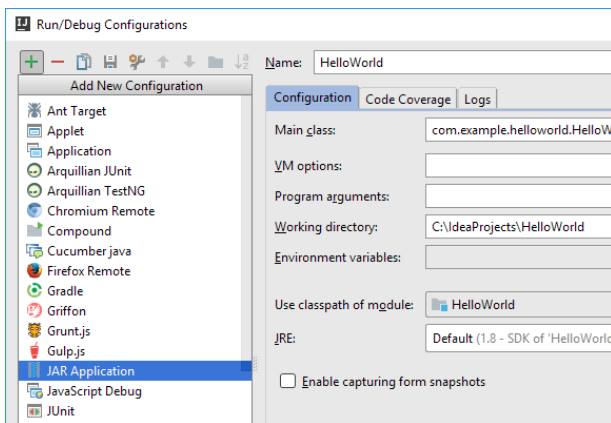
## Running the packaged application

To make sure that everything is fine with the JAR, let's run it. To do that, we'll create a JAR Application run configuration and then execute that run configuration.

### Creating a JAR Application run configuration

To run Java applications packaged in JARs, IntelliJ IDEA provides the JAR Application run configurations. To create such a configuration:

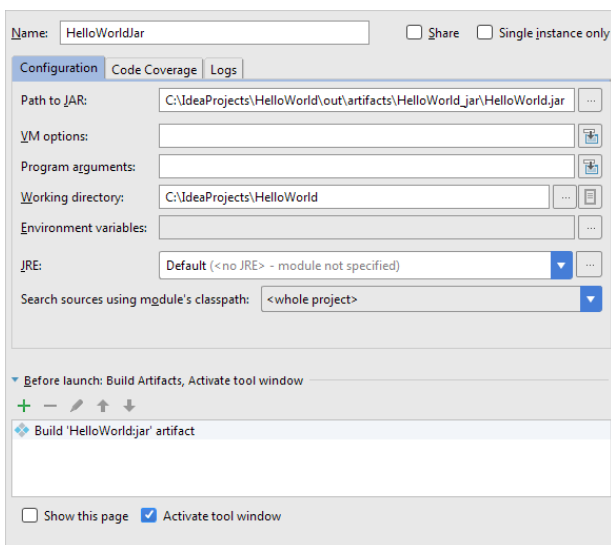
1. Select Run | Edit Configurations .
2. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog that opens, click **+** and select JAR Application .



3. Specify the path to the JAR file. (To the right of the Path to JAR field, click **...** and select the JAR file in the dialog that opens.)

The rest of the settings in this case don't matter, however, there's one more thing that we'll do - just for convenience.

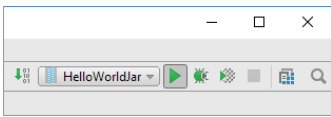
4. Under Before launch , click **+** , select Build Artifacts and select the HelloWorld.jar artifact in the dialog that opens. The Build 'HelloWorld.jar' artifact task is included in the Before launch task list. So each time you execute this run configuration, the artifact will be built automatically.



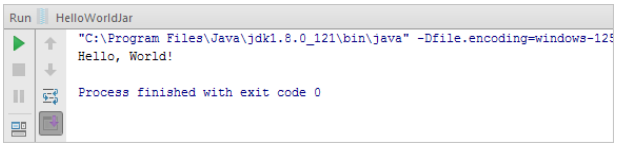
### Executing the run configuration

- To the right of the run configuration selector, click **▶** .





As before, the Run tool window opens and the application output is shown there.



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## Before you start...

You have already [created and executed your first Java application](#) . Now it's time to [debug it](#).

However, it would be nice to add one more line to the application - let it be

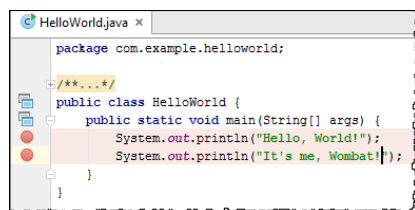
```
System.out.println("it's me, Wombat!");
```

## Putting breakpoints

To start a debugger session, first of all you need to place a [breakpoint](#) at the statement where you want to suspend the execution of your application. The existing source code does not give you much of a choice - the only place, where you can put breakpoints, are the statements

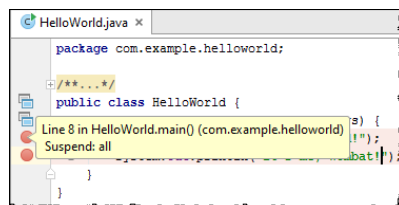
```
System.out.println("Hello World!");  
System.out.println("it's me, Wombat!");
```

So let's do it. Click the left gutter at the line of the statement you want to put a breakpoint on, or just press `Ctrl+F8` :

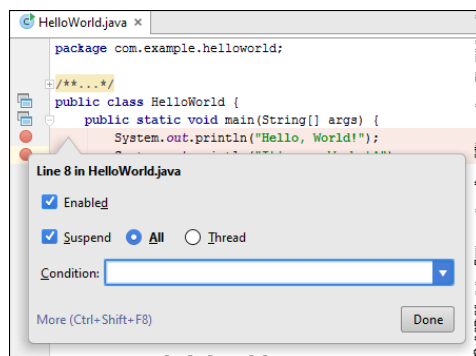


As you see, the new breakpoint is added to the source code. The line where the breakpoint is set changes its color to pink.

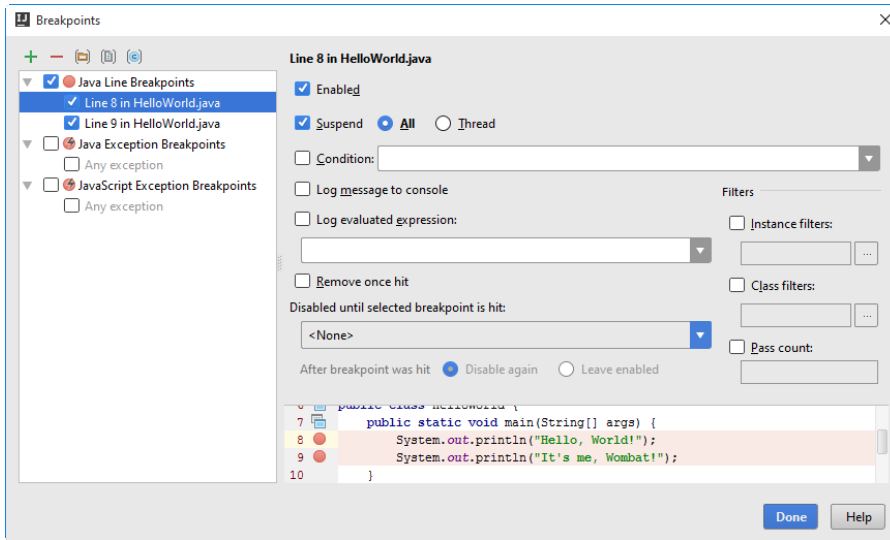
If you just hover your mouse pointer over the breakpoint, you will see its properties in the tooltip:



Suppose you want to change some properties of this breakpoint. Then right-click it and see the following dialog box:



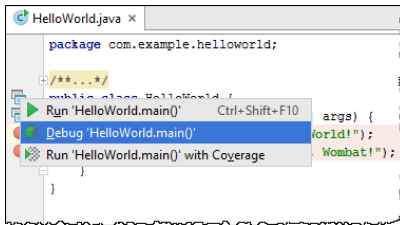
Finally, you would like to explore and change all the available properties of a breakpoint and see its location among the other breakpoints (if any). In this case, press `Ctrl+Shift+F8` :



## Starting a debugger session

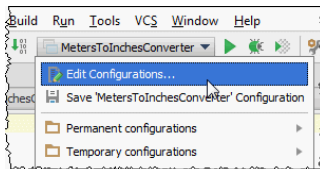
Now that the breakpoints are added, you can debug your application. This can be done in numerous ways; however, let's follow the easiest one.

Mind the icon  that marks a class with the `main()` method. Clicking this icon reveals a menu that enables running and debugging such a class:

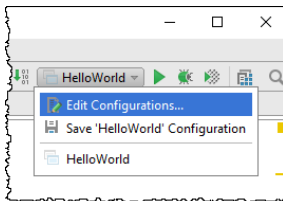


What does it mean?

IntelliJ IDEA launched the debugger session with the [temporary run/debug configuration](#). This run/debug configuration has the default name "HelloWorld.main()". To view and change the settings of this run/debug configuration, choose `Run | Edit Configurations...` on the main menu:



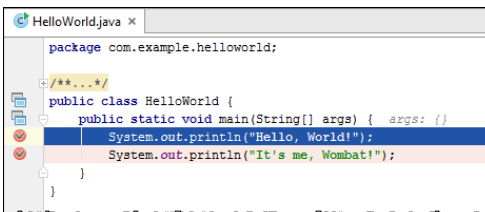
or click the run/debug configuration selector, and then choose `Edit Configurations...`:



IntelliJ IDEA compiles your application (which takes time!), and then suspends the application at the first breakpoint.

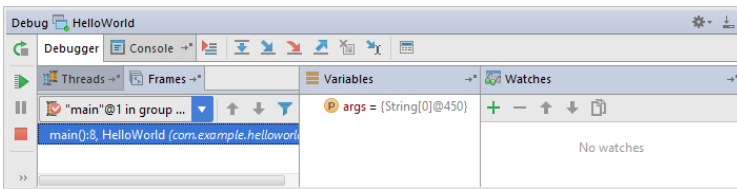
The IntelliJ IDEA window now looks different:

- The first thing that has changed is the color of the first line with the breakpoint. Now this line is rendered blue:



It means that (according to the breakpoint properties) the application has reached this breakpoint, hit it and suspended before the statement `println`.

- Next, in the lower part of the IntelliJ IDEA window, a special tool window has emerged. This is the [Debug tool window](#) that features the stepping toolbar and shows all the necessary information you might need during the debugger session:




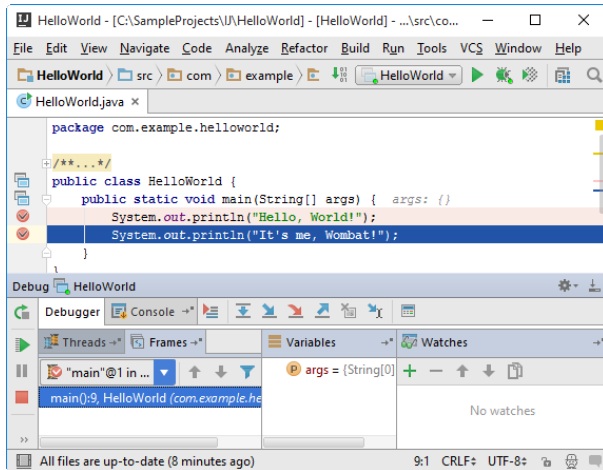
## Stepping through the application

### Stepping through the statements directly

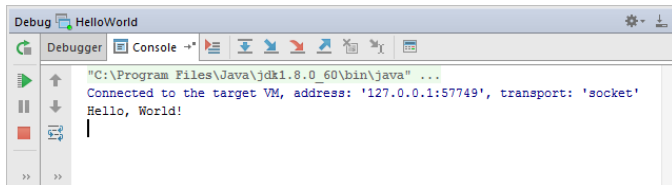
Let's step through the application. Click  on the stepping toolbar, or just press **F8**.



The next line now becomes blue. If you look at the Debug tool window, you notice the following changes:

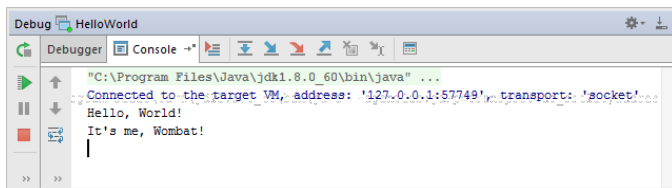
- In the **Frames** pane, the next line number is shown.
- The **Console** tab is marked with the icon , which means that it contains new output.



Click the Console tab. You see the message of the first line with the breakpoint "Hello, World!". The second message is not yet visible:




Click  again on the stepping toolbar, or press **F8**. Now the second message appears in the console. After you click  the next time, the application stops:




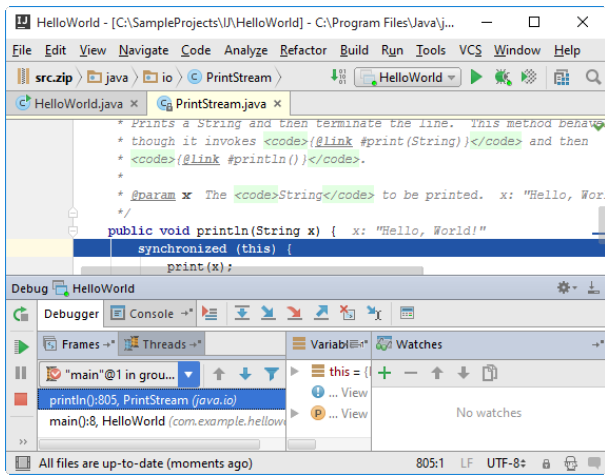
This debugging session is over.

## Stepping through the method calls

Now let's explore a more complicated way and step into the `println()` call.

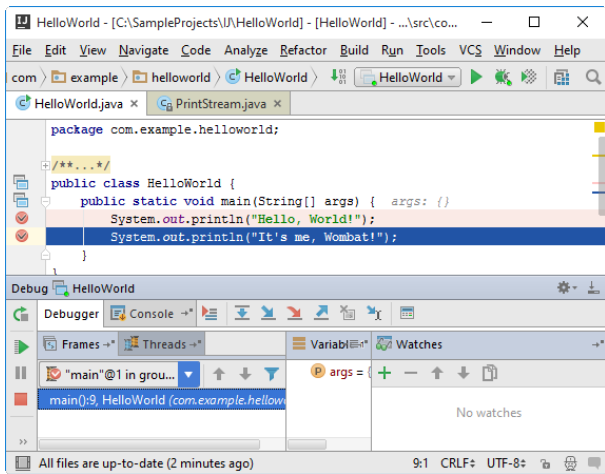
First, restart the debugger session. To do that, just click  on the toolbar of the **Debug tool window**. Thus you'll rerun the latest run/debug configuration, namely, HelloWorld.

The application again pauses at the first breakpoint. This time, click , or press **Shift+Alt+F7**. You see a different picture:

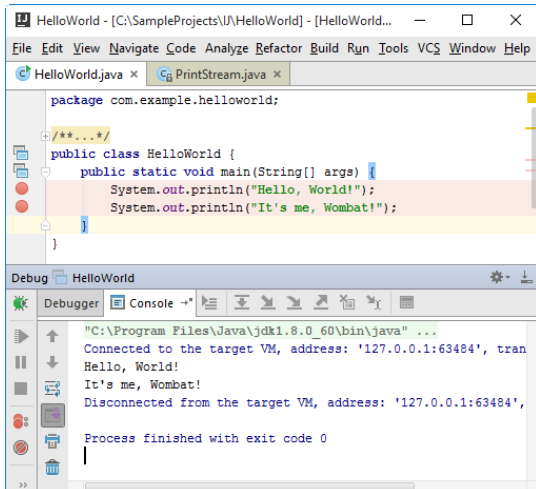


It means that IntelliJ IDEA has stepped into the method `println(String x)` of the library class `PrintStream.java`. Note that a new thread appears in the list of threads.

Click or press `Shift+F8` to return to the next breakpoint:



Note that the Console tab has again got the marker , which means that new output is available. Next, click . You see that the process terminates:



Keeping your code up to date with the latest versions of languages and libraries is a challenging task. Fortunately, IntelliJ IDEA can make this easier, with inspections to guide your efforts, automatic fixes, and the usual refactoring tools.

[Java SE 8](#) brings entire new concepts to the language, like lambda expressions, and adds new methods to classes that developers have been using comfortably for years. In addition, there are new ways of doing things, including the new [Date and Time API](#), and an [Optional](#) type to help with null-safety.

In this tutorial we're going to show how IntelliJ IDEA can help you transition your code from Java 6 (or 7) to Java 8, using code examples to show what help is available and when you may, or may not, choose to use new features.

This tutorial assumes the following prerequisites:

- You already have an IntelliJ IDEA project for an existing codebase.

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## Approaching the problem

The sheer number of options and features that IntelliJ IDEA has available might be overwhelming, especially when tackling a problem as big as trying to migrate a whole codebase (or even just a module or package) to a new version. As with most software development problems, it pays to approach this in an iterative fashion.

1. Pick a small number of changes to implement.
2. Pick a section of the codebase to apply them to.
3. Apply the changes in batches, running your project tests frequently and checking in to your VCS system when the tests are green.

To this end, this tutorial will group changes into sections rather than assume a Big Bang approach.


## Initial setup

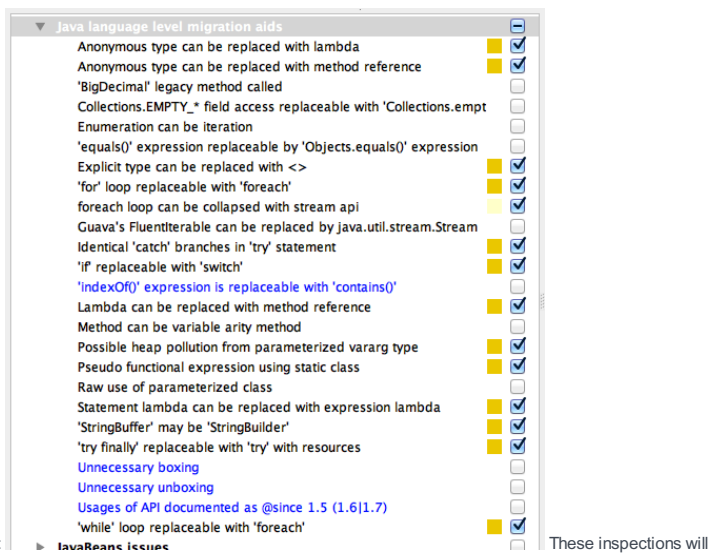
1. Make sure you're compiling with a Java 8 SDK. If you're not, change your SDK to the latest version of Java 8.
2. In the [project settings](#), you should set your language level to "8.0 - Lambdas, type annotations".

If you are compiling the code in a CI environment, you'll need to ensure the new code is compiled using Java 8 there as well. Configuring this is beyond the scope of this tutorial.

## Configuring and running language level migration inspections

Your project may already make use of inspections to encourage a certain level of consistency and quality in the code. To focus purely on just making changes related to upgrading to Java 8, we're going to create a new inspection profile.

1. Navigate to the [inspections settings](#).
2. [Create a new inspection profile](#) called "Java8".
3. As a starting point for this profile, deselect everything using the "reset to empty" button .
4. We're going to select a set of language migration inspections to point out sections of the code we might want



to update: **Java8 inspections** These inspections will

show us areas in your code where you may be able to use the following Java 8 features:

- [Lambda expressions](#)
- [Method references](#)
- New [Collection](#) methods
- [Streams API](#)

5. Click OK to save these settings to the "Java8" profile and close the settings window.
6. [Run the inspections](#) , selecting the "Java8" profile and the scope to run the inspections on. If your project is small, that might be the whole codebase, but more likely you will want to select a module or package to start with.

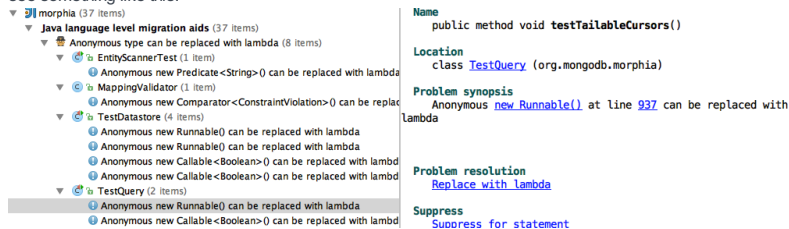
Once Analyse code has finished running, you'll see a set of results in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) .

## Lambda expressions

The inspections will show you places where you can convert code automatically to use lambda expressions. There are a number of places you might typically discover this in your existing code, for example when you create anonymous inner classes for:

- [Runnable](#) , [Callable](#)
- [Comparator](#)
- [FileFilter](#) , [PathMatcher](#)
- [EventHandler](#)
- Third party interfaces like [Guava's Predicate](#)

1. In the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) , you should see results grouped under "Java language level migration aids". Under this heading, you may see "Anonymous type can be replaced with lambda". Open up this heading to see all the sections of the code where IntelliJ IDEA has detected you can use a lambda. You might see something like this:



2. For example, you may come across a `Runnable` anonymous inner class:

```

executorService.scheduleAtFixedRate(new Runnable() {
    @Override
    public void run() {
        getDs().save(new CappedPic(title));
    }
}, 0, 500, MILLISECONDS);

```

3. Many inspections suggest a fix that can be applied, and "Anonymous type can be replaced with lambda" does have a suggested resolution. To apply the fix, either:
  - Click on the Problem Resolution in the right of the inspection window, in our case this is Replace with lambda .
  - Or press `Alt+Enter` on the grey code in the editor and select Replace with lambda .

4. IntelliJ IDEA will then automatically change the code above to use a lambda expression:

```
executorService.scheduleAtFixedRate(() -> getDs().save(new CappedPic(title)), 0, 500, MILLI
```

You'll notice that lambda expressions can state very little in terms of type information. Here, the fact that this lambda represents an implementation of `Runnable` all but disappears. IntelliJ IDEA will provide you with information about the type of the lambda expression via the lambda icon in the left gutter:

```
Overrides method in java.lang.Runnable  
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leAtFixedRate(() -> getDs().save(new CappedPic(title)), 0, 500, MILLISECOND);
```

Hovering over this will tell you the type, and clicking lets you navigate to the declaration.

## Impact of applying lambda expressions

You should be able to automatically apply this fix to all places where anonymous inner classes are found in your codebase without impacting the functionality in your system. Applying the change will generally also improve the readability of your code, removing lines of boilerplate like in the example above.

However, you may want to check each individual change, as:

- Larger anonymous inner classes may not be very readable in a lambda form.
- There may be additional changes and improvements you can make.

Let's address both points with an example.

We might be using a `Runnable` to group a specific set of assertions in our test:

```
Runnable runnable = new Runnable() {  
    @Override  
    public void run() {  
        datastoreProvider.register(database);  
        Assert.assertNull(database.find(User.class, "id", 1).get());  
        Assert.assertNull(database.find(User.class, "id", 3).get());  
  
        User foundUser = database.find(User.class, "id", 2).get();  
        Assert.assertNotNull(foundUser);  
        Assert.assertNotNull(database.find(User.class, "id", 4).get());  
        Assert.assertEquals("Should find 1 friend", 1, foundUser.friends.size());  
        Assert.assertEquals("Should find the right friend", 4, foundUser.friends.get(0).id);  
    }  
};
```

Converting this to a lambda results in:

```
Runnable runnable = () -> {  
    datastoreProvider.register(database);  
    Assert.assertNull(database.find(User.class, "id", 1).get());  
    Assert.assertNull(database.find(User.class, "id", 3).get());  
  
    User foundUser = database.find(User.class, "id", 2).get();  
    Assert.assertNotNull(foundUser);  
    Assert.assertNotNull(database.find(User.class, "id", 4).get());  
    Assert.assertEquals("Should find 1 friend", 1, foundUser.friends.size());  
    Assert.assertEquals("Should find the right friend", 4, foundUser.friends.get(0).id);  
};
```

This is not much shorter, nor does it impact readability much.

In cases like these, you may choose to use IntelliJ IDEA's extract method to pull these lines into a single method instead:

```
Runnable runnable = () -> {  
    assertUserMatchesSpecification(database, datastoreProvider);  
};
```

The second reason to check all your lambda conversions is that some lambdas can be further simplified. This last example is one of them - IntelliJ IDEA will show the curly braces in grey, and pressing `Alt+Enter` with the cursor on the braces will pop up the suggested change Statement lambda can be replaced with expression lambda :

```
final Runnable runnable = () -> {  
    assertUserMatchesSpecification(database, datastoreProvider);  
};  
Statement lambda can be replaced with expression lambda more... (98F1)
```

Accepting this change will result in:



```
Runnable runnable = () -> assertUserMatchesSpecification(database, datastoreProvider);
```

Once you've changed your anonymous inner classes to lambdas and made any manual adjustments you might want to make, like extracting methods or reformatting the code, run all your tests to make sure everything still works. If so, commit these changes to VCS. Once you've done this, you'll be ready to move to the next step.

## New Collection Methods

Java 8 introduced a new way of working with collections of data, through the Streams API. What's less well known is that many of the `Collection` classes we're used to working with have new methods on them that are not via the Streams API. For example, `java.util.Iterable` has a `forEach` method that lets you pass in a lambda that represents an operation to run on every element. IntelliJ IDEA's inspections will highlight areas where you can use this and other new methods.

1. Back in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#), you should see "foreach can be collapsed with stream api" under "Java language level migration aids". You may not realise when you're going through all the inspections, but not all of these fixes will use the Streams API (more on Streams later). For example:

```
for (Class<? extends Annotation > annotation : INTERESTING_ANNOTATIONS) {
    addAnnotation(annotation);
}
```

IntelliJ IDEA suggests "Can be replaced with foreach call". Applying this inspection gives us:

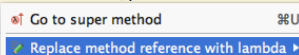
```
INTERESTING_ANNOTATIONS.forEach(this::addAnnotation);
```

Note that IntelliJ IDEA has applied all simplifications it could, going as far as using a [Method Reference](#) rather than a lambda. Method references are another new features in Java 8, which can generally be used where a lambda expression would usually call a single method.

2. Method references take a while to get used to, so you may prefer to expand this into a lambda to see the

```
INTERESTING_ANNOTATIONS.forEach(this::addAnnotation);
```

```
final List<Class<?>> lifecycleClasses
lifecycleClasses.add(clazz);
```



lambda version:

Press `Alt+Enter` on the method reference and click `Replace method reference with lambda`. This is especially useful as you get used to all the new syntax. In lambda form, it looks like:

```
INTERESTING_ANNOTATIONS.forEach((annotation) -> addAnnotation(annotation));
```

Both of the new forms do exactly the same thing as the original code - for every item in the

`INTERESTING_ANNOTATIONS` list, it calls `addAnnotation` with the item.

## Streams API - foreach

IntelliJ IDEA's inspections will suggest using the `forEach` on `Iterable` where appropriate, but it will also the new Streams API where this is a better choice.

The [Streams API](#) is a powerful tool for querying and manipulating data, and using it could significantly change and simplify the code you write. For this tutorial, we're going to look at some of the simplest use cases to get you started. Once you're more comfortable using this style of coding, you may then want to use its capabilities further.

1. What does the Streams API give us that we can't simply get from using a `forEach` method? Let's look at an example that's a slightly more complicated for loop than the previous one:

```
public void addAllBooksToLibrary(Set<Book> books) {
    for (Book book: books) {
        if (book.isInPrint()) {
            library.add(book);
        }
    }
}
```

Firstly the loop body checks some condition, then does something with the items that pass that condition.

2. Selecting the fix `Replace with forEach` will use the Streams API to do the same thing:

```
public void addAllBooksToLibrary(Set <Book> books) {
    books.stream()
        .filter(book -> book.isInPrint())
        .forEach(library::add);
}
```

In this case, IntelliJ IDEA has selected a method reference for the `forEach` parameter. For filter, IntelliJ IDEA has used a lambda, but will suggest in the editor that this particular example can use a method reference:

```
public void addAllBooksToLibrary(Set<Book> books) {
    books.stream()
        .filter(book -> book.isInPrint())
        .forEach(library::add);
}
```

Can be replaced with method reference [more...](#) (⌘F1)

3. Applying this fix gives:

```
books.stream()
    .filter(Book::isInPrint)
    .forEach(library::add);
```

## Streams API - collect

Instead of "can be replaced with foreach" call you might see "can be replaced with collect call". This is very similar to the above example, but instead of calling a `forEach` method at the end of the stream and performing some operation, this will use the stream's `collect` method to put all the results from the stream operation into a new `Collection`. It's very common to see a `for` loop that iterates over some collection, performs some sort of filtering or manipulating, and outputs the results into a new collection, and that's the sort of code this inspection will identify and migrate to using the Streams API.

1. In the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#), you should see "foreach can be replaced with collect call" under "Java language level migration aids". Selecting one of these inspection results will show you a for loop that might look something like:

```
List<Key> keys = ....

List<Key.Id> objIds = new ArrayList<Key.Id>();
for (Key key : keys) {
    objIds.add(key.getId());
}
```

Here, we're looping over a list of `Key` objects, getting the `Id` from each of these objects, and putting them all into a separate collection of `objIds`.

2. Apply the Replace with collect fix to turn this code into:

```
List<Key.Id> objIds = keys.stream().map(Key::getId).collect(Collectors.toList());
```

3. Reformat this code so that you can see more clearly all the Stream operations:

```
List<Key.Id> objIds = keys.stream()
    .map(Key::getId)
    .collect(Collectors.toList());
```

This does exactly the same thing the original code did - takes a collection of `Key` s, "maps" each `Key` to its `Id`, and collects those into a new list, `objIds`.

Like the `forEach` example, IntelliJ IDEA can work out if a filter needs applying to a collect statement as well as maps, so it can cleverly turn many of your complex loops into a set of Stream operations.

## Impact of replacing foreach with Streams

It may be tempting to run these inspections and simply apply all fixes automatically. When it comes to converting your code to use new methods on Collections or Streams, a little care should be taken. The IDE will ensure that your code works the same way it used to, but you need to check that your code remains readable and understandable after applying the changes. If you and your team are using Java 8 features for the first time, some of the new code will be very unfamiliar and probably unclear. Take the time to look at each change individually and check you're happy you understand the new code before going ahead.

Like with lambdas, a good rule of thumb is to start with small sections of code - short for loops that translate into two or fewer stream operations, preferably with single-line lambdas. As you become more familiar with the methods, then you may want to tackle more complex code.

Let's look at an example:

IntelliJ IDEA suggests that this code:

```
for (Entry<Class<? extends Annotation>, List<Annotation>> e : getAnnotations().entrySet()) {
    if (e.getValue() != null && !e.getValue().isEmpty()) {
        for (Annotation annotation: e.getValue()) {
            destination.addAnnotation(e.getKey(), annotation);
        }
    }
}
```

Can be converted to this code:

```

getAnnotations().entrySet()
    .stream()
    .filter(e -> e.getValue() != null && !e.getValue().isEmpty())
    .forEach(e -> {
        for (Annotation annotation: e.getValue()) {
            destination.addAnnotation(e.getKey(), annotation);
        }
    });

```

Setting aside the fact that the original code is challenging to understand to begin with, you may choose not to apply the changes for a number of reasons:

- Despite refactoring away the outer-loop, there's still a for loop inside the `forEach` method. This suggests that there may be a different way to structure the stream call, perhaps using `flatMap`.
- The `destination.addAnnotation` method suggests that there may be a way to restructure this to use a `collect` call rather than a `forEach`.
- It's arguably not easier to understand than the original code.

However, you may choose to accept this change for the following reasons:

- This is a complex piece of code that is iterating through and manipulating data in a collection, therefore a move towards the Streams API is a move in the right direction. It can be further refactored or improved later when the team's developers are more familiar with the way Streams work.
- In the new code the `if` condition has been moved into a `filter` call, making clearer what purpose this section of the code is.

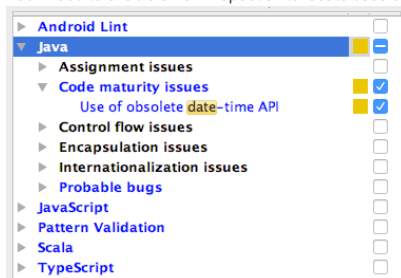
Apart from the options "keep the code" and "apply the changes", there's a third option: refactor the old code to something more readable, even if it doesn't use Java 8. This might be a good piece of code to make a note of to refactor later, rather than trying to tackle all the code's problems while simply trying to adopt more Java 8 conventions.

## New Date and Time API

The inspections we've selected for our "Java8" profile help us to locate places where we can use lambda expressions, new methods on Collections and the Streams API, and will apply fixes automatically to those places. There are plenty of other new features in Java 8, and in the following sections we'll highlight some features of IntelliJ IDEA that may help you use these too.

In this section, we'll look at locating places that may benefit from using the new [Date and Time API](#) instead of `java.util.Date` and `java.util.Calendar`.

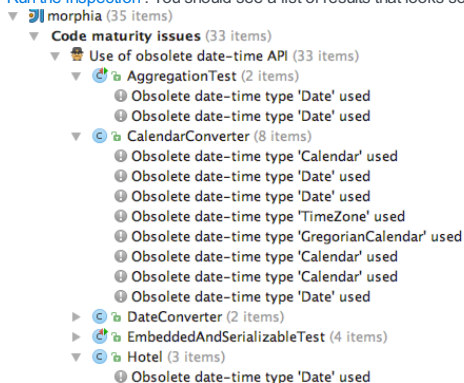
1. You'll need to enable a new inspection to locate uses of the old Date and Time API.



Note that although many methods have been

deprecated on `java.util.Date` for some time, the class itself is not deprecated, so if you use it in your code you will not receive deprecation warnings. That's why this inspection is useful to locate usages.

2. Run the inspection. You should see a list of results that looks something like this:



3. Unlike the earlier inspections, these do not have suggested fixes as they will require you and your team to evaluate the use of the old classes and decide how to migrate them to the new API. If you have a `Date` field that represents a single date without a time, for example:

```
public class HotelBooking {
    private final Hotel hotel;
    private final Date checkInDate;
    private final Date checkOutDate;

    // constructor, getters and setters...
}
```

you may choose to replace this with a `LocalDate`. This can be done via the context menu Refactor | Type Migration... or via `(Ctrl+Shift+F6)`. Type `LocalDate` in the popup and select `java.time.LocalDate`. When you press enter, this will change the type of this field and getters and setters. You may still need to address compilation errors where the field, getters or setters are used.

- For fields that are both date and time, you may choose to migrate these to `java.time.LocalDateTime`. For fields that are only time, `java.time.LocalTime` may be appropriate.
- If you were setting the original values with a new `Date`, knowing that this is the equivalent to the date and time right now:

```
booking.setCheckInDate(new Date());
```

you can instead use the `now()` method:

```
booking.setCheckInDate(LocalDate.now());
```

- A common and readable way to set a value for `java.util.Date` was to use `java.text.SimpleDateFormat`. You might see code that looks something like:

```
SimpleDateFormat format = new SimpleDateFormat("yyyy-MM-dd");
booking.setCheckInDate(format.parse("2017-03-02"));
```

If this check in date has been migrated to a `LocalDate`, you can easily set this to the specific date without the use of a formatter:

```
booking.setCheckInDate(LocalDate.of(2017, 3, 2));
```

These examples barely scratch the surface of the changes you may want or need to do in order to fully utilise the new date and time features in Java 8. Take a look at the [tutorial provided by Oracle](#) for more information on the new API features and how to use them.

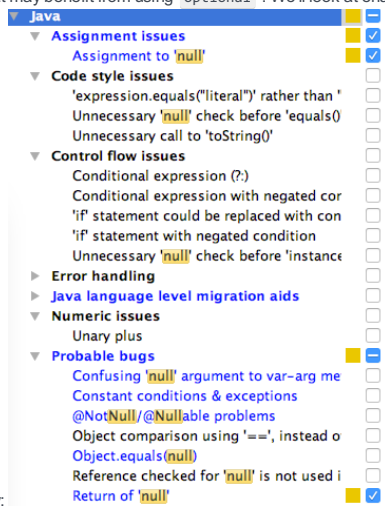
## Impact of migrating to the new Date and Time API

Updating your code to use the new Date and Time API requires much more manual intervention than migrating anonymous inner classes to Lambda Expressions and loops to the Streams API. IntelliJ IDEA will help you see how much and where you use the old `java.util.Date` and `java.util.Calendar` classes, which will help you understand the scope of the migration. IntelliJ IDEA's refactoring tools can help you migrate these types if necessary. However, you will need to have a strategy on how to approach each of the changes, which new types you want to use, and how to use these correctly. This is not a change you can apply automatically.

## Using Optional

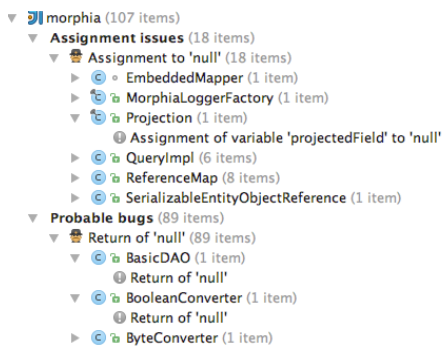
The last Java 8 feature we'll look at is the new `Optional` type. `java.util.Optional` gives you a way to handle null values, and a way to specify if a method call is expected to return a null value or not. Like Date and Time, IntelliJ IDEA's features will help you to identify areas of your code that might benefit from using the `Optional` type.

- There are a number of inspections that look for the use of nulls in Java code, these can be useful for identifying areas that may benefit from using `Optional`. We'll look at enabling just two of these inspections for



simplicity:

- Run the code analysis. You should see a list of results that looks something like this:



3. If you see "Assignment to null" for fields, you may want to consider turning this field into an `Optional`. For example, in the code below, the line where `offset` is assigned will be flagged:

```
private Integer offset;

// code...

public Builder offset(int value) {
    offset = value > 0 ? value : null;
    return this;
}

// more code...
```

That's because in another method, the code checks to see if this value has been set before doing something with it:

```
if (offset != null) {
    cursor.skip(offset);
}
```

In this case, `null` is a valid value for `offset` - it indicates this has not been set, and therefore shouldn't be used. You may wish to change the field into an `Optional` of `Integer` via `Ctrl+Shift+F6`, and alter the way the value is set:

```
private Optional<Integer> offset;

// code...

public Builder offset(int value) {
    offset = value > 0 ? Optional.of(value) : Optional.empty();
    return this;
}

// more code...
```

Then you can use the methods on `Optional` instead of performing null-checks. The simplest solution is:

```
if (offset.isPresent()) {
    cursor.skip(offset);
}
```

But it's much more elegant to use a Lambda Expression to define what to do with the value:

```
offset.ifPresent(() -> cursor.skip(offset));
```

4. The inspections also indicate places where a method returns null. If you have a method that can return a null value, the code that calls this method should check if it returned null and take appropriate action. It's easy to forget to do this though, especially if the developer isn't aware the method can return a null. Changing these methods to return an `Optional` makes it much more explicit this might not return a value. For example, maybe our inspections flagged this method as returning a null value:

```
public Customer findFirst() {
    if (customers.isEmpty()) {
        return null;
    } else {
        return customers.get(0);
    }
}
```

We could alter this method to return an `Optional` of `Customer` :

```

public Optional<Customer> findFirst() {
    if (customers.isEmpty()) {
        return Optional.empty();
    } else {
        return Optional.ofNullable(customers.get(0));
    }
}

```

5. You'll need to change the code that calls these methods to deal with the `Optional` type. This might be the correct place to make a decision about what to do if the value does not exist. In the example above, perhaps the code that calls the `findFirst` method used to look like this:

```

Customer firstCustomer = customerDao.findFirst();
if (firstCustomer == null) {
    throw new CustomerNotFoundException();
} else {
    firstCustomer.setNewOffer(offer);
}

```

But we're now returning an `Optional`, we can eliminate the null check:

```

Optional<Customer> firstCustomer = customerDao.findFirst();
firstCustomer.orElseThrow(() -> new CustomerNotFoundException())
    .setNewOffer(offer);

```

## Impact of migrating to Optional

Changing a field type to `Optional` can have a big impact, and it's not easy to do everything automatically. To start with, try to keep the use of `Optional` inside the class - if you can change the field to an `Optional` try not expose this via getters and setters, this will let you do a more gradual migration.

Changing method return types to `Optional` has an even bigger impact, and you may see these changes ripple through your codebase in an unexpected way. Applying this approach to all values that can be null could result in `Optional` variables and fields all over the code, with multiple places to performing `isPresent` checks or using the `Optional` methods to perform an action or throw an appropriate exception.

Remember that the goal of using the new features in Java 8 is to simplify the code and aid readability, so limit the scope of the changes to small sections of the code and check that using `Optional` is making your code easier to understand, not more difficult to maintain.

IntelliJ IDEA's inspections will identify possible places for change, and the refactoring tools can help apply these changes, but refactoring to `Optional` has a large impact and you and your team should identify a strategy for which areas to change and how to approach these changes. You can even use the suggested fix of "Annotate field [fieldName] as @Nullable" to mark those fields that are candidates for migrating to `Optional`, in order to take a step in that direction with a smaller impact on the code.

## Summary

IntelliJ IDEA's Inspections, in particular those around language migration, can help identify areas in your code that can be refactored to use Java 8 features, and even apply those fixes automatically.

If you have applied the fixes automatically, it's valuable to look at the updated code to check it isn't harder to understand, and to help you become familiar with the new features.

This tutorial gave some pointers on how to migrate your code. We've covered [lambda expressions](#) and [method references](#), some new methods on [Collection](#), introduced the [Streams API](#), shown how IntelliJ IDEA can help you use the new [Date and Time API](#) and looked at how to identify places that might benefit from using the new `Optional` type.

There are plenty of new features in Java 8 designed to make life easier for programmers - to make code more readable, and to make it easier to perform complex operations on data structures. IntelliJ IDEA of course not only supports these features, but helps developers make use of them, including migrating existing code and providing help and suggestions in the editor to guide you as you use them.

The Java platform module system (JSR 376) a.k.a Project Jigsaw is on target to be part of the JDK 9 release. The goals of the system as described by the JSR are:

- *Reliable configuration* , to replace the brittle, error-prone class-path mechanism with a means for program components to declare explicit dependencies upon one another, along with
- *Strong encapsulation* , to allow a component to declare which of its public types are accessible to other components, and which are not.

**Warning!** The features discussed below are based on early access releases of both IntelliJ IDEA and JDK 9 and might change in future

IntelliJ IDEA already has a concept of modules for a project. Every IntelliJ IDEA module builds its own classpath.

With the introduction of the new Java platform module system, IntelliJ IDEA modules had to extend their capability by supporting the Java platform's module-path if it is used instead of the classpath .

In this tutorial we explore where IntelliJ IDEA assists in creating and using Java Platform modules and how these modules work with IntelliJ IDEA modules.

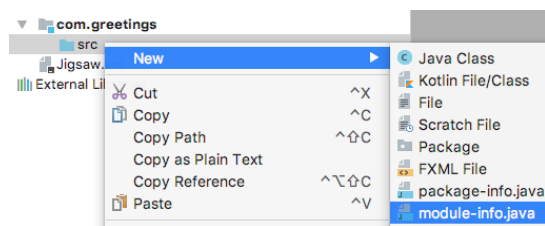
We will use the 'Greetings World' example given in full in the [OpenJDK quick start guide](#) .

## Creating a module

After [creating a module in IntelliJ IDEA](#) we can define it as a Java Platform module by creating a module-info.java file under the module source directory.

Every IntelliJ IDEA module can have at most a single Java platform module.

We can create a new module-info.java for our module by selecting the source directory where we want to create it and using the menu option New | module-info.java



When creating the module-info.java declaration file, IntelliJ IDEA will choose the name of the IntelliJ IDEA module as the default name for the Java Platform module. This can be changed and is not required to match.



## Using a module

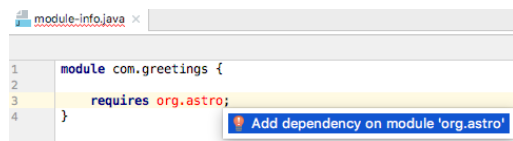
As with all java file types, IntelliJ IDEA helps us with auto-completion and validity checks of the module-info.java content.

The dependencies of a module need to be defined in IntelliJ IDEA and Java Platform (Jigsaw) modules.

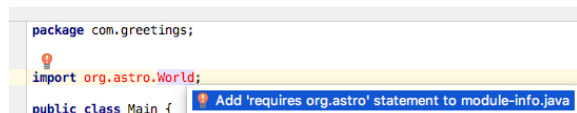
IntelliJ IDEA helps us keeping them in sync.

To define dependencies between our project modules, We can write a `requires` declaration in module-info.java and then IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to us to also add it as a dependency in its module.

This works also with library dependencies but only if the library jar file was already declared as a project dependency.



From the other direction, we can just write our java code. IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to add the other module as a dependency on our current module and then will also suggest to us adding a `requires` declaration as well.



## Running with modules

The information declared in the Java platform modules is used when running a class `Ctrl+Shift+F10` in IntelliJ IDEA.

This means that IntelliJ IDEA will run the JVM using a module-path and not a classpath .

This will enforce the strong encapsulation we get from the module system and any dependency issues we might have will be then reproduced by this run.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides facilities for developing applications using Java EE technologies.

- [Enabling Java EE Application Support](#)
- [Working with Application Servers](#)
- [Working with Cloud Platforms](#)
- [Developing a Java EE Application](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This topic discusses the features that become available when you turn on the JavaEE Application option.

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Overview of the features](#)
- [Turning on the JavaEE Application option](#)
- [Managing deployment descriptors](#)
- [Managing application artifacts](#)

## Prerequisites

For the JavaEE Application option and associated features to be available:

- You should be using the ULTIMATE Edition of IntelliJ IDEA. (The corresponding functionality is not available in the Community Edition.)
- The Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets [plugin](#) must be enabled. (This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)

## Overview of the features

When you turn on the JavaEE Application option, IntelliJ IDEA:

- Creates `META-INF/application.xml`, an enterprise application archive [deployment descriptor](#).
- Creates a Java EE Application [facet](#) that lets you specify the locations of your `application.xml` and application server-specific deployment descriptors (e.g. `glassfish-application.xml`, `jboss-app.xml`).
- Creates an Exploded [EAR artifact](#) configuration.
- Makes various quick fixes available in the Project Structure dialog, e.g. for synchronizing `application.xml` with the structure of your EAR artifact.
- Makes the [JavaEE:App tool window](#) available.

If you turn on the JavaEE Application option when creating a project or module and specify an application server, IntelliJ IDEA also creates a [run/debug configuration for that server](#).

## Turning on the JavaEE Application option

You can turn on the JavaEE Application option:

- When creating a project or module ( `File | New | Project` or `File | New | Module` ). On the first page of the New Project or the New Module wizard, select Java Enterprise , and then select the JavaEE Application checkbox under Additional Libraries and Frameworks .
- For an existing module. In the Project tool window ( `View | Tool Windows | Project` ), right-click the module folder and select Add Framework Support . Then select the JavaEE Application checkbox in the dialog that opens.

## Managing deployment descriptors

You can manage your `application.xml` and server-specific deployment descriptor files in the Project Structure dialog:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the leftmost pane, select Modules or Facets .
3. In the pane to the right, select javaEEApplication .
4. On the [page that opens](#) in the right-hand part of the dialog, form the list of deployment descriptors for your application.

## Managing application artifacts

To deploy your application to a server, you need an application [artifact](#) . For Java EE applications, IntelliJ IDEA provides the following artifact formats:

- JavaEE Application: Exploded. This is a decompressed enterprise application archive ([EAR](#) ), a directory structure that is ready for deployment onto an application server.
- JavaEE Application: Archive. This is, obviously, an EAR file.

To manage your artifact configurations, use the Project Structure dialog ( `File | Project Structure | Artifacts` ).

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

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IntelliJ IDEA can be integrated with the "most popular" application server systems. You can deploy your application [artifacts](#) onto the corresponding servers and debug the deployed applications right from within the IDE. You can also start and stop the servers installed on your computer.

- [Supported application servers](#)
- [Main tasks related to working with application servers](#)
- [Enabling application server integration plugins](#)
- [Defining Application Servers in IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#)
- [Updating Applications on Application Servers](#)

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IntelliJ IDEA provides integration with the following application servers:

- [CloudBees](#)
- [Geronimo](#)
- [GlassFish](#) (currently not supported under JDK).
- [Google App Engine Development Server](#)
- [JBoss](#)
- [Jetty](#)
- JSR45-compatible application servers (any server that supports [JSR-45](#) )
- [Resin](#)
- [SpringSource dm Server](#)
- [Tomcat](#)
- [TomEE](#)
- [WebLogic](#)
- [WebSphere](#) (starting from version 6.1)

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Here are main tasks related to working with application servers in IntelliJ IDEA.

1. Download and install the server that you are going to use. Even if you are going to use a remote server (i.e. one running on a different computer), the same server version must be installed locally.
2. Make sure that the necessary server integration [plugin](#) or plugins are enabled in IntelliJ IDEA. See [Enabling application server integration plugins](#) .
3. Define the server in IntelliJ IDEA. See [Defining Application Servers in IntelliJ IDEA](#) .
4. Create an [artifact configuration](#) for your application.
5. Create a [run/debug configuration](#) for your server. See [Creating a server run/debug configuration](#) .
6. Start the server run/debug configuration to run or debug your application. See [Starting a server run/debug configuration](#) .

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All the available server integration [plugins](#) are enabled by default. However, before you start working with an application server, it's always worth making sure that the necessary plugin or plugins are enabled.

The server integration plugin names, normally, include the name of the server and the word Integration or Support, for example, GlassFish Integration, dmServer Support, Tomcat and TomEE Integration, etc.

1. [Open the Settings dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, select [Plugins](#) .
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the [Plugins page](#) , type the server name of interest (e.g. `tomcat` ) in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain the typed text are shown in the list of plugins.
4. If the checkbox to the right of the plugin name is not selected, select it.
5. Click OK in the Settings dialog.
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

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To define a server in IntelliJ IDEA, in most of the cases, all you have to do is to specify where the corresponding server is installed.

You can define a server:

- Separately, in the Settings dialog: `Ctrl+Alt+S` | Build, Execution, Deployment | Application Servers | `+`, etc.
- When creating a project or module.
- When creating a server [run/debug configuration](#): Run | Edit Configurations | `+` | <Server Name> , etc.

In this section:

- [Defining a server in the Settings dialog](#)
- [Defining a server when creating a project or module](#)
- [Defining a server when creating a run/debug configuration](#)

## Defining a server in the Settings dialog

1. [Open the Settings dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand pane, in the Build, Execution, Deployment category, select Application Servers .
3. On the Application Servers page that opens in the right-hand part of the dialog, click `+` . (Alternatively, press `Alt+Insert` .)
4. Select the server that you are going to use.
5. In the dialog that opens, specify the server settings and click OK . For most of the servers, you have to specify just the server home, i.e. the server installation directory. For more information, see [Application Servers](#) .
6. Click OK in the Settings dialog.

## Defining a server when creating a project or module

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project . As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module . As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise .
3. In the right-hand part of the page, to the right of the Application Server field, click New .
4. Select the server that you are going to use.
5. In the dialog that opens, specify the server settings and click OK . For most of the servers, you have to specify just the server home, i.e. the server installation directory.
6. Specify other settings as necessary and click Next . For more information, see [Project Category and Options](#) or [Module Category and Options](#) .
7. Specify the name and location settings and click Finish . For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

## Defining a server when creating a run/debug configuration

1. Open the Run/Debug Configurations dialog (e.g. Run | Edit Configurations ).
2. Click `+` (`Alt+Insert` ), select the server of interest (e.g. Tomcat Server ) and, if available, select Local or Remote .
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the Server tab, click Configure to the right of the Application server list.
4. In the dialog that opens specify the server settings and click OK .
5. Specify other run/debug configuration settings as necessary and click OK .

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To run or debug your Java EE or Web application on an application server, you need an application server [run/debug configuration](#).

One such configuration may be created by IntelliJ IDEA automatically. This happens if you, when creating a project or module, specify an application server that you are going to use (see [Defining a server when creating a project or module](#)).

You can create more server run/debug configurations if and when needed.

- [Local and remote run configurations](#)
- [What happens when a server run configuration is started](#)
- [Creating a server run/debug configuration](#)
- [Starting a server run/debug configuration](#)

## Local and remote run configurations

A server run/debug configuration may be local or remote.

Local configurations are for servers installed on your computer. Such configurations include the settings that define how the corresponding server is to be started. Consequently, when you execute a local configuration, IntelliJ IDEA, among other things, starts the server.

Remote configurations don't start a server. Usually, they are used for servers running on different (remote) computers. They may as well be used for servers installed locally (on your computer) in cases when you don't want the run configuration to start (or stop) the server.

When you execute a remote configuration, IntelliJ IDEA connects to the server to be able to deploy application artifacts or to perform their debugging. At that time, the corresponding server must already be running.


To conclude, what principally distinguishes local and remote configurations is not where the server is physically installed (though this is also important) but whether or not the server is started (or stopped) by means of the corresponding run configuration.

## What happens when a server run configuration is started

When you start a server run/debug configuration, IntelliJ IDEA, usually, does the following:

1. Performs the Before launch tasks. By default, these are Make and Build Artifacts : IntelliJ IDEA compiles the project and builds the application artifacts. The Build Artifacts task is not initially present in a run configuration but added automatically as soon as you specify the artifacts to be deployed onto the server.
2. Starts the server (for a local configuration) or connects to the server (for a remote configuration). (At that moment, the [Run](#) or the [Debug tool window](#) opens so that you can monitor and control the process.)
3. Deploys the specified artifacts (and/or deployable components external to your project) to the server.
4. If so specified, starts a web browser and opens a specified URL (which usually corresponds to a starting page of your application).

## Creating a server run/debug configuration



1. Open the Run/Debug Configurations dialog (e.g. Run | Edit Configurations ).
2. Click  ( [Alt+Insert](#) ), select the server of interest (e.g. Tomcat Server ) and, if available, select Local or Remote . (See [Local and remote run configurations](#) .)
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, specify the run/debug configuration settings and click OK . (For information on the available settings, see the corresponding server-specific topic in [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) ).

See also, [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

## Starting a server run/debug configuration

An application server run/debug configuration can be started in a usual way, as any other run configuration. See [Running Applications](#) and [Starting the Debugger Session](#) .

Alternatively, you can use the [Application Servers tool window](#) :

1. Open the Application Servers tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Application Servers ).
2. Select the server run/debug configuration that you want to use.
3. On the toolbar of the tool window, click:
  -  to start the selected configuration in the run mode.
  -  to start the selected configuration in the debug mode.

As a result, the [Run](#) or the [Debug tool window](#) opens.



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When running or debugging a Java EE or Web application, you can modify the source code and, almost immediately, see the result of your changes.

- [Updating an application: Process overview](#)
- [Specifying application update options](#)
- [Updating an application](#)
- [Application update options](#)

## Updating an application: Process overview

1. Specify the necessary application update options in your server run/debug configuration, see [Specifying application update options](#) .
2. Start the run/debug configuration.
3. After making changes to the source code, update your application, see [Updating an application](#) .

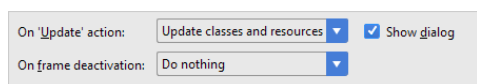
## Specifying application update options

In server run/debug configurations, the following settings on the Server tab have to do with updating an application:

- On 'Update' action. The *Update action* refers to clicking  in the Run or the Debug tool window (alternatively, `Ctrl+F10` or Run | Update '<app name>' application ).

Use the list to select the default update option. See [Application update options](#) .


Show dialog. If this checkbox is not selected, the default update option is used. Otherwise, a dialog is shown that displays all the available update options, and you'll be able to select the necessary option prior to actually updating your application.



- On frame deactivation. *Frame deactivation* means switching from IntelliJ IDEA to a different application (e.g. a Web browser). Use the list to specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do in such cases.

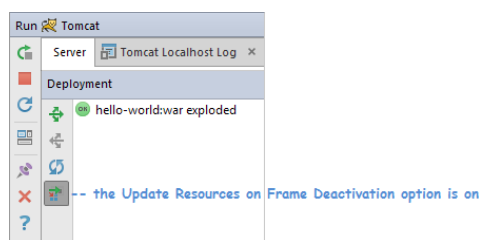
## Updating an application

When the Run or the Debug tool window is active, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar of the tool window.
- Press `Ctrl+F10` .
- Select Run | Update '<app name>' application .

If the necessary update option is associated with [frame deactivation](#) , your application is updated automatically when you switch from IntelliJ IDEA to a different application (e.g. a Web browser).

Note that you can turn the Update Resources on Frame Deactivation option on and off right in the Run or the Debug tool window. To do that, click .



You can also update your application in the [Application Servers tool window](#) by redeploying your application artifact (.

## Application update options

The update options are different depending on:

- the artifact format, i.e. on whether the application artifact is exploded (unpacked) or packed (e.g. WAR, EAR)
- the run/debug configuration type, i.e. on whether the run/debug configuration is local or remote (see [Local and remote run configurations](#) )

### OptionDescriptionAvailable for

Update resources	All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).	Exploded artifacts in local configurations
Update classes and resources	Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application,	Exploded artifacts in local configurations

depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.

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Hot swap classes	Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.	Packed artifacts in local configurations; exploded and packed artifacts in remote configurations
Redeploy	The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed. The operation may be time-consuming.	Exploded and packed artifacts in local and remote configurations
Restart server	The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed. The operation may be very time-consuming.	Exploded and packed artifacts in local configurations

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- [Supported cloud platforms](#)
- [Overview of the cloud support](#)
- [Working with a cloud platform: Process overview](#)
- [Cloud integration plugins](#)
- [Cloud run configurations](#)

## Supported cloud platforms

IntelliJ IDEA provides integration with the following cloud platforms:

- [CloudBees](#)
- [Cloud Foundry](#)
- [Google App Engine](#)
- [Heroku](#)
- [OpenShift](#)

## Overview of the cloud support

IntelliJ IDEA lets you:

- Deploy your [application artifacts](#) to the clouds.
- Deploy your code to Heroku and OpenShift.
- Debug applications on Heroku and OpenShift.

For all such purposes, IntelliJ IDEA provides corresponding [cloud run/debug configurations](#).

You can also monitor and control the deployment process, and view your application logs in the [Application Servers tool window](#).

## Working with a cloud platform: Process overview

1. Sign up for a user account at the cloud service provider website.
2. Make sure that the corresponding [cloud integration plugin](#) is enabled.
3. Register your cloud user account in IntelliJ IDEA. You can do that:
  - Separately, in the Settings dialog: `(Ctrl+Alt+S)` | Build, Execution, Deployment | Clouds | [+](#), etc.
  - When creating a project or module for working with a cloud, e.g. File | New | Project | Clouds, etc.
  - When creating a cloud run configuration: Run | Edit Configurations | [+](#) | <Cloud Name> Deployment, etc.

For information on cloud user account settings, see [Clouds](#).

4. Create an [artifact configuration](#) for your application. (For Heroku or OpenShift, this may be unnecessary. You can deploy your source code to the cloud, and the cloud platform will do the rest of the work for you. For CloudBees and Cloud Foundry, IntelliJ IDEA can create the necessary configurations automatically.)
5. Build the artifact. You can do that separately ( Build | Build Artifacts ), or when executing the corresponding run configuration. (In the case of deploying code to Heroku or OpenShift, an artifact is unnecessary.)
6. Create a cloud run configuration for deploying your artifact or code to the cloud. (IntelliJ IDEA can create such a run configuration automatically.)
7. Execute the run configuration to deploy your artifact or code to the cloud.

## Cloud integration plugins

There is a separate cloud integration [plugin](#) for each of the supported cloud platforms. All the cloud integration plugins are bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.

The plugin names, normally, include the cloud name and the word *integration*, e.g. *Heroku integration*.

See also, [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Cloud run configurations

There are run configurations for each of the supported clouds:

- [Run/Debug Configuration: CloudBees Deployment](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: Cloud Foundry Deployment](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: Google App Engine Deployment](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: Heroku Deployment](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: OpenShift Deployment](#)

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This tutorial illustrates main tasks related to working with Heroku.

## Creating a Heroku user account

Go to the [Heroku web site](#) and sign up for a user account.

## Generating and installing SSH keys

To be able to deploy your code to the cloud, you have to upload your public SSH key to Heroku. You can do that, for example, when [registering your Heroku user account in IntelliJ IDEA](#).

If you don't have a private/public SSH key pair, generate one. Search the Internet for corresponding tools and instructions.

Put your keys to the `.ssh` folder in your user home directory.

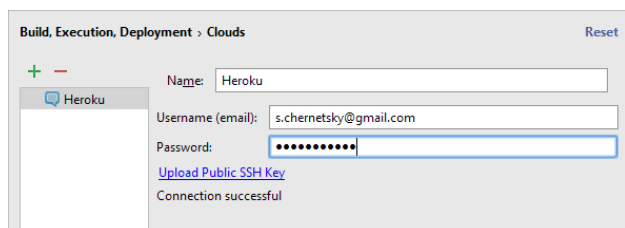
## Making sure that Heroku and Git Integration plugins are enabled

To be able to work with Heroku and Git on Heroku, the Heroku Integration and the Git Integration [plugins](#) must be [enabled](#).

To make sure that these plugins are enabled, use the [Plugins page](#) of the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S` | Plugins).

## Registering your Heroku user account in IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open the Settings/Preferences dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`) and select Build, Execution, Deployment | Clouds.
2. Click `+` and select Heroku.
3. Specify your user name and password.



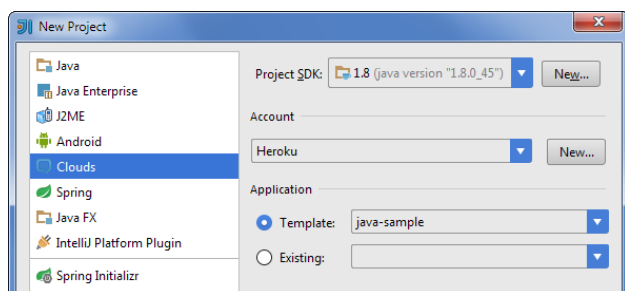
4. If you haven't uploaded your public SSH key to Heroku yet, you can do that now. Click Upload Public SSH Key and select the key file in the dialog that opens.

The key file should have the `.pub` extension and may be called `id_rsa.pub`, `id_dsa.pub` or something similar.

5. Click OK.

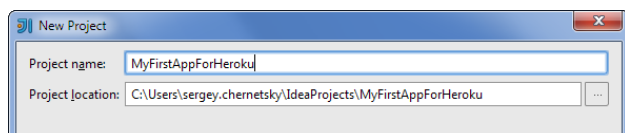
## Creating a project

1. Click Create New Project on the Welcome screen, or select File | New | Project on the main menu. The New Project wizard opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Clouds. The rest of the settings should be similar to this:



Click Next.

3. Specify the name for your new project (e.g. `MyFirstAppForHeroku`).



Click Finish.

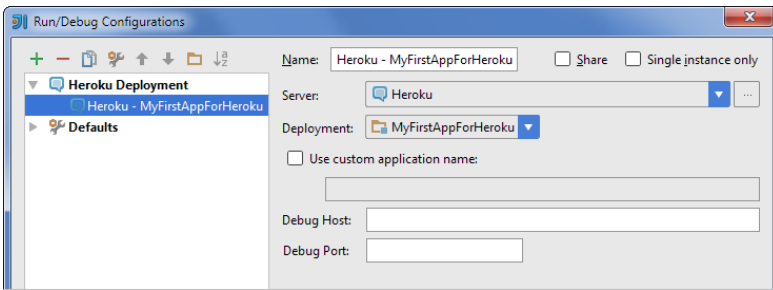
## Exploring a run configuration

To deploy and debug your applications on Heroku, IntelliJ IDEA provides [Heroku Deployment run/debug configuration](#).

There is already one such configuration in your project.

Let's take a quick look at its settings.

1. Select Run | Edit Configurations.



The run/debug configuration specifies that your module source code should be deployed to Heroku. (MyFirstAppForHeroku is the name of a module.)

The application will be deployed under its default name, in this case, myfirstappforheroku. (The application name defines its URL, https://<app-name>.herokuapp.com/.) If you want to use a different name, select the Use custom application name checkbox and specify the name.

If you wanted to use the run configuration also for debugging your app, you'd specify the debug host and port.

To create another run configuration for Heroku, you should click + and select Heroku Deployment. For more information, see Working with Run/Debug Configurations and Run/Debug Configuration: Heroku Deployment.

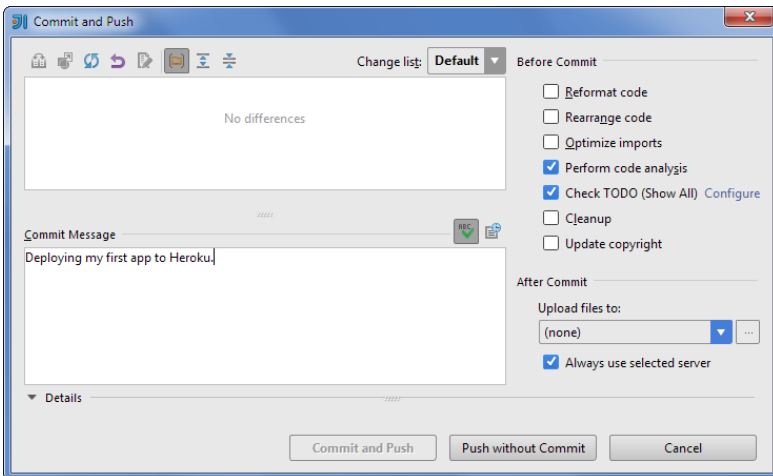
2. Click OK.

## Deploying your app

1. Start the run configuration: click ▶ to the right of the run configuration selector or press Shift+F10.

The Commit and Push dialog opens. This dialog is used to commit changes to your local Git repository and to push them to a remote Git repository, in this case, the one on Heroku.

2. Write the commit message and click Push without Commit.



As a result (all the following takes place on Heroku; you can monitor the process in the Application Servers tool window):

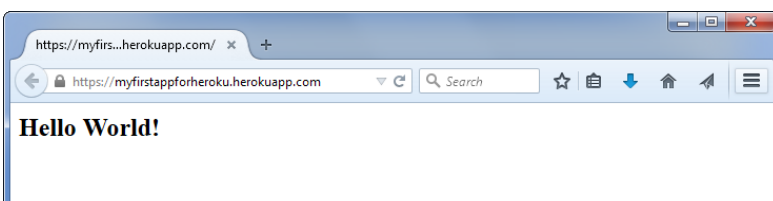
- A Git repository for your app source code is created.
- The app dependencies specified in pom.xml are installed.
- Your app is built and started.

Finally, when your app is deployed, the link to it is shown within the line Application is available at ...



3. Click the link.

Your web browser opens and your application output is shown.



## Modifying the source code

1. Open the file index.jsp for editing: select the file in the Project tool window and press F4.

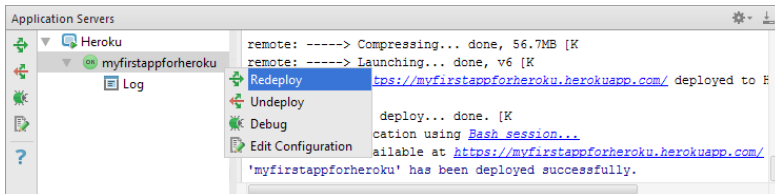
2. Change the text, say, to `Hello from IntelliJ IDEA!`



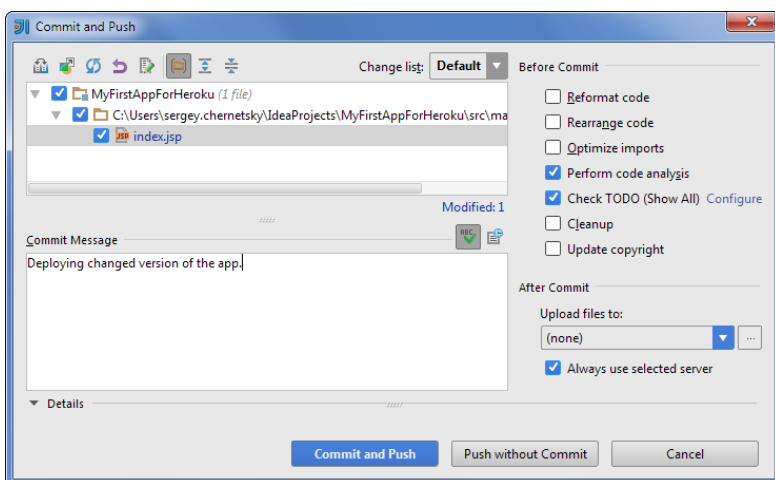
## Redeploying the app

To publish the changed version of your app, you should redeploy the app.

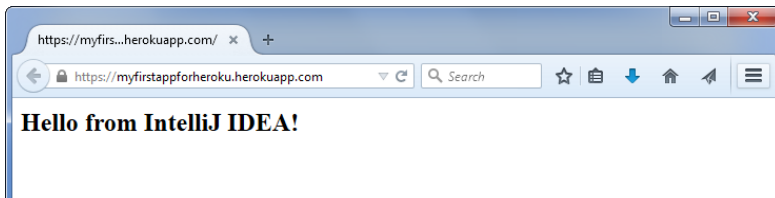
1. In the Application Servers tool window, right-click your app and select Redeploy .



2. In the Commit and Push dialog, write the commit message and click Commit and Push .



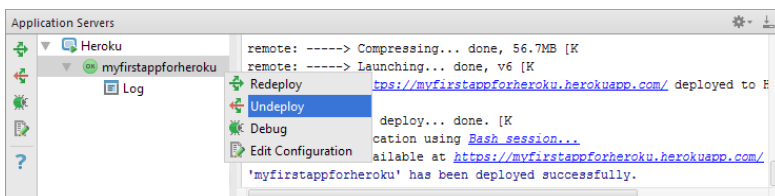
3. When the message `'<app-name>' has been deployed successfully` is output, switch to the web browser and reload the page to see the changes.



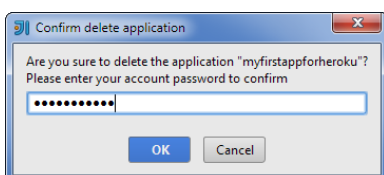
## Undeploying the app

When your app is no longer needed, you should undeploy it (i.e. remove it from Heroku along with its source code).

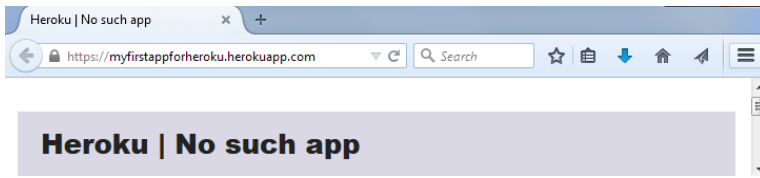
1. In the Application Servers tool window, right-click your app and select Undeploy .



2. Provide your Heroku password to confirm your intention to delete the app.

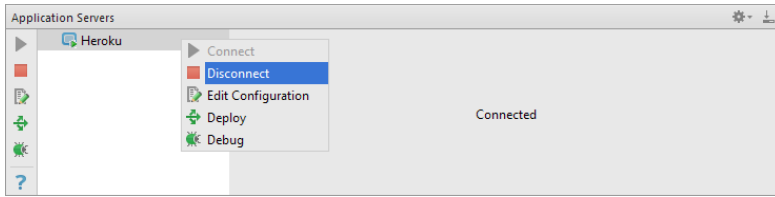


3. Switch to the web browser and reload the page to see that you app has become unavailable.



## Disconnecting from Heroku

- In the Application Servers tool window, right-click Heroku and select Disconnect .



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IntelliJ IDEA lets you create Google App Engine projects and upload your applications to Google infrastructure.

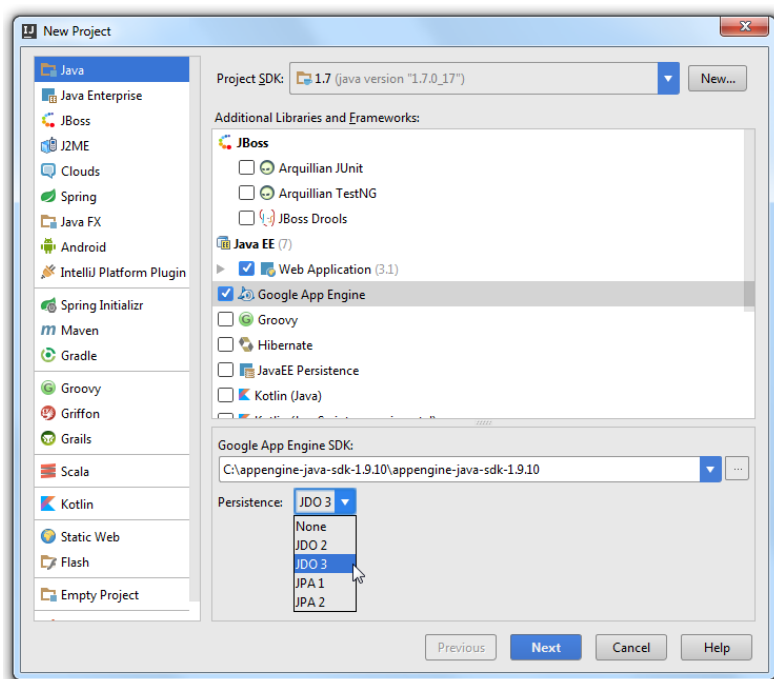
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- [Debugging the Application](#)
- [Configuring Google App Account](#)
- [Deploying Google App Engine Application](#)
- [Using Google App Engine Deployment](#)

## Before you start


Before you start creating your Google App Engine project, make sure that the Google App Engine plugin is [downloaded and enabled](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.

## Creating Google App Engine Project

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the Welcome screen. Otherwise, select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the New Project wizard opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Java .
3. In the right-hand pane, select your project SDK.
4. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks select Google App Engine .



Note that the Web Application option will be selected automatically.

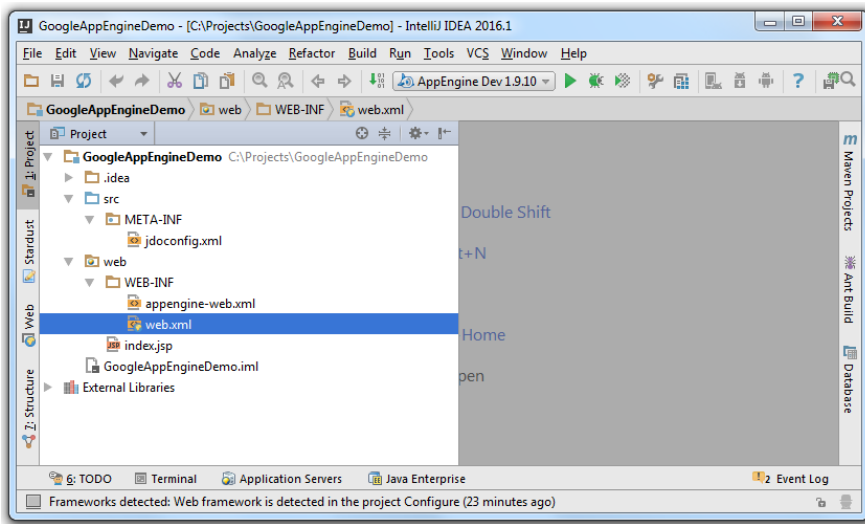
5. In the Google App Engine SDK field, select the SDK you want to use. If the list is empty click [Download](#) link to download the latest Google App Engine SDK. If the field doesn't contain the SDK that you want, click  and select the installation folder of the required Google App Engine SDK in the [dialog that opens](#) .
6. Click Next .
7. On the next page of the wizard, specify the name and location settings.

For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

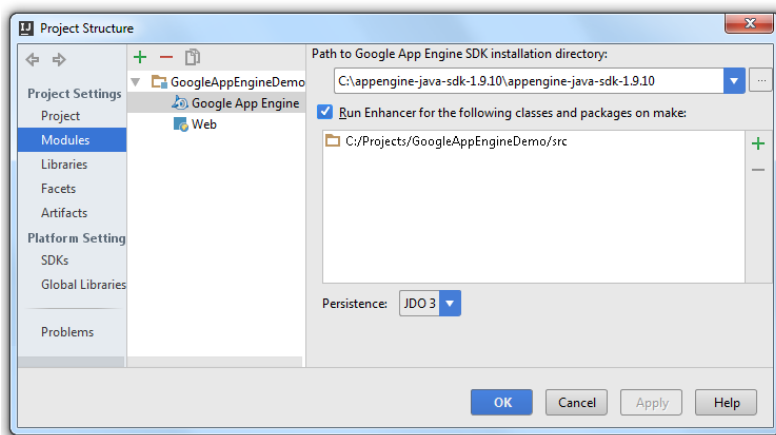
IntelliJ IDEA creates an empty Google App Engine project. Depending on the selected persistence type, IntelliJ IDEA generates `persistence.xml` for JPA or `jdoconfig.xml` for JDO and takes the required libraries from the App Engine SDK.





## Checking Project Structure

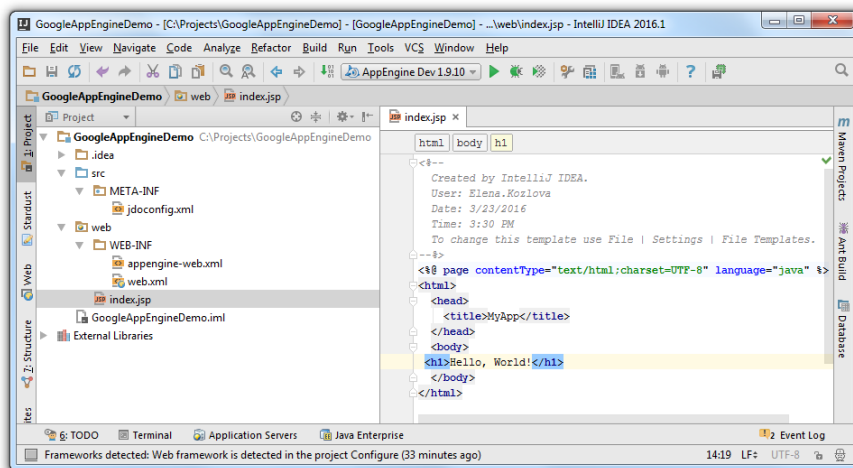
1. On the main menu, select Project Structure | Modules .



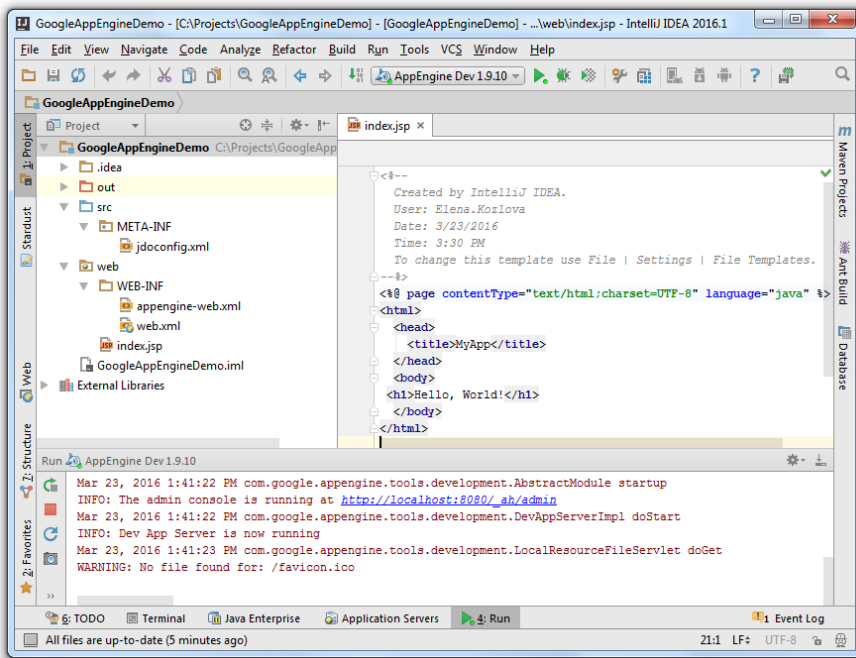
2. Check settings for the Google App Engine facet to make sure everything was configured properly.

## Running the Application

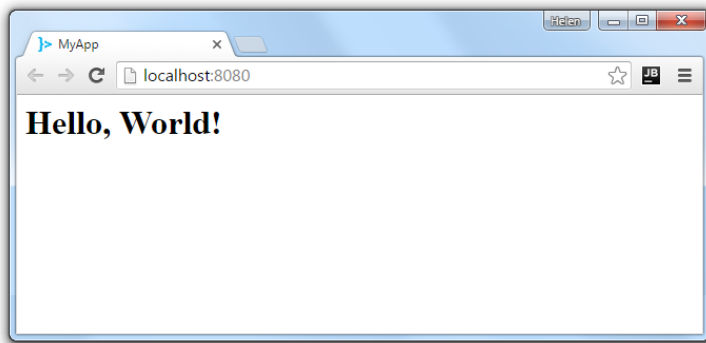
1. Enter your code or (like in our case) you can modify the `index.jsp` file.




2. Press  icon to run the application.

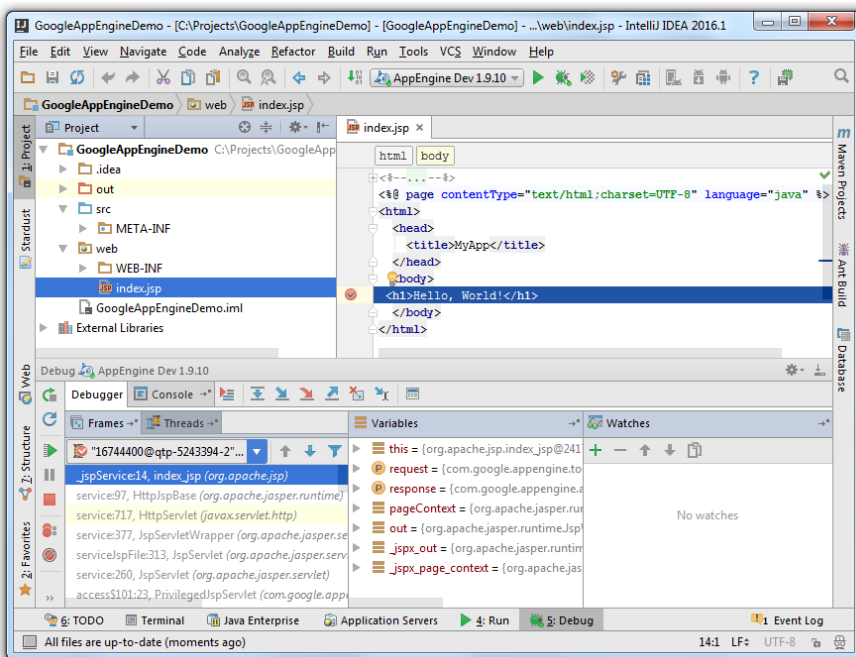


3. View the result in the default browser.



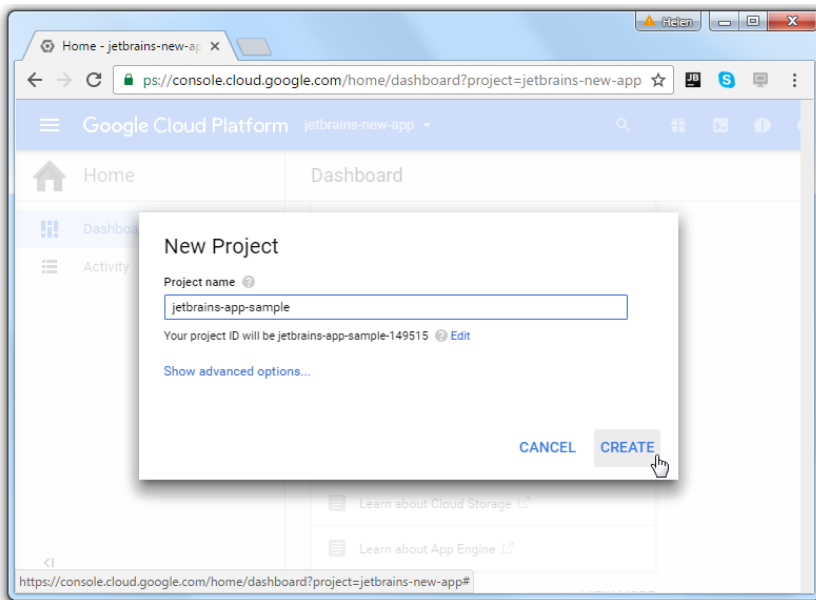
## Debugging the Application

1. On the main menu, select Run|Debug 'AppEngine Dev' or click the  toolbar button.
2. View the results in the Debugger tool window.

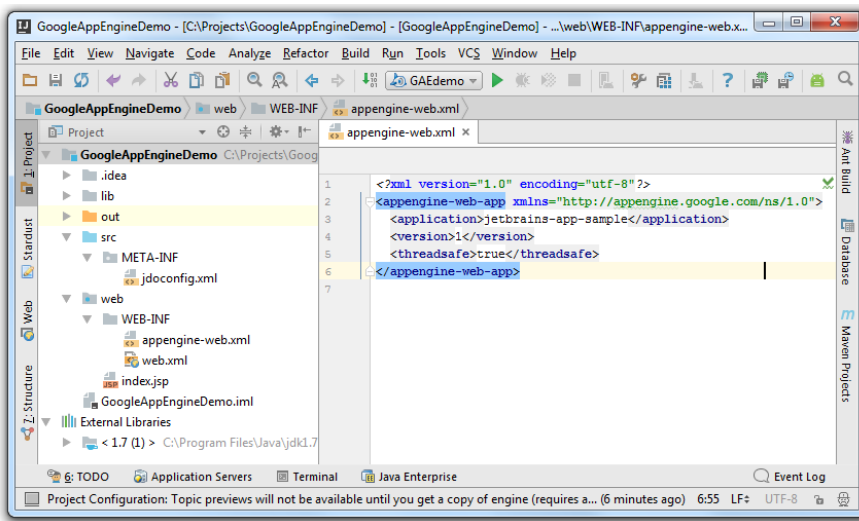


## Configuring Google App Account

1. If you going to upload your application to the cloud or deploy the artifact on the cloud server, create an application at [Google App Engine](https://console.cloud.google.com).

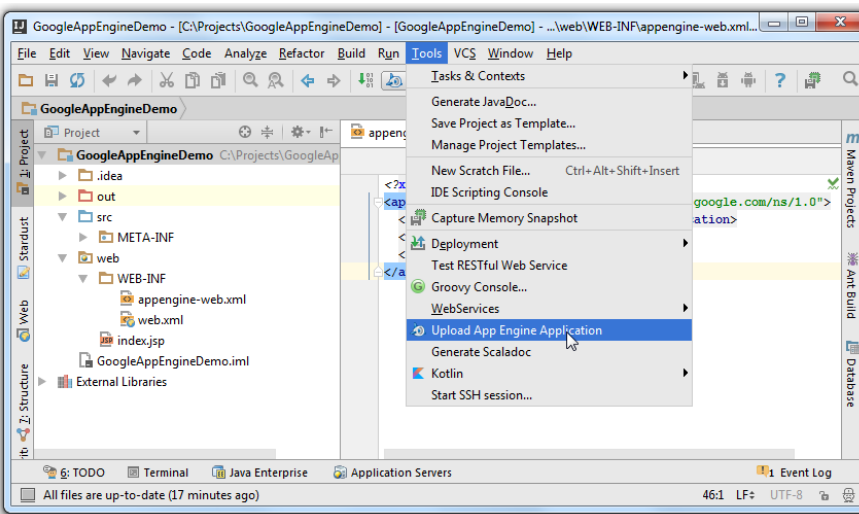


2. Add the name of the created application to the appengine-web.xml file.

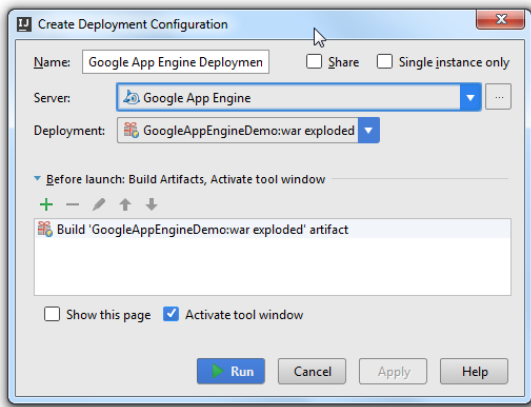


## Deploying Google App Engine Application

1. On the main menu, select Tools | Upload App Engine Application .

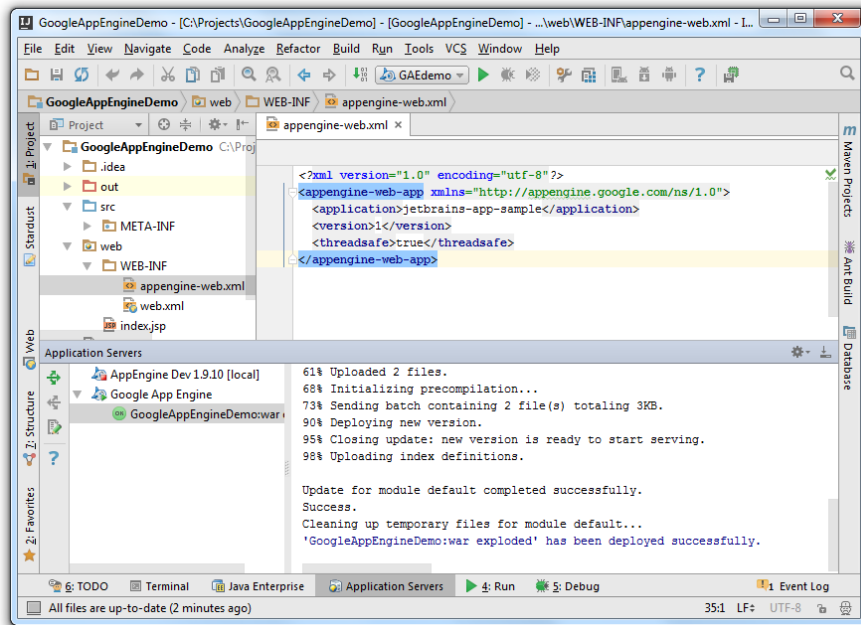


2. In the dialog that opens specify the deployment configuration settings and click Run .

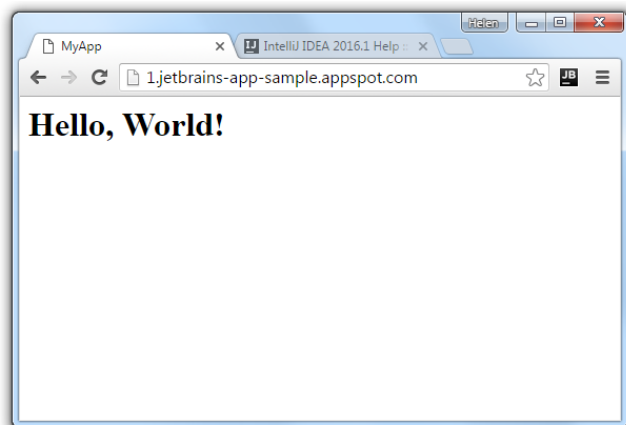


3. During the deployment IntelliJ IDEA might prompt you for your Google Account credentials.

IntelliJ IDEA displays the progress in the Application Servers tool window.

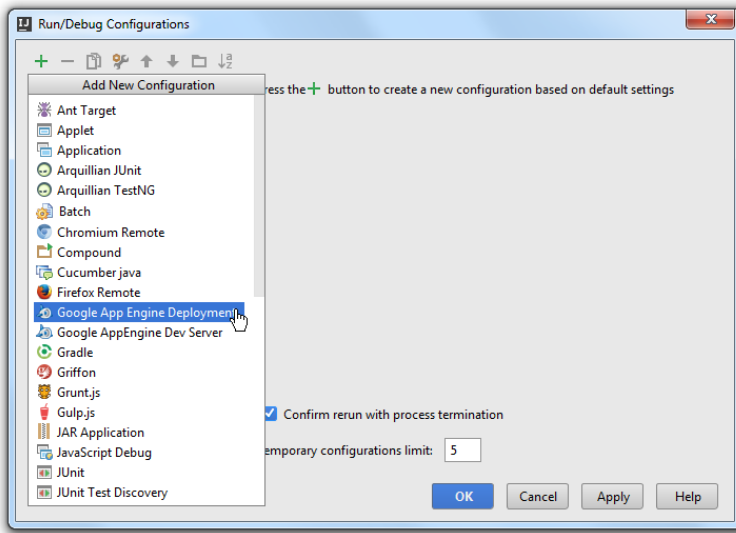


4. View the result in your default browser.

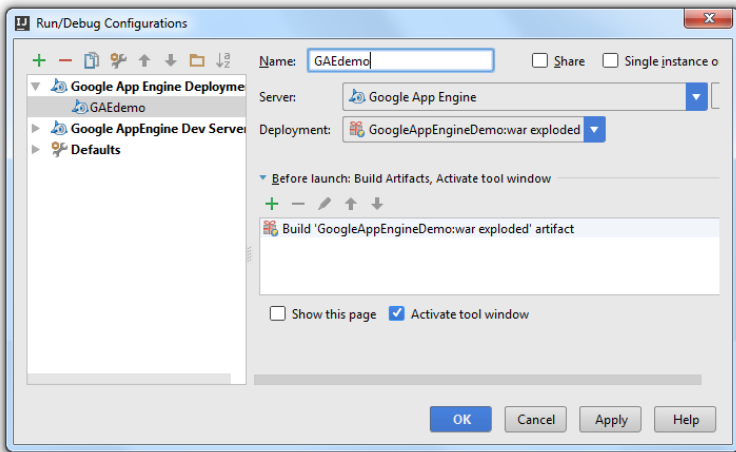


## Using Google App Engine Deployment

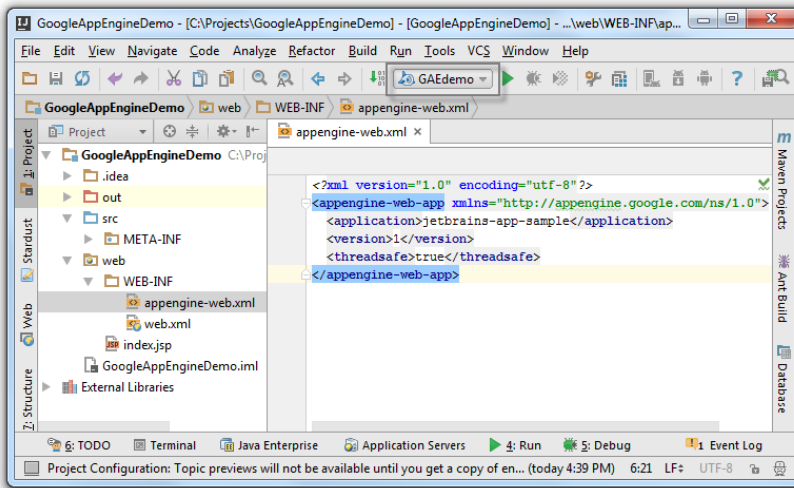
1. Select Run | Edit Configurations .
2. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, select + to add a new configuration.
3. From the drop-down list select Google App Engine Deployment .



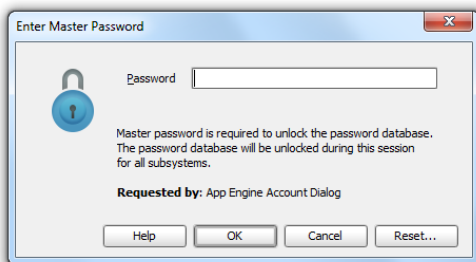
4. On the right-hand side specify the Google App Engine Deployment settings and click OK .



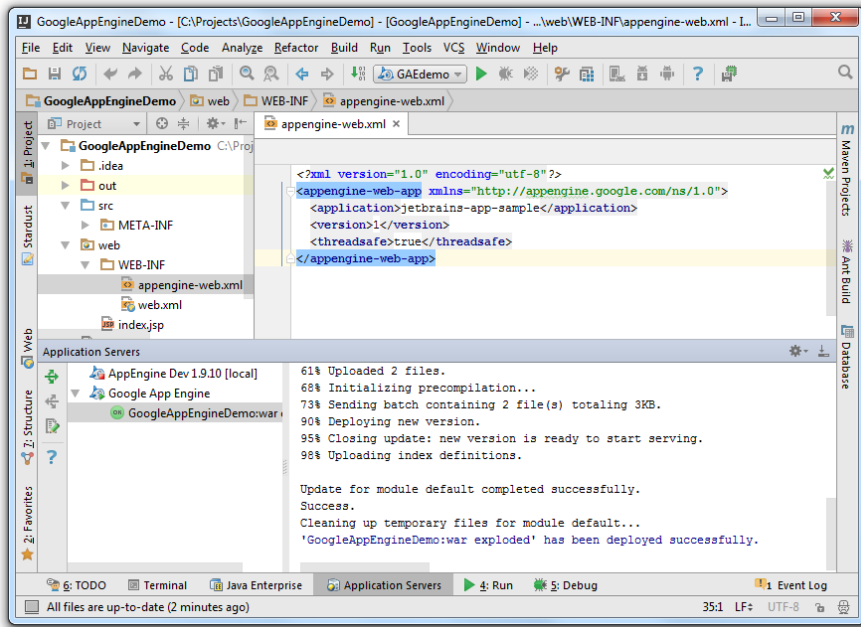
5. The name of the configuration appears on the main tool bar, click ▶ to start deploying.



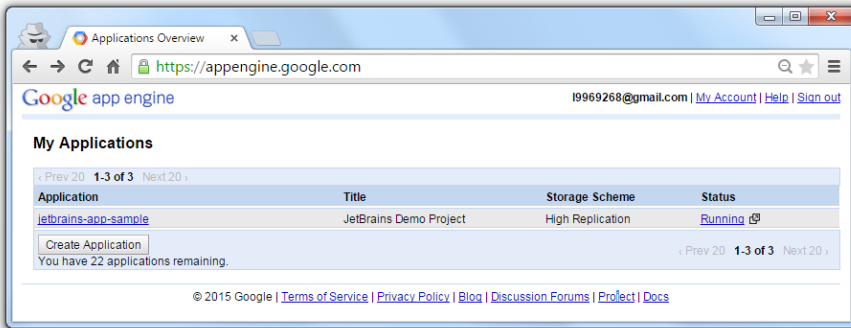
Note that the IntelliJ IDEA might ask for your Google Account password.



6. IntelliJ IDEA displays the progress of deployment in the Application Servers tool window.



7. Open [Google App Engine](https://appengine.google.com) page.



8. On the Application Overview page, click [Running](#) next to your application name to see the result of your deployment.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This tutorial illustrates the Java EE application development workflow.

The application that we are going to develop will be a minimal one. It'll be a one JSP page Java web application. However, the IntelliJ IDEA features shown here are applicable to Java EE applications of any complexity.

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## Before you start

Make sure that the following software is installed on your computer:

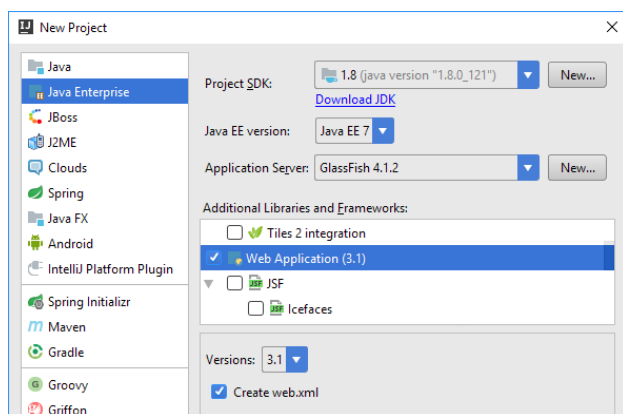
- IntelliJ IDEA ULTIMATE Edition.
- GlassFish Server, version 3.0.1 or later. [Download GlassFish](#) . (You can use any other Java EE-enabled application server. GlassFish is used here just as an example.)
- A web browser.

## Creating a project

1. Click Create New Project on the Welcome screen, or select File | New | Project .  
The New Project wizard opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise .
3. Specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use (the Project SDK field): select one from the list, click New and select the JDK installation folder, or click Download JDK .
4. Specify your application server. (We'll use GlassFish Server.)  
If GlassFish is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, click New to the right of the Application Server field and select Glassfish Server .

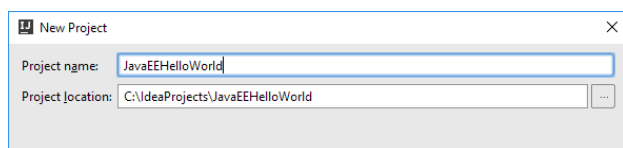
In the Glassfish Server dialog, specify the GlassFish Server installation directory.

5. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Web Application checkbox.



Click Next .

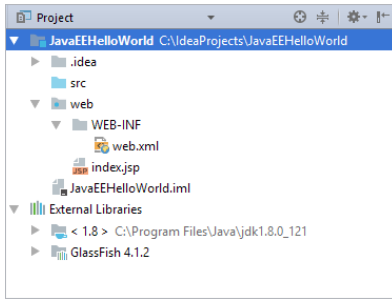
6. Specify the name for your new project (e.g. *JavaEEHelloWorld* ).



Click Finish and wait while IntelliJ IDEA is creating the project.

## Exploring the project structure

When the project is created, you'll see something similar to this in the Project tool window.

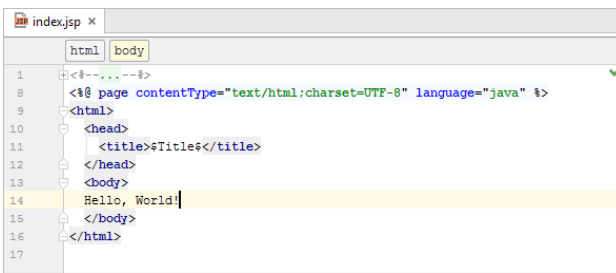


- JavaEEHelloWorld is a module folder (which in this case coincides with the project folder). The `.idea` folder and the file `JavaEEHelloWorld.iml` contain configuration data for your project and module respectively. The folder `src` is for your Java source code. The folder `web` is for the web part of your application. At the moment this folder contains the deployment descriptor `WEB-INF/web.xml` and the file `index.jsp` intended as a starting page of your application.
- External Libraries include your JDK and the JAR files for working with GlassFish.

## Developing source code

Our application will be a single JSP page application. Its only function will be to output the text *Hello, World!*

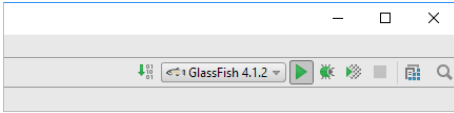
1. Open `index.jsp` for editing: select the file in the Project tool window and press `F4`.
2. Between `<body>` and `</body>` type `Hello, World!`



The code at this step is ready.

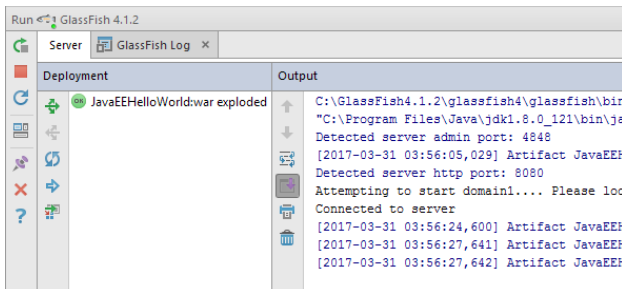
## Running the application

In the upper-right part of the workspace, click .

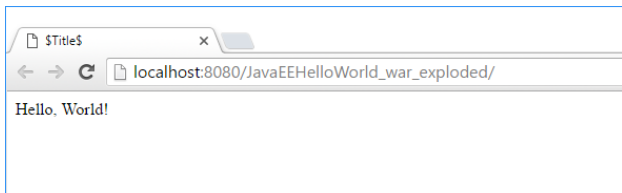


IntelliJ IDEA compiles your source code and builds an application **artifact**.

After that, the Run tool window opens. IntelliJ IDEA starts the server and deploys the artifact onto it.



Finally, your default web browser starts and you see the application output `Hello, World!` there.

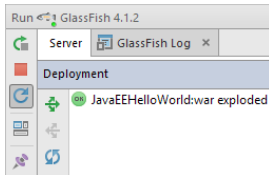


## Modifying the code and observing the changes

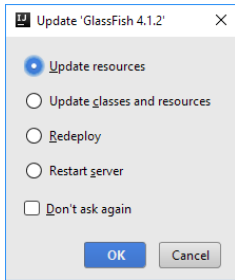
1. In `index.jsp`, change `Hello, World!` to `Hello!`.



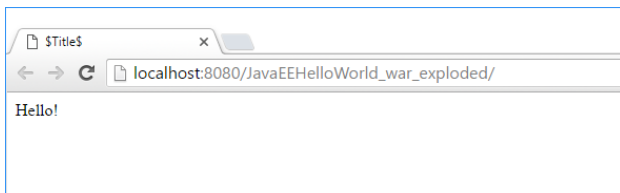
2. In the Run tool window, click Update .



3. In the Update dialog, select Update resources and click OK . (For more information, see [Application update options](#) .)




4. Switch to the web browser and reload the page to see the changes.



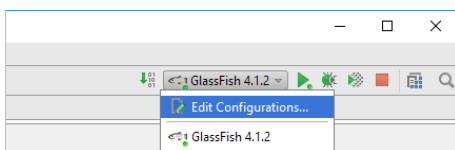
See also, [Updating Applications on Application Servers](#) .

## Exploring a run configuration

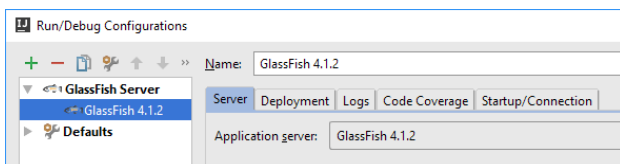
When creating the project, we specified GlassFish as an application server. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA created a run configuration for GlassFish.

When we performed the Run command , we started that run configuration. Now let's take a look at the run configuration and see how its settings map onto the events that we've just observed.

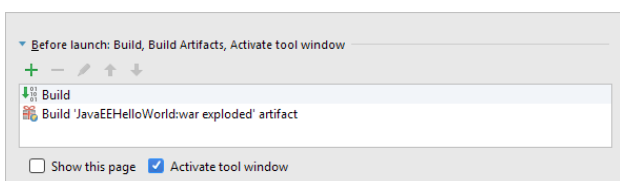
1. Click the run configuration selector and select Edit Configurations .



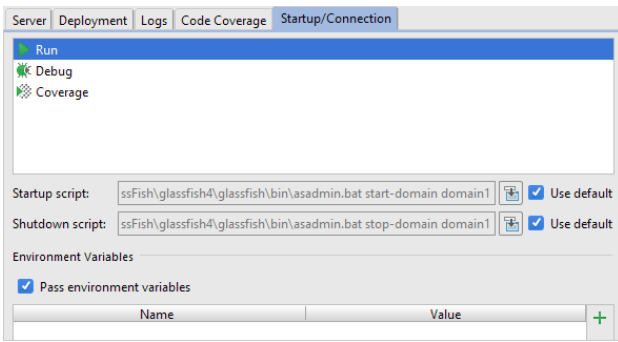
The Run/Debug Configurations dialog opens and the settings for the GlassFish run configuration are shown.



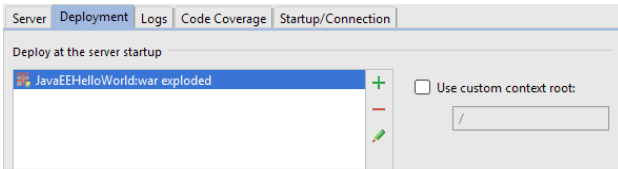
The Before launch task list (in the lower part of the dialog) specifies that the application code should be compiled and the corresponding artifact should be built prior to executing the run configuration.



2. Select the Startup/Connection tab to see how the server is started in the run, debug and code coverage modes.




3. Select the Deployment tab to see which artifacts are deployed after the server is started.

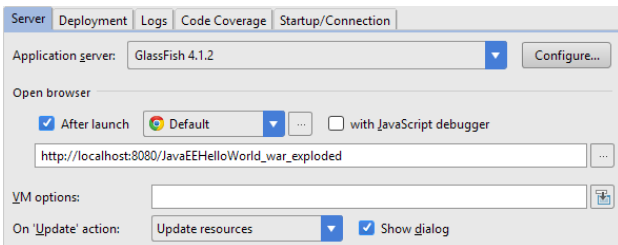


4. Go back to the Server tab.

The settings under Open browser specify that after launch (i.e. after the server is started and the artifacts are deployed onto it) the default web browser should start and go to the specified URL

( `http://localhost:8080/JavaEEHelloWorld_war_exploded` ).

The settings to the right of On 'Update' action specify that on clicking  in the Run tool window the Update dialog should be shown and the Update resources option should be used by default. (The [last used update option](#) becomes the default one).





5. Click OK .

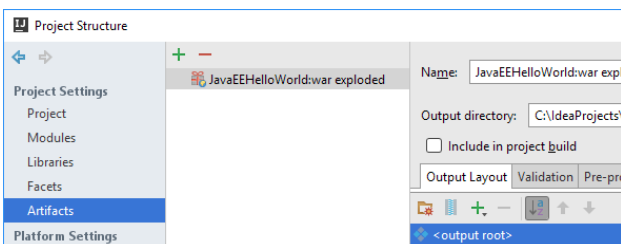
## Exploring an artifact configuration

When creating the project, we indicated that we were going to develop a web application. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA, among other things, created a configuration for building a web application [artifact](#) . Let's have a look at this configuration.

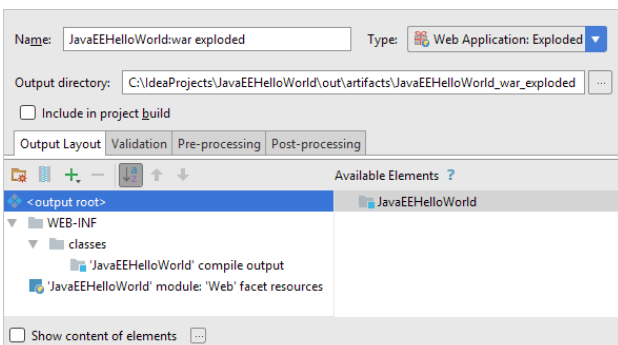
1. Open the Project Structure dialog: File | Project Structure or `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` .

2. Under Project Settings , select Artifacts .

The available artifact configurations are shown in the pane to the right under  and  . (There's only one configuration at the moment.)



The artifact settings are shown in the right-hand part of the dialog.



Type. The artifact type is Web Application: Exploded. This is a decompressed web application archive (WAR), a directory structure that is ready for deployment onto a web server.

Output directory. The artifact, when built, is placed into

`<project_folder>/out/artifacts/JavaEEHelloWorld_war_exploded` .

Output Layout. The artifact structure is shown in the left-hand pane of the Output Layout tab.

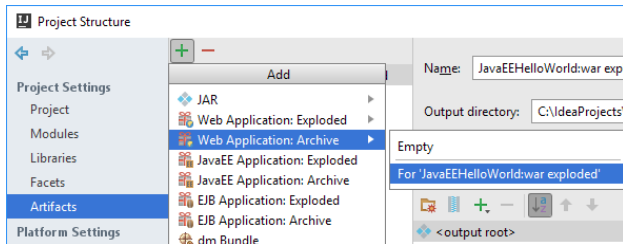
The `<output root>` corresponds to the output directory. Other elements have the following meanings:

- 'JavaEEHelloWorld' compile output represents compiled Java classes whose sources are located in the `src` directory. These are placed into `WEB-INF/classes` in the output directory.
- 'Web' facet resources represent the contents of the `web` directory.

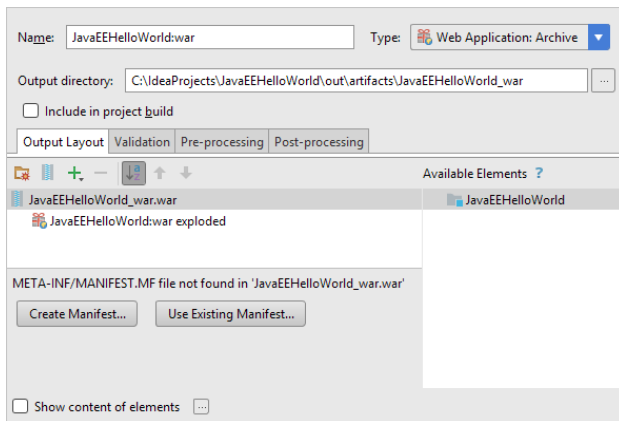
## Packaging the application into a WAR file

When you get to the stage when you are happy with your application, you may want to place it in a [WAR](#) (web application archive). To do that, you should create an appropriate artifact configuration and then build the artifact:

1. Click **+**, point to Web Application: Archive and select For 'JavaEEHelloWorld: war exploded' .



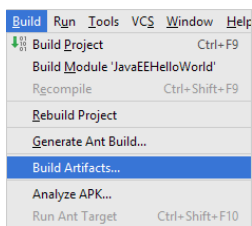
A new artifact configuration is created and its settings are shown in the right-hand part of the dialog.



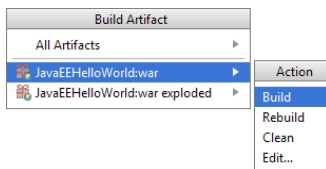
2. Create a manifest file for your archive: click Create Manifest and agree to the location suggested by IntelliJ IDEA ( `web/META-INF/MANIFEST.MF` ).

3. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

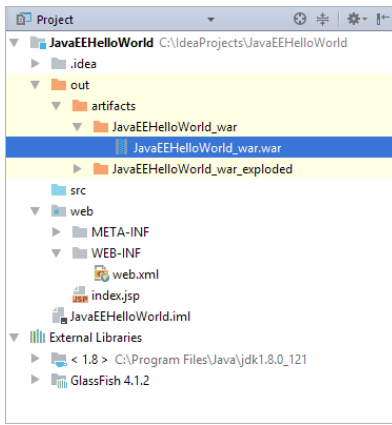
4. Select Build | Build Artifacts .



5. In the Build Artifact popup, point to JavaEEHelloWorld:war and select Build .



Now if you look at the `out/artifacts/JavaEEHelloWorld_war` folder, you'll see the archive there.



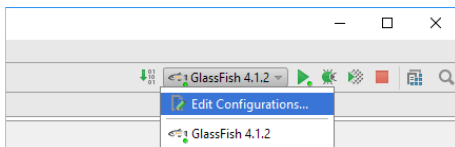
## Deploying an artifact onto a running server

Sometimes you need to deploy your app onto a running server. This section provides a how-to example.

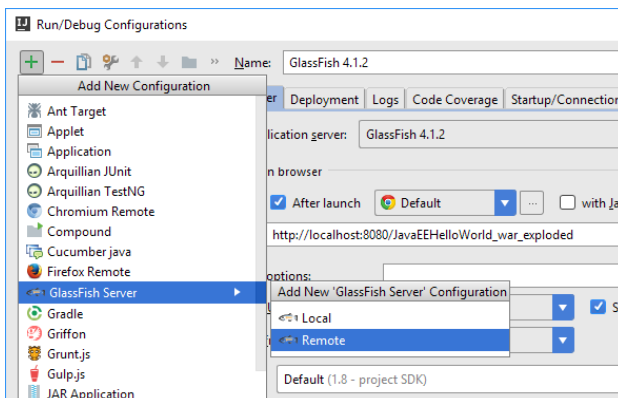
Server run configurations that don't start a server are called *remote*. Such run configurations can be used, for example, for deploying applications to servers that are already running. (See [Local and remote run configurations](#).)

Let's create a run configuration for deploying our WAR artifact to the running server and see how it works. (By now, the server has been started by the run configuration [discussed earlier](#).)

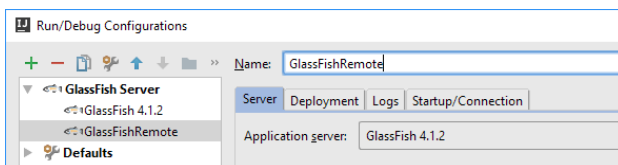
1. Click the run configuration selector and select Edit Configurations.



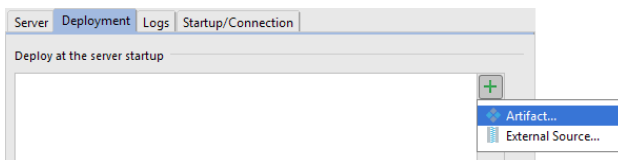
2. Click **+**, point to GlassFish Server and select Remote.



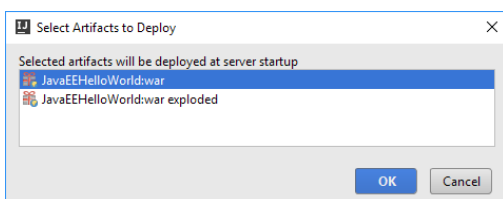
3. Change the run configuration name *Unnamed* to something more sensible (e.g. *GlassFishRemote*).



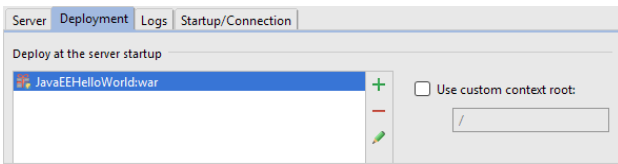
4. Specify the artifact to be deployed to the server: select the Deployment tab, click **+** and select Artifact.




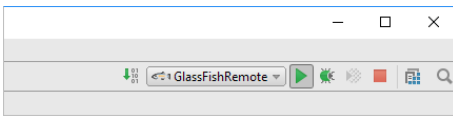
In the dialog that opens, select the WAR artifact.



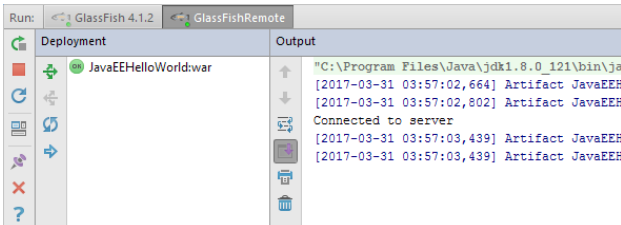
The result should look similar to this:



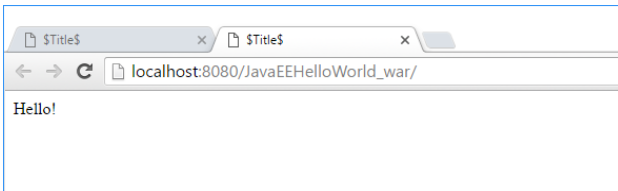
- Click OK in the Run/Debug Configurations dialog.  
Now let's see how this run configuration works.
- Execute the run configuration: click .



The run configuration output is shown in the Run tool window.



After a while, a new tab in your web browser opens, and you see the application output there.



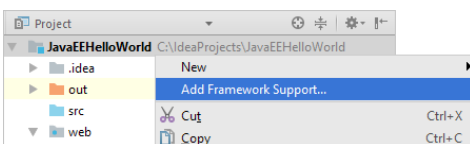
## Packaging the application into an EAR: Using Java EE Application support

To package your Java EE application into an [EAR](#), you should:

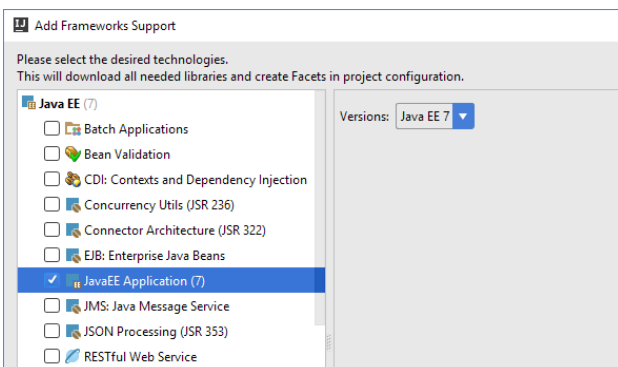
- Create a Java EE [deployment descriptor](#) `application.xml`.
- Configure an EAR [artifact](#).
- Build that artifact.

As we are about to see, IntelliJ IDEA performs most of these tasks for you as part of its Java EE Application support:

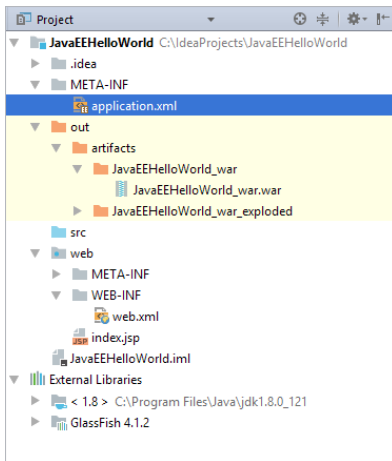
- In the Project tool window, right-click your module folder and select **Add Framework Support**.



- In the dialog that opens, select the JavaEE Application checkbox and click OK.



Note the descriptor file `META-INF/application.xml` created in your module folder.



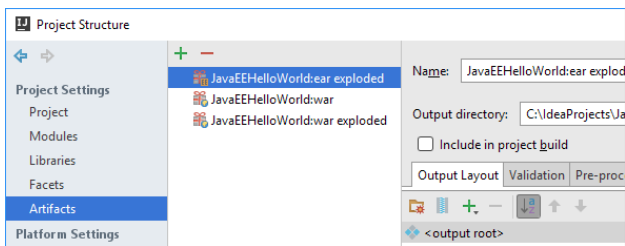
3. Open the file in the editor ( **F4** ).



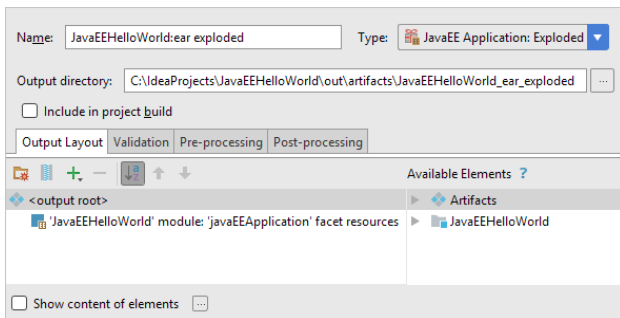
At the moment, the file is almost empty.

4. Now let's look at the artifact configurations.

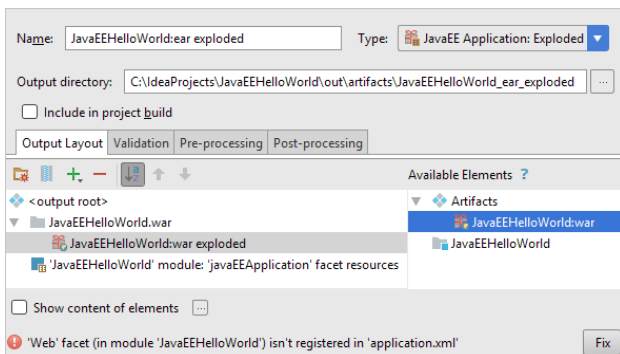
Note that a new configuration appeared, the one for an exploded EAR artifact.



Currently only JavaEE Application facet resources ( META-INF/application.xml ) are included in the artifact.



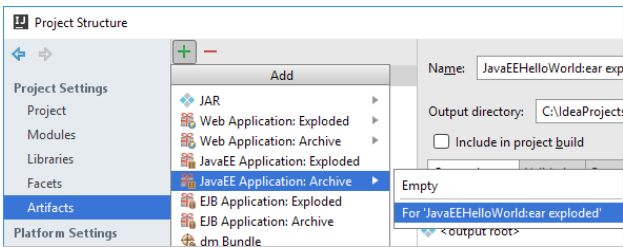
5. Let's add a copy of the exploded WAR artifact to the EAR artifact structure. To do that, under Available Elements , expand the Artifacts node and double-click the exploded WAR artifact. Here is the result.



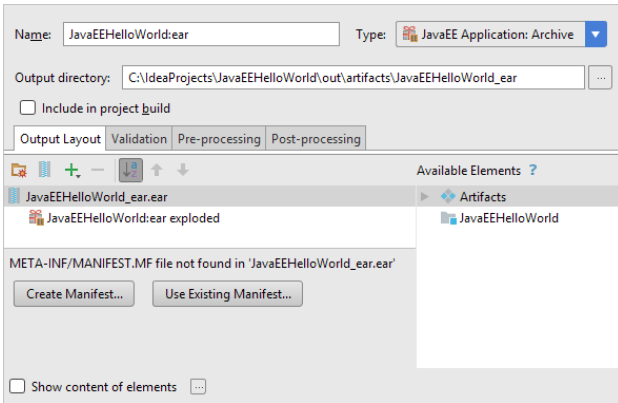
(An alternative way of getting the same result would be + | Artifact | JavaEEHelloWorld: war exploded .)

6. Note the message *Web facet isn't registered in application.xml* . Click Fix . (A bit later, we'll look at the changes made to application.xml by this quick fix.)

7. Create a configuration for an EAR artifact: + | JavaEE Application: Archive | For 'JavaEEHelloWorld:ear exploded' .



- To create a manifest file, click Create Manifest and agree to the default file location ( `<project_folder>/META-INF/MANIFEST.MF` ).



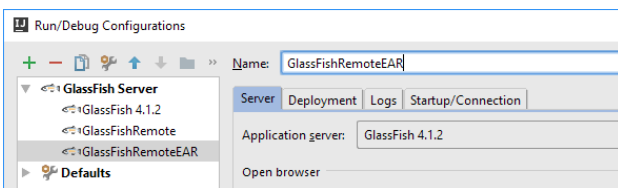
- Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

See that your `application.xml` has changed. This is the result of applying the quick fix.



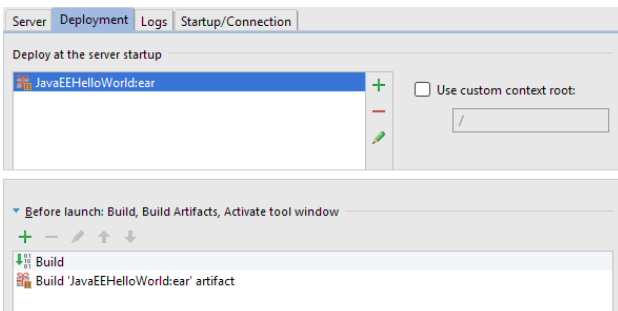
Let's now create a run configuration for building and deploying the EAR artifact.

- Click the run configuration selector and select Edit Configurations . Then, in the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, select `+ | GlassFish Server | Remote` .
- Specify a descriptive name for your run configuration, e.g. `GlassFishRemoteEAR` .

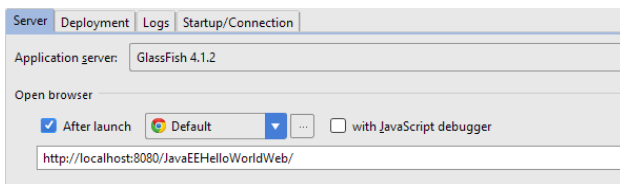


- Include the EAR artifact in the deployment list: switch onto the Deployment tab and select `+ | Artifact | JavaEEHelloWorld:ear` .

Note that the Build 'JavaEEHelloWorld:ear' artifact task is included in the Before launch task list automatically.



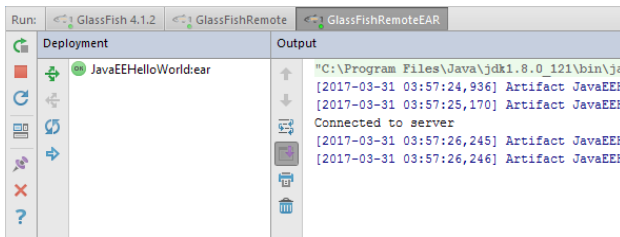
- Switch to the Server tab and check the URL in the Open browser section. The part that follows `http://localhost:8080/` should correspond to the `<context-root>` element in your `application.xml` .



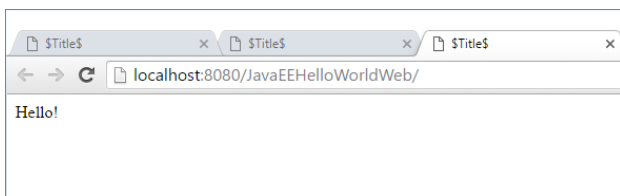
4. Click OK in the Run/Debug Configurations dialog.

5. Execute the run configuration (▶).

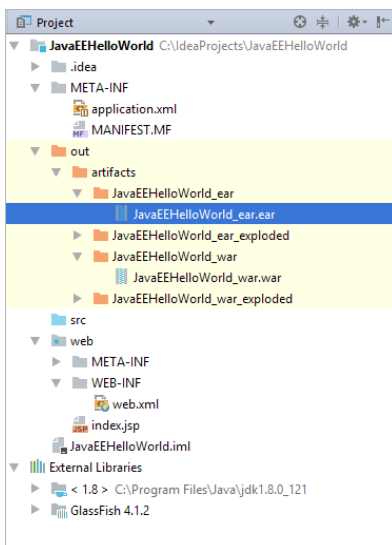
As before, another tab opens in the Run tool window showing the run configuration output.



Then, the application output is shown in the browser.



Now if you look at the Project tool window, you'll see your archive in the `out/artifacts/JavaEEHelloWorld_ear` folder.



## Looking at other features (tool windows and facets)

As part of its Web Application and Java EE Application support, IntelliJ IDEA:

- Made the Web and JavaEE:App tool windows available.
- Created the Web and Java EE Application [facets](#) .

Tool windows. To open the tool windows, you can, for example, select `View | Tool Windows | Web` or `View | Tool Windows | JavaEE:App` .

Very briefly, the Web and JavaEE:App tool windows provide the functions similar to those of the Project tool window but only for your Web and Java EE Application facet resources respectively. For more info, see:

- [Web Tool Window](#)
- [Java EE: App Tool Window](#)

Facets. To view or edit the facet settings, open the Project Structure dialog, select `Modules` , and then select `Web` or `javaEEApplication` under the module node. For more info, see:

- [Web facet page](#)
- [Java EE Application facet page](#)



[JavaFX](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA includes code completion, search, navigation and refactoring in JavaFX-specific source files (including FXML and JavaFX CSS files), integration with [JavaFX Scene Builder](#), JavaFX application packaging capabilities, and more.

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## Preparing to develop JavaFX applications

### To prepare for JavaFX application development, follow these general steps:

1. Download and install [JDK 7](#) or a later version (earlier JDK versions don't include the JavaFX SDK necessary for JavaFX application development).
2. If you are going to use [JavaFX Scene Builder](#), download and install it as well.
3. Make sure that the JavaFX [plugin](#) is enabled. (JavaFX support in IntelliJ IDEA is based on the JavaFX plugin. This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.) See [To make sure that the JavaFX plugin is enabled](#).
4. Define the JDK in IntelliJ IDEA. You can do that separately (see [To define JDK 7 in IntelliJ IDEA](#)) or when creating a project or module (see [Creating a project for JavaFX development](#)).
5. If necessary, specify the path to the JavaFX Scene Builder executable file. If you do so, you'll be able to open your FXML files in the Scene Builder right in IntelliJ IDEA. See [To specify the path to the JavaFX Scene Builder executable file](#).
6. Create a project for your JavaFX application development. You can create the corresponding project from scratch or, if you already have the source files you want to continue working with, you can create a project by importing the corresponding sources. See [Creating a project for JavaFX development](#) or [Configuring projects](#). See also, [Using Scene Builder with IntelliJ IDEA](#).

## Enabled or disabled JavaFX plugin ?

Even though the JavaFX plugin is enabled by default, it's always worth making sure that this plugin is still enabled before you start developing a JavaFX application.

### To make sure that the JavaFX plugin is enabled

1. [Open Settings/Preferences dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, select [Plugins](#).
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the [Plugins page](#), type `fx` in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain `fx` are shown in the list of plugins.
4. If the checkbox to the right of JavaFX is not selected, select it.
5. Click OK in the Settings/Preferences dialog.
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

## Defining JDK 7 in IntelliJ IDEA

Once you have JDK 7 or a later version downloaded and installed, you should define it in IntelliJ IDEA. You can do that separately, the way described in this section. You can also do that at a later time, when creating a project for your JavaFX application development.

### To define JDK 7 in IntelliJ IDEA


1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the leftmost pane, under Platform Settings, click [SDKs](#).
3. Above the pane to the right, click `+` and select [JDK](#).
4. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the JDK installation directory and click OK.
5. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

## Specifying the path to the JavaFX Scene Builder executable

To be able to open your FXML files in JavaFX Scene Builder right in IntelliJ IDEA, you should specify where the Scene Builder executable file is located. You can do that separately, the way described in this section. You can also do that at a

later time, the first time you open an FXML file in the Scene Builder from within IntelliJ IDEA.

## To specify the path to the JavaFX Scene Builder executable file

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Languages and Frameworks | JavaFX .
2. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the JavaFX page, click  to the right of the Path to SceneBuilder field.
3. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Scene Builder executable file and click OK .
4. Click OK in the Settings/Preferences dialog.

See also, [Opening FXML files in JavaFX Scene Builder](#) .

## Creating a project for JavaFX development

### To create a project for JavaFX application development from scratch

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) . Otherwise, select File | New | Project .

As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.

2. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane, select JavaFX .  
In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [SDK \(JDK\)](#) to be used in your project.

Select the JDK from the list, or click New , select JDK and select the installation folder of the desired JDK.

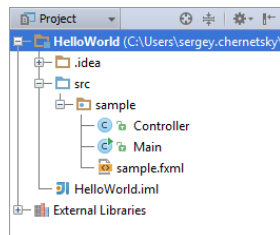
Note that the JDK version 7 or later should be specified.

Click Next .

3. Specify the project name and location, and click Finish .

## Exploring project

Let's take a quick look at what we've got in the project.



The folder `src` is for your source code. In this folder, there is already a package called `sample` containing three files:

- `Main.java`. This is the main application class for starting the sample application.
- `sample.fxml`. This is the FXML file for defining the user interface.
- `Controller.java`. This is the controller class intended to handle user interactions with the UI.

In addition to the sample application source code, there is a [run/debug configuration](#) for running or debugging the application. The run configuration has the same name as the main application class ( `Main` ) and is shown in the run configuration selector on the toolbar.



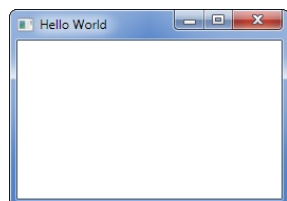
There is also an [artifact configuration](#) intended for packaging your application. (This artifact configuration is not visible at the moment). We'll discuss this configuration later (see [Packaging JavaFX Applications](#) ).

## Running the sample application

To make sure that everything is fine with the project, let's run the sample application straight away:

- Click  on the toolbar.

IntelliJ IDEA compiles the source code and then starts the application. The application window appears which, at the moment, is empty.



Close the application window.

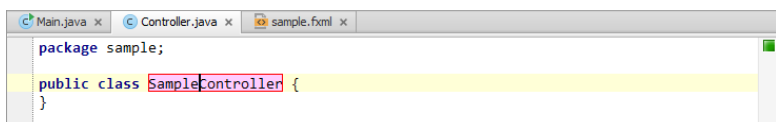
In this topic, we transform the sample application created by IntelliJ IDEA into a very basic JavaFX Hello World application. In this way, we show basic coding assistance features provided by the IDE. (The sample application is created by IntelliJ IDEA automatically when you create a project for your JavaFX application development from scratch, see [Creating a project for JavaFX development](#).)

- [Renaming the Controller class](#)
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## Renaming the Controller class

To adjust the sample application to your needs, you may want to start by renaming the files. To see how, let's perform the Rename refactoring for the class `Controller`. We'll rename this class to `SampleController`. You can use a different name if you like.

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the class name and select Refactor | Rename (alternatively, press `Shift+F6`).
2. Place the cursor in front of `Controller` and type `Sample`.



```
package sample;

public class SampleController {
}
```

3. Press `Enter` to indicate that you have completed the refactoring.

Now, switch to `sample.fxml` in the editor and note that the value of the `GridPane` `fx:controller` attribute has changed to `"sample.SampleController"`. (Initially it was `"sample.Controller"`.)

In a similar way you can change the names of other files if necessary.

## Developing the user interface

To show you how IntelliJ IDEA can help you write your code, let's implement a kind of Hello World JavaFX application.

In the user interface (UI), we'll define a button which when clicked will display the text `Hello World!`. To do that, we'll add the following two elements between the opening and closing `<GridPane>` tags in the file `sample.fxml`:

```
<Button text=
    "Say 'Hello World'" onAction=
    "#sayHelloWorld"/>
<Label GridPane.rowIndex=
    "1" fx:id=
    "helloWorld"/>
```

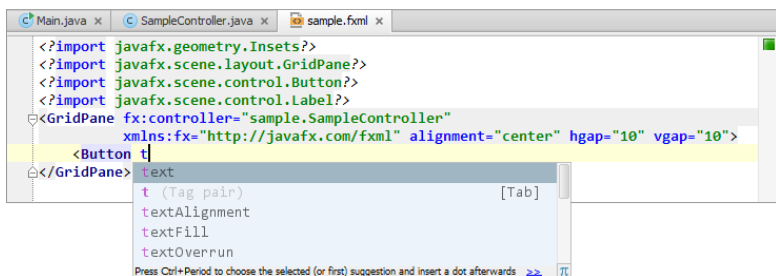
We suggest that you do everything by typing to see how code completion works.

1. Go to the end of the opening `<GridPane>` tag and press `Enter` to start a new line.
2. Type `<B` and select `Button`.



```
<?import javafx.geometry.Insets?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.GridPane?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Button?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Label?>
<GridPane fx:controller="sample.SampleController"
    xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml" alignment="center" hgap="10" vgap="10">
  <B
  </Gr
```

3. Type space, type `t`, and select text.



```
<?import javafx.geometry.Insets?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.GridPane?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Button?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Label?>
<GridPane fx:controller="sample.SampleController"
    xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml" alignment="center" hgap="10" vgap="10">
  <Button t
  </GridPane>
```

4. In a similar way, add the remaining code fragments. The resulting code will look something similar to this:

```
Main.java x SampleController.java x sample.fxml x
<?import javafx.geometry.Insets?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.GridPane?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Button?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Label?>
<GridPane fx:controller="sample.SampleController"
  xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml" alignment="center" hgap="10" vgap="10">
  <Button text="Say 'Hello World'" onAction="#sayHelloWorld"/>
  <Label GridPane.rowIndex="1" fx:id="helloWorld"/>
</GridPane>
```

As you see, `sayHelloWorld` is shown red and `helloWorld` is also highlighted. This means that IntelliJ IDEA cannot resolve the corresponding references.

To resolve the issues, let's use the quick fixes suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.

(In IntelliJ IDEA, it's a standard coding practice when you reference a field, method or class that doesn't yet exist and then use a quick fix to create the corresponding field, method or class.)

## Completing the code for the SampleController class

Now we are going to define the field `helloWorld` in the `SampleController` class. We will also add the corresponding event handler method (`sayHelloWorld`) that will set the text for the `helloWorld` label. When doing so, as already mentioned, we'll use the quick fixes suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.

1. In `sample.fxml`, place the cursor within `helloWorld`. Click the yellow light bulb or press `Alt+Enter`.
2. Select `Create Field 'helloWorld'`.

```
Main.java x SampleController.java x sample.fxml x
<?import javafx.geometry.Insets?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.GridPane?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Button?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Label?>
<GridPane fx:controller="sample.SampleController"
  xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml" alignment="center" hgap="10" vgap="10">
  <Button text="Say 'Hello World'" onAction="#sayHelloWorld"/>
  <Label GridPane.rowIndex="1" fx:id="helloWorld"/>
</GridPane>
```

IntelliJ IDEA switches to `SampleController.java` where the declaration of the field `helloWorld` has been added.

```
Main.java x SampleController.java x sample.fxml x
package sample;

import javafx.scene.control.Label;

public class SampleController {
  public Label helloWorld;
}
```

Note the red border around `Label`. You can edit the field type right away. We are not going to do that now, so press `Enter` to quit the refactoring mode.

Also note the import statement that has just been added (`import javafx.scene.control.Label;`) and the icon to the left of the field declaration. This is a navigation icon; click it to go back to `sample.fxml`.

3. Place the cursor within `sayHelloWorld` and press `Alt+Enter`.
4. Select `Create Method 'void sayHelloWorld(ActionEvent)'`.

```
Main.java x SampleController.java x sample.fxml x
<?import javafx.geometry.Insets?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.GridPane?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Button?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Label?>
<GridPane fx:controller="sample.SampleController"
  xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml" alignment="center" hgap="10" vgap="10">
  <Button text="Say 'Hello World'" onAction="#sayHelloWorld"/>
  <Label GridPane.rowIndex="1" fx:id="helloWorld"/>
</GridPane>
```

The corresponding method declaration is added to `SampleController.java`.

```
Main.java x SampleController.java x sample.fxml x
package sample;

import javafx.event.ActionEvent;
import javafx.scene.control.Label;

public class SampleController {
  public Label helloWorld;

  public void sayHelloWorld(ActionEvent actionEvent) {
  }
}
```

5. Press `Shift+Enter` to quit the refactoring mode and start a new line.
6. Type the following to set the text for the label:

```
helloWorld.setText("Hello World!");
```

```

package sample;

import javafx.event.ActionEvent;
import javafx.scene.control.Label;


public class SampleController {
    public Label helloWorld;

    public void sayHelloWorld(ActionEvent actionEvent) {
        helloWorld.setText("Hello World!");
    }
}

```

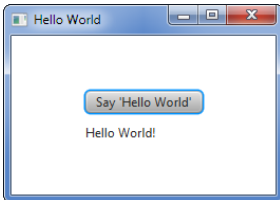
At this step, the code of the application is ready. Let's run the application to see the result.

## Running the application

1. To run the application, click  on the toolbar or press `Shift+F10`. The application window now contains the Say 'Hello World' button.



2. Click this button to see that the text Hello World! is shown.



3. Close the application window.

## Styling the UI with CSS

To complete the coding examples, let's change the appearance of the UI by adding a stylesheet and defining a couple of formatting styles in it.

1. In the file `sample.fxml`, add a reference to a (non-existing) CSS file `sample.css`. One way to do that is to add the `stylesheets` attribute within the opening `<GridPane>` tag, e.g.

```

stylesheets=
"/sample/sample.css"

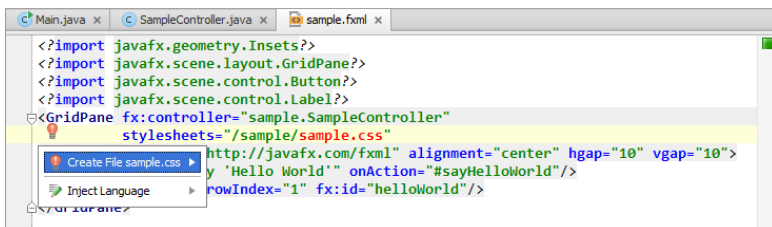
```

```

<?import javafx.geometry.Insets?>
<?import javafx.scene.layout.GridPane?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Button?>
<?import javafx.scene.control.Label?>
<GridPane fx:controller="sample.SampleController"
    stylesheets="/sample/sample.css"
    xmlns:fx="http://javafx.com/fxml" alignment="center" hgap="10" vgap="10">
    <Button text="Say 'Hello World'" onAction="#sayHelloWorld"/>
    <Label GridPane.rowIndex="1" fx:id="helloWorld"/>
</GridPane>

```

2. As before, use a quick fix to create the CSS file.



3. When the CSS file is created, add the following style definitions into it.

```

.root {
    -fx-background-color: gold;
}

.label {
    -fx-font-size: 20;>
}

```

The first of the styles makes the background in the application window "gold" and the second one - sets the font size for the text `Hello World!` to 20 pixels.

```
Main.java x SampleController.java x sample.fxml x sample.css x
.root {
  -fx-background-color: gold;
}
.label {
  -fx-font-size: 24;
```

4. Run the application again to see the result (Shift+F10).



Now that you've brought the application to a reasonable state, you may want to package it. For corresponding instructions, see [Packaging JavaFX Applications](#).



When you open an FXML file in the editor, there are two tabs underneath the editing area:

- Text. This tab is for developing the markup.
- Scene Builder. This tab is for editing the file in [JavaFX Scene Builder](#). (You should be using the Scene Builder version 2.x.)

If you haven't specified the path to Scene Builder yet, there is the text *Please configure JavaFX Scene Builder path*.

Click the path link and select the Scene Builder executable file in the dialog that opens.

After a while, the FXML file will open in Scene Builder.

If you are using Scene Builder version 1.x, the Scene Builder tab is empty and you should use the following procedure (this works for version 2.x too):

1. Select the FXML file of interest in the Project tool window, or open the file in the editor.
2. From the context menu, select Open In SceneBuilder. (If you are in the editor, this applies to the Text tab.)

You can package your JavaFX application by building the corresponding [artifact](#) . For JavaFX applications, IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated artifact type (JavaFx Application). One JavaFx Application artifact configuration is created by IntelliJ IDEA automatically if you create a project as described in [Creating a project for JavaFX development](#) .

Alternatively, you can generate an Ant build file, and then use that build file to package your application.

- [Building an artifact](#)
- [Generating and using an Ant build file](#)

See also, [Applications with a Preloader: Project Organization and Packaging](#) .

## Building an artifact

To build an artifact for your JavaFX application:

- Select Build | Build Artifacts . Then, in the Build Artifacts | Action popup, select the artifact and select Build .
- Alternatively, you can turn on the Build on make option in the artifact configuration. In that case, an artifact will be built when making the project (e.g. Build | Make Project or `Ctrl+F9` ).

By default, the artifact is generated in `<project_folder>\out\artifacts\<artifact_name>` .

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) , [Artifacts](#) and [Java FX tab](#) .

## Generating and using an Ant build file

1. Generate an Ant build file for your project ( Build | Generate Ant Build ). For more information, see [Generating Ant Build File](#) .
2. Make the necessary changes to the generated build file.
3. Open the Ant Build tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Ant Build ), specify the build file to be used and run the necessary target. For more information, see [Executing Ant Target](#) .

See also, [Ant](#) .

If you intend to package your application with a [preloader](#) , you, generally, should:

1. Create a [project](#) with at least two Java [modules](#) : one module for the application itself and one module for the preloader.  
For additional instructions, see [Configuring projects](#) and [Configuring projects](#) . See also, [Creating a project for JavaFX development](#) .
  2. Develop the code for the application and the preloader.
  3. Create two [artifact configurations](#) .
    - One of the configurations should be of the JavaFxPreloader type. This configuration will be used to build the preloader application (normally, a JAR file). The compilation output of the preloader module should be included in this artifact.
    - The second of the configurations - the one intended for packaging the application - should be of the JavaFx Application type. This artifact should include the compilation output of the application module and a copy of the preloader artifact. The copy of the preloader artifact should be added to the output root of the application artifact. (1. On the Output Layout tab for the application artifact, right-click <output root> and select Add Copy of |Artifact . 2. Select the preloader artifact in the Choose Artifacts dialog.)
- See [Artifacts](#) , [Output Layout Tab](#) and [Java FX tab](#) .
4. Build the application artifact. As a result, a package containing both the application and the preloader will be generated.  
For additional instructions, see [Building an artifact](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the following toolkits for developing Java mobile applications:

- [J2ME Wireless Toolkit](#) (a.k.a. WTK), versions 1.x and 2.x.
- [DoJa](#), version 1.x.

IntelliJ IDEA integration with those toolkits is based on the [J2ME plugin](#). This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.

## Preparing for Java mobile application development

1. Download and install a [JDK](#) and one of the [supported Java mobile toolkits](#).
2. Make sure that the J2ME plugin is enabled, see [Making sure that the J2ME plugin is enabled](#).
3. Define the JDK and the mobile toolkit in IntelliJ IDEA. (In IntelliJ IDEA, the supported Java mobile toolkits are referred to as mobile SDKs). See [Defining a JDK and a mobile SDK in IntelliJ IDEA](#).
4. Create a project with a J2ME module, see [Creating a project with a J2ME module](#).
5. If necessary, configure the compilation settings specific to Java mobile applications, see [Configuring Java mobile-specific compilation settings](#).

See also, [Running and debugging Java mobile applications](#).

## Making sure that the J2ME plugin is enabled

Even though the J2ME plugin is enabled by default, it's always worth making sure that this plugin is still enabled before you start developing a Java mobile application. To do that:

1. Press [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Plugins.
2. In the right-hand part of the dialog, type `j2` in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain `j2` are shown in the list of plugins.
3. If the checkbox to the left of J2ME is not selected, select it.
4. Click OK in the Settings dialog.
5. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

To be able to develop Java mobile applications, you should define the JDK and the Java mobile toolkit that you are going to use in IntelliJ IDEA.

## To define a JDK and a mobile SDK in IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the leftmost pane, under Platform Settings , click SDKs .
3. Above the pane to the right, click **+** and select JDK .
4. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation directory of the JDK to be used and click OK .
5. Click **+** and select Mobile SDK .
6. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation directory of your Java mobile toolkit (WTK or DoJa) and click OK .
7. If necessary, configure your custom profile and specify the preverify options on the [SDK page](#) (in the right-hand part of the dialog).
8. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

To develop a Java mobile application, you need a [project](#) with a J2ME [module](#) .

## To create a project with a J2ME module

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) . Otherwise, select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
2. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane, select J2ME .  
In the right-hand part of the page, specify the Java ME SDK to be used.
3. If necessary, enable SQL support and select the SQL dialect to be used by default.  
Click Next .
4. On the [next page of the wizard](#) , specify mobile SDK-specific options, and click Next .
5. Specify the name and location settings for your project and module. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) .  
Click Finish .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Generally, the compilation process for Java mobile applications includes the following stages:

- Compilation. During this stage a "standard" Java compiler such as javac is used. The related settings are specified as described in [Specifying Compilation Settings](#).
- Preverification. Used at this stage is a preverify utility with an emulator included in the corresponding Java mobile SDK (WTK or DoJa). The related settings are specified as described later on this page.
- Packaging.

### To configure the preverify settings


1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Select SDKs and then select your mobile SDK.
3. If you are using WTK, you can specify whether you want to use the default profile (MIDP) and configuration (CLDC) versions for a given emulator, or the custom profile and/or configuration versions. In the second case, list the profile and/or configuration versions in the corresponding fields.
4. For both WTK and DoJa, you can also specify the parameters for the preverify utility. For more information, see [SDKs. Mobile](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.



To be able to run or debug your Java mobile application you should first create the corresponding run/debug configuration. Then, you should start this run/debug configuration in the run or the debug mode.

- [Creating a J2ME run/debug configuration](#)
- [Starting a J2ME run/debug configuration](#)

### To create a J2ME run/debug configuration

1. Select Run | Edit Configurations .
2. In the [Run/Debug Configurations dialog](#) , click  and select J2ME .
3. Specify the configuration settings as necessary and click OK . For more information, see [Run/Debug Configuration: J2ME](#) .

### To start your J2ME run/debug configuration

1. Make sure that the run/debug configuration for your mobile application is selected in the corresponding selector on the toolbar.
2. Now, to start this configuration in the run or the debug mode:
  - Select Run | Run or press  .
  - Select Run | Debug or press  .



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can develop modern web, mobile, and desktop applications with **JavaScript** and **Node.js**. IntelliJ IDEA supports **JavaScript** and **TypeScript** programming languages, **React** and **Angular** frameworks and provides tight integration with various tools for web development.

On this page you will find a short Getting Started Guide that will walk you step by step from creating a web application to debugging and testing it.

## Creating a new application

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose Static Web again and click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored. Click Finish .

## Starting with an existing JavaScript application

If you are going to continue developing an existing JavaScript application, open it in IntelliJ IDEA, [choose the JavaScript version to use](#) , and configure the libraries in it. Optionally [download the required npm dependencies](#) .

### If the application sources are already on your machine

Click Open on the Welcome screen or choose File | Open on the main menu. In the dialog that opens, select the folder where your sources are stored.

### If the application sources are under version control

1. Click Check out from Version Control on the Welcome screen or choose VCS | Check out from Version Control on the main menu.
2. Select your version control system from the list.
3. In the VCS-specific dialog that opens, type your credentials and the repository to check out the application sources from.

## Choosing the JavaScript language version

To get reliable and efficient coding assistance, you need to specify the language version that will be used in all JavaScript files of your application by default.



### To choose the JavaScript language version

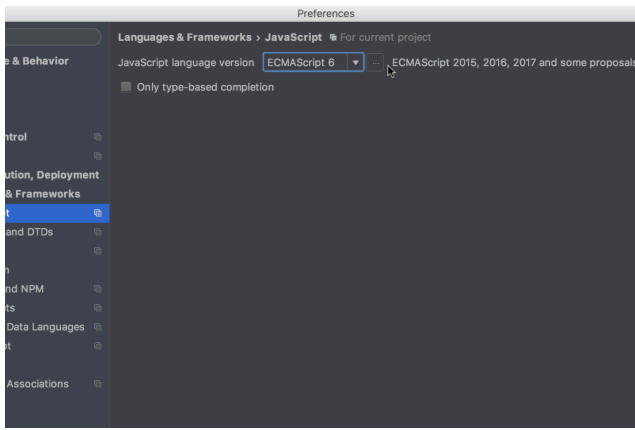
1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), choose JavaScript under Languages and Frameworks . The [JavaScript page](#) opens.
2. From the drop-down list, choose one of the supported JavaScript language versions:
  - [ECMAScript 3](#)
  - [ECMAScript 5.1](#)
  - [JavaScript 1.8.5](#)
  - [ECMAScript 6](#) : This version adds support for the features introduced in ECMAScript 2015-2017 as well as some current proposals to the standard.
  - [React JSX](#) : This version adds support for the JSX syntax on top of ECMAScript 6
  - [Flow](#) : This version adds support for the Flow syntax.

## Using multiple JavaScript versions

If you are working on an application that uses both ECMAScript 5.1 and a newer version of ECMAScript, or JSX, or Flow, the easiest way is to choose the highest language version for the whole project from the drop-down list on the [JavaScript page](#) . For example, if you use ES5.1 and JSX, enable JSX (since it is a superset of ES5.1 and ES6).

### To configure different JavaScript language versions for different folders

1. On the [JavaScript page](#) , click  next to the JavaScript language version drop-down list. The JavaScript Language Versions dialog opens.
2. Click  and in the dialog that opens select the folder where you need a custom language version. IntelliJ IDEA brings you back to the JavaScript Language Versions dialog where the selected folder is shown in the Path field.
3. From the Language drop-down list, choose the language version for the files in the selected folder. To all other JavaScript files in the project IntelliJ IDEA will use the version chosen on the [JavaScript page](#) .



## Downloading npm dependencies

**Tip** Alternatively, run `npm install` in the Terminal .

If your application uses some tools, libraries, or frameworks, download the required packages.

1. Download, install, and configure [Node.js](#) as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
2. Install and enable the [NodeJS](#) plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .


### To install a package in an empty project

Open the embedded Terminal ( `View | Tool Windows | Terminal` ) and type `npm install <package name>` at the command prompt.

### If you already have a package.json file in your project

Right-click the `package.json` file in the editor or in the Project tool window and choose `Run 'npm install'` on the context menu.

## Running JavaScript in browser

1. In the editor, open the HTML file with the JavaScript reference. This HTML file does not necessarily have to be the one that implements the starting page of the application.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Choose `View | Open in Browser` on the main menu or press `Alt+F2` . Then select the desired browser from the pop-up menu.
  - Hover your mouse pointer over the code to show the browser icons bar:  Click the icon that indicates the desired browser.

## Debugging JavaScript

IntelliJ IDEA provides a built-in debugger for your client-side JavaScript code that works with Chrome.

You can also debug your client-side JavaScript in Firefox, version 36 and higher. However it is strongly recommended that you use **Chrome** or any other browser of the **Chrome** family. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can debug JavaScript applications running on the built-in server, on an external server, or on a remote server. For details, see [Debugging JavaScript in Chrome](#) and [Debugging JavaScript in Firefox](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with [Angular](#) also known as **Angular 2** . This platform makes it easy to build web, mobile, or desktop applications.

## Before you start

1. Download, install, and configure [Node.js](#) as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** and **AngularJS** plugins on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Creating a new Angular application

You can use the [angular-cli](#) package or create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project and install Angular in it.

## Generating an Angular application with Angular CLI

[Angular CLI](#) is the recommended way to start building a new Angular application. Angular CLI should be installed globally so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.

### To install Angular CLI globally

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type `npm install -g @angular/cli` at the command prompt.

### To create an application

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose AngularCLI and click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder to create it in. In the Node Interpreter field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose a configured interpreter from the drop-down list or choose Add to configure a new one, see [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) In the Angular CLI field, specify the path to the `angular-cli` package.
5. When you click Finish , IntelliJ IDEA generates an Angular-specific project with all the required configuration files.

**Tip** You can also install the `angular-cli` package on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in [NPM](#) .

## Installing Angular in an empty IntelliJ IDEA project

### To create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose Static Web and click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder to create it in.
5. When you click Finish , IntelliJ IDEA creates and opens an **empty** project.

### To install Angular in an empty project

1. Open the empty project where you will use **Angular** .
2. Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `npm install @angular/core` at the command prompt. That will install the core **Angular** package with the critical runtime parts of the framework. You may also need to install other packages that are parts of **Angular** , see the [list of packages](#) .

## Starting with an existing Angular application

If you are going to continue developing an existing Angular application, open it in IntelliJ IDEA and download the required dependencies.

### If the application sources are already on your machine

Click Open on the Welcome screen or choose File | Open on the main menu. In the dialog that opens, select the folder where your sources are stored.

### If the application sources are under version control

1. Click Check out from Version Control on the Welcome screen or choose VCS | Check out from Version Control on the main menu.
2. Select your version control system from the list.
3. In the VCS-specific dialog that opens, type your credentials and the repository to check out the application sources from.

### To download the dependencies

Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `npm install` at the command prompt.

## Generating Angular structures

In an **Angular CLI** project, you can have specific structures generated automatically.

1. On the main menu, choose File | New | Angular CLI .
2. In the pop-up list that opens, click the relevant type of structure.
3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the name of the structure to be generated and the path to it relative to the `src/app` folder of your project. If you want to generate a structure in a separate folder, create this folder first. This does not apply to components, which are by default generated in separate folders unless the `--flat` option is specified. If necessary, specify additional options, for example, `--flat` to have a new component generated directly in the specified location without creating a separate folder.

## Using Angular language service

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the [Angular language service](#) developed by the **Angular** team to improve code analysis and completion for **Angular-TypeScript** projects. Note that the **Angular language service** works only with the projects that use **Angular 2.3.1** or higher and **TypeScript** version compatible with it. Also make sure you have a `tsconfig.json` file in your project.

To install the `@angular/language-service` package

1. Open the Terminal tool window ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal or `Alt+F12` ).
2. Change the current folder to the project root and at the command prompt run `npm install @angular/language-service --save-dev` .

The **Angular language service** is activated by default so IntelliJ IDEA starts it automatically together with the **TypeScript service** and shows all the errors and warnings in your TypeScript and HTML files both in the editor and in the [TypeScript Tool Window](#) .

To activate or disable the service

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Typescript under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the [TypeScript](#) page that opens, select the Enable TypeScript Compiler checkbox and click Configure next to it.
3. In the Service options dialog box that opens, select or clear the Use Angular service checkbox.

## Using Angular Material Design components

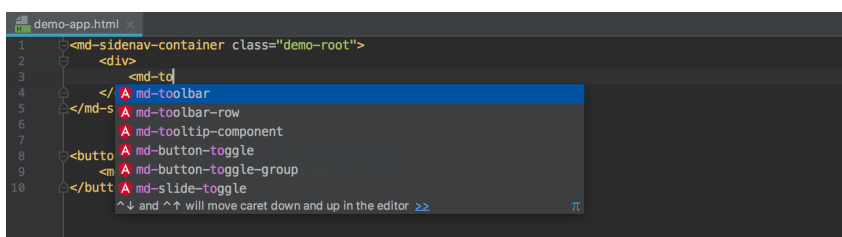
IntelliJ IDEA recognizes [Angular Material](#) components and attributes and provides coding assistance for them.

To install Angular Material

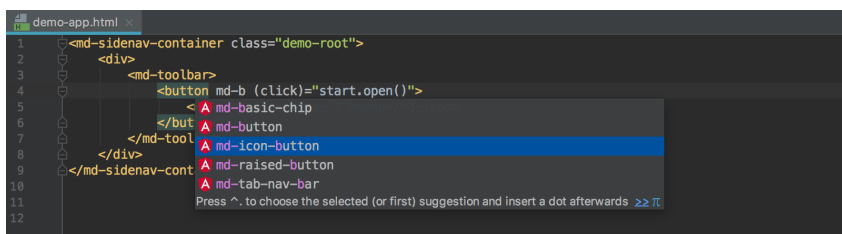
Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type `npm install --save @angular/material` at the command prompt. For details, see [Getting Started on the Angular Material Official website](#) .

Support of Angular Material in IntelliJ IDEA includes

– Completion for components



– Completion for attributes



– Navigation between a component or an attribute and its declaration ( `Ctrl+B` or Go To | Declaration on the context menu).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides integration with the [AngularJS framework](#) also known as **Angular 1** . This support involves:

- **AngularJS** -aware code completion for `ng` directives (also including custom directives), controller and application names, and code insights for data bindings inside curly-brace expressions `{{}}` .
- **AngularJS** -specific navigation:
  - Between the name of a controller in HTML and its definition in JavaScript.
  - Between `ngView` or `&routeProvider` and the template.
  - **Go To Symbol** navigation for entities.
- A collection of **AngularJS** built-in live templates.
- **Quick documentation look-up** by pressing `Ctrl+Q` .
- **AngularJS ui-router** diagram.

## Before you start

1. Download, install, and configure [Node.js](#) as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** and **AngularJS** plugins on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Introduction

You can get **AngularJS** support in a IntelliJ IDEA project in the following ways:

- [Open an existing project with AngularJS sources](#).
- [Generate an AngularJS-specific project stub](#) from the IntelliJ IDEA Welcome Screen . IntelliJ IDEA generates the **AngularJS** -specific project structure with all the required configuration files based on the [AngularJS seed project](#)
- [Create an empty project](#) , and then install **AngularJS** in it either manually, by downloading the **AngularJS** framework, or using the **Bower** package manager. [If you choose manual installation](#) , you will need to configure **AngularJS** as a IntelliJ IDEA JavaScript library. [If you use Bower](#) , IntelliJ IDEA will do this configuration automatically, without any steps from your side.

## Creating an AngularJS project using a seed project

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose AngularJS and click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder to create it in.  
From the Version drop-down list, choose the branch <https://github.com/angular/angular.js> to download the project template from. By default, `master` if shown.
5. When you click Finish , IntelliJ IDEA generates the **AngularJS** -specific project structure with all the required configuration files based on the [AngularJS seed project](#)
6. Download the **AngularJS** dependencies that contain the **AngularJS** code and the tools that support development and testing: open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `npm install` at the command prompt.  
Learn more about the installation of dependencies in the [Install Dependencies](#) section of the `readme.md` file.

## Configuring AngularJS support in a project

If you already have **AngularJS** sources in your project (for example, in the `bower_components` folder), just open your project and start working. If these sources are **excluded from project** , then you only need to configure **AngularJS** as an [External JavaScript library](#) .

If you do not have any previously downloaded **AngularJS** sources, [create an empty project](#) , and then install **AngularJS** in it either [manually, by downloading the AngularJS framework](#) , or [using the Bower package manager](#) .

## Creating an empty IntelliJ IDEA project

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose Static Web and click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder to create it in.
5. When you click Finish , IntelliJ IDEA creates and opens an **empty** project.

## Configuring AngularJS coding assistance in an empty project manually

1. Download the **AngularJS** framework at <http://angularjs.org/> .
2. Open the empty project where you will use **AngularJS** .
3. Configure **AngularJS** as a IntelliJ IDEA JavaScript library, to let IntelliJ IDEA recognize **AngularJS** -specific structures and provide full coding assistance:
  1. [Open the Settings/Preferences dialog box](#) , and click [JavaScript Libraries](#) .
  2. In the Libraries area, click the Add button.
  3. In the [New Library](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the library.

4. Click the Add button **+** next to the list of library files and choose Attach Files or Attach Directory on the context menu, depending of whether you need separate files or an entire folder.
5. Select the `Angular.js` or `Angular.min.js` , or an entire directory in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA returns to the New Library dialog box where the Name read-only field shows the name of the selected files or folder.
6. In the Type field, specify which version you have downloaded and are going to add.
  - If you added `Angular.js` , choose Debug . This version is helpful in the development environment, especially for debugging.
  - If you added the **minified** `Angular.min.js` , choose Release . This version is helpful in the production environment because the file size is significantly smaller.

Learn more at [Configuring JavaScript Libraries](#) .

## Installing AngularJS in an empty project through Bower

1. Open the empty project where you will use **AngularJS** .
2. Download, install, and configure [Node.js](#) as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
3. Install [Bower](#) as described in [Bower](#) .
4. Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `bower install angular` at the command prompt to install the package in the current project.

You can also install the `angular` package on the [Bower](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog as described in [Installing and Removing Bower Packages](#) .

## Using AngularJS Router state diagrams

You can see a diagram illustrating the relations between views, states, and templates in **AngularJS** applications that use [ui-router](#) .

To generate and view a diagram, open the desired file in the editor, and then choose Diagrams | Show AngularJS ui-router State Diagram on the context menu. IntelliJ IDEA generates a diagram and shows it in a separate editor tab.

To navigate from an element in the diagram to the code that implements this element, select it and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA provides interface for installing, uninstalling, and upgrading client-side libraries and frameworks for your project using the [Bower Package Manager](#) . Alternatively, you can use the tool in the command line mode from the [embedded local terminal](#) .

The easiest way to install the Bower package manager is to use the **Node Package Manager (npm)** , which is a part of [Node.js](#) . See [NPM](#) for details.

Depending on the desired location of the Bower package manager executable file, choose one of the following methods:

- Install the package manager **globally** at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.
- Install the package manager in a specific project and thus restrict its use to this project.
- Install the package manager in a project as a [development dependency](#) .

In either installation mode, make sure that the parent folder of the Bower package manager is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the package manager from any folder.

IntelliJ IDEA provides user interface both for **global** and **project** installation as well as supports installation through the command line.

## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.

If you are going to use the command line mode, make sure the path to the parent folder of the **Node.js** executable file and the path to the `npm` folder are added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the Bower package manager and **npm** from any folder.

2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Installing Bower globally

**Global** installation makes a package manager available at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project. Moreover, during installation the parent folder of the package manager is automatically added to the `PATH` variable, which enables you to launch the package manager from any folder.

- Run the installation from the command line in the **global** mode:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( [View](#) | [Tool Windows](#) | [Terminal](#) ) and switch to the directory where **NPM** is stored or define a `PATH` variable for it so it is available from any folder, see [Installing NodeJS](#) .

2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
npm install -g bower
```

The `-g` key makes the package manager run in the **global** mode. Because the installation is performed through **NPM** , the Bower package manager is installed in the `npm` folder. Make sure this parent folder is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the package manager from any folder.

For more details on the **NPM** operation modes, see [npm documentation](#) . For more information about installing the Bower package manager, see <https://npmjs.org/package/bower> .

- Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing [File](#) | [Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA](#) | [Preferences for macOS](#), and click [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) under [Languages & Frameworks](#) .
2. On the Node.js and NPM page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click `+` .
3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package to install.
4. Select the Options checkbox and type `-g` in the text box next to it.
5. Optionally specify the product version and click [Install Package](#) to start installation.

## Installing Bower in a project

**Local** installation in a specific project restricts the use of a package manager to this project.

- Run the installation from the command line:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( [View](#) | [Tool Windows](#) | [Terminal](#) ) and switch to the project root folder.
2. At the command prompt, type `npm install bower` .

- Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing [File](#) | [Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA](#) | [Preferences for macOS](#), and click [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) under [Languages & Frameworks](#) .
2. On the Node.js and NPM page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click `+` .

3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package.
4. Optionally specify the product version and click Install Package to start installation.

## Creating a Bower configuration file bower.json

1. In the command line mode, switch to your project directory.
2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
bower init
```

If **Bower** does not start, check the installation: the parent folder or the **Bower** executable file should be specified in the PATH variable.

3. Answer the questions to specify the following basic settings:
  - The testing framework to use.
  - The browsers to be captured automatically.
  - The patterns that define the location of test files to be involved in testing or excluded from it.

For more details, see [Bower: Configuration](#).

## Configuring Bower in IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Bower under JavaScript.
2. On the [Bower](#) page that opens, specify the location of the Node.js and Bower executable files and the `bower.json` configuration file.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

**Bower packages** can be installed and used only in a specific project. IntelliJ IDEA supports two installation modes: from the command line and through the dedicated user interface.

On this page:

- [Installing a Bower package in the command-line mode](#)
- [Installing a Bower package through the IntelliJ IDEA interface](#)
- [Removing Bower packages](#)
- [Installing a Bower package as a development dependency](#)

## Installing a Bower package in the command-line mode

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( [View | Tool Windows | Terminal](#) ) and switch to the directory where **Bower** is stored or define a `PATH` variable for it so it is available from any folder, see [Installing Bower](#) .
2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
bower install <tool name>
```

## Installing a Bower package through the IntelliJ IDEA interface

1. Run **Bower** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Bower page of the Settings dialog box.
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing [File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS](#). Expand the [Languages & Frameworks](#) node, and then click [Bower](#) under [JavaScript](#) .
  2. On the Bower page that opens, the [Packages](#) area shows all the **Bower** -dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click `+` .
  3. In the [Available Packages](#) dialog box that opens, select the required package.
  4. Optionally specify the product version and click [Install Package](#) to start installation.

## Removing Bower packages

Open the [Bower](#) page, select the package to remove, and click `-` .

## Installing a Bower package as a development dependency

If a package is a documentation or a test framework, which are of no need for those who are going to re-use your application, it is helpful to have it excluded from download for the future. This is done by marking the tool as a [development dependency](#) , which actually means adding the package in the `devDependencies` section of the `package.json` file.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have a package marked as a **development dependency** right during installation. Do one of the following:

- Run the installation from the command line in the **global** mode: open the embedded Terminal ( [View | Tool Windows | Terminal](#) ) and type `bower install -dev <tool name>` at the command prompt.
- Install the package using the IntelliJ IDEA user interface:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing [File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS](#). Expand the [Languages & Frameworks](#) node, and then click [Bower](#) under [JavaScript](#) .
  2. On the Bower page that opens, the [Packages](#) area shows all the Bower-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click `+` .
  3. In the [Available Packages](#) dialog box that opens, select the required package.
  4. Select the [Options](#) checkbox and type `--dev` in the text box next to it.
  5. Optionally specify the product version and click [Install Package](#) to start installation.

After installation, a Bower package is added to the `devDependencies` section of the `package.json` file.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

## Basics

When working in IntelliJ IDEA, you can use various JavaScript libraries and frameworks with full coding assistance at disposal. The only thing you need is "introduce" the required libraries to IntelliJ IDEA so they are recognized and references to them are successfully resolved.

## Predefined and custom libraries

Right from IntelliJ IDEA, you can download and install a number of the most popular JavaScript libraries, such as: [Dojo](#) , [ExtJS](#) , [jQuery](#) , [jQuery UI](#) , [Prototype](#) , and others. Once installed, these libraries, by default, are visible in all files within the project.

You can also download any other JavaScript libraries and frameworks or even develop JavaScript libraries yourself, if necessary. To use such downloaded or self-developed libraries, you need to [set them up as custom IntelliJ IDEA JavaScript libraries](#) . Configured libraries can be used in [code completion](#) , highlighting, [navigation](#) , and [Documentation Lookup](#) .

To enable Documentation Lookup for symbols defined in an external library or framework, [provide a link](#) to its documentation. Upon pressing [\(Shift+F1\)](#) with the cursor positioned at the symbol in question, IntelliJ IDEA invokes this link and opens the documentation page in browser.

For [jQuery](#) , [jQuery UI](#) , [Ext JS](#) , [Prototype](#) , and [Dojo](#) library files, IntelliJ IDEA automatically detects links to the library documentation.

To get all the above mentioned coding assistance for a library or a framework, you need to [configure it as a IntelliJ IDEA library](#) and [specify the library scope](#) by associating the library with your project or its part, so you can reference the library from the files within this scope, get code completion, and retrieve definitions and documentation.

Please note, that configuring a framework as a IntelliJ IDEA library and associating it with a project only ensures coding assistance in the [development environment](#) , that is, while you are working in IntelliJ IDEA. To use a framework or library in the [production environment](#) , make sure the relevant version of the framework is available on the server.

## Visibility and scope

Each IntelliJ IDEA library is characterized by its [visibility](#) status and [scope](#) .

The [scope](#) of a library defines the set of files and folders in which the library is considered as [library](#) , that is, it is write-protected, excluded from check for errors and refactoring, but only affects the completion list and highlighting.

The [visibility](#) status of a library determines whether it can be used in one project ( [Project](#) ) or can be re-used at the IDE level ( [Global](#) ).

– Once configured, a [Global library](#) can be associated with any of IntelliJ IDEA projects. The library itself can be located wherever you need, its settings are stored with other IntelliJ IDEA settings in the dedicated directories under the IntelliJ IDEA home directory.

The [advantage](#) of configuring a framework as a global library is that you can store such library in one location and re-use it in unlimited number of your projects without copying the library under the project root every time.

The [disadvantage](#) of this approach is that to enable team work on a project all the team members should have the library stored on their machines in the same location relative to the project root.


– A [Project library](#) is [visible](#) only within one single project. Therefore a project library can be associated only with this project or its part. This means that project libraries cannot be re-used, so if you later try to use a framework configured as a project library with another project, you will have to configure the library anew.

The [advantage](#) of configuring a JavaScript framework as a project library is that you can share the library definition among other team members through the [project settings](#) so each developer does not have to configure the library separately,

– [Predefined](#) libraries bring JavaScript definitions (also known as "stubs") for the standard DOM, HTML5 and EcmaScript API, as well as for Node.js global objects. These libraries make the basis for coding assistance in accordance with the API provided by the corresponding JavaScript engine. By enabling a certain predefined library you can ensure that your code fits the target environment.

Predefined libraries are by default enabled in the [scope](#) of the entire project. A predefined library can be disabled or [associated with another scope](#) but it cannot be [deleted](#) .

## Viewing the libraries associated with a file

1. Open the file in the editor.
2. Click the Hector icon  on the Status bar. The pop-up window lists the libraries associates with the current file. To change the list, click the Libraries in scope links and edit the scope settings in the [Manage Scope](#) dialog box that opens.

## Downloading and installing a JavaScript-related library from IntelliJ IDEA

IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated user interface for downloading and installing the most popular [official](#) JavaScript libraries. Using this interface, you can download and install [Dojo](#) , [ExtJS](#) , [jQuery](#) , [jQuery UI](#) , [Prototype](#) , and other libraries.

Besides the above listed [official](#) libraries, you can download [stubs for TypeScript definition files](#) .

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing [\(Ctrl+Alt+S\)](#) or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages and Frameworks node, and then click Libraries under JavaScript .

2. The [JavaScript Libraries](#) page that opens shows a list of all the already available libraries. Click Download .
3. In the Download Library dialog that opens, choose the group of libraries in the drop-down list. The available options are Official libraries and TypeScript community stubs . Depending on your choice, IntelliJ IDEA displays a list of available libraries. Select the one to be downloaded and installed, and click Download and Install . You return to the [JavaScript Libraries](#) page where the new library is added to the list. Click OK to save the settings.

## Configuring a custom JavaScript library

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages and Frameworks node, and then click Libraries under JavaScript .
2. The [JavaScript Libraries](#) page that opens shows a list of all the already available libraries. Click Add .
3. In the [New Library](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the library, the framework to configure the library from, and framework version to use.
4. Specify the library [visibility](#) :
  - To enable associating the library with the current project only, choose Current project .
  - To make the library available in any IntelliJ IDEA project, choose Global .
5. Create a list of files to be included in the library:
  1. Click the Add button `+` next to the list of library files and choose Attach Files or Attach Directory on the context menu, depending on whether you need separate files or an entire folder.
  2. Select the required file, files, or entire directory in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA returns to the New Library dialog box where the Name read-only field shows the name of the selected library file or the names of relevant library files from the selected directory.
  3. In the Type field, specify which version of library you have downloaded and are going to add.
    - Choose Debug if you are adding a library file with uncompressed code. This version is helpful in the development environment, especially for debugging.
    - Choose Release if you are adding a library file with [minified](#) code. This version is helpful in the production environment because the file size is significantly smaller.

It is recommended that you always have a debug version on hand along with the minified one. Minified code is hard to read and hard for IntelliJ IDEA to handle. When a debug version is available, IntelliJ IDEA automatically detects and ignores the minified file and retrieves definitions and documentation from the debug version.

4. Specify the URL addresses to access the documentation for library files.
  - To add a link to the documentation for a library, select the corresponding library file, click the Specify button in the Documentation URLs area, and specify the documentation URL in the dialog box that opens.

**Tip** For [jQuery](#), [jQuery UI](#), [Ext JS](#), [Prototype](#), and [Dojo](#) library files, IntelliJ IDEA automatically detects the link to the library documentation and suggests it in the Enter documentation URL text box.

- To remove a link, select it in the Documentation URLs and click the Remove button.

## Removing a library file

In the [New Library / Edit Library](#) dialog box, select the required library file and click the Remove button `-` .

## Updating the contents of a library

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages and Frameworks node, and then click Libraries under JavaScript .
2. The [JavaScript Libraries](#) page that opens shows a list of all the already available libraries. Select the required library and click Edit .
3. In the [Edit Library](#) dialog box that opens, [add](#) library files, [remove](#) library files, and [change links to documentation](#) as necessary.

## Deleting a library

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages and Frameworks node, and then click Libraries under JavaScript .
2. The [JavaScript Libraries](#) page that opens shows a list of all the already available libraries. Select the required library and click Remove .

## Specifying the scope to use a library in

The **scope** of a library defines the set of files and folders in which the library is considered as **library** , that is, it is write-protected, excluded from check for errors and refactoring, but only affects the completion list and highlighting.

By default, all [predefined libraries](#) and [libraries downloaded from IntelliJ IDEA](#) provide completion, resolution, highlighting and are treated as libraries in any file within the project. In other words, their usage scope is the whole project.

[Libraries that you create yourself](#) are not considered libraries in any of the files unless you specify their usage scope explicitly.

To specify the scope for a library:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages and Frameworks node, and then click Libraries under JavaScript .
2. The [JavaScript Libraries](#) page that opens shows a list of all the already available libraries. Click Manage Scopes .
3. In the [JavaScript Libraries Usage Scope](#) dialog box that opens, specify the custom JavaScript libraries to use in files and folders within your project. To appoint a library for a file or folder, select the required item in the File/Directory field and choose the relevant library from the Library drop-down list.

The contents of the list depend on the [visibility](#) type of the configured libraries. **Global** libraries are on the list in all IntelliJ IDEA projects. **Project** libraries are on the list only within the project they were originally configured in.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Introduction

To make your code easy to use by other developers it is considered good practice to provide an HTML documentation of its Application Programming Interface (API). Such documentation can be generated automatically by the [JSDoc](#) tool. All you need, is supply your code with **documentation comments** in accordance with the [JSDoc standard](#) . The tool retrieves information from your comments and renders it in HTML using a built-in template.

You can find a detailed description of the JSDoc syntax with examples and explanation of their use in the article [An Introduction to JSDoc](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA creates stubs of JSDoc comments on typing the opening tag `/**` and pressing `Enter` . If this feature is [applied to a method or a function](#) , `@param` tags are created. In any other places IntelliJ IDEA adds an empty documentation stub.

[TODO patterns](#) and [Closure Compiler](#) annotations inside documentation comments are also recognized and are involved in code completion, intention actions, and other types of coding assistance.

Documentation comments in your source code are available for the [Quick Documentation Lookup](#) and open for review on pressing `Ctrl+Q` .

IntelliJ IDEA checks syntax in the comments and treats it according to the [Code Inspections](#) settings.

## Example of JavaScript comment

Consider the following function:

```
function loadDocs(myParam1, myParam2){}
```

Type the opening documentation comment and press `Enter` to generate the documentation comment stub:

```
/**
 * @param myParam1
 * @param myParam2
 */
```

## Enabling documentation comments

1. Open the Editor | General | Smart Keys page of IntelliJ IDEA settings (`Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Enter section, select or clear Insert documentation comment stub check box.
3. **Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

For Python, scroll to the Insert type placeholders in the documentation comment stub option and select or clear the check box as required. Refer to [the option description](#) for details.

## Creating a JSDoc comment block

1. Place the caret before the method or function declaration.
2. Type the opening block comment `/**` and press `Enter` .
3. Describe the listed parameters and return values.

Documentation comment can be created with the dedicated action Fix Doc Comment . It can be invoked by means of [Find Action](#) command.

Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` , with the caret somewhere within a class, method, function, or field, which should be documented, and enter the action name Fix Doc String . The missing documentation stub with the corresponding tags is added. For example:

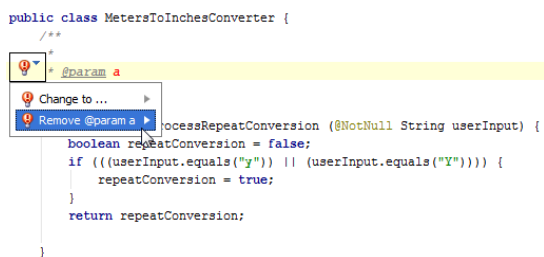
```
/**
 *
 * @param userInput
 * @return
 */
static boolean processRepeatConversion (@NotNull String userInput) {
boolean repeatConversion = false;
if (((userInput.equals("y")) || (userInput.equals("Y")))) {
repeatConversion = true;
}
return repeatConversion;
}
}
```

The next case lays with fixing problems in the existing documentation comments.

For example, if a method signature has been changed, IntelliJ IDEA highlights a tag that doesn't match the method signature, and suggests a quick fix.

For JavaScript, IntelliJ IDEA suggests an intention action UpdateJSDoc comment . You can also press `Ctrl+Shift+A`, and type the action name:

```
public class MetersToInchesConverter {
/**
 * @param a
 */
processRepeatConversion (@NotNull String userInput) {
boolean repeatConversion = false;
if (((userInput.equals("y")) || (userInput.equals("Y")))) {
repeatConversion = true;
}
return repeatConversion;
}
}
```



**Tip** The action Fix doc comment has no keyboard shortcut bound with it. You can [configure keyboard shortcut](#) of your own.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a built-in debugger for your **client-side** JavaScript code that works with Chrome. The video and the instructions below walk you through the basic steps to get started with this debugger.

Before you start, configure the built-in debugger as described in [Configuring JavaScript Debugger](#) . To use the **Live Edit** functionality that shows the changes in your HTML and CSS in the browser on the fly, install the [JetBrains IDE Support](#) Chrome extension. Find more about that in [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#) .

## Debugging an application running on the built-in server

IntelliJ IDEA has a built-in web server that can be used to preview and debug your application. This server is always running and does not require any manual configuration. All the project files are served on the built-in server with the root URL

`http://localhost:<built-in server port>/<project root>` , with respect to the project structure.

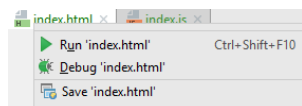
**To start debugging :**

1. Set the [breakpoints](#) in the JavaScript code, as required.
2. Open the HTML file that references the JavaScript to debug or select the HTML file in the [Project view](#) .
3. On the context menu of the editor or the selection, choose `Debug <HTML_file_name>` . IntelliJ IDEA generates a debug configuration and starts a debugging session through it. The file opens in the browser, and the [Debug tool window](#) appears.
4. In the Debug tool window, proceed as usual: [step through the program](#) , [stop and resume](#) the program execution, [examine it when suspended](#) , [view actual HTML DOM](#) , etc.

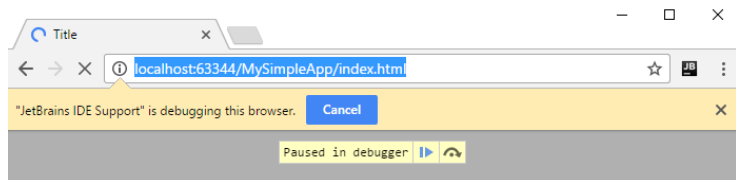
**Tip** To save the automatically generated configuration for further re-use, choose `Save <HTML_file_name>` on the context menu after the debugging session is over.


## Example

Suppose you have a simple application that consists of an `index.html` file and a `MyJavaScript.js` file, where `index.html` references `MyJavaScript.js` . To start debugging this application using the built-in server, open `index.html` in the editor and choose `Debug 'index.html'` on the context menu:



IntelliJ IDEA creates a **run/debug configuration** automatically, and a debugging session starts:



To restart the new run/debug configuration, click  in the upper right-hand corner of the IntelliJ IDEA window or choose `Run | Debug` on the main menu:




## Debugging an application running on an external web server

Often you may want to debug client-side JavaScript running on an external development web server, e.g. powered by Node.js.


**To start debugging**

1. Set the [breakpoints](#) in the JavaScript code, as required.
2. Run the application in the **development mode** . Often you need to run `npm start` for that. When the development server is ready, copy the URL address at which the application is running in the browser - you will need to specify this URL address in the run/debug configuration.
3. Create a debug configuration of the type **JavaScript Debug** :

Choose `Run | Edit Configuration` on the main menu, click  on the toolbar and select **JavaScript Debug** from the pop-up list.

4. In the `Run/Debug Configuration: JavaScript Debug` dialog box that opens, specify the URL address at which the application is running.

This URL can be copied from the address bar of your browser as described in Step 2 above. Click **OK** to save the configuration settings.

5. Choose the newly created configuration in the `Select run/debug configuration` drop-down list on the toolbar and click the `Debug` toolbar button  . The URL address specified in the run configuration opens in the browser and the [Debug tool window](#) appears.
6. In the Debug tool window, proceed as usual: [step through the program](#) , [stop and resume](#) the program execution, [examine it when suspended](#) , [view actual HTML DOM](#) , etc.

See [Debugging React Applications](#) and [Debugging Angular Applications](#) for examples.

## Starting a debugging session with your default Chrome profile

**Tip** Alternatively, always choose this Chrome browser configuration from the Browser list.

You may notice that your debugging session starts in a new window with a custom profile instead of your default one. As a result, the window looks unusual, for example, your bookmarks, the browser history, and the extensions are missing, which altogether breaks your development experience. That happens because IntelliJ IDEA uses [Chrome Debugging Protocol](#) and runs Chrome with the `--remote-debugging-port` option. However, if Chrome is already started, a debugging port can't be opened for any new or existing Chrome instance that has the same profile. To ensure consistent user experience, IntelliJ IDEA always starts a debugging session in a new window with a custom Chrome profile.

To avoid this problem, configure Chrome in IntelliJ IDEA to start with your profile or debug with the [JetBrains Chrome extension](#) as you did before.

### To configure Chrome in IntelliJ IDEA with your profile

1. Save your Chrome profile anywhere on your machine.
2. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), choose Web Browsers under Tools. The [Web Browsers](#) page opens.
3. To create a new Chrome configuration, click `+`. A new item appears in the list. In the Path field, specify the path to the Chrome installation folder.
4. Select the new configuration and click `🔍`. The Chrome Settings dialog opens.
5. Select the Use custom profile directory checkbox and specify the path to your Chrome profile in the IntelliJ IDEA settings.
6. Mark your Chrome browser configuration **default** as described in [Choosing the default IntelliJ IDEA browser](#), and don't forget to choose Default from the Browser list when [creating a run/debug configuration](#).

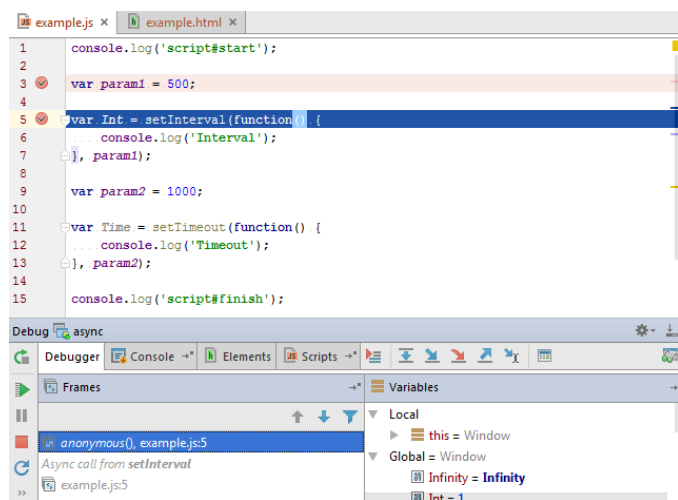
### To debug with the JetBrains Chrome extension

Install the extension and configure the [Live Edit](#) functionality as described in [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#).

## Debugging asynchronous code

IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging asynchronous client-side JavaScript code. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes breakpoints inside asynchronous code, stops at them, and lets you step into such code. As soon as a breakpoint inside an asynchronous function is hit or you step into asynchronous code, a new element `Async call from <caller>` is added in the Frames pane of the Debugger tab. IntelliJ IDEA displays a full call stack, including the caller and the entire way to the beginning of the asynchronous actions.

The image below shows an example of a JavaScript debugging session.



The debugger stops at line3(breakpoint), then at line5(breakpoint). On clicking Step into, the debugger will stop at line5 (on `function`), then will move to line6.

The asynchronous debugging mode is turned on by default. To disable asynchronous stack traces, set `js.debugger.async.call.stack.depth` in [Registry](#) to `0`.

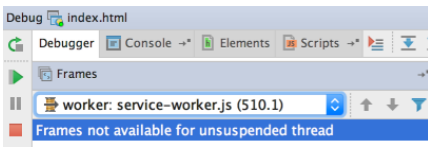
## Debugging workers


IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging [Service Workers](#) and [Web Workers](#). IntelliJ IDEA recognizes breakpoints in each **worker** and shows the debug data for it as a separate thread in the **Frame** pane on the **Debugger** tab of the **Debug Tool Window**.

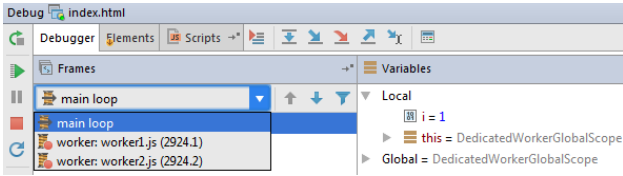
Note that IntelliJ IDEA can debug only [dedicated workers](#), debugging for [shared workers](#) is currently not supported.

1. Set the breakpoints in the **Workers** to debug.
2. If you are using **Service Workers**, make sure the Allow unsigned requests checkbox on the **Debugger** page is selected. Otherwise your **service workers** may be unavailable during a debug session:





3. Create a debug configuration of the type **JavaScript Debug** as described above in [Debugging client-side JavaScript running on an external web server](#) .
4. Choose the newly created configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the tool bar and click the Debug toolbar button  .  
The HTML file specified in the run configuration opens in the chosen browser and the [Debug Tool Window](#) opens with the Frames drop-down list showing all the **Workers** :



To examine the data (variables, watches, etc.) for a **Worker** , select its thread in the list and view its data in the [Variables](#) and [Watches](#) panes. When you select another **Worker** , the contents of the panes are updated accordingly.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Debugging JavaScript in IntelliJ IDEA is supported through the **JavaScript Debugger** plugin. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Debugging of JavaScript code is supported in [Google Chrome](#) and other browsers of the **Chrome** family.

To ensure successful debugging, it is enough to specify the built-in web server port and accept the default settings that IntelliJ IDEA suggests for other debugger options.

#### To set the built-in web server port

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click Debugger under Build, Execution, Deployment . The [Debugger](#) page opens.
2. In the Built-in server area, specify the port where the built-in web server runs. By default this port is set to the default IntelliJ IDEA port `63342` through which IntelliJ IDEA accepts connections from services. You can set the port number to any other value starting with 1024 and higher.

If the Live Edit functionality is enabled, the JetBrains Chrome extension will also use this port to connect to the running page, see [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#) for details.

#### Optionally

1. Suppress calls to the files on the built-in server from other computers or from outside IntelliJ IDEA by clearing the Can accept external connections or Allow unsigned requests checkbox respectively.
2. Choose the way to remove breakpoints, the default setting is Click .
3. On the [Data Views](#) page under the Debugger node, configure advanced debugger options: enable or disable [inline Debugging](#) , specify when you want to see tooltips with object values and [expressions evaluation results](#) , etc.
4. Click JavaScript under the Data Views node and on the [JavaScript](#) page that opens, specify the following:
  - Whether you want object node properties to be shown. If so, specify the properties. Use `+` and `-` to manage the list of properties.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Before you start, configure the built-in debugger as described in [Configuring JavaScript Debugger](#) . To use the **Live Edit** functionality that shows the changes in your HTML and CSS in the browser on the fly, install the [JetBrains IDE Support](#) Chrome extension. Find more about that in [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#) .

## What is a remote web server?

In IntelliJ IDEA, any server with the **document root** outside the current project is called **remote** . This server may be actually running on a physically remote host or on your machine.

For example, if your project is in `C:/IntelliJ IDEAProjects/MyProject` and the web server document root is `C:/XAMPP/htdocs` , for IntelliJ IDEA this web server is **remote** .

## How do I synchronize my application sources on the server with their local copies in my IntelliJ IDEA project?

To debug an application on a **remote** web server, you need to have the copies of its sources in a IntelliJ IDEA project. To synchronize local and remote sources, create a **deployment configuration** as described in [Creating a Remote Server Configuration](#) and [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) .


## Debugging an application

1. Set the [breakpoints](#) in the JavaScript code, as required.
2. Create a debug configuration of the type **JavaScript Debug** :

On the main menu, choose **Run | Edit Configuration** , then in the **Edit Configurations** dialog, click **+** on the toolbar and select **JavaScript Debug** from the pop-up list.

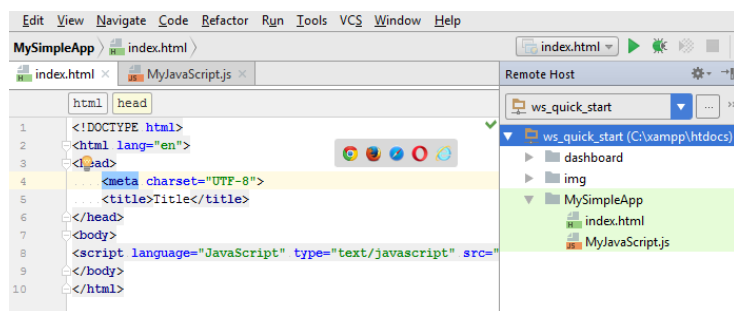
3. In the **Run/Debug Configuration: JavaScript Debug** dialog box that opens, specify the URL address at which the application is running.

This URL address should be a concatenation of the **Web server root URL** and the path to the HTML file relative to the web server document root in accordance with **server access configuration** , see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) . Click **OK** to save the configuration settings.

4. Choose the newly created configuration in the **Select run/debug configuration** drop-down list on the tool bar and click the **Debug** toolbar button  . The HTML file specified in the run configuration opens in the chosen browser and the **Debug tool window** appears.
5. In the **Debug tool window**, proceed as usual: [step through the program](#) , [stop and resume](#) the program execution, [examine it when suspended](#) , [view actual HTML DOM](#) , etc.

## Example

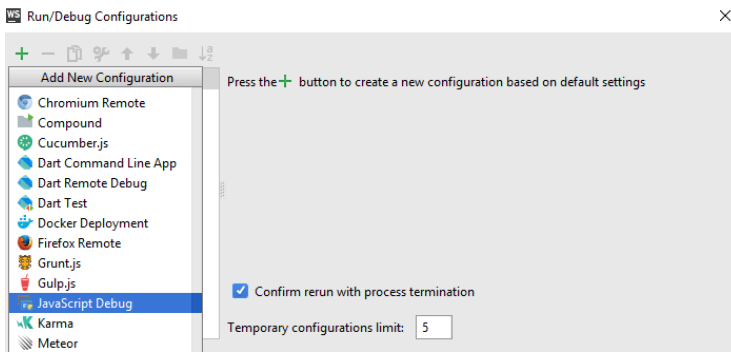
Suppose you have a simple application that consists of an `index.html` file and a `MyJavaScript.js` file, where `index.html` references `MyJavaScript.js` . Let's now deploy our simple application to a local web server, see [Deploying you application](#) . In this example it is Apache:



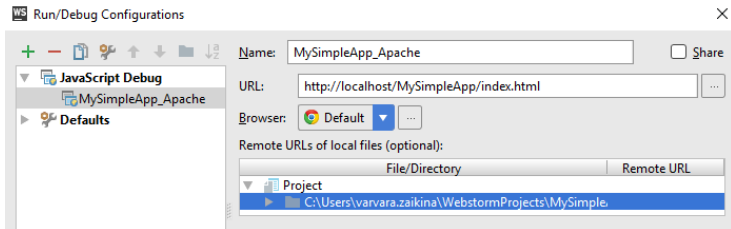
When using a local web server, such as Nginx or Apache, as in our example, or the web server is on a remote host, you need to create a **Run/Debug configuration** to start the JavaScript debugger. To do that, click the drop-down list at the upper right-hand corner of the IntelliJ IDEA window and choose **Edit Configurations** . Alternatively, choose **Run | Edit Configurations** on the main menu:




In the **Run/Debug Configurations** dialog box that opens, click **+** and choose **JavaScript Debug** from the list:

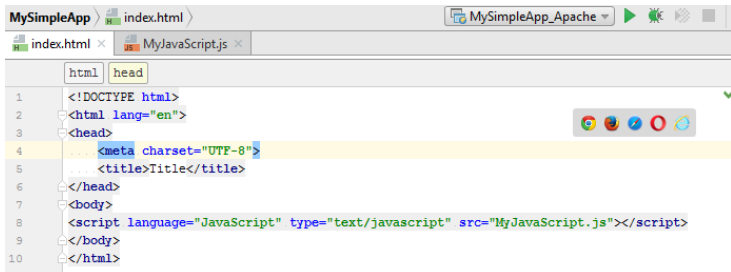


Specify the URL you are running your application at:



In our example, the local project structure and file structure on the server are the same so no mappings are required.

Now we can start debugging: choose the new run/debug configuration from the drop-down list in the upper right-hand corner of the IntelliJ IDEA window, and then click  to the right of the list:



## Configuring mappings

Mappings set correspondence between files on a web server and their local copies.

When do I need mappings?

1. When your application is deployed and running on a remote web server.
2. When you have defined several resource root folders in addition to the project root.

In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA sets path mappings automatically by reusing mappings from the deployment configuration . If your application structure is complicated, additional manual configuration is required.

To configure mappings:

1. Create a debug configuration of the type JavaScript Debug as described in [Debugging an application](#) .
2. In the Remote URLs of local files area, map the files and folders to URL addresses of files and folders on the server according to the currently used deployment configuration , see [Mapping local folders to folders on the server and the URL addresses to access them](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Tip** Live Edit also works for other file types that contain or generate HTML, CSS, or JavaScript.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a **Live Edit** functionality that lets you preview the changes to your HTML, CSS, or JavaScript code on the fly during a debugging session. The live contents of the page you edit are shown in the `Elements` tab of the **Debug tool window**.

Live Edit works through the **JetBrains Chrome extension** and therefore is available only in [Google Chrome](#).

## Before you start



Install and enable the LiveEdit plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing the JetBrains Chrome Extension

**Tip** When the extension is installed, the `JB` icon is displayed next to the Chrome address bar.

The JetBrains Chrome extension is responsible of **Live Edit** in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript during a debugging session. The extension also shows the **DOM tree** and the source code of the actual page.

To install the JetBrains Chrome extension

1. Open the [JetBrains IDE Support](#) page in **Chrome Web Store**.
2. Click the Add to Chrome button , and then click Add in the Confirm New Extension dialog box that opens. The Add to Chrome button changes to Added to Chrome .

## Activating Live Edit


**Tip** By default, **Live Edit** is disabled.


1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click Debugger under Build, Execution, Deployment, and then click Live Edit. The **Live Edit** page opens.
2. Select the Update application in Chrome checkbox. This enables on-the-fly preview of HTML and CSS.
3. To enable **Live Edit** in JavaScript, select the Update on changes checkbox.
4. Set the elapsed time for applying the changes to a running application: accept the default value `300 ms` or specify a custom value using the spin box next to the corresponding field.
5. To configure highlighting, select the Highlight current element in browser on caret change checkbox. Otherwise, during a debugging session, you will have to hold `Shift` and click the element to highlight.
6. To have IntelliJ IDEA restart the server if automatic upload of changes to the client-side code fails, select the Restart if hotswap fails checkbox. See

## Activating, de-activating, and uninstalling JetBrains Chrome extension

Control over the JetBrains Chrome extension is provided through the `chrome://extensions` page:

- To open the page, just type `chrome://extensions` in the Chrome address bar.

Alternatively click Customize and control Google Chrome (  ), choose Settings on the context menu, and then click Extensions on the `chrome://settings` page that opens.

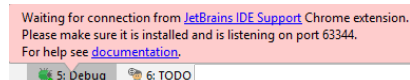
- To deactivate the extension, clear the Enabled checkbox. The checkbox name changes to Enable.
- To activate the extension, select the Enable checkbox.
- To uninstall the extension, click the Remove from Chrome button .

## Changing the default port for connecting to IntelliJ IDEA

During a debugging session with **Live Edit**, the **Chrome extension** listens to the port of the JetBrains IDE from which the extension was invoked. Each IDE including IntelliJ IDEA has its own default port on which it starts.


If for some reason the default IntelliJ IDEA port is already busy, IntelliJ IDEA finds the closest available port and starts on it. This results in a conflict: IntelliJ IDEA is running on a "new" port while the **Chrome extension** still listens to the port of a previously started product.

The conflict reveals when you initiate a debugging session with **Live Edit**: the extension fails to connect through the default port, IntelliJ IDEA waits for connection from the extension and displays the following message with the port number where it is actually running (for example, `current port 63343`):



To fix the problem, specify the actual IntelliJ IDEA port in the Chrome extension options


Right-click  and choose Options on the context menu. A web page with the Chrome extension options opens showing

1. Right-click  and choose Options on the context menu. A web page with the Chrome extension options opens showing the parameters to connect to IntelliJ IDEA.
2. In the IDE Connection area, specify the actual IntelliJ IDEA port in the Port spin box.

## Overriding the default CORS settings

Suppose the page you are debugging with **Live Edit** requests a resource which is, for security reasons, protected against access through [CORS settings](#) . You can enable access to the protected resources by changing the Chrome extension options.

### To override the default CORS settings


1. Right-click  and choose Options on the context menu. A web page with Chrome extension options opens showing the parameters to connect to IntelliJ IDEA.
2. In the Force CORS text box, type the pattern that defines the URL addresses you want to make accessible, for example:  
`http://youtrack.jetbrains.com/rest/*` .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

During a debugging session, you can view the HTML source code that implements the actual browser page and its [HTML DOM structure](#) in the Elements tab of the Debug tool window. Moreover, any changes made to the page through the browser are immediately reflected in the Elements tab. To monitor also the changes you make in the editor, install the [JetBrains Chrome extension](#) and enable the [Live Edit](#) functionality as described in [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#).

Currently this functionality is supported only for [Google Chrome](#) and only during a debugging session.

#### To view the HTML source and DOM structure of the actual page

1. To start a debugging session, create a run configuration [of the type JavaScript Debug](#) and click  on the toolbar.
2. Switch to the Debug tool window and open the Elements tab. The tab consists of two panes, both of them are read-only.
  - The Text pane shows the HTML source code of the page that is currently opened in the browser. As soon as any change is made to the page in the browser (e.g. clicking an icon), the code in the pane is updated accordingly.
  - The Structure pane shows the DOM structure of the HTML code in the Text pane.

The Structure and the Text panes are mutually synchronized. When you click a node in the DOM structure, IntelliJ IDEA scrolls through the contents of the Text pane. The panes are also synchronized with the browser: as soon as you click a node in the DOM structure or in the Text pane, IntelliJ IDEA highlights the corresponding element in the browser.


3. To view a tree of executed scripts, open the Scripts tab.

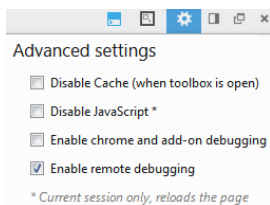
This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can debug your client-side JavaScript in Firefox, version 36 and higher, using the Firefox remote debugging functionality. However it is strongly recommended that you use **Chrome** or any other browser of the **Chrome** family.

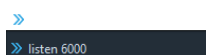
You can debug an application running on the IntelliJ IDEA built-in web server on an external server.

## Enabling Firefox remote debugging

1. Open your **Firefox** browser, then open Tools | Developer | Toggle Tools .
2. In the Development Tools pane that opens, click Toolbox Options button  on the toolbar and select the Enable remote debugging checkbox under Advanced Settings .



3. Choose Tools | Developer | Developer Toolbar . In the console that opens at the bottom of the browser, type `listen` `<port number>` .




You can set any port number, however it is recommended that you use 6000 and higher. Later you will specify this port number in the run configuration.

## Debugging an application

1. Set the **breakpoints** in the JavaScript code, as required.
2. Create a debug configuration of the type **Firefox Remote** :

Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu, click  on the toolbar and select Firefox Remote from the pop-up list.

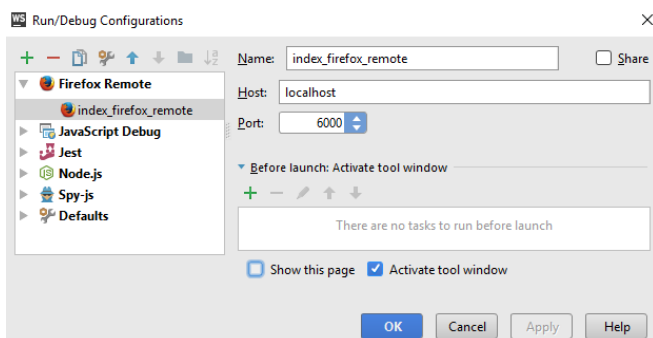
3. In the **Run/Debug Configuration: Firefox Remote** dialog box that opens, type `localhost` in the Host field. In the Port field, type the port that you specified when you **enabled remote debugging in Firefox** . The default value is `6000` .
4. Open your application in Firefox. The browser shows the application after the code execution, that is, the breakpoints you set have no effect yet.
5. Choose the newly created configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the toolbar and click the Debug toolbar button  .
6. In the dialog box that opens, click OK to allow incoming connection from the browser.
7. Refresh the application page in the browser: the page shows the results of code execution up to the first breakpoint.
8. In the Debug tool window, proceed as usual: **step through the program** , **stop and resume** the program execution, **examine it when suspended** , **view actual HTML DOM** , etc.

## Example

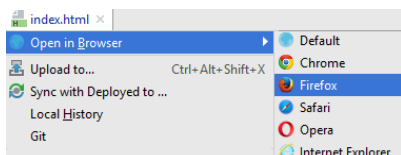
Suppose you have a simple application that consists of two files: `index.html` and `index.js` file, where `index.html` references `index.js` . This example shows how you can debug the application when it is running on the IntelliJ IDEA built-in server.

### To start debugging

1. Set the breakpoints in `index.js` .
2. Create a **FireFox Remote** debug configuration, type `localhost` and `6000` in the Host and Port fields respectively:

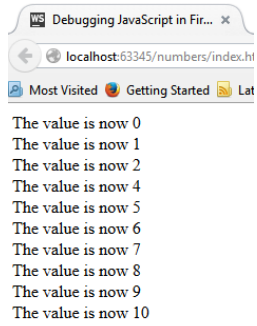


3. Open `index.html` in the editor, choose Open in browser on the context menu, and then choose Firefox from the list:



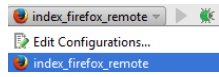


The browser opens showing the application running on the IntelliJ IDEA port (currently 63345 ):

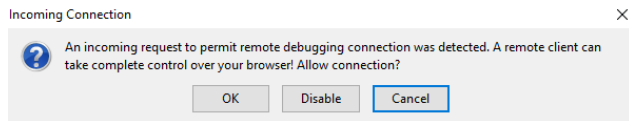


4. Select the `index_firefox_remote` configuration from the drop-down list on the toolbar and click the Debug toolbar button 

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Click OK in the Incoming Connection dialog box that opens:



Refresh the application page in the browser.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides basic support of [Flow](#) static type checker that brings type annotations to **JavaScript**. This support involves recognition and syntax highlighting of **Flow** structures on all operating systems.

## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
2. Configure the Node.js interpreter in IntelliJ IDEA as described in [Configuring a local Node.js interpreter](#).
3. Install and enable the **NodeJS** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing Flow

**Tip** Learn more from the [Flow Official website](#).

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and at the command prompt, type:

- `npm install --global flow-bin` to install Flow globally.
- `npm install --save-dev flow-bin` to install Flow in the current project.

## Configuring Flow in IntelliJ IDEA

To have IntelliJ IDEA recognize **Flow** structures, provide correct syntax highlighting, report errors properly, and avoid false-positive error highlighting, change the **JavaScript** language level to **Flow**, add a `.flowconfig` configuration file to your project, and supply every file to be checked with a `// @flow` comment on top.

### To change the language level to Flow

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click JavaScript under Languages and Frameworks. The **JavaScript** page opens.
2. From the JavaScript Language Version drop-down list, choose **Flow**.
3. In the Flow package or executable field, specify the path to the `node_modules\flow-bin` package or the Flow binary executable file. To use `node_modules\.bin\flow` make sure the path to Node.js is added to the `PATH` environment variable.
4. In the Use Flow server for: area, specify the basis for coding assistance by selecting or clearing the following checkboxes:
  - Type checking: When this checkbox is selected, syntax and error highlighting is provided based on the data received from the Flow server. When the checkbox is cleared, only the basic internal IntelliJ IDEA highlighting is available.
  - Navigation, code completion, and type hinting: When this checkbox is selected, suggestion lists for reference resolution and code completion contain both suggestions retrieved from integration with Flow and suggestions calculated by IntelliJ IDEA. When the checkbox is cleared, references are resolved through IntelliJ IDEA calculation only.

The checkboxes are available only when the path to the **Flow** executable file is specified.

5. Keep the Save all modified files automatically checkbox selected to ensure that Flow is applied continuously because Flow checks the current files only after all the other modified files are saved.

### To generate a .flowconfig configuration file in your project

open the embedded Terminal (View | Tool Windows | Terminal) and type `flow init` at the command prompt.

### To have a file checked with Flow

Add a `// @flow` comment at the top of it: just type `flow`, press `Tab`, and IntelliJ IDEA will expand it into `// @flow`.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [Grunt JavaScript Task Runner](#). IntelliJ IDEA parses `Gruntfile.js` files, recognizing definitions of tasks and targets, lets you build trees of tasks and targets and navigate between a task or a target in the tree and its definition in the `Gruntfile.js` file, and supports running and debugging tasks as well as configuring the task execution mode and output.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can launch Grunt tasks in the following ways:

- From tasks trees in the dedicated [Grunt tool window](#) which opens when you invoke **Grunt** from a `Gruntfile.js` file. As soon as you invoke **Grunt**, it starts building a tree of tasks according to the `Gruntfile.js` on which it was invoked. If a task has [targets](#), the task is displayed as a node and the targets are listed under it.
- According to a dedicated run configuration, see [Run/Debug Configuration: Grunt.js](#).
- As a before-launch task, from another run configuration.

The result of executing a task is displayed in the [Run tool window](#). The tool window shows the Grunt output, reports the errors occurred, lists the packages or plugins that have not been found, etc. The name of the last executed task is displayed on the title bar of the tool window.

## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
2. Install and enable the NodeJS plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing Grunt

**Tip** You can also install the packages on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in [NPM](#).

To use **Grunt** in a IntelliJ IDEA project, you need two packages:

- A globally installed `grunt-cli` package (Grunt command line interface) for executing Grunt commands.
- A `grunt` package installed in the project to build the project tasks tree and provide coding assistance while editing the `Gruntfile.js` or `Gruntfile.coffee` file. Learn more about `Gruntfile.js` from the [Grunt Official website](#).

To install `grunt-cli` globally

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `npm install -g grunt-cli` at the command prompt.

To install Grunt in a project

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `npm install grunt --save-dev` at the command prompt.

## Running Grunt tasks from the tasks tree

Running Grunt tasks right from the tasks tree is easy and fast, the only disadvantage of this approach is that such important additional options as **force execution** and **verbose mode** are not available in this mode. As a result, you cannot have IntelliJ IDEA, for example, ignore warnings or provide a detailed log.


When you build a tree of tasks for the first time during the current IntelliJ IDEA session, the Grunt tool window is not opened yet.

The task or target execution output will be displayed in the [Run tool window](#). The name of the target is shown in the format `<task name>:<target name>`. The tool window shows the Grunt output, reports the errors occurred, lists the packages or plugins that have not been found, etc. The name of the last executed task is displayed on the title bar of the tool window.

To open the Grunt tool window with a tree of tasks

Select the required `Gruntfile.js` file in the Project tool window or open it in the editor and choose Show Grunt Tasks on the context menu.

To build a tree of tasks from the Grunt tool window

In the Grunt tool window, click  on the toolbar and choose the required `Gruntfile.js` file from the list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a tasks tree under it. The title of the node shows the path to the `Gruntfile.js` file according to which the tree is built.

To re-build a tree

Switch to the required node and click  on the toolbar.

To sort the tasks in a tree by their names

Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name.

By default, a tree shows the tasks in the order in which they are defined in `Gruntfile.js` (option Definition order).

#### To run a task or a target

Double click the required task or target. Alternatively select it in the tree and press `Enter` or choose Run <task name> on the context menu.

#### To run the default task

Select the root node in the tree, and choose Run default on the context menu of the selection.

#### To run several tasks or targets

Use the multiselect mode: hold `Shift` (for adjacent items) or `Ctrl` (for non-adjacent items) keys and select the required tasks or targets, then choose Run on the context menu of the selection.

#### To navigate to the definition of a task or a target

Select the required task or target in the tree, and choose Jump to source on the context menu of the selection.

## Running and debugging tasks according to a run configuration

Besides using **temporary** run configurations that IntelliJ IDEA creates automatically, you can create and launch your own Grunt.js run configurations.

#### To create a Grunt.js run/debug configuration

1. Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.
2. Click `+` on the toolbar and select Grunt.js from the pop-up list.
3. In the **Run/Debug Configuration: Grunt.js** dialog box that opens, specify the name of the run configuration, the tasks to run (use blank spaces as separators), the location of the `Gruntfile.js` file to retrieve the definitions of the tasks from, and the path to the `grunt` package installed **locally**, under the project root.  
Specify the location of the Node.js executable file and the Node.js-specific options to be passed to this executable file, see [Node parameters](#) for details.

If applicable, specify the [environment variables](#) for the Node.js executable file.

To have **Grunt** ignore warnings and continue executing the launched task until the task is completed successfully or an error occurs, select the `-f` checkbox. Otherwise, the task execution is stopped by the first reported warning. To have the **verbose** mode applied and thus have a full detailed log of a task execution displayed, select the `--v` checkbox.

#### To run the tasks

Select the newly created run configuration from the list on the main tool bar and `▶` next to the list. IntelliJ IDEA displays the task output in the [Run tool window](#).

#### To debug the tasks

1. Create a **Grunt.js** run/debug configuration [as described above](#).
2. Open the `Gruntfile.js` file in the editor and set the breakpoints in it where necessary.
3. To start a debugging session, select the required debug configuration from the list on the main tool bar and click `⌘` next to the list or choose Run | Debug <configuration name>.
4. In the **Debug tool window** that opens, analyze the suspended task execution, step through the task, etc. as described in [Examining Suspended Program](#) and [Stepping Through the Program](#).

#### To run a Grunt task as a Before-Launch task

1. Open the **Run/Debug Configurations Dialog** dialog by choosing Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu, and select the required configuration from the list or create it anew by clicking `+` and choosing the relevant run configuration type.
2. In the dialog box that opens, click `+` in the Before launch area and choose Run Grunt task from the drop-down list.
3. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

## Running Grunt tasks automatically

If you have some tasks or targets that you run on a regular basis, you can add the corresponding run configurations to a list of **startup tasks**. The tasks will be executed automatically on the project start-up.

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click Startup Tasks under Tools.
2. On the **Startup Tasks page** that opens, click `+` on the toolbar.
3. From the drop-down list, choose the required **Grunt** run configuration. The configuration is added to the list.  
If no applicable configuration is available in the project, click `+` and choose Edit Configurations. Then define a configuration with the required settings in the **Run/Debug Configuration: Grunt.js** page that opens. When you save the new configuration it is automatically added to the list of startup tasks.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [Gulp.js Task Runner](#). IntelliJ IDEA parses `Gulpfile.js` files, recognizing definitions of tasks, lets you build trees of tasks and navigate between a task in the tree and its definition in the `Gulpfile.js` file, and supports running and debugging tasks as well as configuring the task execution mode and output.

`Gulp.js` tasks can be run either from the tasks tree in the dedicated [Gulp Tool Window](#), from the `Gulpfile.js` file, by launching a [Gulp.js run configuration](#), or as a before-launch task from another run configuration.

## Running Gulp.js tasks from the tasks tree

### Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
2. Install and enable the NodeJS plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

### Installing Gulp.js

**Tip** You can also install the packages on the [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) page as described in [NPM](#).

To use `Gulp` in a IntelliJ IDEA project, you need two packages:

- A globally installed `gulp-cli` package (Gulp command line interface) for executing Gulp commands.
- A `gulp` package installed in the project to build the project tasks tree and provide coding assistance while editing the `Gulpfile.js` file. Learn more about `Gulpfile.js` from the [Gulp.js Official website](#).

#### To install gulp-cli globally

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `npm install --g gulp-cli` at the command prompt.

#### To install Gulp.js in a project

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `npm install gulp --save-dev` at the command prompt.

### Running Gulp.js tasks from the tasks tree

`Gulp.js` starts building a **tasks tree** as soon as you invoke `Gulp.js` by choosing Show Gulp Tasks on the context menu of a `Gulpfile.js` in the Project tool window or of a `Gulpfile.js` opened in the editor. The tree is built according to the `Gulpfile.js` file on which `Gulp.js` was invoked. If you have several `Gulpfile.js` files in your project, you can build a separate tasks tree for each of them and run tasks without abandoning the previously built tasks trees. Each tree is shown under a separate node.

Technically, IntelliJ IDEA invokes `Gulp.js` and processes `Gulpfile.js` according to the [default Gulp.js run configuration](#). However this is done silently and does not require any steps from your side.



The task execution output will be displayed in the [Run tool window](#). The tool window shows the Gulp.js output, reports the errors occurred, lists the packages or plugins that have not been found, etc. The name of the last executed task is displayed on the title bar of the tool window.

## Building a tasks tree

- If the Gulp tool window is not opened yet:

Select the required `Gulpfile.js` file in the Project tool window or open it in the editor and choose Show Gulp Tasks on the context menu.

In either case, the Gulp tool window opens showing the tasks tree built according to the selected or opened `Gulpfile.js` file.

- In the Gulp tool window, click  on the toolbar and choose the required `Gulpfile.js` file from the list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a tasks tree under it. The title of the node shows the path to the `Gulpfile.js` file according to which the tree is built.
- To re-build a tree, switch to the required node and click  on the toolbar.

#### To sort the tasks in a tree by their names

Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name.

By default, a tree shows the tasks in the order in which they are defined in `Gulpfile.js` (option Definition order).

If your `Gulpfile.js` is written in [ECMA6](#), by default IntelliJ IDEA does not recognize this format and fails to build a tasks tree. To solve this problem, update the [default Gulp.js run configuration](#):

1. Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.

- Under the Defaults node, click Gulp.js .
- In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Gulp.js](#) dialog box that opens, type `--harmony` in the Node options text box and click OK .

## Running a task

### – To run a task

Double click the required task. Alternatively select it in the tree and press `Enter` or choose Run <task name> on the context menu.

### To run the default task

Select the root node in the tree, and choose Run default on the context menu of the selection.

### To run several tasks

Use the multiselect mode: hold `Shift` (for adjacent items) or `Ctrl` (for non-adjacent items) keys and select the required tasks, then choose Run on the context menu of the selection.

### To navigate to the definition of a task

Select the required task in the tree, and choose Jump to source on the context menu of the selection.

## Running tasks from Gulpfile.js

You can run tasks right from the `Gulpfile.js` file opened in the editor without previously building a tree of tasks.

### To run tasks from Gulpfile.js, do one of the following

- Position the cursor at the definition of the task to run and choose Run <task name> on the context menu of the selection.  
IntelliJ IDEA creates and launches a **temporary** run configuration with the name of the selected task.  
  
The task execution output will be displayed in the [Run tool window](#) . The tool window shows the Gulp.js output, reports the errors occurred, lists the packages or plugins that have not been found, etc. The name of the last executed task is displayed on the title bar of the tool window.
- To save an automatically created temporary run configuration, position the cursor at the definition of the task for which it was created and choose Save <task name> on the context menu of the selection.

## Running and debugging tasks according to a run configuration

Besides using **temporary** run configurations that IntelliJ IDEA creates automatically, you can create and launch your own **Gulp.js** run configurations.

### Creating a Gulp.js run configuration

- Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.
- Click `+` on the toolbar and select Gulp.js from the pop-up list.
- In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Gulp.js](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the run configuration, the tasks to run (use blank spaces as separators), the location of the `Gulpfile.js` file to retrieve the definitions of the tasks from, and the path to the `Gulp` package installed **locally**, under the project root.  
Specify the location of the Node.js executable file and the Node.js-specific options to be passed to this executable file, see [Node parameters](#) for details.

If applicable, specify the [environment variables](#) for the Node.js executable file.

If applicable, in the Arguments field, specify the arguments for tasks to be executed with. Use the following format:

```
--<parameter_name> <parameter_value>
```

For example: `--env development` .


For details about passing task arguments, see <https://github.com/gulpjs/gulp/blob/master/docs/recipes/passing-arguments-from-cli.md>

### Running a task according to a run configuration



- Select the run configuration from the list on the main tool bar and then choose Run | Run <configuration name>

on the main menu or click the Run toolbar button  . The output is displayed in the [Run tool window](#) .

## Debugging Gulp tasks



1. Create a [Gulp.js](#) run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. Open the `Gulpfile.js` file in the editor and set the breakpoints in it where necessary.
3. To start a debugging session, select the required debug configuration from the list on the main tool bar and click  next to the list or choose Run | Debug <configuration name> .
4. In the [Debug tool window](#) that opens, analyze the suspended task execution, step through the task, etc. as described in [Examining Suspended Program](#) and [Stepping Through the Program](#) .

## Running a Gulp task as a Before-Launch task

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) dialog by choosing Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu, and select the required configuration from the list or create it anew by clicking  and choosing the relevant run configuration type.
2. In the dialog box that opens, click  in the Before launch area and choose Run Gulp task from the drop-down list.
3. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

## Running Gulp.js tasks automatically

If you have some tasks that you run on a regular basis, you can add the corresponding run configurations to a list of **startup tasks** . The tasks will be executed automatically on the project start-up.

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click Startup Tasks under Tools .
2. On the [Startup Tasks page](#) that opens, click  on the toolbar.
3. From the drop-down list, choose the required [Gulp.js](#) run configuration. The configuration is added to the list.  
If no applicable configuration is available in the project, click  and choose Edit Configurations . Then define a configuration with the required settings in the [Run/Debug Configuration: Gulp.js](#) page that opens. When you save the new configuration it is automatically added to the list of startup tasks.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA recognizes and provides support for [Handlebars expressions and Mustache templates](#) in dedicated **Handlebars** and **Mustache** files that have the extension `.hbs` or `.mustache` respectively. IntelliJ IDEA distinguishes these file types and processes their contents according to default or custom settings specified on the [Templates page](#) of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

Before you start, install and activate the **Handlebars/Mustache** repository plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Configuring coding assistance for Handlebars expressions and Mustache templates

1. Open the [Templates page](#) ( File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Templates for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Templates for macOS). Switch to the Handlebars/Mustache area.
2. Enable or disable tag completion.
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert the second closing curly brace ( `}` ) of a **Handlebars expression** as soon as you type the first closing one, select the Automatically insert closing tag checkbox.  
IntelliJ IDEA also recognizes **triple stashes** ( `{{{` ) that prevent escaping values inside expressions. In this case, IntelliJ IDEA automatically inserts two closing curly braces as soon as you type the first closing one.
  - When this check box is cleared, you have to type the closing curly braces and triple stashes manually.
3. To have **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates** automatically reformatted during code generation, refactoring, or reformatting ( `Ctrl+Alt+L` ), select the Enable formatting checkbox.  
If the checkbox is cleared, the original formatting of **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates** is preserved.
4. From the Language for comments drop-down list, select the language to inherit the style for comments from. When you enter a line or block comment by pressing `Ctrl+Slash` or `Ctrl+Shift+Slash`, IntelliJ IDEA inserts the comment delimiters that are used in the chosen language, for example, `{{!--}}` for Handlebars, `/**` for JavaScript, `<!-->` for HTML, etc.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with most popular JavaScript code linters. All these tools register themselves as IntelliJ IDEA code inspections: they check JavaScript code for most common errors and potential problems without running the application. When a tool is activated, it launches automatically on the edited JavaScript file. Problems are highlighted and reported in pop-up information windows, a pop-up window appears when you hover the mouse pointer over a stripe in the Validation sidebar. You can also press `Alt+Enter` to examine errors and apply suggested quick fixes. Learn more about inspections and intention actions at [Code Inspection](#) and [Intention Actions](#).

## JSLint

1. Open the [JSLint page](#) ( File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSLint for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSLint for macOS).
2. Select the Enable checkbox. After that all the controls on the page become available.
3. Define the set of common mistakes to check the code for. To enable a validation, select the checkbox next to it.

## JSHint

1. Open the [JSHint page](#) ( File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSHint for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSHint for macOS).
2. Select the Enable checkbox. After that all the controls on the page become available.
3. From the Version drop-down list, choose the version of the tool to apply.  
IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with **version 2.9.4**, which is used by default. To download another version, choose it from the list.
4. Configure the behaviour of JSHint:
  - To have the code verified according to the rules from a previously created configuration file, select the Use config files checkbox.  
A configuration file is a JSON file with the extension `.jshintrc` that specifies which JSHint options should be enabled or disabled. IntelliJ IDEA will look for a `.jshintrc` file in the working directory. If the search fails, IntelliJ IDEA will search in the parent folder, then again in the parent folder. The process is repeated until IntelliJ IDEA finds a `.jshintrc` or reaches the project root. To have IntelliJ IDEA still run verification when no `.jshintrc` is found in the project, specify the default configuration file to use.
  - To configure verification manually, clear the checkbox and in the Options area select the checkboxes next to the validations you want to enable.

The controls in the area fall into two groups:

- Enforcing options: select the checkboxes in this group to enable very strict behaviour of the verification tool and thus allow only safe JavaScript.
- Relaxing options: select/clear the checkboxes in this area to suppress warnings when certain types of discrepancies are detected.
- Environments: select/clear these checkboxes to specify for which environments you want global properties predefined.

## Closure Linter

Before you start with **Closure Linter**, download and install Python as described on the [Python Official website](#).

1. [Download and install the Closure Linter tool](#).
2. Open the [Closure Linter page](#) ( File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | Closure Linter for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | Closure Linter for macOS).
3. Select the Enable checkbox.
4. Specify the path to the **Closure Linter** executable file:
  - `<Python_home>\Scripts\jslint.exe` for Windows
  - `/usr/local/bin/gjslint` for Linux and macOS
5. Specify the path to the previously created configuration file.

When a configuration file is parsed before the `gjslint` process starts and all the parsed options are passed as arguments to the `gjslint` process, the behaviour of **Closure Linter** may slightly differ depending on whether it is run from IntelliJ IDEA or in the command line mode.

When **Closure Linter** is running inside IntelliJ IDEA, the `gjslint` process is launched in the following way:

```
/path/to/gjslint --flagfile /path/to/config_file --recurse=no /path/to/user_source_file.js
```

Therefore, the following command fails if the configuration file has a space instead of a `=`:

```
--jslint_error indentation
```

## JSCS


## Before you start

1. Install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment and configure it as a Node interpreter as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
2. Install and enable the [NodeJS](#) repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## To install JSCS globally


1. Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` )
2. Type `npm install jscs -g` at the command prompt.

## To activate and configure JSCS

1. Open the [JSCS page](#) ( File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSCS for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSCS for macOS).
2. Select the Enable checkbox. After that the controls on the page become available.
3. In the Node Interpreter field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
4. In the JSCS Package field, specify the location of the `jscs` package installed in the current project, see [Installing JSCS](#) .
5. Appoint the [configuration](#) to use.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA first looks for a `jscsConfig` property in the `package.json` file of the current project. If no such property is found, IntelliJ IDEA looks for a `.jscsrc` or a `.jscs.json` configuration file. IntelliJ IDEA starts the search from the folder where the file to be checked is stored, then searches in the parent folder, and so on until reaches the project root. Accordingly, you have to define the configuration to apply either as a `jscsConfig` property in the `package.json` file or in a `.jscsrc` or a `.jscs.json` configuration file, or in a custom JSON configuration file.

You can also apply a predefined set of rules, either independently or in combination with a configuration file. In the latter case, the rules from the configuration file override the predefined rules.

- To have IntelliJ IDEA look for a `jscsConfig` property in the `package.json` file or for a `.jscsrc` or a `.jscs.json` file, choose the Search for config(s) option.
  - To use a custom file, choose the Configuration File option and specify the location fo the file in the Path field. Choose the path from the drop-down list, or type it manually, or click the  button and select the relevant file from the dialog box that opens.
  - To have a predefined set or rules applied, choose the desired set from the Code Style Preset drop-down list.
6. If necessary, from the Code Style Preset drop-down list, choose the set of predefined rules associated with the code style you use.

## ESLint

[ESLint](#) brings a wide range of linting rules that can also be extended with plugins. IntelliJ IDEA shows warnings and errors reported by ESLint right in the editor, as you type. You can also use [JavaScript Standard Style](#) with ESLint.

## Before you start

1. Install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment and configure it as a Node interpreter as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
2. Install and enable the [NodeJS](#) repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .


## To install ESLint

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and at the command prompt type `npm install eslint --save-dev` or `npm install eslint -g` .

Optionally, install additional plugins, for example, [eslint-plugin-react](#) to lint React applications.

## To activate and configure ESLint

1. Open the [ESLint page](#) ( File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | ESLint for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | ESLint for macOS).
2. Open the [ESLint page](#) ( IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | ESLint ).
3. Select the Enable checkbox. After that the controls on the page become available.
4. In the Node Interpreter field,

specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).

5. In the ESLint Package field, specify the location of the `eslint` or `standard` package.
6. Appoint the configuration to use.
  - If you choose Automatic search, IntelliJ IDEA looks for a `.eslintrc` file or tries to detect a configuration defined under `eslintConfig` in a `package.json`. IntelliJ IDEA first looks for a `.eslintrc` or `package.json` in the folder with the file to be linted, then in its parent folder, and so on up to the project root. If the search fails, ESLint uses its default embedded configuration file.
  - Choose Configuration File to use a custom file and specify the file location in the Path field.
7. If necessary, in the Extra ESLint Options field, specify additional command line options to run ESLint with using spaces as separators. See [ESLint Command Line Interface Options](#) for details.
8. If necessary, in the Additional Rules Directory field, specify the location of the files with additional code verification rules. These rules will be applied after the rules from `.eslintrc` or the above specified custom configuration file and accordingly will override them.

## Importing Code Style from ESLint

You can import some of the [ESLint code style rules](#) to the IntelliJ IDEA [JavaScript code style settings](#). This integration makes it easier for you to configure the IntelliJ IDEA code formatter so it no longer breaks properly formatted code from the ESLint perspective.

### To import ESLint code style rules

Open an `.eslintrc` JSON file or a `package.json` with the `eslintConfig` field. IntelliJ IDEA shows the question **Apply code style from ESLint?** at the top of the editor. Click Yes to apply the matched rules to the Project code style scheme.



Please note that only the rules that have matching code style settings in IntelliJ IDEA are applied, for example, `indent`, `curly` or `no-trailing-spaces`. Complex object options for these rules are not always applied. Also note that IntelliJ IDEA does not apply rules from the configuration files listed in the `extends` field or rules from plugins.

## JavaScript Standard Style

You can set JavaScript Standard Style as default JavaScript code style for your application so its main rules are applied when you type the code or reformat it. Since Standard is based on ESLint, you can also use Standard via the IntelliJ IDEA ESLint integration. Learn more from [JavaScript Standard Style Official website](#).

### To install JavaScript Standard

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `npm install standard --save-dev` at the command prompt. See also [JavaScript Standard Style: Installation](#).

### To set the JavaScript Standard Style as default

Open the [Code Style. JavaScript](#) page (in the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`)), choose Editor | Code Style | JavaScript), click Set from, and then choose Predefined Style | JavaScript Standard Style. The style will replace your current scheme.

### To enable linting with Standard via ESLint

Open the [ESLint](#) page as described above, select the Enable checkbox, and specify the location of the `standard` package in the ESLint Package field.

**TIP** If you open a project where `standard` is listed in the project's `package.json` file, IntelliJ IDEA will enable linting with Standard automatically.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Tip** To switch between the Documentation pop-up window and the [Documentation tool window](#), press `Ctrl+Q` sequentially.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA opens the MDN article in the [default IntelliJ IDEA browser](#).

IntelliJ IDEA lets you get reference for standard JavaScript APIs, for symbols from your project and from its dependencies, as well as for symbols defined in external libraries. The documentation is shown in a Documentation pop-up window that helps navigate to the related symbols via hyperlinks, and provides a toolbar for moving back and forth through the already navigated pages.

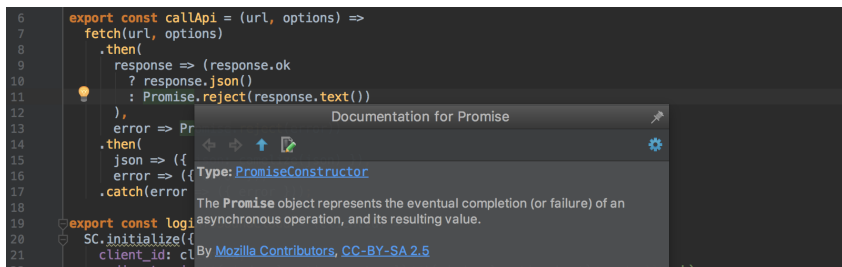
To view documentation for a symbol at caret

Press `Ctrl+Q` or choose View | Quick Documentation Lookup on the main menu. The reference for the symbol is shown in the Documentation pop-up window.

- For a project symbol or for a symbol from the project dependencies, IntelliJ IDEA generates the documentation from the corresponding [JSDoc comment](#).
- For a standard JavaScript object or method, IntelliJ IDEA shows the corresponding JSDoc comment from the built-in [TypeScript definition files](#) (`d.ts`). These files are bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and updated on a regular basis.
- If no comment is found in the `d.ts` files, IntelliJ IDEA shows a summary from the corresponding [MDN article](#).

To view the MDN documentation for a symbol at caret

- In the Documentation window (`Ctrl+Q`), click .



– Alternatively

Press `Shift+F1` or choose View | External Documentation on the main menu.

To view documentation in external JavaScript libraries

1. Download the required libraries or frameworks.
2. [Configure the downloads as libraries](#) at the IntelliJ IDEA level.
3. [Specify links to external documentation](#).
4. Position the cursor at the symbol in question and press `Shift+F1` or choose View | External Documentation on the main menu.

To view reference in a tool window

Pin the Documentation pop-up window. It turns into the [Documentation tool window](#), with the corresponding sidebar icon and more controls.


**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA can show documentation automatically only when you invoke completion explicitly with `Ctrl+Space`.

To show documentation automatically

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click General under Editor, then click Code Completion. The [Code Completion](#) page opens.
2. Select the Auto-display documentation checkbox and specify the elapsed time.

**Tip** See [Zooming in the Editor](#) for details.


To change the font size of quick documentation

- Click  in the upper-right corner of the quick documentation window, and move the slider.
- Alternatively

In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click General under Editor and select the Change font size (Zoom) with `Ctrl+Mouse Wheel` checkbox.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides integration with the [Meteor framework](#). Meteor support in IntelliJ IDEA involves:

- Automatic recognition of **Meteor** projects by detecting the `.meteor` folder and excluding the `.meteor/local` folder from project. See [Hiding excluded files](#) for details.
- Attaching the predefined **Meteor** library to the project automatically. This enables syntax highlighting, resolving references, and code completion.
- Support of **Spacebars** via **Handlebars** with completion for `if` and `each` directives. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes **Spacebars** templates, but as a side effect marks HTML files in **Meteor** projects with the **Handlebars/Mustache** icon . IntelliJ IDEA provides navigation between JavaScript source code and templates with [go to Declaration](#) (`Ctrl+B`).
- A dedicated complex **Meteor** run/debug configuration for debugging both the client-side and the server-side code within one debugging session, see [Debugging a Meteor application](#).

## Before you start

Make sure the **Meteor** and the **Handlebars/Mustache** plugins are activated. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

## Installing Meteor

**Tip** macOS 10.6 or higher is required.

The installation procedure depends on the operating system you are using:

- [To install Meteor on Windows](#)

Download the `LaunchMeteor.exe` installer at the [Meteor Official website](#).

- [To install Meteor on macOS or Linux](#)

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `$ curl https://install.meteor.com | /bin/sh` at the command prompt.

Learn more from the [Meteor Official website](#).

## Creating a new Meteor application

If you have no application yet, you can generate a IntelliJ IDEA project with Meteor-specific structure from a Meteor boilerplate template. Alternatively, create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project and configure Meteor support in it as described in [Starting with an existing Meteor application](#) below.

### To create a Meteor project from a boilerplate template

1. Choose `File | New | Project` on the main menu or click the `New Project` button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose `Static Web` in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose `Meteor App` and click `Next`.
4. On the second page of the wizard:
  1. Specify the project name and the folder to create it in.
  2. Specify the location of the **Meteor** executable file (see [Installing Meteor](#)).
  3. From the `Template` drop-down list, choose the sample to generate. To have a basic project structure generated, choose the `Default` option.

### To create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project

1. Choose `File | New | Project` on the main menu or click the `New Project` button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose `Static Web` in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, again choose `Static Web` and click `Next`.
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project folder and name and click `Finish`.

## Starting with an existing Meteor application

If you are going to continue developing an existing Meteor application, open it in IntelliJ IDEA, configure Meteor in it, and download the required dependencies as described in [Downloading Meteor dependencies](#) below.

### If the application sources are already on your machine

Click `Open` on the Welcome screen or choose `File | Open` on the main menu. In the dialog that opens, select the folder where your sources are stored.

### If the application sources are under version control

1. Click Check out from Version Control on the Welcome screen or choose VCS | Check out from Version Control on the main menu.
2. Select your version control system from the list.
3. In the VCS-specific dialog that opens, type your credentials and the repository to check out the application sources from.

#### To configure Meteor support in an existing project

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), choose JavaScript under Languages and Frameworks , then choose Meteor . The **Meteor** page opens.
2. Specify the path to the **Meteor** executable file. If you followed the standard installation procedure, IntelliJ IDEA detects the file automatically.
3. To involve the `.meteor/local` folder and its contents in indexing, clear the Automatically exclude ".meteor/local" directory on open project checkbox. For details, see [Hiding excluded files](#) below.
4. Make sure the Automatically import Meteor packages as external library checkbox is selected.
  - When the checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically imports the external packages from the `meteor/packages` file. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA provides full range coding assistance: resolves references to **Meteor** built-in functions, for example, `check(true)` , and to functions from third-party packages, provides proper syntax and error highlighting, supports debugging with source maps, etc.
  - When this checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA does not automatically import the external packages from the `meteor/packages` file. As a result no coding assistance is provided. To improve the situation, open the `meteor/packages` file in the editor and click the Import packages as library link or run the `meteor --update` command.
5. Make sure IntelliJ IDEA has attached the **Meteor** library to the project.

In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), choose JavaScript under Languages and Frameworks , then choose Libraries . On the [JavaScript. Libraries](#) page opens, make sure the checkbox next to the **Meteor** project library in the Libraries list is selected.


## Importing Meteor packages

Besides the predefined **Meteor** library that ensures basic **Meteor** -specific coding assistance, you can download additional [packages](#) that are defined in the `.meteor/local/packages` file.

#### To download additional Meteor packages

1. Open the `.meteor/local/packages` file in the editor.
2. Click the Import Meteor Packages link in the upper right-hand corner of the screen.
3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the packages to download depending on the type of the application you are going to develop in your project.
  - Client
  - Server
  - Cordova: choose this option to import the packages that support development of **Meteor** applications for **iOS** and **Android** , see [Meteor Cordova Phonegap Integration](#) for details.

## Hiding excluded files

the `.meteor/local` folder, which is intended for storing the built application, is automatically marked as **excluded** and is not involved in indexing. By default, **excluded** files are shown in the project tree. To hide the `.meteor/local` folder, click the  button on the toolbar of the Project tool window and remove a tick next to the Show Excluded Files option.

## Running a Meteor application

**Tip** Technically, IntelliJ IDEA creates separate run configurations for the server-side and the client-side code, but you specify all your settings in one dedicated **Meteor** run configuration.

IntelliJ IDEA runs Meteor applications according to a run configuration of the type **Meteor** . If you created your application from a boilerplate template, IntelliJ IDEA generates a **Meteor** run configuration for you.

#### To create a Meteor run configuration


1. On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations , click **+** and choose Meteor from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Meteor](#) opens.
2. In the Configuration tab, specify the path to the Meteor executable file according to the installation (see [Installing Meteor](#) ).
3. Specify the folder under which the application files to run are stored. This folder must have a `.meteor` subfolder in the root so IntelliJ IDEA recognizes your application as a **Meteor project** . By default, the working directory is the project root folder.

#### Optionally

1. In the Program Arguments field, specify the command line additional parameters to be passed to the executable file on start up, if applicable. These can be, for example, `--dev` , `--test` , or `--prod` to indicate the environment in which the application is running ( **development** , **test** , or **production** environments) so different resources are loaded on start up.
2. By default, IntelliJ IDEA shows the application output in the Run tool window. To view the results of the client-side code execution, in the Browser / Live Edit tab select the After Launch checkbox and choose the browser to open from the drop-

down list. In the text box below, specify the URL address to open the application at. The default value is `http://localhost:3000` .

#### To run a Meteor application

1. Select the required run configuration from the list on the main tool bar and then choose Run | Run <configuration name> on the main menu or click the Run toolbar button  .
2. View the application output in the Run tool window or in the browser if you configured the browser to open on application start [as described above](#) .




## Debugging a Meteor application

**Tip** The debugger also pauses at the breakpoints set in the sources stored in the `/packages` folder. This functionality is supported both for the client side and for the server side code.


With IntelliJ IDEA, you can debug both the **client-side** and the **server-side** of **Meteor** JavaScript code within one debugging session. A debugging session is initiated only through a dedicated **Meteor** run configuration.

Technically, several Meteor projects that implement different applications can be combined within one single IntelliJ IDEA project. To run and debug these applications independently, create a separate run configuration for each of them with the relevant working directory. To avoid port conflicts, these run configurations should use different ports. In the Program Arguments field, specify a separate port for each run configuration in the format `--port=<port_number>` .

#### To debug a Meteor application



1. Set the [breakpoints](#) in the code where necessary.
2. Create a Meteor run/debug configuration [as described above](#) . In the Browse / Live Edit tab, select the After launch checkbox, choose Chrome from the list, and select the with JavaScript debugger checkbox.
3. To initiate a debugging session, select the required debug configuration from the list on the main tool bar and click  next to the list or choose Run | Debug <configuration name> . The Debug tool window opens showing two tabs: one for debugging the server-side code marked with  and the other one for debugging the client-side code marked with  .
4. [Explore the suspended program](#) and [step through the program](#) .
5. Optionally, preview the changes to the application on the fly [as described below](#) .

## Previewing changes in the browser



**Tip** If automatic upload still fails, restart the application by clicking  on the toolbar.

During a debugging session, you can preview the changes to your HTML, CSS, or JavaScript code on the fly. The live contents of the page you edit are shown in the `Elements` tab of the [Debug tool window](#) . The update policy depends on which part of your application you are editing.

#### To preview the changes to the client-side code

- Switch to the <Configuration name> JavaScript  tab and click  on the toolbar.
- Alternatively, select the Enable Meteor Hot code push checkbox on the [Meteor](#) page to configure automatic upload of updates. Learn more from the [Meteor Official website](#) .

#### To preview the changes to the server-side code

- Switch to the <Configuration name>  tab and click  on the toolbar.
- Alternatively, configure automatic upload with the [Live Edit](#) functionality as described in [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#) . It is recommended that you select the Restart if hotswap fails checkbox on the [Live Edit](#) page, then IntelliJ IDEA will attempt to restart the server when automatic upload fails.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The term **minification** or **compression** in the context of JavaScript means removing all unnecessary characters, such as **spaces** , **new lines** , **comments** without changing the functionality of the source code. At the development and debugging stage, these characters improve the code readability. However at the production stage, they become unnecessary for code execution but only increase the size of code to be transferred.

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with [Closure Compiler](#) , [YUI Compressor](#) , and [UglifyJS](#) , so you can compress your JavaScript application sources on the fly.

## Before you start

1. Download, install, and configure [Node.js](#) as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .
2. If you are going to use YUI Compressor or Closure Compiler, download and install [Java Runtime Environment \(JRE\)](#) :
  - JRE version 1.4 or higher for YUI Compressor.
  - JRE version 7 for Closure Compiler.

## Installing a minification tool

- To install UglifyJS

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `npm install uglify-js` or `npm install uglify-js@<version>` . Learn more from [UglifyJS Official website](#) .

- To install YUI Compressor


Follow the instructions on [YUI Compressor Official website](#) .

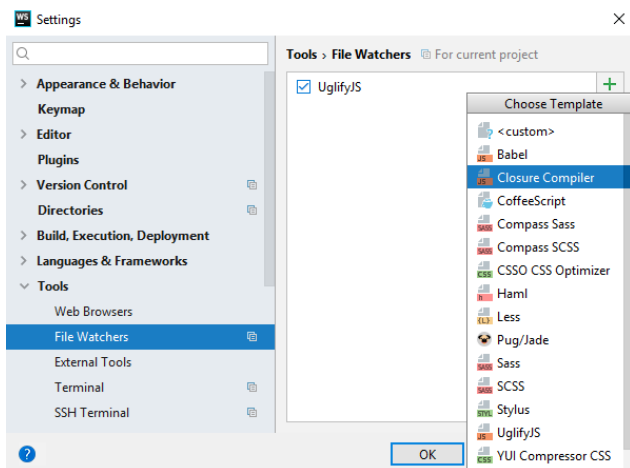
- To install Closure Compiler

Follow the instructions on [Closure Compiler Official website](#) .

## Integrating a minification tool with IntelliJ IDEA

To use a minifier in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to configure it as a [File Watcher](#) . For each supported minifier, IntelliJ IDEA provides a predefined File Watcher template. To run a minifier in your project, create a project-specific File Watcher based on the relevant template.

1. Open the [File Watchers page](#) by choosing File | Settings | Tools | File Watchers for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | File Watchers for macOS.
2. Click  and choose the tool-specific File Watcher template from the list:



3. In the [New Watcher Dialog](#) that opens, specify the path to the relevant executable file or `.jar` archive in the Program field:
  - `compiler.jar` for Closure Compiler.
  - `yuicompressor-<version>.jar` for YUI Compressor JS.
  - `uglifyjs.cmd` for UglifyJS.
4. Optionally, [customize the behaviour of the File Watcher](#) .
5. Make sure the checkbox next to the File Watcher is selected, which indicates that the File Watcher is enabled.

## Running a minification tool

When a minification File Watcher is [enabled](#) , minification starts automatically as soon as a JavaScript file in the File Watcher's scope is [changed or saved](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA creates a separate file with the generated output. The file has the name of the source JavaScript file and the extension `min.js` . The location of the generated file is defined in the Output paths to refresh text box of the [New Watcher dialog](#) . However, in the Project Tree , by default it is shown under the source JavaScript file which is now displayed as a node. To change the default presentation, [configure file nesting](#) in the Project tool window.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports visualization of imports and exports within a context both in JavaScript and TypeScript projects.

On this page:

- [Building a module dependency diagram](#)
- [Analyzing a module dependency diagram](#)
- [Navigating from the diagram to the source code](#)

## Building a module dependency diagram

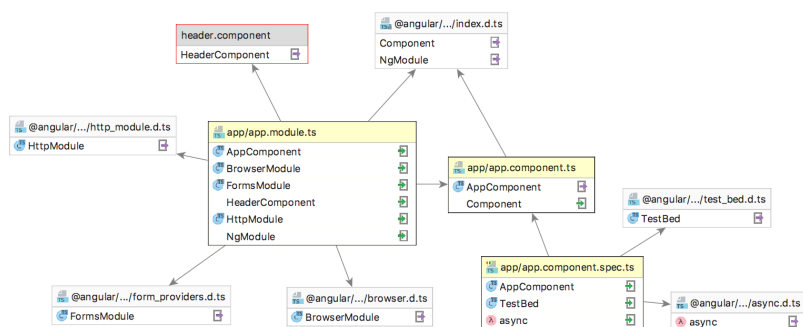
To build a diagram, choose Diagrams | Show Diagram on the context menu of a JavaScript, TypeScript, or HTML file or of a folder.

If the action is invoked on a folder where multiple types of diagrams can be built, additionally choose JavaScript Module Dependency Diagram from the Select Diagram Type pop-up list.

The action is not available on the `node_modules` folders and on folders that are marked as **Excluded**.

## Analyzing a module dependency diagram

IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the `import` and `require` statements and `script` tags in the selected file or in all the files in the selected folder recursively and in a separate tab displays a diagram that shows how these files depend on each other:

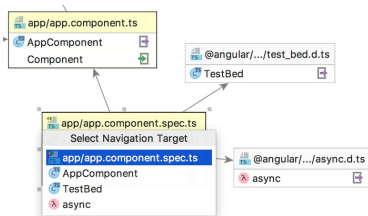


- A diagram consists of a number of rectangles. Each of them shows the name of the analyzed selected file and a list of detected imports. If an import is resolved, an icon that indicates the type of the imported symbol (e.g. or ) is shown next to it.
- An arrow from an analyzed file points at the target file from which the detected imports are made. If the target file is a library, its name is displayed on the grey background. If an import from a library is not resolved, the target file is displayed as a grey rectangle with red border.
- Resolved imports and exports are marked with the or icons respectively.

## Navigating from the diagram to the source code

IntelliJ IDEA supports navigation from the diagram:

- To jump from a diagram to a file, right-click the file and choose Jump to source on the context menu.
- To navigate to a specific `import` statement in the source code, right-click the required file in the diagram, choose Jump to on the context menu, and then choose the symbol to jump to from the Select Navigation Target pop-up list:



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js and PhoneGap/Cordova plugins are installed and enabled!

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can develop applications intended for running on various mobile platforms, including [Android](#), using the [PhoneGap](#), [Apache Cordova](#), and [Ionic](#) frameworks.

On this page:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic](#)
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  - [Generating a PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic application stub](#)
  - [Enabling PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic integration in an existing project](#)
- [Creating and launching a PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic run configuration](#)

## Before you start

1. Make sure the **PhoneGap/Cordova** and the **NodeJS** plugins are enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
2. Download and install [Node.js](#) because NPM, which is a part of the framework, is also the easiest way to download **PhoneGap** and **Cordova**.
3. Download and install an emulator tool. These tools are specific for the target platform and the operating system you use:
  - <http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/guide/platforms/ios/index.html>
  - <http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/guide/platforms/android/index.html>
  - <http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/guide/platforms/blackberry10/home.html>
  - <http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/guide/platforms/osx/index.html>
  - <http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/guide/platforms/ubuntu/index.html>
  - <http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/guide/platforms/win8/index.html>
  - <http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/guide/platforms/wp8/home.html>

## Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic

**Tip** Alternatively, install your package on the [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) page as described in [NPM](#).

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type one of the following commands at the command prompt:

```
npm install -- global phonegap
npm install -- global cordova
npm install -- global ionic
```

## Preparing to use PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic in a project

To start your development, you need a IntelliJ IDEA project with the **PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic** -specific structure. You can have an application stub that meets these requirements generated automatically or open an existing **PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic** project in IntelliJ IDEA and configure **PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic** support in it.

## Generating a PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic application stub

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose PhoneGap/Cordova App and click Next.
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder to create it in. Specify the location of the executable file `phonegap.cmd`, or `cordova.cmd`, or `ionic.cmd` (see [Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic](#)).

When you click Finish, IntelliJ IDEA generates a skeleton of a **PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic** application with the framework-specific structure.

## Enabling PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic integration in an existing project

1. Open the desired **PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic** project in IntelliJ IDEA by choosing File | Open on the main menu or clicking Open on the Welcome Screen.
2. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click PhoneGap/Cordova under JavaScript.
3. On the [PhoneGap/Cordova](#) page that opens:
  1. Check the location of the executable file `phonegap.cmd`, or `cordova.cmd`, or `ionic.cmd` or specify the path to it if IntelliJ IDEA has not detected the executable file automatically.  
IntelliJ IDEA detects the installed version and displays it in the PhoneGap/Cordova Version read-only field,

- In the PhoneGap/Cordova Working Directory field, specify the folder under which the PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic application files to run are stored.
- In the Plugins area, configure a list of plugins to use in your development by installing required packages. The list shows all the PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic plugins that are currently installed on your computer, both at the global and at the project level.
  - To install a plugin, click the Install button **+**. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package.
 

To have the plugin installed globally so it is accessible from all your IntelliJ IDEA projects, select the Options checkbox and type `--global` in the text box. Click Install Package .
  - To remove a plugin, select it in the list and click the Uninstall button **-**.
  - To upgrade a plugin to the latest available version, select the plugin in the list and click the Upgrade button **↕**.

See [Apache Cordova Plugins](#) and [PhoneGap Plugins](#) for information about plugins and their use.

## Creating and launching a PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic run configuration

PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic applications are executed according to a dedicated run/debug configuration.

- On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations . In the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button **+**, and choose PhoneGap/Cordova on the context menu.
- In the Run/Debug Configuration: PhoneGap/Cordova dialog box that opens, specify the following:
  - The name of the configuration.
  - In the PhoneGap/Cordova Executable Path field, specify the location of the executable file `phonegap.cmd` , `cordova.cmd` , or `ionic.cmd` (see [Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic](#) ).
  - In the PhoneGap/Cordova Working Directory field, specify the folder under which the PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic application files to run are stored.
  - From the Command drop-down list, choose the command to run. The contents of the drop-down list, depend on the actually used framework, namely, on the executable file specified in the PhoneGap/Cordova Executable Path field. The available options are:
    - For PhoneGap :
      - emulate
      - run
      - prepare
      - serve
      - remote build
      - remote run

See <https://www.npmjs.org/package/phonegap> for a list of PhoneGap -specific commands with descriptions.
    - For Cordova :
      - emulate
      - run
      - prepare
      - serve

See <https://www.npmjs.org/package/cordova> for a list of Cordova -specific commands with descriptions.
    - For Ionic :
      - emulate
      - run
      - prepare
      - serve

See <https://www.npmjs.org/package/ionic> for a list of Ionic -specific commands with descriptions.
- From the Platform drop-down list, choose the platform for running on which the application is intended. The available options are:
  - Android
  - ios To emulate this platform, you need to install the [ios-sim command line tool](#) globally. You can do it through the Node Package Manager (npm) , see [NPM](#) or by running the `sudo npm install ios-sim -g` command, depending on your operating system.
  - amazon-fireos
  - firefoxos
  - blackberry10
  - ubuntu
  - wp8
  - windows8
  - browser

Learn more about targeted platforms at


[http://docs.phonegap.com/en/edge/guide\\_platforms\\_index.md.html#Platform%20Guides](http://docs.phonegap.com/en/edge/guide_platforms_index.md.html#Platform%20Guides) and

[http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/4.0.0/guide\\_cli\\_index.md.html#The%20Command-Line%20Interface](http://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/4.0.0/guide_cli_index.md.html#The%20Command-Line%20Interface) .

6. For **Cordova** and **Ionic** , specify the targeted virtual or physical Android device to run the application on: select the Specify Target checkbox and select the required device from the drop-down list. The list shows all the virtual and physical devices that are currently configured on our machine. See

[http://docs.phonegap.com/en/edge/guide\\_platforms\\_android\\_index.md.html#Android%20Platform%20Guide](http://docs.phonegap.com/en/edge/guide_platforms_android_index.md.html#Android%20Platform%20Guide) for details.

If IntelliJ IDEA displays the following error message: **Cannot detect ios-sim in path** , make sure you have installed the `ios-sim` , see Before you start .

3. To run a **PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic** application, select the required run configuration from the list on the main tool bar and then choose Run | Run <configuration name> on the main menu or click the Run toolbar button  .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

## Overview

**React** is a JavaScript library for building complex interactive User Interfaces from encapsulated components. Learn more about the library from [React Official website](#).

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with React providing assistance in configuring, editing, linting, running, debugging, and maintaining your applications.

## Before you start

1. Download, install, and configure [Node.js](#) as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).
2. Install and activate the **NodeJS** repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Creating a new React application

- Tip** Alternatively, open the built-in Terminal and type:
1. `create-react-app <application-name>` to create an application.
  2. `cd <application-name>` to switch to the application folder.
  3. `npm start` to start the Node.js server.

You can use the [create-react-app](#) package or create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project and install React in it.

## Generating a React application with create-react-app

[Create React App](#) is the recommended way to start building a new React single page application. As a result, your development environment is preconfigured to use webpack, Babel, ESLint, and other tools.

### To install create-react-app globally

Open the built-in Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `npm install -g create-react-app` at the command prompt.

### To create an application

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose React App and click Next.
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder to create it in. In the Node Interpreter field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose a configured interpreter from the drop-down list or choose Add to configure a new one, see [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#). In the create-react-app field, specify the path to the `create-react-app` package.
5. **Optionally:**

Specify a custom package to use instead of [react-scripts](#) during the project generation. This can be one of the packages forked from `react-scripts`, for example, [react-awesome-scripts](#), [custom-react-scripts](#), [react-scripts-ts](#), etc.

6. When you click Finish, IntelliJ IDEA generates a **React**-specific project with all the required configuration files.

Learn more about installing React and creating React applications from [React Official website](#).

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA guarantees running and debugging Jest tests only with the `react-scripts` package.

## Installing React in an empty IntelliJ IDEA project

**Tip** You can also install the packages on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in [NPM](#).

In this case, you will have to configure the build pipeline yourself as described in [Building a React application](#) below.

### To create an empty IntelliJ IDEA project

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Static Web in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, again choose Static Web and click Next.
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project folder and name and click Finish.

### To install React in an empty project

1. Open the empty project where you will use **React**.
2. Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `npm install --save react react-dom`.

Learn more about adding React to a project from [React Official website](#).

## Starting with an existing React application

If you are going to continue developing an existing React application, open it in IntelliJ IDEA and download the required dependencies.

### If the application sources are already on your machine

Click Open on the Welcome screen or choose File | Open on the main menu. In the dialog that opens, select the folder where your sources are stored.

### If the application sources are under version control

1. Click Check out from Version Control on the Welcome screen or choose VCS | Check out from Version Control on the main menu.
2. Select your version control system from the list.
3. In the VCS-specific dialog that opens, type your credentials and the repository to check out the application sources from.

### To download the dependencies

Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and type `npm install` at the command prompt.

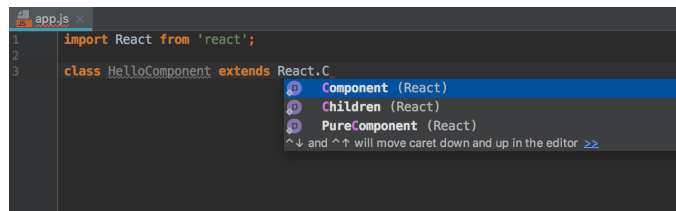
## Completing code

IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion for React APIs and [JSX](#) in JavaScript code. Code completion works for React methods, React-specific attributes, HTML tags and component names, [React events](#), component properties, etc. Learn more from [React Official website](#).

To get code completion for React methods and React-specific attributes, you need to have the `react.js` library file somewhere in your project. Usually the library is already in your `node_modules` folder.

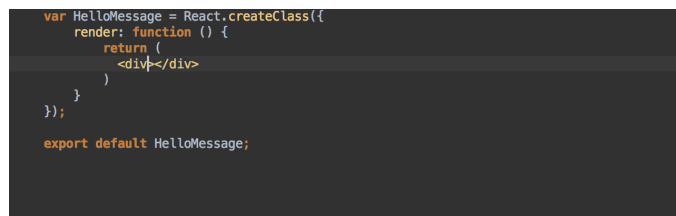
### Completing React methods, attributes, and events

By default, the code completion popup is displayed automatically as you type. For example:



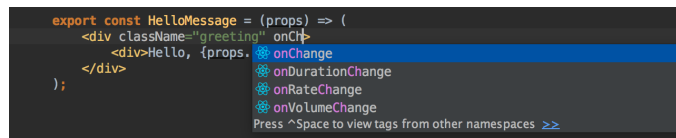
```
app.js
1 import React from 'react';
2
3 class HelloComponent extends React.C
  Component (React)
  Children (React)
  PureComponent (React)
  ^ and ^+ will move caret down and up in the editor >>
```

In JSX tags, IntelliJ IDEA provides coding assistance for [React-specific attributes](#), such as `className` or `classID`, and [non-DOM attributes](#), such as `key` or `ref`. Moreover, autocompletion also works for names of classes defined in the project's CSS files:



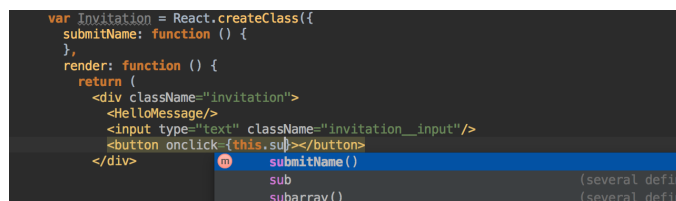
```
var HelloMessage = React.createClass({
  render: function () {
    return (
      <div></div>
    )
  }
});
export default HelloMessage;
```

All [React events](#), such as `onClick` or `onChange`, can also be completed automatically together with curly braces (`{=}`):



```
export const HelloMessage = (props) => (
  <div className="greeting" onClick=
  <div>Hello, {props. onChange
  </div>
);
  onDurationChange
  onRateChange
  onVolumeChange
  Press ^Space to view tags from other namespaces >>
```

Completion also works for JavaScript expressions inside curly braces. This applies to all the methods and functions that you have defined:

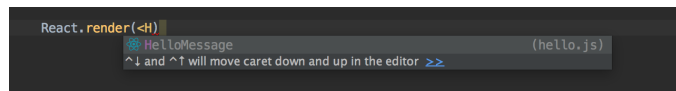


```
var Invitation = React.createClass({
  submitName: function () {
  },
  render: function () {
    return (
      <div className="invitation">
        <HelloMessage/>
        <input type="text" className="invitation_input"/>
        <button onClick={this.sub}></button>
      </div>
    );
  }
});
```

### Completing HTML tags and component names

IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion for HTML tags and component names that you have defined inside methods in

JavaScript or inside other components:



```
React.render(<H
  HelloMessage (hello.js)
  ^↓ and ^↑ will move caret down and up in the editor >>
```

Completion also works for imported components with ES6 style syntax:

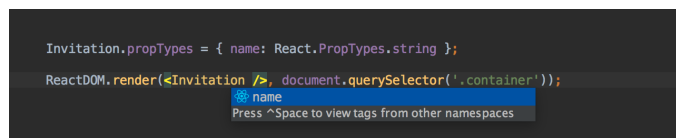


```
import HelloMessage from './hello.js';

var Invitation = React.createClass({
  render: function() {
    return (
      <div>
        <H
        HelloMessage (hello.js)
        ^↓ and ^↑ will move caret down and up in the editor >>
      </div>
    );
  }
});
```

### Completing component properties

IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion for component properties defined using `propTypes` and resolves them so you can quickly jump or preview their definitions:



```
Invitation.propTypes = { name: React.PropTypes.string };

ReactDOM.render(<Invitation />, document.querySelector('.container'));

name
Press ^Space to view tags from other namespaces
```

When you autocomplete the name of a component, IntelliJ IDEA adds all its required properties automatically. If some of the required properties are missing in the usage of a component, IntelliJ IDEA warns you about that.

### Using Emmet in JSX

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can use [Emmet](#) not only in HTML but also in your JSX code taking advantage of some special React twists. For example, the abbreviation `div.my-class` expands in JSX to `<div className="my-class"></div>` but not to `<div class="my-class"></div>` as it would in HTML:



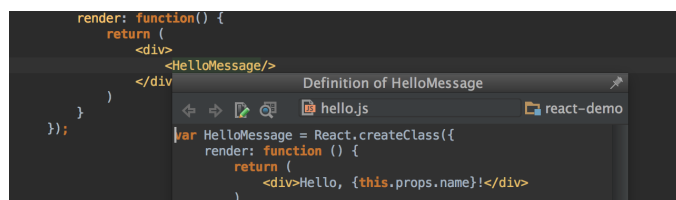
```
import HelloMessage from './hello.js';

var Invitation = React.createClass({
  submitName: function () {
  },
  render: function () {
    return |
  }
});
```

### Navigating through a React application

Besides the [basic navigation](#), IntelliJ IDEA helps you jump between React-specific code elements.

- To jump to the definition of a method or a JavaScript expression inside curly braces `{ }`, select the method or expression and press `Ctrl+B`.
- To jump to the definition of a component, select the component name and press `Ctrl+B`.
- To view documentation for a component, press `Ctrl+Shift+I`.



```
render: function() {
  return (
    <div>
      <HelloMessage/>
    </div>
  );
}

Definition of HelloMessage
hello.js
var HelloMessage = React.createClass({
  render: function () {
    return (
      <div>Hello, {this.props.name}!</div>
    );
  }
});
```

### Linting a React application

- Tip** To customize the list of inspections, open the Editor | Inspections page of IntelliJ IDEA settings (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), and disable the inspections you don't want to see or change their severity levels.
- Tip** If you created your application with `create-react-app`, your development environment is already preconfigured to use ESLint.
- Tip** Learn more about using ESLint with IntelliJ IDEA from [JavaScript Code Quality Tools: ESLint](#)

All the IntelliJ IDEA built-in [code inspections](#) for JavaScript and HTML also work in JSX code. IntelliJ IDEA alerts you in case of unused variables and functions, missing closing tags, missing statements, and much more:

```

12  render() {
13      var name = this.state.name;
14      return (
15          <div>
16              <div className="invitation">
17                  <HelloMessage name="Katy">/>
18                  <div>Please invite your friend to join:</div>
19                  <input type="text" onChange={this.handleChange} placeholder="Name" />
20              </div>
21              <button>Send invitation
22          </div>
23      )
24  }

```

For some inspections IntelliJ IDEA provides quick-fixes, for example, suggests adding a missing method. To view the quick-fix pop-up, press `Alt+Enter`.

## Using ESLint

Besides providing built-in code inspections, IntelliJ IDEA also integrates with linters, such as [ESLint](#), for JSX code. [ESLint](#) brings a wide range of linting rules that can also be extended with plugins. IntelliJ IDEA shows warnings and errors reported by ESLint right in the editor, as you type. You can also use [JavaScript Standard Style](#) with ESLint.

To have ESLint properly understand React JSX syntax, you need [eslint-plugin-react](#). With this plugin, you are warned, for example, when the display name is not set for a React component, or when some dangerous JSX properties are used:

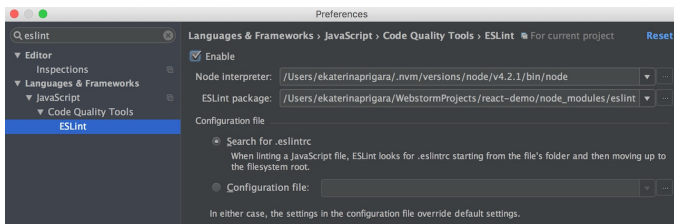
```

invitation.js
1  import React from 'react';
2  import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';
3  import {HelloMessage} from './hello';
4
5  class Invitation extends React.Component {
6
12
13  handleChange(event) {...}
16

```

### To get started with ESLint in IntelliJ IDEA

1. In the built-in Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ), type `npm install --save-dev eslint` and `npm install --save-dev eslint-plugin-react`.
2. Add a ESLint configuration file `.eslintrc` to your project.
3. Open the [ESLint page](#) : in the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), choose Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | ESLint . Select the Enable checkbox. IntelliJ IDEA will automatically locate ESLint in your project's `node_modules` folder and then use the `.eslintrc` configuration by default.



### Example of .eslintrc structure (ESLint 1.x with react plugin)

- In the `ecmaFeatures` object, add `"jsx" = true`. Here you can also specify additional language features you'd like to use, for example ES6 classes, modules, etc.
- In the `plugins` object, add `react`.
- In the `rules` object, you can list [ESLint built-in rules](#) that you would like to enable, as well as [rules available via the react plugin](#).

```

{
  "parser": "babel-eslint",
  "env": {
    "browser": true
  },
  "ecmaFeatures": {
    "jsx": true
  },
  "plugins": [
    "react"
  ],
  "rules": {
    "semi": 2
  }
}

```

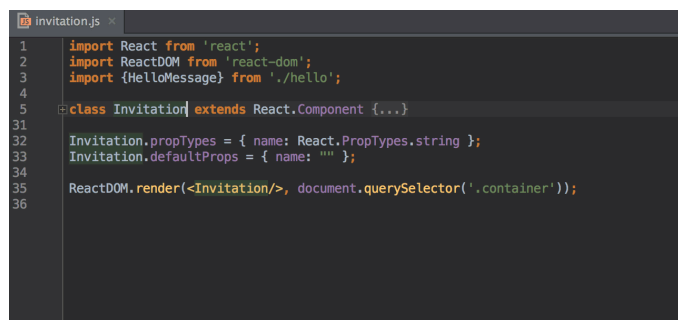
Learn more about ESLint and `react` plugin configuration from [ESLint Official website](#).

## Refactoring a React application

Besides the [common IntelliJ IDEA refactorings](#), in a React application you can also run `Rename` for React components:

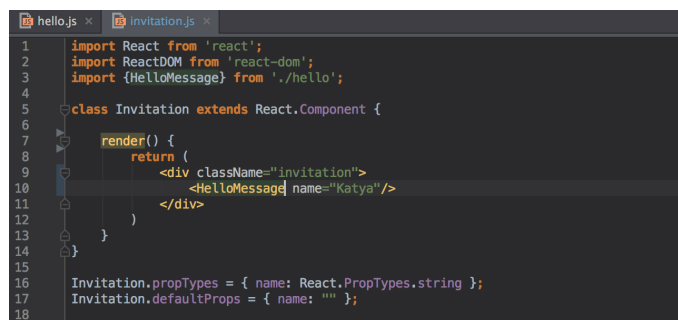


Place the cursor within the component name and press `Shift+F6` . Below is an example of renaming a component that is defined and used in only one file:



```
1 import React from 'react';
2 import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';
3 import {HelloMessage} from './hello';
4
5 class Invitation extends React.Component {...}
6
31
32 Invitation.propTypes = { name: React.PropTypes.string };
33 Invitation.defaultProps = { name: "" };
34
35 ReactDOM.render(<Invitation/>, document.querySelector('.container!'));
36
```

In the same way, you can rename components defined in one file and then imported to another file using a named export:



```
1 import React from 'react';
2 import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';
3 import {HelloMessage} from './hello';
4
5 class Invitation extends React.Component {
6
7   render() {
8     return (
9       <div className="invitation">
10        <HelloMessage name="Katya"/>
11      </div>
12    );
13  }
14 }
15
16 Invitation.propTypes = { name: React.PropTypes.string };
17 Invitation.defaultProps = { name: "" };
18
```

## Running and debugging a React application

**Tip** Only for applications created with `create-react-app` .

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The recommended way to start building a new React single page application is [Create React App](#) . Only in this case your development environment is preconfigured to use webpack and Babel. Otherwise, you need to [configure a build pipeline](#) first.

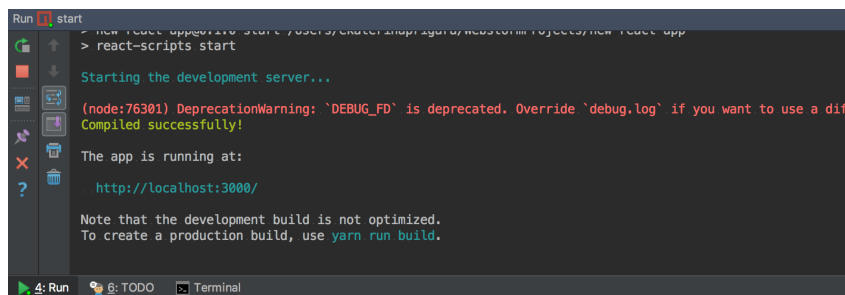
### To run a React application

In the `npm tool window` ( `View | Tool Windows | npm` ), double-click the `start` task. Alternatively, select the task and choose `Run 'start'` on the context menu.

Thanks to the [Webpack Hot Module Replacement](#) , when the development server is running, your application is automatically reloaded as soon as you change any of the source files and save the updates.

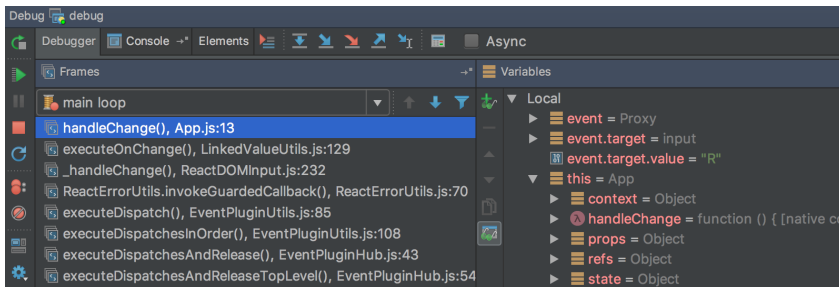
### To debug a React application

1. Start the application in the development mode by double-clicking the `start` task in the `npm tool window`.
2. Wait till the application is compiled and the Webpack development server is ready. Open your browser at `http://localhost:3000/` to view the application.
3. Copy the URL address at which the application is running ( `http://localhost:3000/` by default), you will later need this URL when creating a debug configuration.



```
Run start
> new React app... start /Users/.../react-scripts start
> react-scripts start
Starting the development server...
(node:76381) DeprecationWarning: 'DEBUG_FD' is deprecated. Override 'debug.log' if you want to use a dif
Compiled successfully!
The app is running at:
http://localhost:3000/
Note that the development build is not optimized.
To create a production build, use yarn run build.
```

4. Create a new JavaScript debug configuration: choose `Run | Edit Configurations` , click `+` , and choose `JavaScript Debug` from the list. In the `Run/Debug Configuration: JavaScript Debug` dialog, paste the saved URL ( `http://localhost:3000/` ) in the URL field. Save the configuration.
5. Set the breakpoints in your code and start a debugging session by clicking `🐞` next to the list of configurations.
6. When the first breakpoint is hit, switch to the `Debug Tool Window` and proceed as usual: [step through the program](#) , [stop and resume](#) program execution, [examine it when suspended](#) , explore the call stack and variables, set watches, evaluate variables, [view actual HTML DOM](#) , etc.



## Building a React application

**Tip** If you created your application with [create-react-app](#) your development environment is already preconfigured to use Webpack and Babel.

You need to set up the build process if you [installed React in an existing IntelliJ IDEA project](#). Learn about various ways to configure a build pipeline for your React application from [React Official website](#).

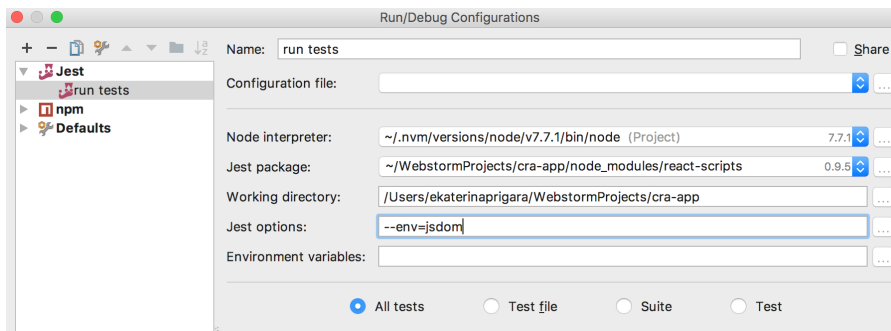
## Testing a React application

You can run and debug [Jest tests](#) in React applications [created with create-react-app](#). Before you start, make sure the `react-scripts` package is added to the `dependencies` object of your `package.json`.

You can run and debug Jest tests via a run/debug configuration, or right from the editor, or from the Project tool window, see [Jest](#) for details.

### To create a Jest run/debug configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box (Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu).
2. Click on the toolbar and select Jest from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Jest](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the [Node interpreter](#) to use and the working directory of the application.  
By default, the Working directory field shows the project root folder. To change this predefined setting, specify the path to the desired folder or choose a previously used folder from the list.
4. In the Jest package field, specify the path to the `react-scripts` package.
5. In the Jest options field, type `--env=jsdom`.



### To run tests

1. Select the Jest run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click to the right of the list.
2. The test server starts automatically without any steps from your side. View and analyze messages from the test server in the Run tool window.
3. Monitor test execution in the Test Runner tab of the Run tool window as described in [Monitoring and Managing Tests](#).

### To debug tests

1. Select the Jest run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click to the right of the list.
2. In the [Debug Tool Window](#) that opens, proceed as usual: [step through the tests](#), [stop and resume](#) test execution, [examine the test when suspended](#), etc.

**Tip** Alternatively, select a test file in the Project tool window and choose [Create <file name>](#) on the context menu.

## Some known limitations

- When you open an application during a debugging session for the first time, it may happen that some of the breakpoints in the code executed on page load are not hit. The reason is that to stop on a breakpoint in the original source code, IntelliJ IDEA needs to get the source maps from the browser. However the browser can pass these source maps only after the page has been fully loaded at least once. As a workaround, reload the page in the browser yourself.
- If you are using `webpack-dev-server` from Webpack version earlier than 2, it is recommended that you disable the Safe write feature in IntelliJ IDEA. Otherwise the application won't be updated on-time when changed. This issue is fixed in Webpack 2.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

[Refactoring](#) means updating the structure of the source code without changing the behaviour of the application. Refactoring helps you keep your code solid, [dry](#), and easy to maintain.

## Move refactorings

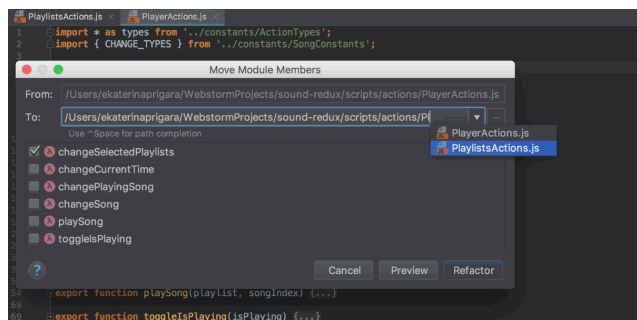
Besides [moving files and folders](#), IntelliJ IDEA lets you move JavaScript top-level symbols. The [Move Symbol Refactoring](#) works for classes, functions, and variables in ES6 modules.

To move a class, a function, or a variable

1. Select the symbol to move.
2. Press `F6` or choose Refactor | Move on the context menu or on the main menu.
3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the destination file.

**Tip** Alternatively, choose Refactor | Refactor This or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T`, then choose Move from the list.

In the example below, the function `changeSelectedPlaylists` is moved from the `PlayerActions.js` file to the `PlaylistsActions.js` file. Note that an import statement for the types that `changeSelectedPlaylists` requires is added to `PlaylistsActions.js`. Also all the imports of `changeSelectedPlaylists` in the other files are updated.



## Pull Class Members Up refactoring

The [Pull Class Members Up](#) refactoring moves class methods upwards in the class hierarchy – from the current class to a superclass.

**Example:** moving a class method to a superclass

Suppose you have a class `AccountingDepartment` that extends an abstract class `Department`.

```
class Department {
  name;
  printName() {
    console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
  }
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department {
  printMeeting() {
    console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10am.");
  }
  generateReports() {
    console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
  }
}
```

In this example, the [Pull Class Members Up](#) refactoring moves the `printMeeting()` meeting from `AccountingDepartment` to its superclass `Department`.

```

class Department {
    name;
    printName() {
        console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
    }
    printMeeting() {
        console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10am.");
    }
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department {
    generateReports() {
        console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
    }
}

```

#### To move the methods of a class to a superclass

1. Place the cursor anywhere inside the class from which you want to pull the members up.
2. Choose Refactor | Pull Members Up on the main menu or on the context menu. The Pull Members Up dialog opens.
3. From the drop-down list, choose the superclass where you want to move the methods.
4. To pull a method up, select the checkbox next to it in the Members to be pulled up list.

## Rename refactorings

Besides [Renaming files and folders](#) , which is available in the context of any language, you can also rename classes, functions, variables, and parameters. IntelliJ IDEA changes the name of the symbol in its declaration and by default all its usages in the current project.

#### To rename a function, a class, or a variable

1. In the editor, select the symbol to rename and press `Shift+F6` or choose Refactor | Rename on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. In the [Rename dialog](#) that opens, type the new name of the symbol.
3. Optionally, select the Search in comments and strings and Search for text occurrences checkboxes to rename the usages of the function or the class in comments, string literals, and text.
4. If necessary, [preview and apply the changes](#) .

#### To rename a parameter

1. Select the parameter in the editor and press `Shift+F6` or choose Refactor | Rename on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. In the text box with red canvas around the selected parameter, type the new parameter name.
3. Press `Enter` to run the refactoring.

## Extract refactorings

IntelliJ IDEA provides various **Extract** refactorings to introduce parameters, variables, constants, fields, methods, and functions. To run any of these refactorings, select the expression to refactor and choose Refactor | Extract | <target> . You can select an entire expression or place the cursor anywhere inside it and IntelliJ IDEA will help you with the selection.

### Extract Parameter

**Tip** See [Extract Parameter example 1](#) above.

**Tip** See [Extract Parameter example 2](#) above.

**Tip** See [Choosing the parameter type \(optional\)](#) below.

**Tip** See [Choosing the parameter type \(required\)](#) below.

Use the **Extract Parameter** refactoring to replace an expression in the calls of a function with a parameter. IntelliJ IDEA will update the declaration and the calls of the function accordingly. The default value of the new parameter can be initialized inside the function body or passed through function calls.

Suppose you have a piece of code with a hardcoded `1` in the function `calculate_sum(i)` . With the Extract Parameter refactoring, you can replace this hardcoded `1` with a `i2` parameter. The new `i2` parameter can be extracted as **optional** or as **required** .

#### Example 1: Extracting an optional parameter

A new parameter `i2` is extracted as an optional parameter. The new parameter is initialized in the body of `calculate_sum(i)` and the call of `calculate_sum(i)` in `show_sum()` is not changed.

```
function calculate_sum(i) {
    alert('Adding ' + 1 + ' to ' + i);
    return 1 + i;
}

function show_sum() {
    alert('Result: ' + calculate_sum(5));
}

function calculate_sum(i, i2) {
    i2 = i2 || 1;
    alert('Adding ' + i2 + ' to ' + i);
    return i2 + i;
}

function show_sum() {
    alert('Result: ' + calculate_sum(5));
}
```

### Example 2: Extracting a required parameter

A new parameter `i2` is extracted as a required parameter, the call of `calculate_sum(i)` in `show_sum()` is changed accordingly.

```
function calculate_sum(i) {
    alert('Adding ' + 1 + ' to ' + i);
    return 1 + i;
}

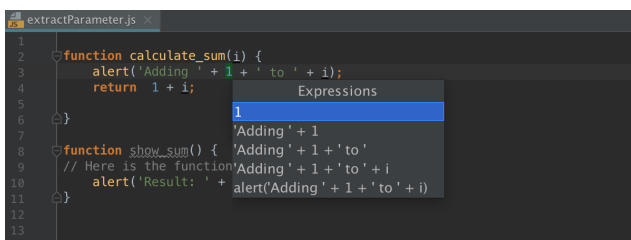
function show_sum() {
    alert('Result: ' + calculate_sum(5));
}

function calculate_sum(i, i2) {
    alert('Adding ' + i2 + ' to ' + i);
    return i2 + i;
}

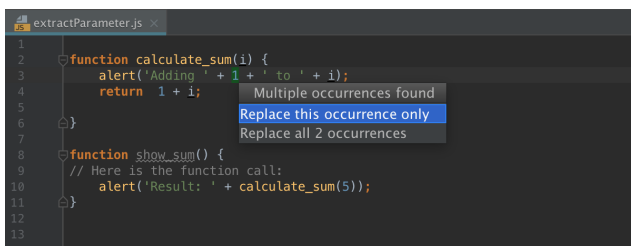
function show_sum() {
    alert('Result: ' + calculate_sum(5, 1));
}
```

### To extract a parameter

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the expression that you want to convert into a parameter and press `Ctrl+Alt+P` or choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. If several expressions are detected in the current cursor location, select the required one in the Expressions list.



3. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, choose Replace this occurrence only or Replace all occurrences in the Multiple occurrences found pop-up menu.



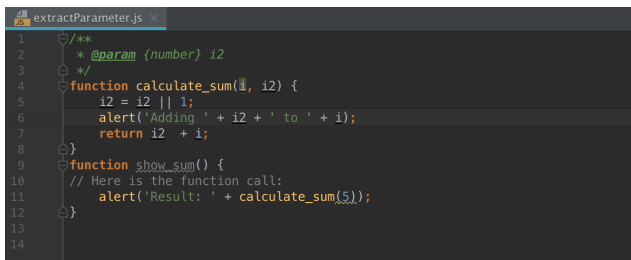
Finally, the pop-up window for configuring the refactoring appears.



4. Select the Generate JSDoc to have a JSDoc comment block generated. This may be helpful if you need to specify a custom default parameter value. Learn more from the [JSDoc Official website](#).
5. Choose the type of the new parameter (**optional** or **required**) and specify its default value, if applicable:
  - If the Optional parameter checkbox is selected, the parameter will be initialized with the default value in the function body.
  - If the Optional parameter checkbox is cleared, the default parameter value will be passed through the existing function calls. All the function calls will change according to the new function signature and a parameter initialization will be added to the function body.

Initially, IntelliJ IDEA accepts the expression where the refactoring is invoked as the default value. In most cases you do not need to change it. If it is still necessary, specify another default value in the JSDoc comment in the format `@param <parameter name> - <default value>` .

- Accept one of the suggested parameter names by double-clicking it in the pop-up list or specify a custom name in the text box with red canvas. Press `Enter` when ready.



```
1  /*+
2  * @param {number} i2
3  */
4  function calculate_sum(i, i2) {
5      i2 = i2 || 1;
6      alert("Adding " + i2 + " to " + i);
7      return i2 + i;
8  }
9  function show_sum() {
10     // Here is the function call:
11     alert("Result: " + calculate_sum(5));
12 }
13
14
```

Also note that in the ES6 code, the new default function parameter syntax `function calculate_sum(i, i2 = 1)` will be applied instead of `i2 = i2 || 1;` . Learn more about default function parameters from the [https://developer.mozilla.org website](https://developer.mozilla.org/website) .

### Choosing the refactoring mode

You can extract a parameter right in the editor (in the in-place mode) as described above or use the Extract Parameter dialog . These two approaches are rather similar, the difference is as follows:

- [Previewing the results of the refactoring](#) .

In the dialog box, you can click Preview and examine the expected changes in the dedicated tab of the Find tool window. In the in-place mode, this functionality is not available.

- [Specifying the default parameter value](#) .

In the dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the default parameter value in the Value field where you can accept the suggestion or specify another value. In the in-place mode, IntelliJ IDEA treats the expression where the refactoring is invoked as the default parameter value. To specify another value, you have to use a JSDoc comment block.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA runs the Extract Parameter refactoring in the in-place mode. To use the Extract Parameter dialog box, open the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`) and click Editor | General . On the [General page](#) that opens, clear the Enable in-place mode checkbox in the Refactorings area.

## Extract Variable

Use the **Extract Variable** refactoring to replace an expression with a [function-scoped variable \(var\)](#) , a [block-scoped variable \(let\)](#) , or a [constant](#) . This refactoring makes your source code easier to read and maintain. It also helps you avoid using hardcoded constants without any explanations about their values or purposes.

Suppose you have a function with a partially hardcoded expression in the `return` statement:

```
Parenizor.method('toString', function () {
    return '(' + this.getValue() + ')';
})
```

With the Extract Variable refactoring, you can replace the `'(' + this.getValue() + ')'` expression with a variable, for example, `string` . The scope of the extracted variable depends on the statement used in its declaration (`var` or `let`) and the context in which the new variable is declared (inside or outside a function).

### Example 1: Extracting a block-scoped variable with a let statement declaration

A variable `string` is extracted from the `'(' + this.getValue() + ')'` expression in the `return` statement. The new variable is declared with a `let` statement inside `Parenizor.method('toString', function ())` .

<pre>Parenizor.method('toString', function () {     return '(' + this.getValue() + ')'; })</pre>	<pre>Parenizor.method('toString', function () {     let string = '(' + this.getValue() + ')';     return string; })</pre>
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### Example 2: Extracting a variable and declaring it outside any function

A variable `appName` is extracted from the `navigator.appName` expression and declared with a `var` statement outside any function.

```

var browserName = "N/A";
if (navigator.appName.indexOf("Netscape") != -1) {
    browserName = "NS";
} else if (navigator.appName.indexOf("Microsoft") != -1) {
    browserName = "MSIE";
} else if (navigator.appName.indexOf("Opera") != -1) {
    browserName = "O";
}

```

```

var browserName = "N/A";
var appName = navigator.appName;
if (appName.indexOf("Netscape") != -1) {
    browserName = "NS";
} else if (appName.indexOf("Microsoft") != -1) {
    browserName = "MSIE";
} else if (appName.indexOf("Opera") != -1) {
    browserName = "O";
}

```

1. In the editor, select the expression to convert into a variable and press **Ctrl+Alt+S** or choose **Refactor | Extract | Variable on the context menu or on the main menu.**

2. If several expressions are detected in the current cursor location, select the required one in the Expressions list.

3. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, choose Replace this occurrence only or Replace all occurrences in the Multiple occurrences found pop-up menu.

Finally, the pop-up window for configuring the refactoring appears.

4. In the pop-up menu, choose the statement to use in the declaration of the new variable:

- Choose var to introduce a [function-scoped variable](#).
- Choose let to introduce a [block-scoped variable](#), see [Example 2](#) above.
- Choose const to introduce a [constant](#).

5. Accept one of the suggested variable names by double-clicking it in the pop-up list or specify a custom name in the text box. Press **Enter** when ready.

### Choosing the refactoring mode

You can extract a variable right in the editor (in the in-place mode) [as described above](#) or use the Extract Variable dialog. By default, IntelliJ IDEA runs the Extract Variable refactoring in the in-place mode. To use the Extract Variable dialog box, open the Settings/Preferences dialog (**Ctrl+Alt+S**) and click Editor | General. On the [General page](#) that opens, clear the Enable in-place mode checkbox in the Refactorings area.

### Extract Field

**Tip** This refactoring is available only within classes.

The **Extract Field** refactoring declares a new field and initializes it with the selected expression. The original expression is replaced with the usage of the field.

In the examples below, the same field, `_calcArea`, is extracted. The examples illustrate three different ways to initialize the extracted field.

**Example 1:** The extracted field is initialized in the enclosing method



```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(height, width) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    get area() {
        return this.calcArea();
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(height, width) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    _calcArea;

    get area() {
        this._calcArea = this.calcArea();
        return this._calcArea;
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

Example 2: The extracted field is initialized in its declaration

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(height, width) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    get area() {
        return this.calcArea();
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(height, width) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    _calcArea = this.calcArea();

    get area() {
        return this._calcArea;
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

Example 3: The extracted field is initialized in the constructor of the class

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(height, width) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    get area() {
        return this.calcArea();
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(height, width) {
        this._calcArea = this.calcArea();
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    _calcArea;

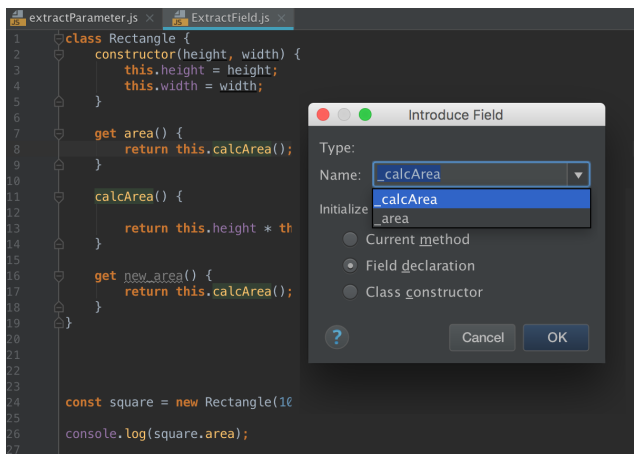
    get area() {
        return this._calcArea;
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

#### To extract a field

1. In the editor, select the expression to convert into a field and press `Ctrl+Alt+F` or choose Refactor | Extract | Field on the context menu or on the main menu. The [Extract Field Dialog](#) opens.
2. Accept one of the suggested names from the list or type a custom one.
3. Choose where the new field will be initialized:
  - Current method , see [Example 1](#) above.
  - Field declaration , see [Example 2](#) above.
  - Class constructor , see [Example 3](#) above.



## Extract Method

**Tip** The selected code fragment can be a set of statements or an expression used somewhere in the code.

The **Extract Method** refactoring lets you create a named method or function with the extracted code. When the **Extract Method** refactoring is invoked, IntelliJ IDEA detects the variables that are the input for the selected code fragment and the variable that is the output for it. The detected output variable is used as the return value for the extracted method or function.

In the examples below, a function is extracted from the `c = a + b;` expression.

### Example 1: Extracting a globally scoped function from an expression inside another function

The `c = a + b;` expression, where the refactoring is invoked, is inside the `MyFunction()` function. The global destination scope is chosen.

#### Example 1.1: A function declaration is generated

<pre>function MyFunction(a,b) {   c = a + b;   return (c * c); } result = MyFunction(4,6); document.write(result);</pre>	<pre>function extracted(a, b) {   c = a + b; }  function MyFunction(a,b) {   extracted(a, b);   return (c * c); } result = MyFunction(4,6); document.write(result);</pre>
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### Example 1.2: The extracted function is declared inside an expression

<pre>function MyFunction(a,b) {   c = a + b;   return (c * c); } result = MyFunction(4,6); document.write(result);</pre>	<pre>let extracted = function (a, b) {   c = a + b; };  function MyFunction(a,b) {   extracted(a, b);   return (c * c); } result = MyFunction(4,6); document.write(result);</pre>
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### Example 2: Extracting a globally scoped function from an expression outside any function

The `c = a + b;` expression, where the refactoring is invoked, is outside any function. Therefore no choice of the destination scope is available.

#### Example 2.1: A function declaration is generated

<pre>c = a + b;</pre>	<pre>function extracted() {   c = a + b; }  extracted();</pre>
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### Example 2.2: The extracted function is declared inside an expression

<pre>c = a + b;</pre>	<pre>let extracted = function () {   c = a + b; };  extracted();</pre>
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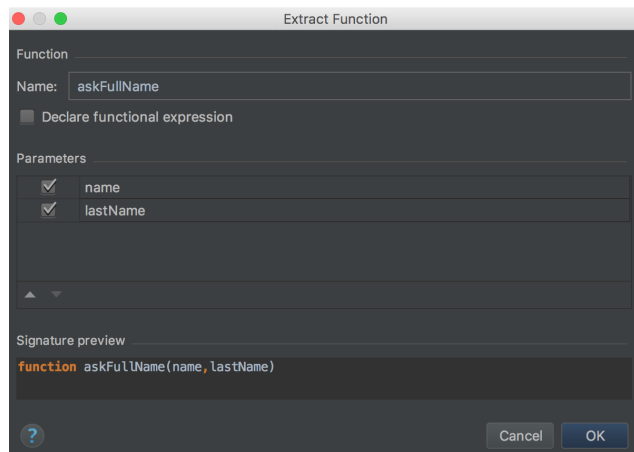
### Example 3: Extracting a function with a definition inside the enclosing function

The `c = a + b;` expression, where the refactoring is invoked, is inside the `MyFunction()` function. The function `MyFunction` destination scope is chosen.

```
function MyFunction(a,b) {
  c = a + b;
  return (c * c);
}
result = MyFunction(4,6);
document.write(result);
```

```
function MyFunction(a,b) {
  function extracted() {
    c = a + b;
  }

  extracted();
  return (c * c);
}
result = MyFunction(4,6);
document.write(result);
```



#### To extract a function

1. In the editor, select a code fragment to convert into a function and press `Ctrl+Alt+M` or choose Refactor | Extract | Method on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. If the selected expression is inside a function, choose the destination scope from the pop-up list:
  - If you choose global, the extracted function will be declared outside any function. See [Example 1](#) above.
  - To define the extracted function inside the current enclosing function, choose function <current enclosing function name>. See [Example 3](#) above.
3. In the [Extract Function](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the new function.
4. Choose how the function will be declared. By default, the Declare functional expression checkbox is cleared and IntelliJ IDEA generates a [function declaration](#). See [Example 1.1](#) and [Example 2.1](#) above.

[To declare the extracted function inside an expression](#), select the Declare functional expression checkbox. See [Example 1.2](#) and [Example 2.2](#) above.

5. When extracting a [globally scoped function](#), configure the set of variables to be passed as parameters. By default, all the variables from the specified scope are listed in the Parameters area.
  - To have a variable included in the parameter set, select the checkbox next to it.
  - To change the order of parameters, use the Move Up and Move Down buttons.
6. In the Signature preview read-only area, check the declaration of the new function.

## Inline refactorings

Inline refactorings are opposite to [Extract refactorings](#).

### Example 1: Inline Variable

The **Inline Variable** refactoring replaces a redundant usage of a variable or a constant with its initializer. This type of refactoring is available only for block-scoped and function-scoped variables.

```
Parenizor.method('toString', function () {
  var string = '(' + this.getValue() + ')';
  return string;
})
```

```
Parenizor.method('toString', function () {
  return '(' + this.getValue() + ')';
})
```

### Example 2: Inline Function

The **Inline Method / Inline Function** refactoring results in placing the body of a method or a function into the body of its caller(s); the method/function itself is deleted.

In the example below, the body of `Sum()` is placed in the body of `Multiplication()` and `Division()` .

```
function Sum(a, b) {
  return a + b;
}

function Multiplication(a, b) {
  c = Sum(a, b);
  d = c * c;
  return d;
}

function Division(a, b) {
  c = Sum(a, b);
  d = Multiplication(a, b);
  result = c / d;
  return result;
}

function Multiplication(a, b) {
  c = a + b;
  d = c * c;
  return d;
}

function Division(a, b) {
  c = a + b;
  d = Multiplication(a, b);
  result = c / d;
  return result;
}
```

To run an **Inline refactoring**:

1. In the editor, place the cursor at the symbol to be inlined and press `Ctrl+Alt+N` or choose Refactor | Inline on the context menu or on the main menu.

## Change Signature refactoring

**Tip** You can also add a parameter using the [Extract Parameter](#) refactoring.

**Tip** To perform the refactoring right away, click Refactor .

**Tip** See [Example 1](#) and [Example 2](#) above.

**Tip** See [Example 3](#) above.

Use the **Change Signature** refactoring to change the function name, to add, remove, reorder, and rename parameters, and to propagate new parameters through the hierarchy of calls.

The examples below show different ways to run the Change Signature refactoring. In all the cases, the function `result()` is renamed to `generate_result()` and a new parameter `input` is added to this function. The examples show how the function call, the calling function (`show_result()`), and other code fragments may be affected depending on the refactoring settings.

### Example 1: Renaming a function, adding a parameter, and passing its value through the function call

In this example, the function `result()` is renamed to `generate_result()`, a parameter `input` is added, and the value `100` is passed as a parameter in the function call.

```
function result() {
}

function show_result() {
  alert('Result: ' + result());
}

function generate_result(input) {
}

function show_result() {
  alert('Result: ' + generate_result(100));
}
```

### Example 2: Renaming a function and adding a default parameter

In this example, the function `result()` is renamed to `generate_result()`. A default parameter `input` is added with the value `100`. The new parameter is initialized in the `generate_result()` in the format `function generate_result(input = 100) {}` for ES6 language level or `input = input || 100` for ES5.

```
function result() {
}

function show_result() {
  alert('Result: ' + result());
}

function generate_result(input = 100) {
}

function show_result() {
  alert('Result: ' + generate_result());
}
```

### Example 3: Renaming a function, adding a default parameter, and propagating the parameter to the function call

In this example, the function `result()` is renamed to `generate_result()`. A default parameter `input` is added with the value `100`. The new parameter is initialized in the `generate_result()` in the format `function generate_result(input = 100) {}` for ES6 language level or `input = input || 100` for ES5. The `input` parameter is propagated through the calling function `show_result()` so the function call is changed accordingly.

```
function result() {  
}  
  
function show_result() {  
    alert('Result: ' + result());  
}
```

```
function generate_result(input = 100) {  
}  
  
function show_result() {  
    alert('Result: ' + generate_result());  
}
```

#### To invoke Change Signature

In the editor, place the cursor within the name of the function to refactor and press `Ctrl+F6` or choose Refactor | Change Signature on the context menu or on the main menu. The [Change Signature dialog](#) opens.

#### To rename a function

In the [Change Signature dialog](#) (`Ctrl+F6`), edit the Name field.

#### To manage the function parameters

In the [Change Signature dialog](#) (`Ctrl+F6`), use the table of parameters and the buttons to the right of it:

- To add a new parameter, click `+` (`Alt+Insert`) and specify the name of the new parameter and its default value or the value to be passed through function calls.
- To remove a parameter, click any of the cells in the corresponding row and click `-` (`Alt+Delete`).
- To reorder the parameters, use `↑` (`Alt+Up`) and `↓` (`Alt+Down`).
- To rename a parameter, edit the Name field.
- If necessary, [propagate the new parameter](#) to the functions that call the current function.

#### To propagate a parameter along the hierarchy of calls

1. In the [Change Signature dialog](#) (`Ctrl+F6`), select the parameter and click `⌵`. The Select Methods to Propagate New Parameters dialog opens. The left-hand pane shows the hierarchy of function calls. When you select a function, the right-hand pane shows its code and the code of the function it calls in the Caller Method and Callee Method fields respectively.
2. In the left-hand pane, select the checkboxes next to the functions where you want to propagate the parameter and click OK.

#### To preview the changes and complete the refactoring

1. In the [Change Signature dialog](#) (`Ctrl+F6`), click Preview.
2. In the Refactoring Preview tab of the [Find tool window](#), [view the expected changes](#), make the necessary adjustments, and click Do Refactor when ready.

**Spy-js** is a tool for JavaScript developers that lets you simply debug/trace/profile JavaScript running on different platforms/browsers/devices. The tool fills gaps that existing browser development tools have and tackles common development tasks from a different angle.

The tool also traces **Node.js**, server-side, applications.

## Preparing for tracing with Spy-js

1. Download and install [Node.js](#) because it is used by the **Spy-js** trace server.
2. Make sure the **Spy-js** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Spy-js basics

With **Spy-js**, you can trace both Web applications and **Node.js** applications. Although the **Spy-js** UI in either case is the same, the mechanisms of the tracing differ.

In order to trace a script, **Spy-js** has to modify it on the fly. The modification does not affect the logic of the script, it is just inserting instrumentation instructions that report back to **Spy-js** UI about what functions have been invoked when the script executes.

- To modify **website scripts**, **Spy-js** has to act as a proxy server that "sits" between your browser and the website you are tracing. When you open a traced website in your browser, **Spy-js** receives the script request, requests the script from your website, receives the script, makes the required modifications, and sends it back to your browser where the script executes, and sends the runtime information to the **Spy-js** UI.

The proxy server can be configured automatically by selecting the Automatically configure system proxy checkbox in the [Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js](#) dialog or manually. See how to configure proxy settings manually on [Windows](#), [Mac](#), [Ubuntu](#), [iOS](#), [Android](#), [Windows Phone](#). Please note that some desktop browsers have their own screens for proxy settings configuration.

- In case of a **Node.js application**, **Spy-js** cannot get between the **NodeJS server** and the scripts if the application is already running. Therefore to trace a **Node.js application**, **spy-js** launches the **NodeJS** server and the application itself. This enables **Spy-js** to intercept and modify script requests and scripts, whereupon the tracing procedure runs as when tracing a website script.

You can also trace applications with **ECMAScript6**, **CoffeeScript**, and **TypeScript** code: **Spy-js** recognizes **source maps** that set correspondence between the original code and the JavaScript code generated during compilation. See [Compiling CoffeeScript to JavaScript](#) and [Using File Watchers](#) for details.

A **Spy-js** session is initiated from IntelliJ IDEA through a run configuration. See [Initiating a Spy-js Session](#).

## Spy-js UI

All the tracing-related activities, such as viewing captured events, examining their call stacks, navigating to the source code, etc. are performed in the dedicated [Spy-js Tool Window](#), in particular in its [Trace Run Tab](#). The tab consists of a toolbar and three panes:

- Events Pane

The pane shows a tree of captured events. The top-level nodes represent **documents** that are Web pages involved in tracing. When you hover the mouse over a **document**, IntelliJ IDEA displays a tooltip with the URL address of the **document**, the browser in which it is opened, and the operating system the browser is running on. The **document** node is also supplied with an icon that indicates the browser in which it is opened.

Under each **document** node, events detected on the page and scripts started from it are listed. Events of the same type are grouped into visual containers. The header of a container displays the name of the events grouped in it, the average execution time across all the events within the container, and the number of events inside the container. You can expand each node and inspect the individual events in it.

Script file names have different colour indicators to help distinguishing between them when working with the Event Stack pane. By hovering your mouse over a script file name, you can see the full script URL.

Once an event is clicked, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane. The stack is represented by a tree of function calls.

- Event Stack Pane

Once an event in the Events pane is clicked, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane. The stack is represented by a tree of function calls. Each tree node represents the invoked function. Node text contains the total execution time, the script file name and the function name. When you click a node, the Quick Evaluation pane shows additional function call details, parameter values and return value, occurred exception details if there was one during the function execution.

The pane is synchronized with the editor, so you can navigate from an item in the stack tree to the corresponding **trace file** or **source file**.

- A **trace file** is a write-protected prettified version of the script selected in the Events pane or the script whose function is double clicked in the Event Stack pane. A **trace file** is named `<file name>.js.trace`. When you double click an item in the stack tree or select it and choose Jump to Trace on the context menu of the selection, the corresponding **trace file** opens in the editor with the cursor positioned at the clicked function. Another approach is to press the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button and select various stack nodes. In this case, the trace file opens when you click an event or script in the Events pane.

You can not only jump to a function but also to the place in the code where it was called from. To do that, select the required item and choose Jump to Caller on the context menu.

The contents of the file are highlighted to display the code execution path of the selected stack node.

- When you are tracing an application with **ECMAScript 6**, **CoffeeScript**, and **TypeScript** code, **Spy-js** also generates **mapped trace files**. These are **ECMAScript 6**, **TypeScript**, or **CoffeeScript** trace files with the extensions `.ts.trace`, `.coffee.trace`, or `.js.trace`. The fragments of code in these files are highlighted as if they were really executed.

- You can also navigate to the **source file** displayed as is, without prettifying, by selecting an item in the Event Stack pane and choosing Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection. If the traced site is mapped with a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA detects the corresponding local file according to the mapping and opens this file in the editor. If you are tracing a site that is not mapped to a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA opens the read-only **page source**, just as if you chose View Page Source in the browser.

When the traced site is mapped with a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA opens the **source file** on any attempt to edit the opened **trace file**.

- Quick Evaluation Pane


When you click a node in the Event Stack pane, the Quick Evaluation pane shows additional function call details, parameter values and return value, occurred exception details if there was one during the function execution.

## Initiating a Spy-js tracing session

The way you initiate a tracing session depends on the type of the application you are going to trace.

### Launching a tracing session of a Web application

To a trace an application with **CoffeeScript** or **TypeScript** code, you need to compile the original code into JavaScript, see [and TypeScript](#) for details.

1. Create a run configuration of the type **Spy-js**. To do that, choose Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button , and choose Spy-js on the context menu. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js](#) dialog box that opens, specify the following:

1. The location of the Node interpreter.
2. The **trace server port**. This port number must be the same as your system proxy port. If the Automatically configure system proxy checkbox is selected, the specified port number is automatically set for the system proxy server. Otherwise you will have to specify the value of the field in the system proxy settings manually. The **trace server port** is filled in automatically. To avoid port conflicts, it is recommended that you accept the suggested value and keep the Automatically configure system proxy checkbox selected.
3. The way to configure the proxy server.  
To have the system proxy server activated automatically with the port specified in the Trace server port field, select the Automatically configure system proxy checkbox.


Clear the Automatically configure system proxy checkbox to specify proxy settings manually. See how to configure proxy settings manually on [Windows](#), [Mac](#), [Ubuntu](#), [iOS](#), [Android](#), [Windows Phone](#). Please note that some desktop browsers have their own screens for proxy settings configuration.


4. From the Use dropdown list, choose the way to specify the way to configure a tracing session.

- To have **Spy-js** apply its internal predefined configuration, choose Default configuration.


- To have your custom manually created configuration applied, choose the Configuration file option and then specify the location of your custom configuration file in the Configuration field below.


A **configuration file** is a JavaScript file with the extension `.js` or `.conf.js` that contains valid JavaScript code that meets the [Spy-js configuration requirements](#). If IntelliJ IDEA detects files with the extension `.conf.js` in the project, these files are displayed in the drop-down list.

Type the path to the configuration file manually or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens. Once specified, a configuration file is added to the drop-down list so you can get it next time from the list instead of specifying the path.

2. To launch a tracing session, click the Run toolbar button . The [Spy-js Tool Window](#) opens with an empty Trace Run tab and a Trace Proxy Server tab informing you about the status of the proxy server.
3. Switch to the browser and refresh the page to start debugging from. **Spy-js** starts capturing events on this page and the Spy-js tool window shows them in the Events pane.

### Launching a tracing session of a Node.js application

1. Create a run configuration of the type **Spy-js for Node.js**. To do that, choose Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button , and choose Spy-js for Node.js on the context menu. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js for Node.js](#) dialog box that opens, specify the following:


1. The location of the **Node interpreter**.
2. The **Node parameters**, that is, the Node.js-specific command line options to be passed to the NodeJS executable file. For example, to enable tracing **ECMAScript 6** scripts, specify `--harmony` as a Node parameter. Note that Node.js must be version 0.11.13 or higher.
3. The [working directory](#) of the application. All references in the **starting file file**, for example, `imports`, will be resolved relative to this folder, unless such references use full paths.  
By default, the field shows the **project root folder**. To change this predefined setting, choose the desired folder from the drop-down list, or type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the


location in the dialog box, that opens.

4. The **JavaScript file** to start the application with.

If you are going to trace CoffeeScript, specify the path to the generated JavaScript file. The file can be generated externally or through compilation using file watchers. For more details, see [Compiling CoffeeScript to JavaScript](#).

5. The **application parameters**: the Node.js-specific arguments to be passed to the application start file through the [process.argv](#) array.
6. The **environment variables** for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. See [Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js for Node.js](#) for details.
7. The **configuration file** with the configuration settings to apply to the tracing session.  
A **configuration file** is a JavaScript file with the extension `.js` or `.conf.js` that contains valid JavaScript code that meets the [Spy-js configuration requirements](#). If IntelliJ IDEA detects files with the extension `.conf.js` in the project, these files are displayed in the drop-down list.

Type the path to the configuration file manually or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens. Once specified, a configuration file is added to the drop-down list so you can get it next time from the list instead of specifying the path.


8. The **trace server port**. This port number must be the same as your system proxy port. If the Automatically configure system proxy checkbox is selected, the specified port number is automatically set for the system proxy server. Otherwise you will have to specify the value of the field in the system proxy settings manually. The **trace server port** is filled in automatically. To avoid port conflicts, it is recommended that you accept the suggested value and keep the Automatically configure system proxy checkbox selected.
2. To launch a tracing session, click the Run toolbar button . The **Spy-js** tool and the Node.js application start. The [Spy-js Tool Window](#) opens showing the captured events in the Trace Run tab.

## Saving and loading tracing sessions


You can save an image of a tracing session and load this image at any time later. The `.json` files that store the calls and properties of the session are compressed into a `zip` archive. Upon request, when you choose Load trace, the `.json` files are extracted from the archive and loaded into **Spy-js**.

Note that a loaded image does not restore the session because no scripts are actually executed. All you can do is analyze the flow and properties of previously executed code.


### To save an image of a tracing session

- Click the  button on the Events toolbar, and then choose Save trace from the list. IntelliJ IDEA compresses all the affected `.json` files in a `zip` archive and opens the folder where the archive is saved.



### To load an image of a previous tracing session

1. Initiate a tracing session of the same type as the session you are going to load the image of: a **Spy-js** or a **Spy-js for Node.js** respectively, see [Initiating a Spy-js Tracing Session](#) above. We need to have this **fake** session running because otherwise **Spy-js** would be inactive and thus the **load trace** functionality would be unavailable.  
Of course you can load a trace while actually tracing an application, but in this case the currently running session will be lost after loading.
2. When the session starts, click the  button on the Events toolbar and choose Load Trace from the list.
3. In the dialog box that opens, choose the location of the `zip` archive with the image of the desired session. **Spy-js** stops the running and shows the loaded trace in a new tab named Loaded <loaded session>.  
Note that a loaded image does not restore the session because no scripts are actually executed. All you can do is analyze the flow and properties of previously executed code.

## Configuring the range of events to display

By default, the **Spy-js** tool captures all events on all opened Web pages, excluding **https secure** web sites, unless you have specified a URL address explicitly in the run configuration. The Events pane of the **Spy-js** tool window shows all captured events. If for some reasons you do not want to have all events captured, you can suppress capturing some of them by applying user-defined event filters. All the available filters are listed upon clicking the Capture Events button  on the toolbar, the currently applied filter is marked with a tick. By default the Capture All predefined filter is applied. To stop capturing events without stopping the application, choose Mute All. The application is still running but the Events pane shows the last captured event. This is helpful if you want to analyze a script and therefore need it to be displayed in the Events pane instead of being removed as new events are captured. You can define new custom filters or add event patterns to existing filters on the fly.

### Defining a new event filter

1. Click the Capture Events button  on the toolbar, and then choose Edit Capture Exclusions from the list.
2. In the [Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog](#) that opens, click Add  on the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, specify the filter name in the Exclusion name field and configure a list of exclusion



rules.

To add a rule, click **+**, the Add Condition to Exclusion dialog box opens. Type a pattern in the Value/pattern text box, in the Condition type drop-down list specify whether the pattern should be applied to event types or script names. Note that [glob pattern matching](#) is used. When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA brings you to the [Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog](#).

To edit a rule, select it in the list, click **✎**, and update the rule in the dialog box that opens. To remove a rule, select it in the list and click **-**.

## Creating exclusion rules on the fly

While navigating through the tree of already captured events in the Events pane, you may come across some events or scripts that you definitely do not want to trace. You can create a filter as described above but in this case you will have to leave the pane. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can create an exclusion rule based on any event or script, as soon as you have detected such event or script, right from the Events pane. The rule will be either added to the currently applied filter or a new filter will be created if the current setting is Capture All.

- To add an event to an exclusion filter on the fly, select the event to exclude and choose Mute `<event name>` event or Mute `<script name>` file.

If a user-defined filter is currently applied, the new rule is added to it silently. If Capture All is currently active, the [Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog](#) opens, where you can create a new filter based on the selected event or script or choose an existing filter and add the new rule to it.

## Setting timestamp labels

Timestamp labels help you to analyze your code execution within a specific period of time. For example, you can set two timestamp labels and view which events were captured between them. Or on the contrary, you can locate the events that were not captured within a certain period of time although you expected them to be and thus detect performance problems.

- To set a timestamp label, choose Add Label on the context menu in the Events pane. A label **Labelled at `<timestamp>`** is added under the document node.

## Synchronization and navigation between the panes and the editor

The Events and Event Stack panes are synchronized: when you click an event or script in the Events pane, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane. To have also the corresponding trace file opened in the editor, press the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button on the toolbar.

The Event Stack pane is synchronized with the editor: when you click an item in the stack tree twice, the corresponding trace file opens in the editor with the cursor positioned at the clicked function.

To synchronize the Events pane directly with the editor, press the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button on the toolbar. In this case, as soon as you click a node in the Events pane, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane and the corresponding trace file is opened in the editor. With the Autoscroll to Trace mode turned on, when you navigate through the Event Stack the corresponding files are also automatically opened in the editor with the corresponding functions highlighted.

## Navigating from an event or a script to the trace file

A **trace file** is a write-protected prettified version of the script selected in the Events pane or the script whose function is double clicked in the Event Stack pane. A **trace file** is named `<file name>.js.trace`. To navigate from an event or a script to the trace file, do one of the following:

- Activate automatic navigation:
  1. In the Events pane, press the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button on the toolbar.
  2. Click the required event or script.
- In the Event Stack pane, click the required item in the call stack twice or choose Jump to Trace on the context menu. The trace file opens with the cursor positioned at the clicked function.

## Navigating from an event or script to the source file

You can also navigate to the **source file** displayed as is, without prettifying.

- In the Event Stack pane, select the required item in the call stack and choose Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection.

If the traced site is mapped with a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA detects the corresponding local file according to the mapping and opens this file in the editor. If you are tracing a site that is not mapped to a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA opens the read-only **page source**, just as if you chose View Page Source in the browser.

## Navigating from a function to its call


To navigate from a function to the place in the code where it was called from:

- In the Event Stack pane, select the required item in the call stack and choose Jump to Caller on the context menu of the selection.

## Navigating through ECMAScript 6, TypeScript, or CoffeeScript

Spy-js supports **source maps**, which means that you can now jump from the Event Stack pane right to the original source code in **ECMAScript 6**, **TypeScript** or **CoffeeScript** and observe what code fragments were executed.

Spy-js also generates **mapped trace files**. These are **ECMAScript 6**, **TypeScript**, or **CoffeeScript** trace files with the extensions `.ts.trace`, `.coffee.trace`, or `.js.trace`. The fragments of code in these files are highlighted as if they were really executed.

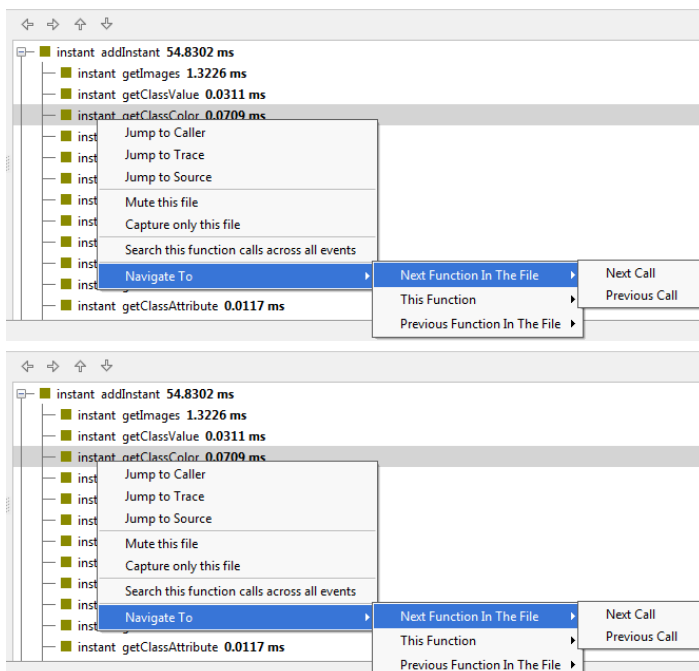
1. Configure the way source maps are treated by clicking  on the toolbar of the Events stack and choosing the following options on the context menu:
  - Choose **Enable Source Map Look-up** to enable navigation to the **ECMAScript 6**, **TypeScript** or **CoffeeScript** source code using the source maps generated during compilation.
  - Choose **Enable source map generation**, to generate source maps for everything to map the instrumented code. Choose this option if you are going to debug the original code in **Chrome Dev Tools** or **Firefox FireBug** development tools.
  - Choose **Always open source mapped trace if available**, to have **Spy-js** try to open the **mapped trace file** when you invoke navigation from an event to its caller.
2. To navigate from a function to the source code, select the function in question in the Event Stack pane and choose one of the following options on the context menu of the selection:
  - To navigate to the **ECMAScript 6**, **TypeScript** or **CoffeeScript** source code, choose **Jump to Source** on the context menu of the selection.
  - To navigate to the JavaScript trace file, choose **Jump to Trace**.
  - To navigate to the mapped trace file (**ECMAScript 6**, **TypeScript** or **CoffeeScript**), choose **Jump to Mapped Trace**.
3. To navigate from a function to its call, select the function in the Event Stack and choose **Jump to Caller**.
  - If the **Always open source mapped trace if available** option is selected, the corresponding mapped trace file opens.
  - If the **Always open source mapped trace if available** option is not selected, the JavaScript trace file opens.

Alternatively, you can navigate to the executed JavaScript code by choosing **Jump to Trace**.

## Advanced trace navigation

With **advanced trace navigation**, you can move through the whole stack based on calls and locate the functions that have not been called, that is, locate the fragments of code that have not been executed and analyze the reason for them to be skipped.

The following six actions are available: move to the next/previous call of the next/current/previous function in a trace file. The full list of actions is available from the context menu in the Event Stack pane. Moving to the next and previous calls of the selected function, to the previous call of the previous function, and to the next call of the next function are also available from the navigation toolbar of the Event Stack pane.

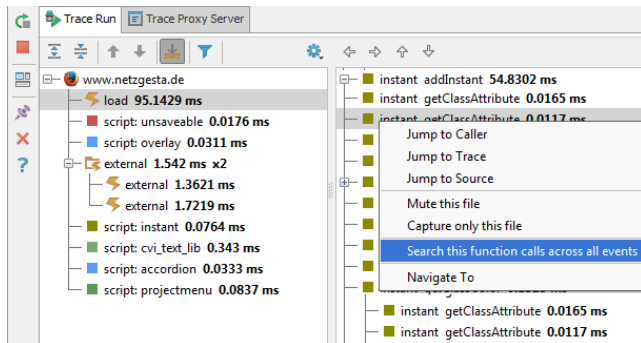






When you choose one of these actions, the cursor jumps to the call in the stack. If the **Autoscroll to Trace** toggle button is pressed, the corresponding trace file opens automatically with the cursor positioned at the call.

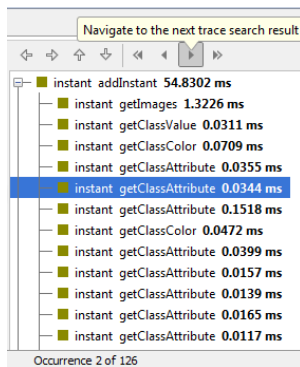
## Advanced trace search

**Advanced trace search** lets you navigate between the calls of a function within the whole trace (across all the traced events). This means that if you are tracing 5 pages in the browser and the Events pane, accordingly, shows 5 document nodes, IntelliJ IDEA searches for the calls of the selected function under all these nodes and displays the number of found calls of the function in the Status bar.

- To invoke the search for the calls of a function in all document nodes, select the function in question in the Event Stack pane and choose Search this function calls across all events on the context menu of the selection. The number of found calls is displayed in the Status bar, and the toolbar shows four previously hidden navigation chevron buttons.



- Use the chevron buttons to navigate within the found calls:
  - To jump to the first detected call, click .
  - To jump to the last detected call, click .
  - To jump to the next detected call, click . The Status bar shows a message: Occurrence <number> of <total number of detected calls>.
  - To jump to the previous detected call, click .





The search results are reset and the search toolbar is hidden when you invoke another advanced search or navigation.

Also keep in mind that the number of call occurrences is calculated when you choose the Search this function calls across all events option. As you analyze the detected calls, the time passes, new events are captured, and the first detected call can happen to be already removed from the stack which means that it is no longer available for navigation.

## Expanding the basic completion list with runtime data (Spy-js autocompletion)


The term **Spy-js autocompletion** denotes expanding the **basic completion list** with suggestions retrieved from the runtime data. The **Spy-js autocompletion** functionality is available from **source** files for the code that has already been executed (highlighted green in the corresponding **trace** file).

When you position the caret at a symbol in the source file and press **Ctrl+Space**, **Spy-js** retrieves data from the browser or from the running Node.js application and merges it with the basic completion list according to the following rules:


1. If an object both is present on the basic completion list and is retrieved from the runtime, the variant that provides more information about parameters, attributes, their type, etc. remains on the list.
2. Objects retrieved by **Spy-js** are shown on top of the list and marked with the  icon. If a retrieved object is specific for a browser, the object is marked with the  icon and with the icon of this browser.

## Activating Spy-js autocompletion

By default, the functionality is turned off. To activate it:

- Click the  button on the Events toolbar, and then choose Enable Spy-js autocomplete and magnifier from the list.

## Evaluating expressions without running a debugging session (Spy-js magnification)

The term **Spy-js magnification** denotes **evaluating expressions** without actually running a debugging session. When you click the expression in question or position the caret at it and press **Ctrl+Alt+F8**, a tooltip is displayed below the expression showing the expression value. If **Spy-js** retrieves several values, click  icon in the tooltip to expand the list of


values.

The **magnification** functionality is available from **source** files for both executed and not yet executed code.

By default, the functionality is turned off.

## Activating Spy-js magnification

By default, the functionality is turned off. To activate it:

- Click the  button on the Events toolbar, and then choose Enable Spy-js autocomplete and magnifier from the list.

## Viewing dependency diagrams

With **Spy-js**, you can build and examine runtime application/event diagrams for client-side and **Node.js** applications.

### To view the dependency diagrams

1. Generate a diagram:

- To build a diagram with the dependencies within the entire application, select the document node and choose Show application dependency diagram on the context menu of the selection.
- To build a diagram with the dependencies of a single event, select the required event in the Events pane and choose Show event dependency diagram .

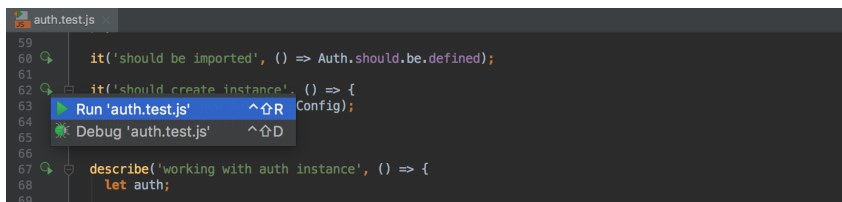
2. Analyze the diagram:

- The diagram is opened in a separate editor tab. The nodes in the diagram represent your project files, while the edges represent the fact that there's one or more functions in the source file that invoke functions in the target file.
- To examine the details of a node or an edge, select the node or the edge in question and view its Details tree in a dedicated pane in the upper right-hand corner of the editor. The pane displays the connecting function combinations, along with event(s) the calls are made within and the number of calls made.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can run and debug JavaScript unit tests using [Mocha](#), [Karma](#), [Jest](#), [Protractor](#), and [Cucumber.js](#).

You can see the test results in a treeview and easily navigate to the test source from there. Test status is shown next to the test in the editor with an option to quickly run or debug it:



For Karma and Mocha you can also see a code coverage report right in IntelliJ IDEA.

## Navigation

You can quickly jump from the source code to the related test file with the Go to test action (`Ctrl+Shift+T` or `Navigate | Test`). For example, from `auth.js` you can jump to `auth.test.js`.





## Running and debugging tests

Before you start with testing JavaScript, make sure the chosen test runner is installed and set up in your project as described on the corresponding page.

To quickly run or debug a single test with Mocha, Karma, or Jest

Click  or  in the left gutter and choose Run <test\_name> or Debug <test\_name> from the pop-up list.

To run or debug tests using a run/debug configuration

1. In the **Run/Debug Configuration** dialog box ( `Run | Edit Configurations` ), click , select the appropriate configuration type, and fill in the required fields.
2. Save the configuration and click , , or  on the toolbar.

For a more detailed overview, see:

- [Cucumber.js](#)
- [Jest](#)
- [JSTestDriver](#)
- [Karma](#)
- [Mocha](#)
- [Protractor](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the [Cucumber.js test framework](#) . IntelliJ IDEA recognizes [features](#) written in the [Gherkin](#) language.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. Install and enable the NodeJS, Cucumber.js, and Gherkin repository plugins on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Installing Cucumber.js

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type one of the following commands at the command prompt:

- `npm install cucumber` for local installation in your project.
- `npm install -g cucumber` for global installation.
- `npm install --save-dev cucumber` to install Cucumber.js as a [development dependency](#) .

See also [Cucumber.js demo on the Cucumber.js official website](#) .

**Tip** You can also install the `cucumber` package on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in [NPM](#) .

## Running tests

**Tip** If you create a run/debug configuration from the editor by choosing Create Scenario:<Scenario\_name> on the context menu of the scenario to run, IntelliJ IDEA fill in the name of the scenario in the Name Filter text box automatically.

Cucumber.js tests are launched only through a run/debug configuration.

### To create a Cucumber.js run configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box ( Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu).
2. Click **+** on the toolbar and select Cucumber.js from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Cucumber.js](#) dialog box opens.
3. In the Feature file or directory text box, specify the tests to run. Type the path to a specific `.feature` file or to a folder, if you want to run a bunch of features.
4. In the Executable path text box, specify the location of the `cucumber-js.cmd` , `cucumber-js.bat` , or other depending on your operating system. The location depends on the installation mode.

### Optionally

- Specify the command line arguments to be passed to the executable file, such as `-r ( --require LIBRARY|DIR )` , `-t ( --tags TAG_EXPRESSION )` , or `--coffee` . For details, see native built-in help available through the `cucumber-js --help` command.
- In the Name Filter text box, type the name of a specific scenario to run instead of all the scenarios from the feature file or directory.

**Tip** Alternatively, select a test file in the Project tool window and choose Create <file name> on the context menu.

### To run tests via a run configuration :

1. Select the Cucumber.js run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click **▶** to the right of the list.
2. The test server starts automatically without any steps from your side. View and analyze messages from the test server in the Run tool window.
3. Monitor test execution in the Test Runner tab of the Run tool window as described in [Monitoring and Managing Tests](#) .

## Navigation

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can jump between a file and the related test file. Navigation from a test result in the [Test Runner Tab](#) to the test is also supported.

### To jump between a file and the related test file

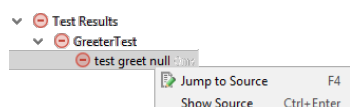
Open the file in the editor and choose Go To | Test or Go To | Test Subject on the context menu, or just press

`Ctrl+Shift+T` .

**Tip** The test file should follow popular naming conventions, e.g. have a `.test.` , `.spec.` or `_spec.` suffix and should be located either next to the source file or in a `test` folder.

### To jump from a test result to the test

Select the test name in the Test Runner tab and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.



The test file opens in the editor with the cursor placed at the test definition.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Jest is a testing platform for client-side JavaScript applications and [React](#) applications specifically. Learn more about the platform from [Jest Official website](#).

You can run and debug tests with Jest right in IntelliJ IDEA. You can see the test results in a treeview and easily navigate to the test source from there. Test status is shown next to the test in the editor with an option to quickly run it or debug it.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. Install and enable the NodeJS repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing Jest

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `npm install --save-dev jest` at the command prompt.




See also [Getting Started on the Jest official website](#).

**Tip** You can also install the `jest` package on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in [NPM](#).



## Running tests

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can quickly run a single Jest test right from the editor or create a run/debug configuration to execute some or all of your tests.

### To run a single test from the editor


Click  or  in the left gutter and choose Run <test\_name> from the pop-up list. You can also see whether a test has passed or failed right in the editor, thanks to the **test status** icons  in the left gutter.

### To create a Jest run configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box (Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu).
2. Click  on the toolbar and select Jest from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Jest](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the [Node interpreter](#) to use and the location of the `jest`, `react-scripts`, `react-script-ts`, `react-super-scripts`, or `react-awesome-scripts` package.
4. Specify the working directory of the application.  
By default, the Working directory field shows the project root folder. To change this predefined setting, specify the path to the desired folder or choose a previously used folder from the list.
5. Optionally specify the `jest.config` file to use: choose the relevant file from the drop-down list, or click  and choose it in the dialog that opens, or just type the path in the text box. If the field is empty, IntelliJ IDEA looks for a `package.json` file with a `jest` key. The search is performed in the file system upwards from the **working directory**. If no appropriate `package.json` file is found, then the [Jest default configuration](#) is used.
6. Optionally configure rerunning the tests automatically on changes in the related source files. To do that, add the `--watch` flag in the Jest options field.

**Tip** Alternatively, select a test file in the Project tool window and choose Create <file name> on the context menu.

### To run tests via a run configuration

1. Select the Jest run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list.
2. The test server starts automatically without any steps from your side. View and analyze messages from the test server in the Run tool window.
3. Monitor test execution in the Test Runner tab of the Run tool window as described in [Monitoring and Managing Tests](#).

## Navigation

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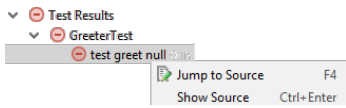
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**Tip** The test file should follow popular naming conventions, e.g. have a `.test.`, `.spec.` or `_spec.` suffix and should be located either next to the source file or in a `test` folder.

### To jump from a test result to the test

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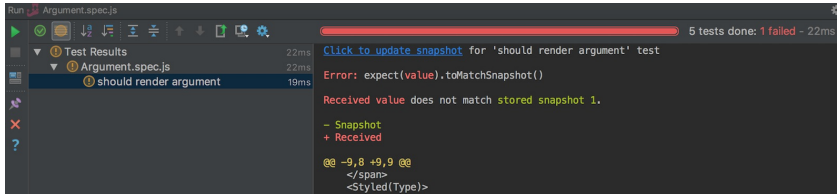




The test file opens in the editor with the cursor placed at the test definition.

## Snapshot testing

IntelliJ IDEA integration with Jest supports such a great feature as snapshot testing. If a snapshot does not match the rendered application the test fails. This indicates that either some changes in your code have caused this mismatch or the snapshot is outdated and needs to be updated. To update the snapshot for a failed test, use the Click to update snapshot link in the Test Runner tab of the Run tool window:



## Debugging tests

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can quickly start debugging a single Jest test right from the editor or create a run/debug configuration to debug some or all of your tests.

To start debugging a single test from the editor

Click or in the left gutter and choose Debug <test\_name> from the pop-up list.

To launch test debugging via a run/debug configuration

1. Create a Jest run/debug configuration [as described above](#).
2. Select the Jest run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click to the right of the list.
3. In the **Debug Tool Window** that opens, proceed as usual: [step through the tests](#), [stop and resume](#) test execution, [examine the test when suspended](#), etc.

## Monitoring code coverage

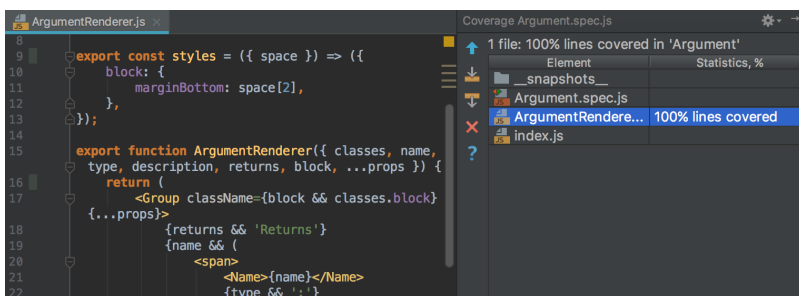
With IntelliJ IDEA, you can also monitor how much of your code is [covered with Jest tests](#). IntelliJ IDEA displays this statistics in a dedicated tool window and marks covered and uncovered lines visually right in the editor.

To run tests with coverage

1. Create a Jest run/debug configuration [as described above](#).
2. Select the Jest run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click to the right of the list.

Alternatively, quickly run a specific suite or a test with coverage from the editor: click or in the left gutter and choose Run <test\_name> with Coverage from the pop-up list.

3. Monitor the code coverage in the **Coverage** tool window. The report shows how many files were covered with tests and the percentage of covered lines in them. From the report you can jump to the file and see what lines were covered – marked green – and what lines were not covered – marked red:



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the [JSTestDriver test framework](#) .

## Before you start

1. Configure your testing framework as [IntelliJ IDEA JavaScript library](#) .
2. Make sure the **JSTestDriver** repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .  
Through this plugin, IntelliJ IDEA provides the JSTestDriver server and the assertion framework. During the test creation, the plugin detects the unit testing framework and suggests the **Add <test framework> support** [intention action](#) .

## Configuring a testing framework in a project

1. Download the framework of your choice and [configure it as a IntelliJ IDEA JavaScript library](#) .
2. Do one of the following:
  - [Add the project folder to the library scope](#) .
  - Enable the framework support on-the-fly during test creation using the **Add <test framework> support** intention action.
  - To use Jasmine, add `jasmine-jstd-adapter` to the configuration file.  
Open `jsTestDriver.conf` and type the following code in it:

```
load:  
lib/jasmine/jasmine.js  
lib/jasmine-jstd-adapter/JasmineAdapter.js
```

## Creating a test runner configuration file manually

A test runner configuration file defines the test and production files to load the loading order. IntelliJ IDEA treats any file with the extension `*.jstd` or `*.conf` as a test runner configuration file.




### To create a configuration file

1. In the Project tree, select the parent folder of the production and test folders, and choose **New | File** on the context menu.
2. In the New File dialog box, that opens, type the name of the configuration file with the extension `jstd` or `conf` .
3. Open the new file in the editor and specify the full path to the current folder and the paths to the files to load relative to it.  
Use wildcards in file name patterns.
4. Complete the configuration file using [YAML](#) , see [description of test runner configuration files](#) .

## Running tests


With IntelliJ IDEA, you can quickly run a single JSTestDriver test right from the editor or create a run/debug configuration to execute some or all of your tests.

### To run a single test from the editor

Click  or  in the left gutter and choose **Run <test\_name>** from the pop-up list. You can also see whether a test has passed or failed right in the editor, thanks to the **test status** icons  in the left gutter.


**Note** The arrows appear only if the test framework used in your tests is associated with the project, so IntelliJ IDEA can recognize the tests.

### To create a JSTestDriver run configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box ( **Run | Edit Configurations** on the main menu).
2. Click  on the toolbar and select JSTestDriver from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: JSTestDriver](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the tests to run, the path to the configuration file, and the activities to perform before test execution.

**Tip** Alternatively, select a test file in the Project tool window and choose **Create <file name>** on the context menu.

### To start the IntelliJ IDEA default JSTestDriver test server

1. Make sure you have at least one configuration file in your project.
2. Open the [JSTestDriver Server](#) tool window ( **View | Tool Windows | JSTestDriver Server** ), and click  on the toolbar.

### To stop the server when you are through with unit testing

Click the Stop the local server toolbar button  .


**Tip** To use a test server running on another machine or listening to a custom port, start it according to the server-specific instructions and specify its URL address in the Server area of the [Run/Debug Configuration: JSTestDriver](#) dialog box.

### To capture a browser

1. [Start the JSTestDriver Server](#) if it is not running yet and then switch to the JSTestDriver Server tool window.
2. To start a local browser with the Remote Console of the JSTestDriver , do one of the following:
  - Click the icon that indicates the browser of your choice.
  - If the browser is already opened, copy the contents of the Capture a browser using the URL read-only field and paste the URL in the address bar.In either case, the icon that indicates the chosen browser becomes active.
3. Switch to the JSTestDriver Server tool window and click the icon that indicates the browser you just opened. IntelliJ IDEA displays a message informing you that it is ready for executing tests.

**Tip** You can have several browsers captured. However to debug your tests, appoint a browser for debugging in the Debug tab of the [Run/Debug Configuration: JSTestDriver](#) dialog box.

### To run tests via a run configuration

1. Select the JSTestDriver run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list.
2. Monitor test execution in the Test Runner tab of the Run tool window as described in [Monitoring and Managing Tests](#) .

## Navigation

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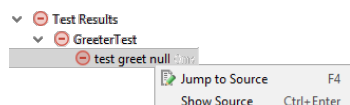
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### To jump from a test result to the test

Select the test name in the Test Runner tab and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.




The test file opens in the editor with the cursor placed at the test definition.

## Debugging tests

A debugging session for JSTestDriver tests is started only through a run/debug configuration.


### To start debugging tests

1. Create a JSTestDriver run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. Select the JSTestDriver run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list.
3. In the [Debug Tool Window](#) that opens, proceed as usual: [step through the tests](#) , [stop and resume](#) test execution, [examine the test when suspended](#) , etc.

## Monitoring code coverage

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can also monitor how much of your code is [covered with Karma tests](#) . IntelliJ IDEA displays this statistics in a dedicated tool window and marks covered and uncovered lines visually right in the editor.

### To launch tests with coverage

1. Create a JSTestDriver run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. [Start the JSTestDriver server](#) and [capture a browser](#) to run the tests in.
3. Select the JSTestDriver run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list.
4. Monitor the code coverage in the [Coverage](#) tool window.

### To exclude files from coverage analysis

1. Create a JSTestDriver run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. In the Coverage tab, specify the paths to the files to exclude.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can run and debug tests with [Karma](#) right in IntelliJ IDEA. You can see the test results in a treeview and easily navigate to the test source from there. Test status is shown next to the test in the editor with an option to quickly run it or debug it.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. Install and enable the NodeJS and Karma repository plugins on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing Karma and plugins

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type one of the following commands at the command prompt:

- `npm install` if Karma and all the required plugins are already defined in `package.json`.
- To install Karma and the required plugins (e.g. `karma-jasmine` or `jasmine-core` ) as [development dependencies](#)

```
npm install --save-dev karma
npm install --save-dev <required_karma_plugin> <another_required_karma_plugin>
```

Learn more on the [Karma official website](#).

**Tip** You can also install the `karma` package on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in [NPM](#).

## Generating a Karma configuration file

Karma tests are run according to a `karma.conf.js` configuration file which is generated in the interactive mode. If you already have `karma.conf.js` in your project, just skip this step. For more details on Karma configuration, see [Karma official website](#).

### To create a Karma configuration file

1. Open the Terminal and start the `karma.conf.js` generation wizard by typing one of the following depending on your operating system:
  - For macOS and Linux:

```
./node_modules/karma/bin/karma init
```

- For Windows:

```
npm install -g karma-cli
```




```
karma init
```

2. Answering the questions of the wizard, specify the testing framework to use and the browsers to be captured automatically. See also [Karma Files: Pattern matching](#).


## Running tests

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can quickly run a single Karma test right from the editor or create a run/debug configuration to execute some or all of your tests.

### To run a single test from the editor


Click  or  in the left gutter and choose Run <test\_name> from the pop-up list. You can also see whether a test has passed or failed right in the editor, thanks to the [test status](#) icons  in the left gutter.

### To create a Karma run configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box ( Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu).
2. Click  on the toolbar and select Karma from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Karma](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the [Node interpreter](#) to use, the location of the `karma` package, and the path to `karma.conf.js`.

**Tip** Alternatively, select a test file in the Project tool window and choose Create <file name> on the context menu.

### To run tests via a run configuration

1. Select the Karma run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list.
2. The Karma test server starts automatically without any steps from your side. View and analyze messages from the test server in the Karma Server tab of the Run tool window.
3. Monitor test execution in the Test Runner tab of the Run tool window as described in [Monitoring and Managing Tests](#).

## Navigation

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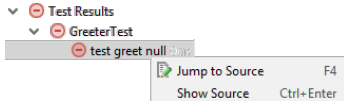
Open the file in the editor and choose **Go To | Test** or **Go To | Test Subject** on the context menu, or just press

`Ctrl+Shift+T` .

**Tip** The test file should follow popular naming conventions, e.g. have a `.test.`, `.spec.` or `_spec.` suffix and should be located either next to the source file or in a `test` folder.

To jump from a test result to the test

Select the test name in the Test Runner tab and choose **Jump to Source** on the context menu.



The test file opens in the editor with the cursor placed at the test definition.


## Debugging tests

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can quickly start debugging a single Karma test right from the editor or create a run/debug configuration to debug some or all of your tests.

To start debugging a single test from the editor

Click  or  in the left gutter and choose **Debug <test\_name>** from the pop-up list.

To launch test debugging via a run/debug configuration

1. Create a Karma run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. Select the Karma run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list.
3. In the **Debug Tool Window** that opens, proceed as usual: [step through the tests](#) , [stop and resume](#) test execution, [examine the test when suspended](#) , etc.

## Monitoring code coverage

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can also monitor how much of your code is [covered with Karma tests](#) . IntelliJ IDEA displays this statistics in a dedicated tool window and marks covered and uncovered lines visually right in the editor. To monitor coverage, you need to install the `karma-coverage` package and update `karma.conf.js` .

To install karma-coverage

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type `npm install --save-dev karma-coverage` .

To add karma-coverage definition to the configuration file

Open `karma.conf.js` in the editor and add the following information to it:


1. Locate the `reporters` definition and add `coverage` to the list of values in the format:

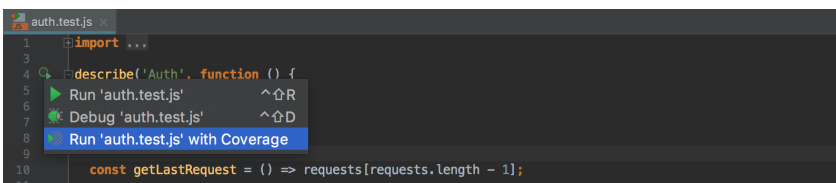
```
reporters: [ 'progress', 'coverage' ]
```


2. Add a `preprocessors` definition and specify the coverage scope in the format:

```
preprocessors: { '**/*.js': [ 'coverage' ] }
```

To launch tests with coverage

1. Create a Karma run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. Select the Karma run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list. Alternatively, use the test icons in the editor to quickly run a specific suite or a test with coverage:



3. Monitor the code coverage in the **Coverage** tool window. Note that for **Karma** tests, the Coverage tool window does not show the **Generate Coverage Report** toolbar button  because a coverage report is actually generated on the disk every time **Karma** tests are run. The format of a coverage report can be configured in the configuration file, for example:

```
// karma.conf.js
module.exports = function(config) {
  config.set({ ...
  // optionally, configure the reporter
  coverageReporter: { type: 'html', dir: 'coverage/' }
  ...
});};
```

The following `type` values are acceptable:

- `html` produces a bunch of HTML files with annotated source code.
- `lcovonly` produces an `lcov.info` file.
- `lcov` produces HTML + `.lcov` files. This format is applied by default.
- `cobertura` produces a `cobertura-coverage.xml` file for easy Hudson integration.
- `text-summary` produces a compact text summary of coverage, typically to the console.
- `text` produces a detailed text table with coverage for all files.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can run and debug tests with [Mocha](#) right in IntelliJ IDEA. You can see the test results in a treeview and easily navigate to the test source from there. Test status is shown next to the test in the editor with an option to quickly run it or debug it.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. Install and enable the NodeJS repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing Mocha

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type one of the following commands at the command prompt:

- `npm install mocha` for local installation in your project.
- `npm install -g mocha` for global installation.
- `npm install --save-dev mocha` to install Mocha as a [development dependency](#).




See also [Getting Started on the Mocha official website](#).

**Tip** You can also install the `mocha` package on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in [NPM](#).


## Running tests

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can quickly run a single Mocha test right from the editor or create a run/debug configuration to execute some or all of your tests.

### To run a single test from the editor


Click  or  in the left gutter and choose Run <test\_name> from the pop-up list. You can also see whether a test has passed or failed right in the editor, thanks to the **test status** icons  in the left gutter.

### To create a Mocha run configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box (Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu).
2. Click the  on the toolbar and select Mocha from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Mocha](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the [Node interpreter](#) to use and the location of the `mocha` package.
4. Specify the working directory of the application.  
By default, the Working directory field shows the project root folder. To change this predefined setting, specify the path to the desired folder or choose a previously used folder from the list.
5. Optionally configure rerunning the tests automatically on changes in the related source files. To do that, add the `--watch` flag in the Extra Mocha options field.
6. Specify the tests to run. This can be a specific test or suite, an entire test file, or a folder with test files. You can also define patterns to run only the tests from the matching files.
7. Choose the [interface](#) used in the test to run.

**Tip** Alternatively, select a test file in the Project tool window and choose Create <file name> on the context menu.

### To run tests via a run configuration

1. Select the Mocha run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click  to the right of the list.
2. The test server starts automatically without any steps from your side. View and analyze messages from the test server in the Run tool window.
3. Monitor test execution in the Test Runner tab of the Run tool window as described in [Monitoring and Managing Tests](#).

## Navigation

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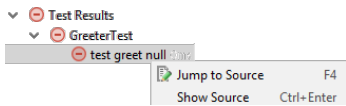
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**Tip** The test file should follow popular naming conventions, e.g. have a `.test.`, `.spec.` or `_spec.` suffix and should be located either next to the source file or in a `test` folder.

### To jump from a test result to the test

Select the test name in the Test Runner tab and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.



The test file opens in the editor with the cursor placed at the test definition.

## Debugging tests

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can quickly start debugging a single Mocha test right from the editor or create a run/debug configuration to debug some or all of your tests.

### To start debugging a single test from the editor

Click or in the left gutter and choose Debug <test\_name> from the pop-up list.

### To launch test debugging via a run/debug configuration

1. Create a Mocha run/debug configuration [as described above](#).
2. Select the Mocha run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click to the right of the list.
3. In the [Debug Tool Window](#) that opens, proceed as usual: [step through the tests](#), [stop and resume](#) test execution, [examine the test when suspended](#), etc.

## Monitoring code coverage

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can also monitor how much of your code is [covered with Mocha tests](#). IntelliJ IDEA displays this statistics in a dedicated tool window and marks covered and uncovered lines visually right in the editor. To monitor coverage, you need to install [nyc](#), the command-line interface for [Istanbul](#).

### To install nyc

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12`) and type `npm install --save-dev nyc`.

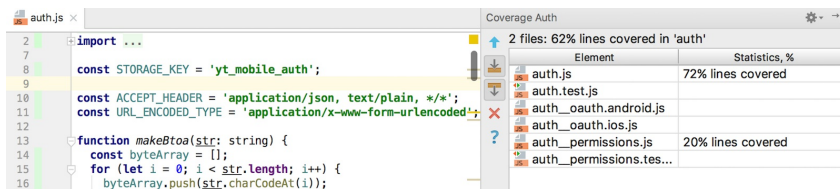
**Tip** You can also install Istanbul itself, version 1.1.0 or later. These versions have support for ES6 and TypeScript.

### To run tests with coverage

1. Create a Mocha run/debug configuration [as described above](#).
2. Select the Mocha run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click to the right of the list.

Alternatively, quickly run a specific suite or a test with coverage from the editor: click or in the left gutter and choose Run <test\_name> with Coverage from the pop-up list.

3. Monitor the code coverage in the [Coverage](#) tool window. The report shows how many files were covered with tests and the percentage of covered lines in them. From the report you can jump to the file and see what lines were covered – marked green – and what lines were not covered – marked red:





You can run and debug tests with [Protractor](#) right in IntelliJ IDEA. You can see the test results in a treeview and easily navigate to the test source from there.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. Install and enable the NodeJS repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Installing Protractor

You can install Protractor locally, in your project, or globally. Global installation is preferable.

### To install Protractor globally

1. Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type `npm install -g protractor` at the command prompt.
2. To download the necessary binaries, type `webdriver-manager update` .

See also [Getting Started on the Protractor official website](#) .

**Tip** You can also install the `protractor` package on the [Node.js and NPM page](#) as described in NPM.

## Running tests

Protractor tests are launched only through a run/debug configuration.

### To create a Protractor run configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box ( Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu).
2. Click `+` on the toolbar and select Protractor from the list. The [Run/Debug Configuration: Protractor](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the Node interpreter to use, the location of the `protractor` package, and the path to the `protractor.conf.js` configuration file. If you followed the standard installation, IntelliJ IDEA detects all these paths and displays them in the corresponding fields.

**Tip** Alternatively, select a test file in the Project tool window and choose Create <file name> on the context menu.

### To run tests via a run configuration

1. Select the Protractor run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click `▶` to the right of the list. The [Selenium Server](#) starts automatically without any steps from your side.
2. View and analyze messages from the server in the <current\_run\_configuration\_name> tab of the Run tool window.

## Navigation

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can jump between a file and the related test file. Navigation from a test result in the [Test Runner Tab](#) to the test is also supported.

### To jump between a file and the related test file

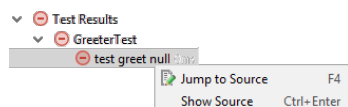
Open the file in the editor and choose Go To | Test or Go To | Test Subject on the context menu, or just press

`Ctrl+Shift+T` .

**Tip** The test file should follow popular naming conventions, e.g. have a `.test.` , `.spec.` or `_spec.` suffix and should be located either next to the source file or in a `test` folder.

### To jump from a test result to the test

Select the test name in the Test Runner tab and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.



The test file opens in the editor with the cursor placed at the test definition.

## Debugging tests

A debugging session for Protractor tests is started only through a run/debug configuration.

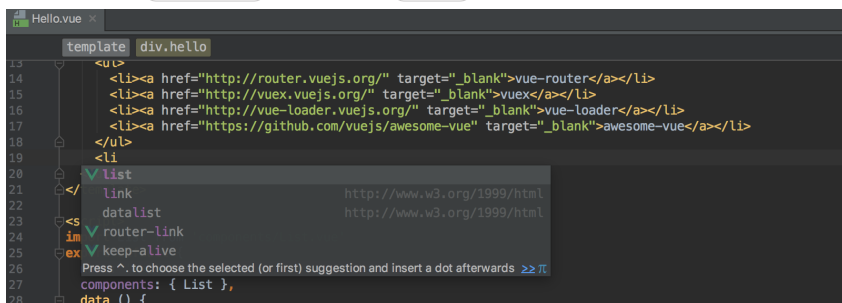
### To start debugging tests

1. Create a Protractor run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. Select the Protractor run/debug configuration from the list on the main toolbar and click `🐛` to the right of the list.
3. In the [Debug Tool Window](#) that opens, proceed as usual: [step through the tests](#) , [stop and resume](#) test execution, [examine the test when suspended](#) , etc.

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IntelliJ IDEA provides intelligent support for the [Vue.js](#) framework including:

- Recognition of the `.vue` file type and a dedicated `.vue` file template for Vue.js components.
- Support for `script`, `style`, and `template` blocks in `.vue` files. IntelliJ IDEA by default provides code completion for ECMAScript 6 inside script blocks and for CSS inside style block. IntelliJ IDEA also recognizes the `lang` attribute inside the `script` and `style` tags and allows you to use TypeScript, Pug, and CSS preprocessors instead.
- Completion for Vue.js directives in templates.
- Adding closing curly braces (`}`) in Vue.js templates automatically.
- Code completion (`Ctrl+Space`) and navigation (`Ctrl+B`) for Vue components inside the `template` tag:



- Code completion and navigation to the definition for Vue.js properties, properties in the data object, computed properties, and methods.
- A collection of Live templates for Vue.js adapted from the [collection created by Sarah Drasner](#).

### Before you start

Install and enable the [Vue.js](#) plugin. The [Vue.js](#) plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

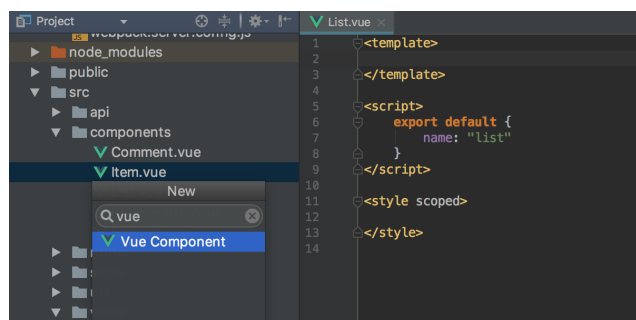
**Tip** Alternatively, follow the [Vue.js installation instructions](#).

### To start working with Vue.js

- Just open an existing project. All [Vue.js](#)-related features will work without any additional configuration.
- To get better code completion for [Vue](#) API, install the `vue` package in your project via `npm` if it is not installed yet: open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and type `npm install vue` at the command prompt.

### To create a Vue.js component

In the Project view, select the parent folder for the new component and choose [Vue Component](#) from the list.



### To use a [Vue.js Live template](#)

1. Type the template's abbreviation or press `Ctrl+J` and select it from the list of available templates.
2. To expand the template, press `Tab`.
3. To move from one variable to another inside the template, press `Tab` again.



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In this section:

- [JavaServer Faces \(JSF\)](#)
  - [JSF support](#)
- [Preparing for JSF Application Development](#)
- [Defining Navigation Rules](#)

## JSF support

IntelliJ IDEA's support for [JavaServer Faces](#) (JSF) includes:

- JSF-aware coding assistance with [code completion](#).
- JSF [code formatting](#) and folding as well as syntax and error highlighting.
- Graphical editor for defining page navigation rules.
- JSF 2.0 support, in particular:
  - Annotated Managed Beans support with code completion, rename refactoring, usage search, go to declaration, and more. Possibility to reference managed beans directly from Java code.
  - Improved template support (completion, validation and navigation for the `name` attribute of the `ui:define` tag).
  - Support for ActionSources and ValueHolders.
  - Support for the `targets` attribute of composite components.
  - Extended support for EL in composite components implementation, and more.
- Dedicated [JSF tool window](#) that aggregates all JSF-related configurations in a single place, and lets you easily analyze and navigate to both annotated and xml elements.
- `@ResourceDependencies` and `@ResourceDependency` annotations support.
- Simplified navigation rules support including completion for neighbor pages and absolute paths, usage search, and rename refactoring.
- Resource Handlers support: code completion, syntax and error highlighting, usage search and refactorings.
- Composite components support: code completion, refactorings, usage search and more.
- Code completion, error highlighting, and basic refactorings for the most popular JSF component libraries, including:
  - [RichFaces](#)
  - [ICEfaces](#)
  - [PrimeFaces](#)
  - [OpenFaces](#)

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To prepare for JSF application development, you should:

- Make sure that the Java EE: Java Server Faces [plugin](#) is enabled. This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default. However, you may have disabled it for some reason by now.
- Create a [project](#) or [module](#) with JSF support enabled, or enable JSF support in an existing module.


On this page:

- [Making sure that the Java Server Faces plugin is enabled](#)
- [Enabling JSF support when creating a project or module](#)
- [Enabling JSF support for an existing module](#)

## Making sure that the Java Server Faces plugin is enabled

1. [Open the Settings dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, select [Plugins](#).
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the [Plugins page](#), type `faces` in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain `faces` are shown in the list of plugins.
4. If the checkbox to the right of Java EE: Java Server Faces is not selected, select it.
5. Click OK in the Settings dialog.
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.


## Enabling JSF support when creating a project or module

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project.  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module.  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise. In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) to be used and select the Java EE version to be supported.
3. If, at this step, you are ready to specify the application server you are going to deploy your application to (e.g. to test the application behavior), do so. This will result in the corresponding server-specific [run/debug configuration](#) for your module generated automatically. Otherwise, to be able to run your application, you will have to create the run/debug configuration yourself.  
Select the server from the list or click New and select the server of interest. Then, specify the server settings:
  - For a server installed locally, specify the path to the server installation directory. (Click  to select the directory in the [corresponding dialog](#).)
  - For a hosted server (Cloud Foundry or CloudBees), specify your user account details.
4. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks, select the Web Application checkbox.  
Select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported from the Versions list.  
  
If you want the deployment descriptor `web.xml` file to be created, select the Create web.xml checkbox.
5. Select the JSF checkbox.  
If you want the configuration file `faces-config.xml` to be created, select the Create faces-config.xml checkbox.

Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:

- Download and use a JSF implementation library (Mojarra).  
To do that, under Libraries, select Download.

Now, to view or modify the associated options, click [Configure](#), and in the Downloading Options dialog that opens:

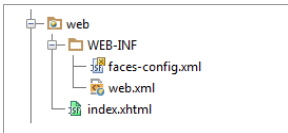
- Select the library version.
- Specify the library name.
- Select the [library level](#) (global, project, or module).
- Under Files to download, select which of the files you want to download.
- Under Copy downloaded files to, specify the path to the destination folder. If you want to change the default path, click  and specify the folder location in the [dialog that opens](#).
- Use a JSF library IntelliJ IDEA is already aware of.  
To do that, click Use library and select the required library from the list.

If necessary, configure the library settings (for example, change its name). This is done in the Edit Library dialog which you can open by clicking [Configure](#).

- Create a new library using the appropriate JAR files available on your computer.  
To do that, click Use library and then click Create . Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#) .  
(For multiple selection, keep the `Ctrl` key pressed.)
  - If necessary, configure the new library (for example, change its name or [level](#) ). To do that, click Configure and specify the required settings in the Create Library dialog.
  - Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select Set up library later .
6. If you are going to use a JSF component library or libraries (e.g. PrimeFaces, RichFaces, etc.), select the corresponding checkbox or checkboxes and specify the associated options. The procedure is similar to that for the JSF implementation library.  
Click Next .
7. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .  
Click Finish .

As a result, your new module will contain:

- The `web` and `WEB-INF` directories.
- The file `index.xhtml` in the `web` directory. With minor modifications, you can use this file as a starting page of your application.
- In the `WEB-INF` directory, if specified:
  - `web.xml` , the Web application deployment descriptor.
  - `faces-config.xml` , the JSF configuration file.



- If specified, the JSF library or libraries included in the [module dependencies](#) .
- An [artifact](#) specification for you module.
- If you have specified the server, a [run/debug configuration](#) for running your application in the context of that server.

## Enabling JSF support for an existing module

1. [Open the Project tool window](#) (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the module and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the Add Frameworks Support dialog, select the Web Application checkbox.  
In the right-hand part of the dialog, select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported from the Versions list.  
  
If you want the deployment descriptor `web.xml` file to be created, select the Create web.xml checkbox.
4. Select the JSF checkbox.  
If you want the configuration file `faces-config.xml` to be created, select the Create faces-config.xml checkbox.

Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:

- Download and use a JSF implementation library (Mojarra).  
To do that, under Libraries , select Download .

Now, to view or modify the associated options, click Configure , and in the Downloading Options dialog that opens:

- Select the library version.
- Specify the library name.
- Select the [library level](#) (global, project, or module).
- Under Files to download , select which of the files you want to download.
- Under Copy downloaded files to , specify the path to the destination folder. If you want to change the default path, click `⋮` and specify the folder location in the [dialog that opens](#) .

- Use a JSF library IntelliJ IDEA is already aware of.  
To do that, click Use library and select the required library from the list.

If necessary, configure the library settings (for example, change its name). This is done in the Edit Library dialog which you can open by clicking Configure .

- Create a new library using the appropriate JAR files available on your computer.  
To do that, click Use library and then click Create . Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#) .  
(For multiple selection, keep the `Ctrl` key pressed.)

If necessary, configure the new library (for example, change its name or [level](#) ). To do that, click Configure

and specify the required settings in the Create Library dialog.

– Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select Set up library later .

5. If you are going to use a JSF component library or libraries (e.g. PrimeFaces, RichFaces, etc.), select the corresponding checkbox or checkboxes and specify the associated options. The procedure is similar to that for the JSF implementation library.

6. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.

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Navigation diagrams provide additional support for managing the rules of navigation between the pages of your application. In certain cases, they are a useful alternative to editing the contents of `faces-config.xml`.

With `faces-config.xml` open in the editor, use the Navigation tab to view and draw the diagram. Your drawing is automatically synchronized with the contents of `faces-config.xml` (and vice versa).

For detailed information about the available controls and context menu commands, see [Diagram Toolbar and Context Menu](#).

## Using the navigation diagram to create the navigation rules

1. Open `faces-config.xml` in the [editor](#).
2. Click the Navigation tab.
3. Drag the required pages (one by one) from the [Project Tool Window](#) onto the Navigation tab.
4. Use the mouse to draw the navigation lines between the pages. As a result, the corresponding navigation rules are created. (Switch onto the Text tab to see those rules.)

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- [Java Persistence API \(JPA\)](#)
- [Hibernate](#)
- [Working with the Persistence Tool Window](#)



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- [Overview of JPA support](#)
- [Enabling JPA Support](#)
- [Working with the Persistence Tool Window](#)
- [Working with the JPA console](#)

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For working with [Java Persistence API](#) (JPA), IntelliJ IDEA provides:

- The Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets [plugin](#) . This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default. See [Making sure that the Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets plugin is enabled](#) .
- An ability to turn on JPA support for a [module](#) . You can do that when creating a project or module, or for an existing project or module. See [Enabling JPA Support](#) .
- A JPA [facet](#) for managing JPA configuration ( `persistence.xml` ) and object/relational mapping ( `orm.xml` ) files. See [Hibernate and JPA Facet Pages](#) .
- The Persistence tool window that shows your JPA project items and lets you create new configuration files and persistent classes, navigate to related source code in the editor, open diagrams and consoles, and more. See [Working with the Persistence Tool Window](#) .
- An ability to generate managed entity classes and object/relational mappings for them by importing a database schema, an EJB deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml` or a Hibernate object/relational mapping file `.hbm.xml` . See [Generating managed entity classes and O/R mappings](#) .
- Entity-relationship (ER) diagrams.  
The ER diagrams are accessed from the Persistence tool window (see [Opening entity-relationship diagrams](#) ) and provide about the same set of functions as the tool window.  
  
Those functions are accessed as context menu commands. The context menus are different for the entity classes and the main diagram area (which corresponds to a `<persistence-unit>`).
- A JPA console that lets you write and run JPQL queries, and analyze the query results. See [Working with the JPA console](#) .
- [Code completion](#) in Java code including JPA annotations and their attributes, and also in JPA configuration and O/R mapping XML files.
- JPA-specific [code inspections](#) .
- Navigation markers in the left margin of the editor e.g. for jumping from entity classes to corresponding fragments in mapping files.

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- [Overview](#)
- [Making sure that the Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets plugin is enabled](#)
- [Enabling JPA support when creating a project or module](#)
- [Enabling JPA support for an existing module](#)

## Overview

To be able to use JPA support, you should:

- Make sure that the Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets [plugin](#) is enabled. (This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)
- Enable JPA support at a [module](#) level. You can do that when creating a new project or module. You can also enable JPA support for an existing module. In all such cases, IntelliJ IDEA will (some of the following will be offered as options):
  - Create a JPA configuration file `persistence.xml` .
  - Download the library files that implement the framework and add them to the [dependencies](#) of the corresponding module.
  - Generate entity classes and object/relational mappings for your database tables (if you have an appropriate [data source](#) available).
  - Create a JPA [facet](#) . You'll be able to use that facet for specifying the default configuration and object-relational mapping files, and JPA implementation provider.
  - Make the Persistence tool window available.

## Making sure that the Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets plugin is enabled

1. [Open the Settings / Preferences dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, select [Plugins](#) .
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the [Plugins page](#) , type `jpa` in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain `jpa` are shown.
4. If the checkbox to the right of Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets is not selected, select it.
5. Click [OK](#) .
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

## Enabling JPA support when creating a project or module

1. Do one of the following:
    - If you are going to create a new project: click [Create New Project](#) on the [Welcome screen](#) or select [File | New | Project](#) . As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
    - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select [File | New | Module](#) . As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
  2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select [Java](#) . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use.
  3. Under [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) , select the [JavaEE Persistence](#) checkbox.
  4. Select the version of `persistence.xml` to be created. (`persistence.xml` is a JPA configuration file.)  
If necessary, select the Java persistence provider, i.e. the JPA implementation provider. (This setting, initially, will only affect the `<provider>` element in `persistence.xml` .)  
  
If there is a database defined in IntelliJ IDEA as a data source, you can select to import the database schema. This will result in creating the necessary JPA entity classes and object/relational mappings for them.
  5. Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:
    - Download JPA implementation files and arrange those files in a [library](#) .  
To do that, under [Libraries](#) , select [Download](#) . Optionally, click [Configure](#) to edit the library settings. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
    - Use a library that is already defined IntelliJ IDEA.  
To do that, click [Use library](#) and select the required library from the list. Optionally, click [Configure](#) to edit the library settings. (The [Edit Library dialog](#) will open.)
    - Create a new library using the appropriate JAR files available on your computer.  
To do that, click [Use library](#) and then click [Create](#) . Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (For multiple selection, keep the `Ctrl` key pressed.) Optionally, click [Configure](#) to edit the library settings. (The [Create Library dialog](#) will open.)
    - Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select [Set up library later](#) .
- Click [Next](#) .
6. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .  
Click [Finish](#) .

If you selected to import a database schema, the [Import Database Schema dialog](#) opens, and you can specify the entity classes to be generated and associated settings.

## Enabling JPA support for an existing module

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , right-click the necessary module and select Add Framework Support .
2. In the left-hand pane of the Add Frameworks Support dialog that opens, select the JavaEE Persistence checkbox.
3. Select the version of `persistence.xml` to be created. ( `persistence.xml` is a JPA configuration file.)  
If necessary, select the Java persistence provider, i.e. the JPA implementation provider. (This setting, initially, will only affect the `<provider>` element in `persistence.xml` .)

If there is a database defined in IntelliJ IDEA as a data source, you can select to import the database schema. This will result in creating the necessary JPA entity classes and object/relational mappings for them.

4. Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:
  - Download JPA implementation files and arrange those files in a [library](#) .  
To do that, under Libraries , select Download . Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
  - Use a library that is already defined IntelliJ IDEA.  
To do that, click Use library and select the required library from the list. Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings. (The [Edit Library dialog](#) will open.)
  - Create a new library using the appropriate JAR files available on your computer.  
To do that, click Use library and then click Create . Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (For multiple selection, keep the `Ctrl` key pressed.) Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings. (The [Create Library dialog](#) will open.)
  - Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select Set up library later .
5. Click OK .

If you selected to import a database schema, the [Import Database Schema dialog](#) opens, and you can specify the entity classes to be generated and associated settings.

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Use the JPA console to write and run JPQL queries, analyze the query results, and also to perform other, associated tasks.


- [Prerequisite](#)
- [Opening the JPA console](#)
- [Running the console with custom JVM options](#)
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- [Running auto-memorized queries](#)
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- [Making all rows visible simultaneously](#)
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- [Hiding and showing columns](#)
- [Restoring the initial table view](#)
- [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#)
- [Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file](#)
- [Specifying data output format and options](#)
- [Saving a LOB in a file](#)
- [Updating the table view](#)
- [Viewing the query](#)
- [Closing a console](#)

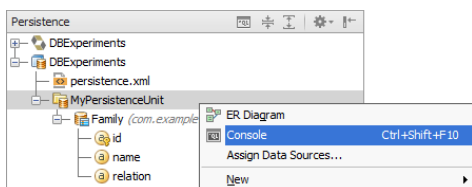
See also, [JPA Console Tool Window](#) .

## Prerequisite

For the JPA console to be fully functional, you should associate your persistence unit with the corresponding [data source](#) , see [Associating persistence units and session factories with data sources](#) .

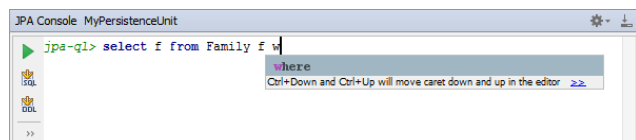
## Opening the JPA console


1. Open the Persistence tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Persistence ).
2. Expand the JPA facet node.
3. Select the persistence unit for which you want to open the console or any node within that persistence unit.
4. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the title bar.
  - Select Console from the context menu.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+F10` .



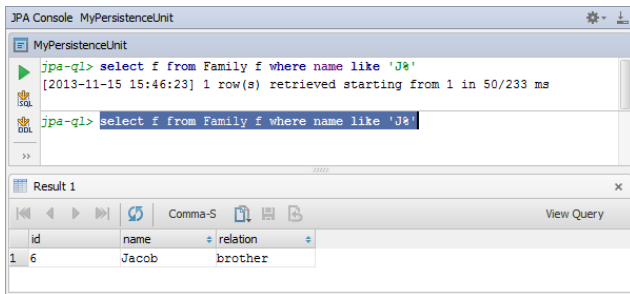
5. If asked to choose the console, select JPA Console .

As a result, the JPA Console tool window opens and the input pane is shown. This is where you compose your JPQL queries.

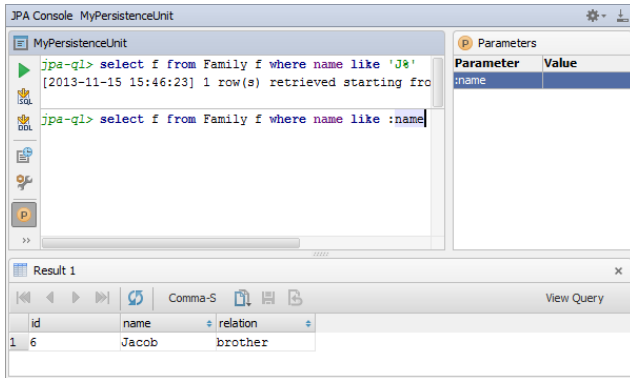


When you run your first query (  ), the output pane opens above the input pane. Basically, this is the log of operations performed in the console.

If your query retrieves data (e.g. `select` ), also the Result pane opens showing the retrieved data in table format.



Additionally, you can open the Parameters pane (P) to manage parameters in your queries.



## Running the console with custom JVM options

The JPA console is a Java process. If necessary, you can start it with custom JVM options:

1. Create an Application run configuration: Run | Edit Configurations | + | Application .  
In the VM options field, specify the options that you want to pass to the JVM at its start. The rest of the run configuration settings don't matter and you don't need to specify them.
2. When [starting the console](#), IntelliJ IDEA will now display an additional Configurations popup with the following options:
  - <default>. This option corresponds to an ordinary way of starting the console.
  - <YourRunConfigurationName>. Select this option to start the console with the VM options you have specified.

## Viewing and modifying console settings

Before actually starting to use a console, you may want to take a look at the console settings and adjust them to your needs.

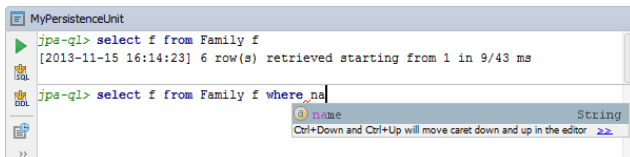
- To access these settings, click on the toolbar of the JPA Console tool window. (Alternatively, `Ctrl+Alt+S` | Tools | Database .)

As a result, the [Database page](#) of the Settings / Preferences dialog will open. The settings for the JPA console are on the following pages:

- [Data Views](#)
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## Composing JPQL queries

When composing your queries in the input pane, use auto-completion and highlighting of JPQL keywords, and object and property names.

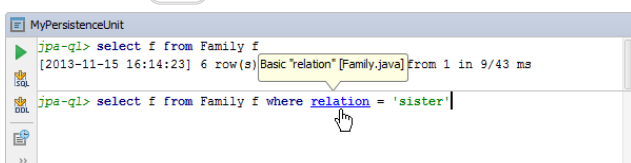


See also, [Navigating to the declaration of a class or field](#) .

## Navigating to the declaration of a class or field

When composing a query, it's sometimes useful to take a look at the declaration of a class or field for an object or property referenced in the input pane. To navigate to the corresponding declaration, do one of the following:

- Place the cursor within the name of the object or property of interest. Then use `Ctrl+B` . (Alternatively, you can use `Navigate | Declaration` from the main menu.)
- Press and hold the `Ctrl` key, and point to the name of interest. When the text turns into a hyperlink, click the hyperlink.



As a result, the necessary source file opens in the editor and the cursor is placed within the declaration of the corresponding class or the getter method for the corresponding field.


## Running a query

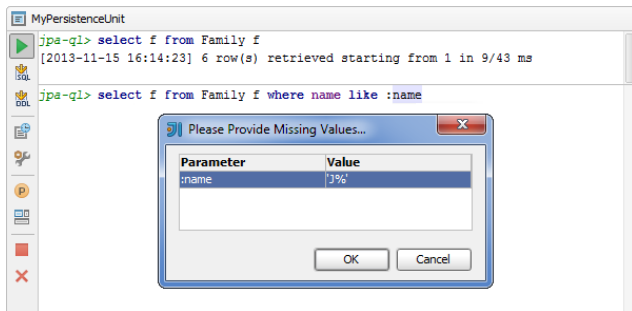
To run the current query, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Enter`.



## Running parameterized queries

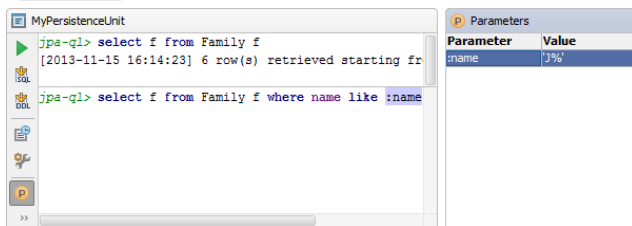
Your queries can contain parameters, however, by the time you run such queries the values of the parameters must be specified. There are the following ways of specifying the parameter values:

- Click  on the toolbar or press `Ctrl+Enter` to run the query. In the dialog that opens, specify the parameter values and click OK.



( To start editing a value, switch to the corresponding table cell and start typing. To indicate that you have finished editing a value, press `Enter` or switch to a different cell. To quit the editing mode and restore an initial value, press `Escape` .)

- Alternatively, you can open the Parameters pane  on the toolbar and specify the corresponding values there. (The values are edited in the same way as in the corresponding dialog.) Then run the query  on the toolbar or `Ctrl+Enter` ).



Parameter values can be specified just as text or numbers, or as [Groovy](#) expressions that contain object references and method calls. For example, the value for the `date` parameter in the query

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.date > :date
```

could be specified as

```
new java.sql.Date(System.currentTimeMillis() - 24*3600*1000)
```

## Running auto-memorized queries

As you run JPQL queries in the console, IntelliJ IDEA memorizes them. So, at a later time, you can view the queries you have already run and, if necessary, run them again.

To open the dialog where the auto-memorized queries are shown (the History dialog), do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Alt+E`.

There are two panes in the History dialog. The left-hand pane shows the list of the queries that you have run. For "long" queries, only their beginnings are shown. When you select a query in this pane, the overall query is shown in the pane to the right.

You can filter the information: just start typing. As a result, only the queries that contain the typed text will be shown.

You can copy the queries from the History dialog into the input pane of the console. To copy a query, do one of the following:

- Double-click the query to be copied.
- Select the query of interest and press `Enter`.
- Select the query and click OK.

(Once the query is in the input pane, you can run it straight away.)

You can delete unnecessary memorized queries. To delete a query, select the query in the History dialog and press

`Delete` .



## Terminating query execution

To terminate execution of the current query, do one of the following:

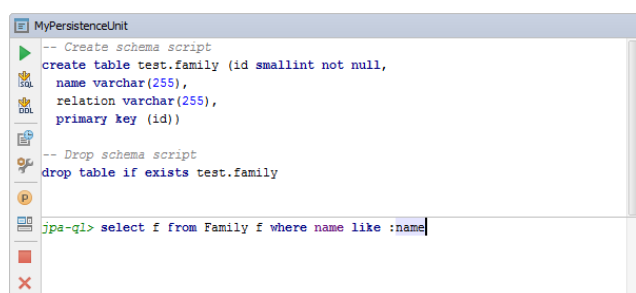
- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+F2` .

## Generating SQL statements and DDL SQL scripts

You can generate SQL statements for your JPQL queries and DDL SQL scripts for your persistence unit:

- To generate an SQL equivalent of the current query, do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Enter` .
- To generate DDL SQL statements (`CREATE TABLE` , `ALTER TABLE` and `DROP TABLE` ) for all the objects (classes) associated with the corresponding persistence unit, do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Enter` .

The generated SQL statements are shown in the output pane.



```
MyPersistenceUnit
-- Create schema script
create table test.family (id smallint not null,
  name varchar(255),
  relation varchar(255),
  primary key (id))
-- Drop schema script
drop table if exists test.family

jpa-gi> select f from Family f where name like :name
```

## Hiding or showing the toolbar

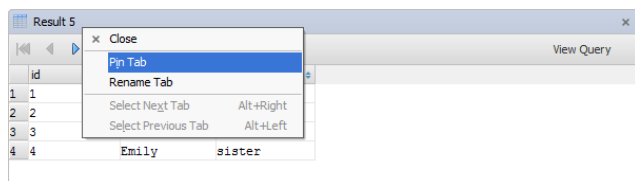
To hide or show the toolbar of the Result pane:

- Click  on the title bar of the JPA Console tool window and click Show Toolbar .

## Pinning the Result tab

If one and the same tab is used to show your query results, and you get the result that you want to keep, you can pin the tab to the tool window. To do that:

- Right-click the tab and select Pin Tab .



See also, [Show query results in new tab](#) .

## Switching between subsets of rows



If only a subset of the rows that satisfy the query is currently shown, to switch between the subsets, use:

-  First Page
-  Previous Page (`Ctrl+Alt+Up` )
-  Next Page (`Ctrl+Alt+Down` )
-  Last Page

See also, [Making all rows visible simultaneously](#) .

## Making all rows visible simultaneously

If you want all the rows that satisfy the query to be shown simultaneously:

1. Click  on the toolbar of the JPA Console tool window.
2. Switch to the Database | Data Views page, specify `0` in the Result set page size field, and click OK .
3. Click  or press `Ctrl+F5` to refresh the table view.

See also, [Updating the table view](#) and [Result set page size](#) .

## Navigating to a specified row



To switch to a row with a specified number:

1. Do one of the following:

- Press `Ctrl+G`.
- Right-click the table and select Go To | Row from the context menu.
- Select Navigate | Row from the main menu.


2. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number and click OK.


## Sorting data

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.

Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this: .

The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.

If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance: . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)

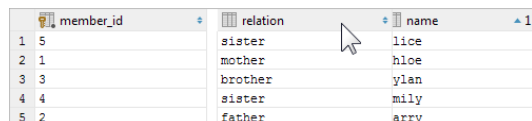
When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order: .

Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is restored. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled: .

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#).

## Reordering columns

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row.



	member_id	relation	name
1	5	sister	lice
2	1	mother	hloe
3	3	brother	ylan
4	4	sister	mily
5	2	father	arry

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#).

## Hiding and showing columns

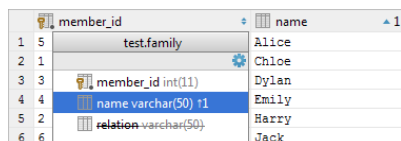
To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column.

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:

- Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List.
- Press `Ctrl+F12`.

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.




	member_id	name	relation
1	5	Alice	
2	1	Chloe	
3	3	Dylan	
4	4	Emily	
5	2	Harry	
6	6	Jack	

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press `Space`.

3. Press `Enter` or `Escape` to close the list.

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#).

## Restoring the initial table view

Click  on the toolbar to restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data. As a result, the data, generally, becomes unsorted, the columns appear in the order they are defined in the corresponding query, and all the columns are shown.

## Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns

When working with the Result pane, the table structure view is available as the corresponding popup.

The structure view shows the list of all the columns and lets you sort the data as well as hide and show the columns.

To open the structure popup, do one of the following:

- Right-click a cell in the table header row and select Column List.
- Press `Ctrl+F12`.

In the popup, select the column of interest and do one of the following:

- To sort the data by this column in the ascending order, press `Shift+Alt+Up`.
- To sort the data in the descending order, press `Shift+Alt+Down`.

- To cancel sorting by this column, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` .
- To hide the column (or show a hidden column), press `Space` . (The names of hidden columns are shown struck through.)

	member_id	name
1	5	Alice
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The shortcuts for sorting table data (`Shift+Alt+Up` , `Shift+Alt+Down` and `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` ) can be used in the Result pane without opening the structure view.

See also, [Sorting data](#) , [Hiding and showing columns](#) and [Restoring the initial table view](#) .

## Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file

When copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file, the data are converted into one of the available output formats. This can be SQL `INSERT` or `UPDATE` statements, [TSV or CSV](#) , an HTML table or [JSON](#) data. See [Specifying data output format and options](#) .

To copy or save the data, use:

- Copy (available in the Edit and the context menu, the keyboard equivalent is `Ctrl+C` ). This command copies the data for the selected cells onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To Clipboard (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command copies the data for the whole table onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To File (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command saves the data for the whole table in a file. Before actually saving the data, the dialog is shown which lets you select the output format and see how your data will look in a file.

## Specifying data output format and options

To specify the output format and options for the Copy and Dump Data commands (see [Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file](#) ), do one of the following:

- Click `Tab-separated (TSV)` on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and point to Data Extractor: <current\_format> .

In the menu that opens, the output formats are in the upper part: SQL Inserts , SQL Updates , etc. (The options that look like file names are also the output formats or, to be more exact, the scripts that implement corresponding data converters.)

The output option are:

- Allow Transposition. This option affects only delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV). If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. `Ctrl+C` ), the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.
- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). This is the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, auto-increment fields are not included.
- Add Table Definition (SQL). This is also the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, the table definition (CREATE TABLE) is added.

Additionally:

- Configure CSV Formats. This command opens the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- Go to Scripts Directory. This command lets you switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.


## Saving a LOB in a file

If a cell contains a [binary large object](#) (a.k.a. BLOB or LOB), you can save such a LOB in a file.

1. Right-click the cell that contains the LOB of interest and select Save LOB To File .
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the name and location of the destination file and click OK .

## Updating the table view

To refresh the table view, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and select Reload Page from the context menu.
- Press `Ctrl+F5` .

Use this function to:

- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.
- Apply the [Result set page size](#) setting after its change.

## Viewing the query

To see the query that was used to generate the table:


– Click View Query on the toolbar.

If necessary, you can select the query text and copy it to the clipboard ( `Ctrl+C` ).

To close the pane where the query is shown, press `Escape` .

## Closing a console

To close a console, do one of the following:

– Click  on the toolbar.

– Press `Ctrl+Shift+F4` .

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- [Working with the Persistence Tool Window](#)
- [Working with the Hibernate console](#)

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For working with [Hibernate](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides:

- The Hibernate Support [plugin](#). This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default. See [Making sure that the Hibernate Support plugin is enabled](#).
- An ability to turn on Hibernate support for a [module](#). You can do that when creating a project or module, or for an existing project or module. See [Enabling Hibernate Support](#).
- A Hibernate [facet](#) for managing Hibernate configuration files ( `hibernate.cfg.xml` ). See [Hibernate and JPA Facet Pages](#).
- The Persistence tool window that shows your Hibernate project items and lets you create new configuration files and persistent classes, navigate to related source code in the editor, open diagrams and consoles, and more. See [Working with the Persistence Tool Window](#).
- An ability to generate managed entity classes and object/relational mappings for them by importing a database schema or an EJB deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml`. See [Generating managed entity classes and O/R mappings](#).
- Entity-relationship (ER) diagrams.  
The ER diagrams are accessed from the Persistence tool window (see [Opening entity-relationship diagrams](#)) and provide about the same set of functions as the tool window.

Those functions are accessed as context menu commands. The context menus are different for the entity classes and the main diagram area (which corresponds to a `<session-factory>`).

- A Hibernate console that lets you write and run HQL queries, and analyze the query results. See [Working with the Hibernate console](#).
- [Code completion](#) in Java code including Hibernate annotations and their attributes, and also in Hibernate configuration and O/R mapping XML files.
- Hibernate-specific [code inspections](#).
- Navigation markers in the left margin of the editor e.g. for jumping from entity classes to corresponding fragments in mapping files.

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- [Overview](#)
- [Making sure that the Hibernate Support plugin is enabled](#)
- [Enabling Hibernate support when creating a project or module](#)
- [Enabling Hibernate support for an existing module](#)

## Overview

To be able to use Hibernate support, you should:

- Make sure that the Hibernate Support [plugin](#) is enabled. (This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)
- Enable Hibernate support at a [module](#) level. You can do that when creating a new project or module. You can also enable Hibernate support for an existing module. In all such cases, IntelliJ IDEA will (some of the following will be offered as options):
  - Create a Hibernate configuration file `hibernate.cfg.xml` and a class with a `main()` method that outputs the records for your managed entities.
  - Download the library files that implement the framework and add them to the [dependencies](#) of the corresponding module.
  - Generate entity classes and object/relational mappings for your database tables (if you have an appropriate [data source](#) available).
  - Create a Hibernate [facet](#). You'll be able to use that facet for managing your configuration `hibernate.cfg.xml` files.
  - Make the Persistence tool window available.

## Making sure that the Hibernate Support plugin is enabled

1. [Open the Settings / Preferences dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, select [Plugins](#).
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the [Plugins page](#), type `hib` in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain `hib` are shown.
4. If the checkbox to the right of Hibernate Support is not selected, select it.
5. Click [OK](#).
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

## Enabling Hibernate support when creating a project or module

1. Do one of the following:
    - If you are going to create a new project: click [Create New Project](#) on the [Welcome screen](#) or select [File | New | Project](#). As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
    - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select [File | New | Module](#). As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
  2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select [Java](#). In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use.
  3. Under [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#), select the [Hibernate](#) checkbox.
  4. If necessary, select to create a configuration file (`hibernate.cfg.xml`) and a main class (a class with a `main()` method that outputs the records for your managed entities).  
If there is a database defined in IntelliJ IDEA as a data source, you can select to import the database schema. This will result in creating the necessary entity classes and object/relational mappings for them.
  5. Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:
    - Download Hibernate implementation files and arrange those files in a [library](#).  
To do that, under [Libraries](#), select [Download](#). Optionally, click [Configure](#) to edit the library settings. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
    - Use a library that is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA.  
To do that, click [Use library](#) and select the required library from the list. Optionally, click [Configure](#) to edit the library settings. (The [Edit Library dialog](#) will open.)
    - Create a new library using the appropriate JAR files available on your computer.  
To do that, click [Use library](#) and then click [Create](#). Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#). (For multiple selection, keep the `Ctrl` key pressed.) Optionally, click [Configure](#) to edit the library settings. (The [Create Library dialog](#) will open.)
    - Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select [Set up library later](#).
- Click [Next](#).
6. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#).  
Click [Finish](#).

If you selected to import a database schema, the [Import Database Schema dialog](#) opens, and you can specify the entity classes to be generated and associated settings.

## Enabling Hibernate support for an existing module

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , right-click the necessary module and select Add Framework Support .
2. In the left-hand pane of the Add Frameworks Support dialog that opens, select the Hibernate checkbox.
3. If necessary, select to create a configuration file ( [hibernate.cfg.xml](#) ) and a main class (a class with a `main()` method that outputs the records for your managed entities).

If there is a database defined in IntelliJ IDEA as a data source, you can select to import the database schema. This will result in creating the necessary entity classes and object/relational mappings for them.

4. Select the required library option and, if necessary, specify the associated settings. You can choose to:
  - Download Hibernate implementation files and arrange those files in a [library](#) .  
To do that, under Libraries , select Download . Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
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To do that, click Use library and then click Create . Select the required JAR files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (For multiple selection, keep the `Ctrl` key pressed.) Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings. (The [Create Library dialog](#) will open.)
  - Postpone setting up the library until a later time. In this case, select Set up library later .
5. Click OK .

If you selected to import a database schema, the [Import Database Schema dialog](#) opens, and you can specify the entity classes to be generated and associated settings.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use the Hibernate console to write and run HQL queries, analyze the query results, and also to perform other, associated tasks.

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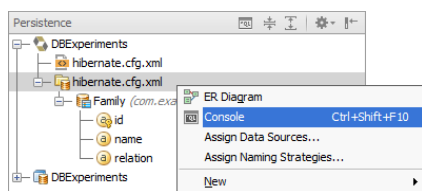
## Prerequisites

For the Hibernate console to be fully functional, you should:

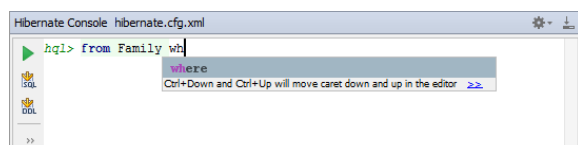
- Associate your session factory with the corresponding [data source](#) , see [Associating persistence units and session factories with data sources](#) .
- If you are using custom entity class/db table name mappings which are not fully reflected in your code and/or configuration files, specify the corresponding NamingStrategy implementation, see [Associating a session factory with a NamingStrategy implementation class \(Hibernate\)](#) .

## Opening the Hibernate console


1. Open the Persistence tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Persistence ).
2. Expand the Hibernate facet node.
3. Select the session factory for which you want to open the console or any node within that session factory.
4. Do one of the following:
  - Click  on the title bar.
  - Select Console from the context menu.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+F10` .



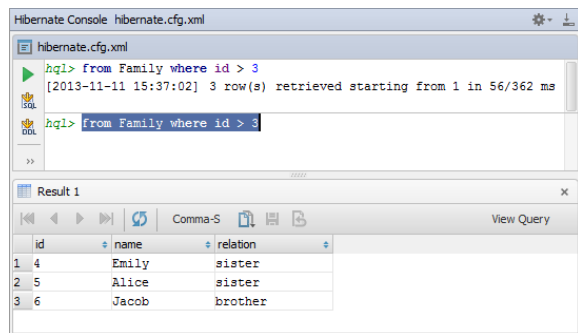
As a result, the Hibernate Console tool window opens and the input pane is shown. This is where you compose your HQL queries.



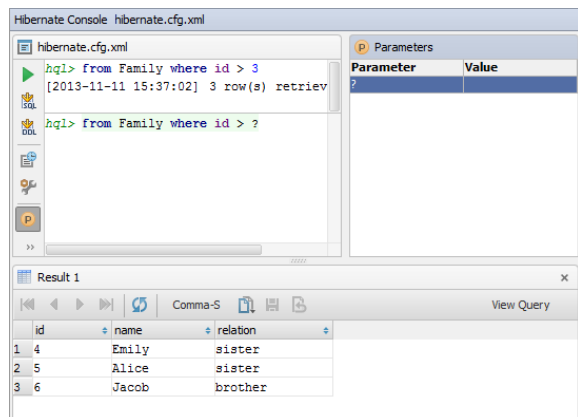


When you run your first query (  ), the output pane opens above the input pane. Basically, this is the log of operations performed in the console.

If your query retrieves data (e.g. `from` , `select` ), also the Result pane opens showing the retrieved data in table format.




Additionally, you can open the Parameters pane (  ) to manage parameters in your queries.



## Viewing and modifying console settings

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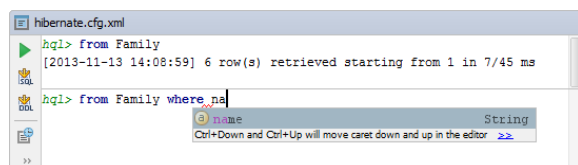
- To access these settings, click  on the toolbar of the Hibernate Console tool window. (Alternatively, `Ctrl+Alt+S` | Tools | Database .)

As a result, the [Database page](#) of the Settings / Preferences dialog will open. The settings for the Hibernate console are on the following pages:

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When composing your queries in the input pane, use auto-completion and highlighting of HQL keywords, and object and property names.

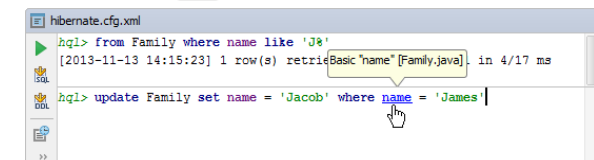


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## Navigating to the declaration of a class or field

When composing a query, it's sometimes useful to take a look at the declaration of a class or field for an object or property referenced in the input pane. To navigate to the corresponding declaration, do one of the following:


- Place the cursor within the name of the object or property of interest. Then use `Ctrl+B` . (Alternatively, you can use [Navigate | Declaration](#) from the main menu.)
- Press and hold the `Ctrl` key, and point to the name of interest. When the text turns into a hyperlink, click the hyperlink.



As a result, the necessary source file opens in the editor and the cursor is placed within the declaration of the corresponding class or the getter method for the corresponding field.


## Running a query

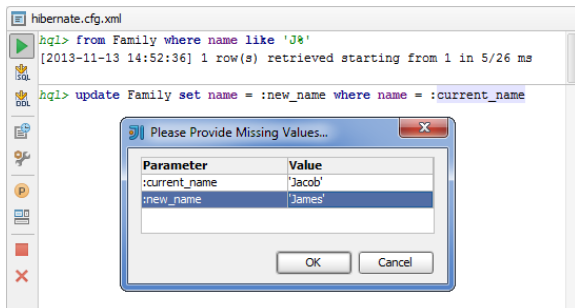
To run the current query, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Enter`.



## Running parameterized queries

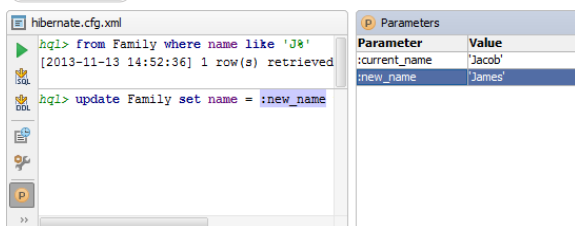
Your queries can contain parameters, however, by the time you run such queries the values of the parameters must be specified. There are the following ways of specifying the parameter values:

- Click  on the toolbar or press `Ctrl+Enter` to run the query. In the dialog that opens, specify the parameter values and click OK.



(To start editing a value, switch to the corresponding table cell and start typing. To indicate that you have finished editing a value, press `Enter` or switch to a different cell. To quit the editing mode and restore an initial value, press `Escape`.)

- Alternatively, you can open the Parameters pane ( on the toolbar) and specify the corresponding values there. (The values are edited in the same way as in the corresponding dialog.) Then run the query  on the toolbar or `Ctrl+Enter`).



Parameter values can be specified just as text or numbers, or as [Groovy](#) expressions that contain object references and method calls. For example, the value for the `date` parameter in the query

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.date > :date
```

could be specified as

```
new java.sql.Date(System.currentTimeMillis() - 24*3600*1000)
```

## Running auto-memorized queries

As you run HQL queries in the console, IntelliJ IDEA memorizes them. So, at a later time, you can view the queries you have already run and, if necessary, run them again.

To open the dialog where the auto-memorized queries are shown (the History dialog), do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Alt+E`.

There are two panes in the History dialog. The left-hand pane shows the list of the queries that you have run. For "long" queries, only their beginnings are shown. When you select a query in this pane, the overall query is shown in the pane to the right.

You can filter the information: just start typing. As a result, only the queries that contain the typed text will be shown.

You can copy the queries from the History dialog into the input pane of the console. To copy a query, do one of the following:

- Double-click the query to be copied.
- Select the query of interest and press `Enter`.
- Select the query and click OK.

(Once the query is in the input pane, you can run it straight away.)

You can delete unnecessary memorized queries. To delete a query, select the query in the History dialog and press

`Delete`.



## Terminating query execution

To terminate execution of the current query, do one of the following:

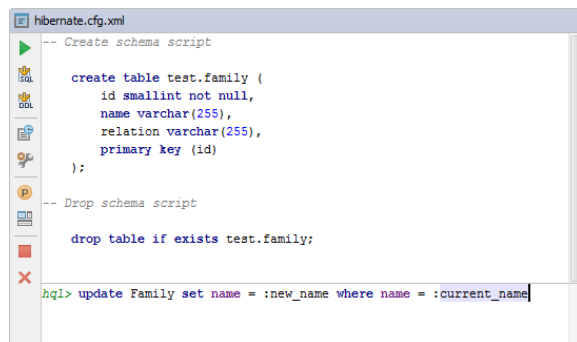
- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+F2`.

## Generating SQL statements and DDL SQL scripts

You can generate SQL statements for your HQL queries and DDL SQL scripts for your session factory:

- To generate an SQL equivalent of the current query, do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Enter`.
- To generate DDL SQL statements ( `CREATE TABLE` , `ALTER TABLE` and `DROP TABLE` ) for all the objects (classes) associated with the corresponding session factory, do one of the following:
  - Click  on the toolbar.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Enter`.

The generated SQL statements are shown in the output pane.



```
hibernate.cfg.xml
-- Create schema script

create table test.family (
  id smallint not null,
  name varchar(255),
  relation varchar(255),
  primary key (id)
);

-- Drop schema script

drop table if exists test.family;

hql> update Family set name = :new_name where name = :current_name
```

## Hiding or showing the toolbar

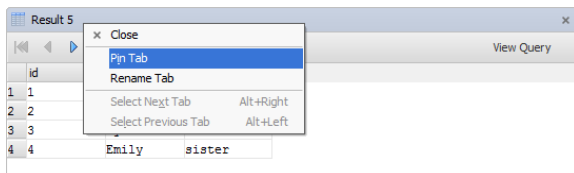
To hide or show the toolbar of the Result pane:

- Click  on the title bar of the Hibernate Console tool window and click Show Toolbar.

## Pinning the Result tab

If one and the same tab is used to show your query results, and you get the result that you want to keep, you can pin the tab to the tool window. To do that:

- Right-click the tab and select Pin Tab.



See also, [Show query results in new tab](#).

## Switching between subsets of rows



If only a subset of the rows that satisfy the query is currently shown, to switch between the subsets, use:

-  First Page
-  Previous Page ( `Ctrl+Alt+Up` )
-  Next Page ( `Ctrl+Alt+Down` )
-  Last Page

See also, [Making all rows visible simultaneously](#).

## Making all rows visible simultaneously

If you want all the rows that satisfy the query to be shown simultaneously:

1. Click  on the toolbar of the Hibernate Console tool window.
2. Switch to the Database | Data Views page, specify `0` in the Result set page size field, and click OK.
3. Click  or press `Ctrl+F5` to refresh the table view.

See also, [Updating the table view](#) and [Result set page size](#).

## Navigating to a specified row


To switch to a row with a specified number:


1. Do one of the following:
  - Press `Ctrl+G`.


- Right-click the table and select Go To | Row from the context menu.
  - Select Navigate | Row from the main menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number and click OK .

## Sorting data

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.

Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this:  . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.

If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance:  . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)

When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order:  .

Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is resorted. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled:  .

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Reordering columns

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row.

	member_id	relation	name
1	5	sister	Alice
2	1	mother	Chloe
3	3	brother	Dylan
4	4	sister	Emily
5	2	father	Harry

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) .

## Hiding and showing columns

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column .

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List .
  - Press `Ctrl+F12` .


In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.

	member_id	name
1	5	Alice
2	1	Chloe
3	3	Dylan
4	4	Emily
5	2	Harry
6	6	Jack

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press `Space` .
3. Press `Enter` or `Escape` to close the list.

See also, [Restoring the initial table view](#) and [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Restoring the initial table view

Click  on the toolbar to restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data. As a result, the data, generally, becomes unsorted, the columns appear in the order they are defined in the corresponding query, and all the columns are shown.

## Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns

When working with the Result pane, the table structure view is available as the corresponding popup.

The structure view shows the list of all the columns and lets you sort the data as well as hide and show the columns.

To open the structure popup, do one of the following:

- Right-click a cell in the table header row and select Column List .
- Press `Ctrl+F12` .

In the popup, select the column of interest and do one of the following:

- To sort the data by this column in the ascending order, press `Shift+Alt+Up` .
- To sort the data in the descending order, press `Shift+Alt+Down` .
- To cancel sorting by this column, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` .
- To hide the column (or show a hidden column), press `Space` . (The names of hidden columns are shown struck through.)

	member_id	name
1	5	Alice
2	1	Chloe
3	3	Dylan
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6	6	Jack



The shortcuts for sorting table data ( `Shift+Alt+Up` , `Shift+Alt+Down` and `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Backspace` ) can be used in the Result pane without opening the structure view.

See also, [You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.](#) , [Hiding and showing columns](#) and [Restoring the initial table view](#) .

## Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file

When copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file, the data are converted into one of the available output formats. This can be SQL `INSERT` or `UPDATE` statements, [TSV or CSV](#) , an HTML table or [JSON](#) data. See [Specifying data output format and options](#) .

To copy or save the data, use:

- Copy (available in the Edit and the context menu, the keyboard equivalent is `Ctrl+C` ). This command copies the data for the selected cells onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To Clipboard (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command copies the data for the whole table onto the clipboard.
- Dump Data | To File (available in the context menu and can also be accessed by means of  on the toolbar). This command saves the data for the whole table in a file. Before actually saving the data, the dialog is shown which lets you select the output format and see how your data will look in a file.

## Specifying data output format and options

To specify the output format and options for the Copy and Dump Data commands (see [Copying table data to the clipboard or saving them in a file](#) ), do one of the following:

- Click `Tab-separated (TSV)` on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and point to Data Extractor: <current\_format> .

In the menu that opens, the output formats are in the upper part: SQL Inserts , SQL Updates , etc. (The options that look like file names are also the output formats or, to be more exact, the scripts that implement corresponding data converters.)

The output option are:

- Allow Transposition. This option affects only delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV). If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. `Ctrl+C` ), the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.
- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). This is the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, auto-increment fields are not included.
- Add Table Definition (SQL). This is also the option for SQL INSERTs and UPDATEs. When on, the table definition (CREATE TABLE) is added.

Additionally:

- Configure CSV Formats. This command opens the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- Go to Scripts Directory. This command lets you switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.


## Saving a LOB in a file

If a cell contains a [binary large object](#) (a.k.a. BLOB or LOB), you can save such a LOB in a file.

1. Right-click the cell that contains the LOB of interest and select Save LOB To File .
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the name and location of the destination file and click OK .

## Updating the table view

To refresh the table view, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Right-click the table and select Reload Page from the context menu.
- Press `Ctrl+F5` .

Use this function to:

- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.
- Apply the [Result set page size](#) setting after its change.

## Viewing the query

To see the query that was used to generate the table:


- Click View Query on the toolbar.

If necessary, you can select the query text and copy it to the clipboard ( `Ctrl+C` ).

To close the pane where the query is shown, press `Escape` .

## Closing a console

To close a console, do one of the following:

- Click  on the toolbar.
- Press `Ctrl+Shift+F4` .

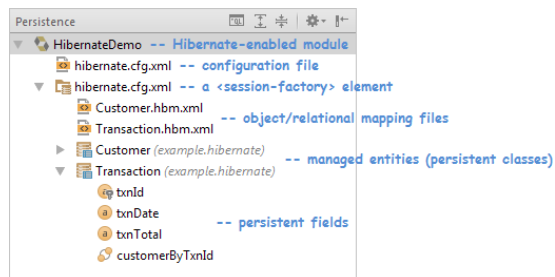
This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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- [Associating a session factory with a NamingStrategy implementation class \(Hibernate\)](#)
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See also, [Persistence Tool Window](#).

## Overview of the tool window



The Persistence tool window shows your JPA and Hibernate project items, and lets you create configuration files, <persistence-unit> and <session-factory> elements, persistent classes and fields (see [Using the New command](#)), navigate to related source code in the editor (F4), open consoles and entity-relationship diagrams, and more.



## Opening the Persistence tool window

For the tool window to be available, there must be a JPA- or Hibernate-enabled module in your project, i.e. a module with a JPA or Hibernate facet. See [Enabling JPA Support](#) or [Enabling Hibernate Support](#).

To open the tool window, do one of the following:

- Select View | Tool Windows | Persistence
- If the tool window bars are currently shown, click the Persistence button (normally located in the lower-left part of the workspace).
- Point to  or  in the lower-left corner of the workspace and select Persistence.

## Generating managed entity classes and O/R mappings

You can generate managed entity classes and object/relational mappings for them by importing:

- A database schema represented by a [data source](#).
- An EJB facet with an associated deployment descriptor file `ejb-jar.xml`. The facet should be available in the same project. When retrieving the information from `ejb-jar.xml`, only the <entity> elements are processed.
- Only for JPA: a Hibernate object/relational mapping file (`.hbm.xml`). The file should be in the same project.

To perform the import:

1. Right-click a module, persistence unit or session factory, point to Generate Persistence Mapping and select one of the following options:
  - By Database Schema
  - By Entity Beans
  - By Hibernate Mappings (this option is not available for Hibernate-enabled modules and session factories)
2. In the [dialog that opens](#), specify the source of import and the output options.

Example: Using a database as a source

1. Right-click a module, persistence unit or session factory, point to Generate Persistence Mapping and select By Database Schema.
2. In the Import Database Schema dialog that opens:
  - [General Settings](#). Select the data source to be used as a source. Specify the destination package for your entity classes, and the prefix and the suffix for the class names.
  - [Database Schema Mapping](#). Select the tables and columns to be mapped, edit the class and field names (the Map As column), and specify the field types (the Mapped Type column).
  - [Generation Settings](#). Specify the target <persistence-unit> or <session-factory>, and select the necessary output options.

## Using the New command

The New command lets you create XML configuration files, <persistence-unit> and <session-factory> elements, entity classes, embeddables, mapped superclasses, entity listeners and object-relational mappings, persistent fields in entity classes along with getter and setter method for them, etc.

The New command can be accessed by using the context or the File menu, or the keyboard shortcut `Alt+Insert` . The command options depend on which item is currently selected.

Example: Creating an entity class

1. Right-click a persistence unit or session factory, point to New , and select Entity .
2. In the New Entity dialog that opens, specify:
  - Create class: the name of the class.
  - Destination package: the package in which the class should be created.
  - Target destination directory: the destination [source root folder](#) (if there is more than one).
3. For JPA, the Select Metadata Targets dialog is shown. Select the files in which you want to add the mapping info for the class:
  - Object/relational mapping XML files: the info will be added as an `<entity>` element within `<entity-mappings>` .
  - The class file itself (.java): the `@Entity` annotation will be added.

IntelliJ IDEA will also add the info to `persistence.xml` either as a `<class>` or a `<mapping-file>` element.

For Hibernate, the Select Metadata Targets dialog is not shown. The `@Entity` annotation is added to the class and the `<mapping class="">` element is added to `hibernate.cfg.xml` .

## Opening entity-relationship diagrams

To open an entity-relationship diagram, right-click a persistence unit, session factory, entity or field, and select ER Diagram from the context menu.

See also, [Diagram Toolbar and Context Menu](#) and [General Techniques of Using Diagrams](#) .

## Associating persistence units and session factories with data sources

You can associate a `<persistence-unit>` or `<session-factory>` element with a [data source](#) . If you do so:

- Your source code that references database tables will automatically be validated against the corresponding data source.
- When using the JPA or Hibernate console, you won't need to additionally specify the database connection settings. The corresponding settings configured for the associated DB data source will automatically be used.

If the `<persistence-unit>` or `<session-factory>` elements are generated by importing a database schema, the association between the corresponding elements and the data source is set automatically.

To associate a persistence unit or session factory with a data source:

1. Right-click a module, persistence unit, session factory or entity, and select Assign Data Sources .
2. In the dialog that opens, click the necessary Data Source cell and select the data source from the list. (To remove an association with a data source, select `<none>` .)

## Associating a session factory with a NamingStrategy implementation class (Hibernate)

1. Right-click a module, session factory or entity, and select Assign Naming Strategies .
2. In the dialog that opens, click the necessary Naming Strategy cell and select the implementation class from the list.

## Starting a JPQL or an HQL console

Right-click a persistence unit or session factory, or any node within it, and select Console .

See also:

- [Working with the JPA console](#)
- [Working with the Hibernate console](#)



In this section:




- Kotlin
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- [Converting a Java File to Kotlin File](#)
- [Mixing Java and Kotlin in One Project](#)

## Prerequisite

Before you start working with Kotlin, make sure that the Kotlin plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Kotlin support in IntelliJ IDEA

Kotlin support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Dedicated file type, denoted with  icon.
- [File and Code Templates](#) for creating Kotlin symbols, which allows producing the Kotlin classes , interfaces , enums  and objects .
- Project types: [Kotlin-JVM](#) and [Kotlin-JavaScript](#). To learn how to create these projects, refer to the sections [Creating Kotlin-JVM Project](#) and [Creating Kotlin-JavaScript Project](#).
- Ability to configure Kotlin modules in a project for JVM, JavaScript, Maven or Gradle.

For details, refer to [this tutorial](#).

- [Kotlin compiler configuration](#).
- Dedicated [Kotlin](#), [Kotlin Script](#) and [Kotlin-JavaScript](#) run/debug configurations.

## To create a Kotlin-JVM project, follow these steps

1. On the main menu, choose File | New | Project .
2. In the [New Project](#) dialog box, select the project type **Kotlin-JVM** .
3. Click Next .
4. On the next page of the wizard, specify the following:
  - Project name and location.
  - Kotlin runtime library. Select the desired library from the drop-down list, or, if missing, click Create .If necessary, click [»](#) ( More settings )and specify the settings as required.
5. Click Finish .

The project is created and opens in a window according to your choice .

## To create a Kotlin-JavaScript project, follow these steps

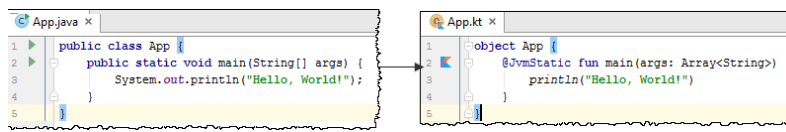
1. On the main menu, choose File | New | Project .
2. In the [New Project](#) dialog box, select the project type **Kotlin-JavaScript** .
3. Click Next .
4. On the next page of the wizard, specify the following:
  - Project name and location
  - Project SDK. Use one of the options from the drop-down list, or, if the required SDK is missing, click New .
  - Kotlin runtime library. Select the desired library from the drop-down list, or, if missing, click Create .If necessary, click [» \( More settings \)](#) and specify the settings as required.
5. Click Finish

The project is created and opens in a window according to your choice .

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to convert a Java file to Kotlin.

## To convert Java file to Kotlin

1. On the main menu, point to Code menu.
2. Choose Convert Java File to Kotlin File .



Note that the resulting Kotlin file appears in place of the original Java file.

On this page:

- [Creating Java files in Kotlin projects](#)
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## Creating Java files in Kotlin projects

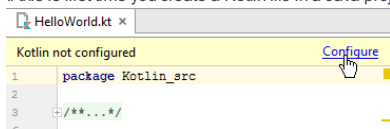
### To create a Java file in a Kotlin project, follow these steps

1. Create a Kotlin project as described in the sections [Creating Kotlin-JVM Project](#) or [Creating Kotlin-JavaScript Project](#).
2. In the [Project Tool Window](#), select the target package or directory, where you want the Java class to be created.
3. Press `Alt+Insert`, choose Java Class from the pop-up menu, select its kind, and specify its name.

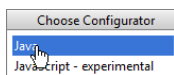
## Creating Kotlin files in Java projects

### To create a Kotlin file in a Java project, follow these steps

1. In a Java project, select the target location, press `Alt+Insert` and choose Kotlin file from the pop-up menu.
2. If this is first time you create a Kotlin file in a Java project, the banner shows:

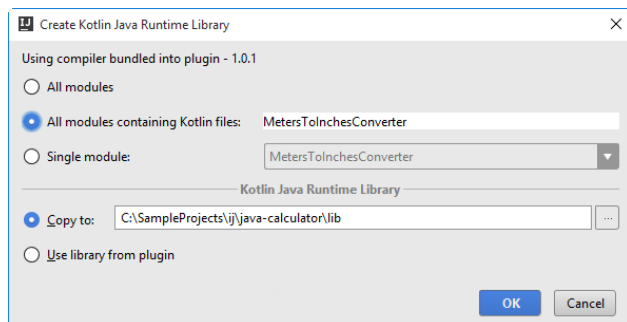


Click the link `Configure`, and select the desired configurator:



In the dialog box `Create Kotlin Java Runtime Library` that opens, do the following:

- Choose the modules to configure (if there are several modules in a project)
- Specify which Kotlin run-time library should be used.



Note that in the future the configuration action is not required.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Markdown Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to work with the [Markdown](#) files.

The Markdown files are marked with  icon.

## Prerequisites

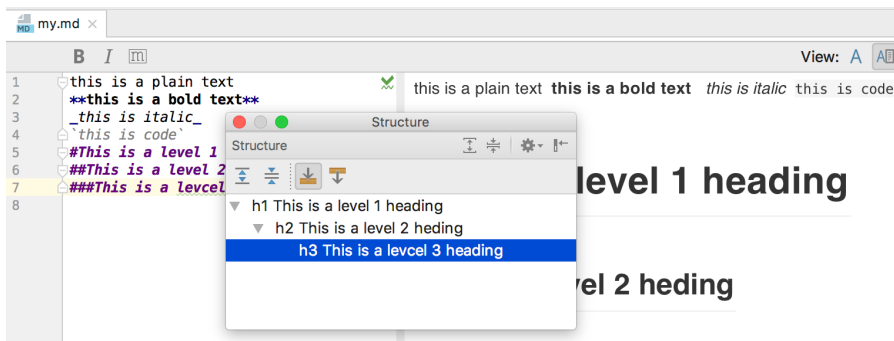
Before you start working with Markdown, make sure that the Markdown Support plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Markdown Support plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA since version 2016.3.

## Changes to the UI

With the Markdown Support enabled, the page [Markdown](#) appears in the Languages and Frameworks section of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

Note also, that [Structure view](#) shows the headings of the various levels:



## Creating a Markdown file

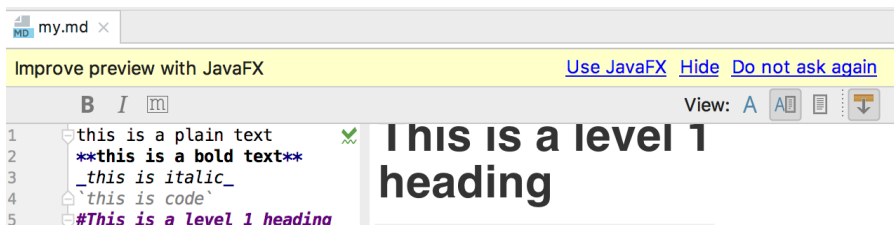
### To create a Markdown file, follow these steps

1. Do one of the following:
  - Choose File | New on the main menu.
  - Right-click the target directory where the new file should be created, and choose New on the context menu.
  - Press `Alt+Insert`
2. Choose File .
3. In the New File dialog box, specify the new file name and extension `.md` .

The new file `<name>.md` , marked with  icon, is created and opens for editing.

## Markdown editor

The editor of a `<name>.md` file by default shows the following:



Click one of the links to get rid of the banner. It's recommended to choose the link Use JavaFX .







The editor is divided into two panes: the editor itself and the preview. Each of the panes can be hidden.

## Editor pane

<b>B</b>	Toggle bold mode	Inserts two asterisks before and after the selected text to render bold font.
<b>I</b>	Toggle italic mode	Inserts underscores before and after the selected text to render italic font.
<b>M</b>	Toggle monospaced (code span) mode	Inserts single apostrophes before and after the selected text to render monospaced font.

## Toolbar

<b>A</b>	Show editor only	Shows editor only with Markdown syntax.
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	Show editor and preview	Shows editor with Markdown syntax and the corresponding preview. The results of editing are immediately reflected in the preview pane.
	Show preview only	Shows preview that renders the Markdown syntax. Editing is not possible, and the buttons  ,  and  are disabled.
	Auto-scroll preview	Press this button if you want to automatically scroll from the source code in the editor to the respective location in the <a href="#">preview</a> .

In this section:

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  - [Supported markup and template languages](#)
  - [Parsing Web contents](#)
- [Emmet](#)
- [Style Sheets](#)

**Note** In this part you will find information that is specific for the web content files only!

## Supported markup and template languages

IntelliJ IDEA supports editing of files in the following markup and template languages:

- XML
- HTML/XHTML
- JSP/JSPX
- **These features are only supported in the Ultimate edition.**
- CSS
- [Sass, SCSS](#)
- [Slim](#)
- [Less](#)
- [Jade](#)
- [YAML](#)
- [Stylus](#)
- [Compass](#)
- [Handlebars expressions and Mustache templates](#)

The markup languages and style sheets are integrated into IntelliJ IDEA and can use the most powerful editing features:

- Validation and syntax highlighting.
- [Code completion](#) ( `Ctrl+Space` ).
- [Indentation](#) ( `Ctrl+Alt+I` , `Ctrl+Alt+L` ).
- [Formatting](#) ( `Ctrl+Alt+L` ) according to the [code style](#) .
- [Intention actions](#) ( `Alt+Enter` ).
- [Viewing code structure](#) ( `Alt+7` ).
- [Navigation in the source code](#) ( `Ctrl+B` ).
- [Integrated documentation](#) ( `Ctrl+Q` ).
- [Search for usages](#) ( `Alt+F7` ).
- [Commenting and uncommenting lines](#) ( `Ctrl+Slash` , `Ctrl+Shift+Slash` ).
- [Unwrapping and removing tags](#) ( `Ctrl+Shift+Delete` ).

All these features work if IntelliJ IDEA successfully locates the DTD or schema file. In this case, all the files are validated against the DTD or schema, and the editing conveniences become available. Without a DTD or schema, only the well-formedness check is possible.

These features for web contents work same way as for the other source files. Refer to [Keyboard shortcuts](#) .

## Parsing Web contents

IntelliJ IDEA parses Web contents files according to the following specifications:

- HTML : specification is configurable in the Default HTML language level in the [Schemas and DTDs](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog. By default, specification HTML 5.0 from W3C is assumed.
- CSS : specification CSS 3.0. The most common selectors are supported: universal selector `*` , type selectors `.a` , descendant selectors `.a.b` , child selectors `.a .b` , ID selectors `#b` , pseudo-classes and class selectors `DIV.warning` .
- IntelliJ IDEA uses Xerces 2.11 , an XML parser developed by Apache Software Foundation Group.



With IntelliJ IDEA, you can edit HTML and CSS code faster by applying **Emmet** features. Just type an [Emmet abbreviation](#) in HTML and press Tab to expand it into the markup. **Emmet** also works in the **CSS** and **JSX** context.

IntelliJ IDEA provides two types of **Emmet** support.

- Native
- Support of additional templates

In this section:

- [Enabling Emmet Support](#)
- [Configuring Abbreviation Expansion Key](#)
- [Enabling Support of Additional Live Templates](#)
- [Expanding Emmet Templates with User Defined Templates](#)
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In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Enabling and configuring native Emmet support in the HTML or XML context](#)
- [Enabling native Emmet support in the JavaScript context](#)
- [Enabling and configuring native Emmet support in the CSS context](#)

## Basics

Native Emmet support allows you to generate XML/HTML, JavaScript (JSX Harmony) and CSS structures based on [abbreviations](#). IntelliJ IDEA supports basic **Emmet** and [Emmet version 1.1](#) features, such as:

- New syntax for writing RGBA colors.
- Implied attributes.
- Default attributes.
- Boolean attributes.
- The **Update Tag** action.

**Emmet** is supported in HTML/XML, JavaScript (JSX Harmony) and in the CSS contexts. This support is configured separately on the [Emmet. HTML](#), [Emmet. JSX](#) and [Emmet. CSS](#) pages respectively.

## Enabling and configuring native Emmet support in the HTML or XML context

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click XML under Emmet. The [Emmet](#) page opens.
2. To enable the **Emmet** support in the HTML or XML context, select the Enable XML/HTML Emmet checkbox. When this checkbox is cleared, all the other controls on this page become disabled.
3. To have IntelliJ IDEA show a pop-up window with a preview of the entered abbreviation before actually expanding it, select the Enable abbreviation preview checkbox.
4. Specify how Emmet in IntelliJ IDEA will treat URL addresses by selecting or clearing the Enable automatic URL recognition while wrapping text with `<a>` tag checkbox.

- If this checkbox is cleared and you attempt to wrap an URL address with the `<a>` tag, IntelliJ IDEA simply encloses the URL address in `<a href=""></a>` and positions the cursor inside the double quotes in the `href` attribute. For example, wrapping `http://www.jetbrains.com` will result in `<a href=" | ">http://www.jetbrains.com</a>`:

```
<a href=" | ">http://www.jetbrains.com</a>
```

- If this checkbox is selected and you attempt to wrap an URL address with the `<a>` tag, IntelliJ IDEA inserts the URL address inside the double quotes as the value of the `href` attribute and encloses the URL in `<a href=" <wrapped URL>"></a>`. For example, wrapping `http://www.jetbrains.com` will result in `<a href="http://www.jetbrains.com">http://www.jetbrains.com</a>`. Moreover, IntelliJ IDEA highlights the wrapped URL green as a recognized URL:

```
<a href="http://www.jetbrains.com">http://www.jetbrains.com</a>
```

## Enabling native Emmet support in the JavaScript context

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS.
2. Under the Languages and Frameworks node, click [JavaScript](#), and select the language level JSX Harmony.
3. Expand the Editor node, and then click JSX under Emmet. The [JSX](#) page opens.
4. To enable the **Emmet** support in the JavaScript context, select the Enable JSX Emmet checkbox.

## Enabling and configuring native Emmet support in the CSS context

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.


1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click CSS under Emmet. The [Emmet. CSS](#) page opens.
2. To enable the **Emmet** support in the CSS context, select the Enable CSS Emmet checkbox. When this checkbox is cleared, all the other controls on this page become disabled.
3. Configure the way unknown abbreviations are treated by selecting or clearing the Enable fuzzy search among CSS abbreviations checkbox: When this checkbox is selected, every unknown abbreviation will be scored against available template names. The match with the best score will be used to resolve the template. For example, with this option enabled, the following abbreviations can be equal to:

- `ov:h`
- `ov-h`
- `o-h`
- `oh`

4. Configure the way unrecognized properties are treated by selecting or clearing the Enable expansion of unknown properties ('unknown' to 'unknown:;') checkbox:
  - When this checkbox is selected, any entered word will be expanded into the same word followed with a colon and a semicolon;
  
  - When this checkbox is cleared, only known properties (for example, `color` ) will be expanded this way ( `color;` )
5. Configure inserting browser-specific prefixes using the Auto insert CSS vendor prefixes checkbox: If this checkbox is selected, the CSS properties listed in the table below are expanded into constructs that contain pre-pending vendor prefixes. Learn more at [Vendor prefixes](#) .  
If this checkbox is cleared, the entire table of properties is disabled.
6. Configure the use of properties in different browsers using the Properties and vendor prefixes table. The table contains a list of CSS properties and vendor prefixes that correspond to various browsers.
  - To enable or disable a property in a browser, select or clear the checkbox under the browser column.
  - To add a new property to the list, click the Add button `+` or press `Alt+Insert` . Then type the name of the property in the dialog box that opens and enable it in the relevant browsers.
  - To delete one or more properties from the list, select them and press Remove `-` or press `Alt+Delete` .

Shortcut key for expanding Emmet selectors and live templates is configurable. You can re-define this default setting for each specific live template.

### Configuring a shortcut to expand abbreviations

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing  or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Emmet under Editor .
2. On the [Emmet](#) page that opens, choose the desired option from the Expand abbreviation with drop-down list.

### Configuring a shortcut to expand a live template with

1. To re-define the expansion key for a live template, open the [Live Templates](#) page, expand one of the Zen Coding nodes, and select the desired template. The focus moves to the [Template Text](#) area.
2. From the Expand with drop-down list, select the key to expand the template with.  
This setting does not override the default setting specified for native Emmet support; you will just get the ability to expand the template using either of the specified keys.

Support of additional templates includes more than 200 different HTML, CSS, and XSL live templates. All of them are listed under the Emmet nodes on the [Live Templates](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box.

**Warning!** Emmet support for CSS and XSL is provided in the Ultimate edition only!

### To enable support of additional HTML, CSS, and XSL live templates

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Live Templates under Editor .
2. On the [Live Templates](#) page that opens, select the checkboxes next to the relevant template groups.

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Expanding Emmet templates](#)

## Introduction

You can expand Emmet templates with your own live templates.

Suppose you have a template entry with the following template text:

```
<entry type="$TYPES$">$END$ <entry>
```

To generate a list of entries, you just need to type “`entry-list<entry[number=$]*5`” and press `TAB`. By default, the `number` attribute will be generated before `type`. To customize the position where it is generated, you need to add the `ATTRS` variable to your template, for example:

```
<entry type="$TYPES$" $ATTRS$>$END$ <entry>
```

The `ATTRS` variable must have an empty string as the default value and should be skipped.

## Expanding Emmet templates

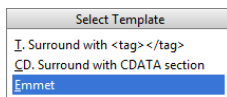
**Warning!** Emmet support for CSS and XSL is provided in the Ultimate edition only!

### To expand an Emmet template with a user-defined template

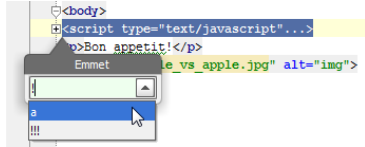
1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Live Templates under Editor.
2. On the [Live Templates](#) page that opens, expand the required `Zen Coding` template group, for example, `Zen HTML`, `Zen CSS`, or `Zen XSL`.
3. Select the template to expand. The focus moves to the [Template Text](#) area where the fields show the settings of the selected template.
4. In the Template Text field, add the required text and variables to the template body.
5. Click the Edit Variables button. In the [Edit Template Variables](#) dialog box that opens, specify the default variable values in the Default value field and select the Skip if defined checkbox where necessary.

## To surround a block of code with an Emmet template, follow these steps

1. Open the desired file for editing and select a block of code to be surrounded.
2. Press `Ctrl+Alt+J` , or choose Code | Surround with | Live Template on the main menu .
3. In the Select Template pop-up menu, choose Emmet :



4. Type the desired Emmet abbreviation, and press `Enter` .  
Note the drop-down list to the right. Clicking the down arrow reveals a history list of the recently applied Emmet live templates:



Also mind the color indication. If you type a valid Emmet abbreviation, the background is green. However, when a non-existent abbreviation is entered, the background becomes red:



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In the HTML and XML context, you can navigate between **edit points**, that is, between important points of code where editing is possible.

- To move the cursor to the previous edit point, choose Navigate | Previous Emmet Edit Point, or press

`Shift+Alt+Open Bracket` .

- To move the cursor to the next edit point, choose Navigate | Next Emmet Edit Point, or press

`Shift+Alt+Close Bracket` .



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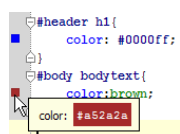
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In addition to the editing techniques that are common for all file types, IntelliJ IDEA provides specific techniques for CSS , Sass , SCSS and Less files.

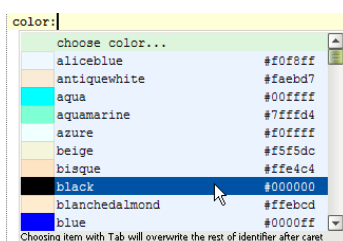
In particular, it is possible to easily change color values without the necessity to memorize and type color codes.

The `color` properties are marked with the icons of the corresponding color in the left gutter area of the editor. Use these icons to view colors and change color values. When you point with your mouse cursor to the color icon, the pop-up window appears, showing the color and its code.



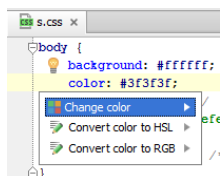
### To choose color value in a style sheet

1. Open the desired style sheet for editing.
2. Type `color:` , and then press `Ctrl+Space`.
3. Select the desired color value from the suggestion list, or choose color... to pick a custom one:

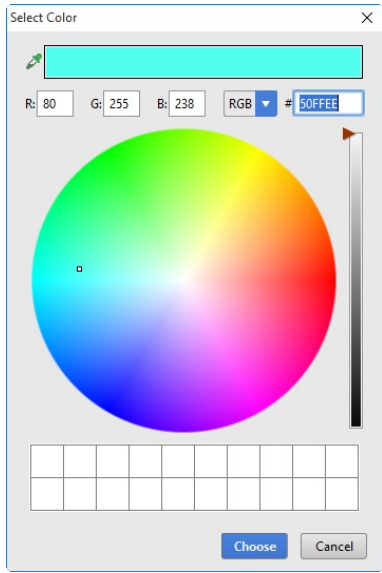


### To change color value in a style sheet

1. Open the desired style sheet for editing, and locate color property to be changed.
2. Do one of the following:
  - If the color icon is shown, just double-click is in the left gutter of the editor.
  - If the color icon is not shown, then press `Alt+Enter`, or click to reveal the list of intention actions, and choose Change color intention action:



3. In the Choose color dialog box, pick the desired new color, and click Choose :





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IntelliJ IDEA integrates with compilers that translate Sass , Less , and SCSS code into CSS. To use a compiler in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to configure it as a [File Watcher](#) . For each supported compiler, IntelliJ IDEA provides a predefined File Watcher template. To run a compiler in your project, create a project-specific File Watcher based on the relevant template.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the [Less Support](#) , [Sass Support](#) , and [CSS Support](#) plugins are activated. The plugins are activated by default. If the plugins are disabled, enable them on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Install and enable the [NodeJS](#) repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
3. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
4. Configure the Node.js interpreter in IntelliJ IDEA as described in [Configuring a local Node.js interpreter](#) .

## Installing the Sass/SCSS compiler

Sass and SCSS compilers are managed through the [Ruby Gem manager](#) .

1. [Download and install Ruby](#) .
2. Specify a `path` variable for the folder where the Ruby executable file and the `gem.bat` file are stored. This lets you launch [Ruby](#) and [Gem Manager](#) from any folder and ensures that [Ruby](#) is successfully launched during compilation.
3. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
gem install sass
```

The tool is installed to the folder where Ruby executable file and the `gem.bat` file are stored.

## Installing the Less compiler

The easiest way to install the Less compiler is to use the [Node Package Manager \(npm\)](#) , which is a part of [Node.js](#) . See [NPM](#) for details.

Depending on the desired location of the Less compiler executable file, choose one of the following methods:

- Install the compiler [globally](#) at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.
- Install the compiler in a specific project and thus restrict its use to this project.
- Install the compiler in a project as a [development dependency](#) .

In either installation mode, make sure that the parent folder of the Less compiler is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

IntelliJ IDEA provides user interface both for [global](#) and [project](#) installation as well as supports installation through the command line.

## Installing the Less compiler globally

[Global](#) installation makes a compiler available at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.

Moreover, during installation the parent folder of the compiler is automatically added to the `PATH` variable, which enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

- Run the installation from the command line in the [global](#) mode:
  1. Open the embedded Terminal ( [View](#) | [Tool Windows](#) | [Terminal](#) ) and switch to the directory where [NPM](#) is stored or define a `PATH` variable for it so it is available from any folder, see [Installing NodeJs](#) .
  2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
npm install -g less
```

The `-g` key makes the compiler run in the [global](#) mode. Because the installation is performed through [NPM](#) , the Less compiler is installed in the `npm` folder. Make sure this parent folder is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

For more details on the [NPM](#) operation modes, see [npm documentation](#) . For more information about installing the Less compiler, see <https://npmjs.org/package/less> .

- Run [NPM](#) from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing [File](#) | [Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA](#) | [Preferences for macOS](#), and click [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) under [Languages & Frameworks](#) .
  2. On the [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) page that opens, the [Packages](#) area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the [global](#) and at the [project](#) level. Click [+](#) .

3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package to install.
4. Select the Options checkbox and type `-g` in the text box next to it.
5. Optionally specify the product version and click Install Package to start installation.

## Installing the Less compiler in a project

Local installation in a specific project restricts the use of a compiler to this project.

– Run the installation from the command line:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and switch to the project root folder.
2. At the command prompt, type `npm install less` .

– Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `(Ctrl+Alt+S)` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Node.js and NPM under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the Node.js and NPM page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click **+** .
3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package.
4. Optionally specify the product version and click Install Package to start installation.

**Project level** installation is helpful and reliable in **template-based projects** of the type **Node Boilerplate** or **Node.js Express** , which already have the `node_modules` folder. The latter is important because **NPM** installs the Less compiler in a `node_modules` folder. If your project already contains such folder, the Less compiler is installed there.

Projects of other types or **empty** projects may not have a `node_modules` folder. In this case **npm** goes upwards in the folder tree and installs the Less compiler in the first detected `node_modules` folder. Keep in mind that this detected `node_modules` folder may be **outside** your current project root.

Finally, if no `node_modules` folder is detected in the folder tree either, the folder is created right under the current project root and the Less compiler is installed there.

In either case, make sure that the parent folder of the Less compiler is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

## Creating a file watcher

IntelliJ IDEA provides a common procedure and user interface for creating **File Watchers** of all types. The only difference is in the predefined templates you choose in each case.

1. Install and enable the File Watchers repository plugin.

The plugin is **not** bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it is available from the [IntelliJ IDEA plugin repository plugin repository](#) . See [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) for details.

2. To start creating a File Watcher, open the Settings/Preferences dialog box by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS on the main menu, and then click File Watchers under the Tools node. The [File Watchers page](#) that opens, shows the list of **File Watchers** that are already configured in the project.

3. Click the Add button **+** or press `(Alt+Insert)` . Depending on the tool you are going to use, choose the appropriate predefined template from the pop-up list:

- Less
- Sass
- SCSS

4. In the Program text box, specify the path to the compiler executable file or archive depending on the chosen predefined template.

- `lessc.cmd` for Less If you installed the tool through the **Node Package Manager** , IntelliJ IDEA locates the required file itself at `<node.js_home>/node_modules/bin/lessc.cmd` and fills in the field automatically. Otherwise, type the path manually or click the Browse button `(...)` and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.
- `sass.bat` for Sass
- `scss.bat` for SCSS

If you installed the **Sass** and **SCSS** tools through **Ruby** , IntelliJ IDEA locates the required files itself at `<ruby_home>/bin/sass.bat` `<ruby_home>/bin/scss.bat` respectively and fills in the field automatically. Otherwise, type the path manually or click the Browse button `(...)` and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.

5. Proceed as described on page [Using File Watchers](#) .

## Compiling the code

When you open a Less, Sass, or SCSS file, IntelliJ IDEA checks whether an applicable file watcher is available in the current project. If such file watcher is configured but disabled, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up window that informs you about the configured file watcher and suggests to enable it.

If an applicable file watcher is configured and enabled in the current project, IntelliJ IDEA starts it automatically upon the event specified in the [New Watcher dialog](#) .

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All, `Ctrl+S` ) or when you move focus from IntelliJ IDEA (upon frame deactivation).

IntelliJ IDEA creates a separate file with the generated output. The file has the name of the source `Sass`, `Less`, or `SCSS` file and the extension `css`. The location of the generated files is defined in the Output paths to refresh text box of the [New Watcher dialog](#). However, in the Project Tree, they are shown under the source file which is now displayed as a node.

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The easiest way to install the Stylus compiler is to use the **Node Package Manager (npm)**, which is a part of [Node.js](#). See [NPM](#) for details.

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## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.

If you are going to use the command line mode, make sure the path to the parent folder of the **Node.js** executable file and the path to the `npm` folder are added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the Stylus compiler and **npm** from any folder.

2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing the Stylus compiler globally

**Global** installation makes a compiler available at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.

Moreover, during installation the parent folder of the compiler is automatically added to the `PATH` variable, which enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

- Run the installation from the command line in the **global** mode:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( [View | Tool Windows | Terminal](#) ) and switch to the directory where **NPM** is stored or define a `PATH` variable for it so it is available from any folder, see [Installing NodeJS](#).
2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
npm install -g stylus
```

The `-g` key makes the compiler run in the **global** mode. Because the installation is performed through **NPM**, the Stylus compiler is installed in the `npm` folder. Make sure this parent folder is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the compiler from any folder.

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3. Click the Add button **+** or press `(Alt+Insert)` and choose the Stylus predefined template from the pop-up list.
4. In the Program text box, specify the path to the executable file:
  - `stylus` for macOS and Unix.
  - `stylus.bat` for Windows.

Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.

5. Proceed as described on page [Using File Watchers](#) .

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In addition to the full range of [common refactorings](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides the following CSS-specific refactorings:

- [Extract Variable in Sass](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

On this page:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Example](#)
- [Extracting a variable in-place](#)
- [Extracting a variable using the dialog box](#)

## Introduction

You can replace a Sass expression with a local or global variable.

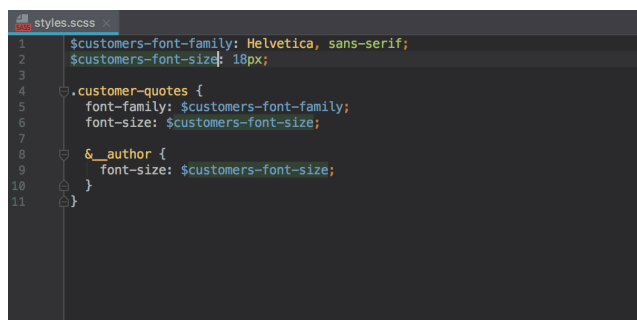
To perform this refactoring, you can use:

- [In-place refactoring](#) . In this case you specify the new name right in the editor.
- [Refactoring dialog](#) , where you specify all the required information. To make such a dialog accessible, you have to clear the check box [Enable in-place mode](#) in the editor settings.

## Example

### Before/After

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## Extracting a variable in-place

### To extract a variable using in-place refactoring

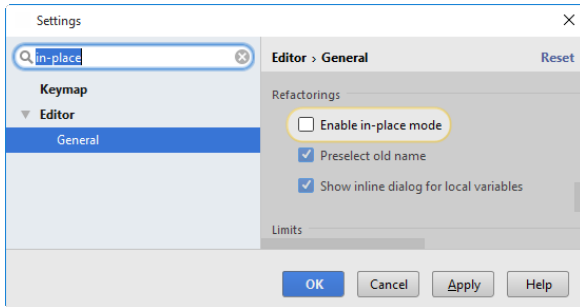
1. In the editor, select the expression to be replaced with a variable. You can do that yourself or use the **smart expression selection** feature to let IntelliJ IDEA help you. So, do one of the following:
  - Highlight the expression. Then choose Refactor | Extract | Variable on the main menu or on the context menu.  
Alternatively, press `Ctrl+Alt+V` .
  - Place the cursor before or within the expression. Choose Refactor | Extract Variable on the main menu or on the context menu. or press `Ctrl+Alt+V` . In the Expressions pop-up menu, select the expression. To do that, click the required expression. Alternatively, use the Up and Down arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press `Enter` to select it.
2. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, select Replace this occurrence only or Replace all occurrences in the Multiple occurrences found pop-up menu.  
To select the required option, just click it. Alternatively, use the `Up` and `Down` arrow keys to navigate to the option of interest, and press `Enter` to select it.
3. Select the place in the source code, where the new variable will be declared. The declaration can be global (a variable is available throughout the whole file), or local (a variable is declared immediately before use, and is available in the current block only).
4. Specify the name of the variable. Do one of the following:
  - Select one of the suggested names from the pop-up list. To do that, double-click the suitable name.  
Alternatively, use the `Up` and `Down` arrow keys to navigate to the name of interest, and `Enter` to select it. When finished, press `Escape` .
  - Edit the name by typing. The name is shown in the box with red borders and changes as you type. When finished, press `Escape` .

**Note** The Expressions pop-up menu contains all the expressions appropriate for the current cursor position in the editor.

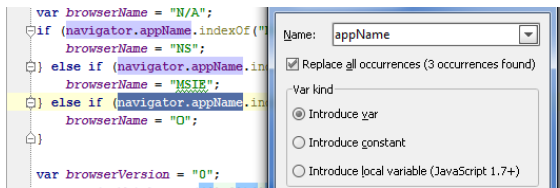
## Extracting a variable using the dialog box

### To extract a variable using the dialog box

If the Enable in place refactorings check box is cleared in the Editor settings, the Extract Variable refactoring is performed by means of the [Extract Variable Dialog](#) dialog box



1. Select the desired expression, and invoke Extract Variable refactoring as described above .
2. If more than one expression is detected for the current cursor position, the Expressions list appears. If this is the case, select the required expression. To do that, click the expression. Alternatively, use the **Up** and **Down** arrow keys to navigate to the expression of interest, and then press **Enter** to select it.
3. In the [Extract Variable dialog for Sass](#) :
  - Specify the variable name. You can select one of the suggested names from the list or type the name in the Name field.
  - Specify the place for declaration. Select the desired place (global or local) from the drop-down list.
  - If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, you can select to replace all the found occurrences by selecting the corresponding checkbox. If you want to replace only the current occurrence, clear the Replace all occurrences checkbox.
  - Click OK .





This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The term **minification** or **compression** in the context of CSS means removing all unnecessary characters, such as **spaces** , **new lines** , **comments** without changing the functionality of the source code. At the development and debugging stage, these characters improve the code readability. However at the production stage, they become unnecessary for code execution but only increase the size of code to be transferred.

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [YUI Compressor](#) CSS minification tool. To use the minifier in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to configure it as a [File Watcher](#) . For each supported minifier, IntelliJ IDEA provides a predefined File Watcher template. To run a minifier in your project, create a project-specific File Watcher based on the relevant template.

## Installing and configuring the YUI Compressor

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.

If you are going to use the command line mode, make sure the path to the parent folder of the **Node.js** executable file and the path to the `npm` folder are added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the CSS minifier and `npm` from any folder.

2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

3. Download and install the minification tool. The easiest way is to use the **Node Package Manager (npm)** , which is a part of [Node.js](#) .

1. Switch to the directory where the **Node Package Manager (npm)** is stored or define a `path` variable for it so it is available from any folder.

2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
npm install yuicompressor
```

If you use the **Node Package Manager (npm)** , the minifier is installed under **Node.js** so `Node.js` , which is required for starting the tool, will be specified in the path to it.

## Creating a file watcher

IntelliJ IDEA provides a common procedure and user interface for creating **File Watchers** of all types. The only difference is in the predefined templates you choose in each case.

1. To start creating a File Watcher, open the Settings/Preferences dialog box by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS on the main menu, and then click File Watchers under the Tools node. The [File Watchers page](#) that opens, shows the list of **File Watchers** that are already configured in the project.

2. Click the Add button **+** or press `Alt+Insert` and choose the YUI Compressor CSS predefined template from the pop-up list.

3. In the Program text box, specify the path to the `yuicompressor-<version>.jar` file. If you installed the tool through the **Node Package Manager** , IntelliJ IDEA locates the required file itself and fills in the field automatically. Otherwise, type the path manually or click the Browse button `...` and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.

4. Proceed as described on page [Using File Watchers](#) .

## Minifying the code

When a minification File Watcher is **enabled** , minification starts automatically as soon as a CSS file in the File Watcher's scope is **changed or saved** .


IntelliJ IDEA creates a separate file with the generated output. The file has the name of the source CSS file and the extension `min.css` . The location of the generated file is defined in the Output paths to refresh text box of the [New Watcher dialog](#) . However, in the Project Tree , by default it is shown under the source CSS file which is now displayed as a node. To change the default presentation, [configure file nesting](#) in the Project tool window.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports development in projects structured in compliance with the [Compass framework](#). This framework uses Sass and SCSS extensions of CSS.

## Preparing for Compass development

The **Compass** framework is installed through the **Ruby Gem manager**, therefore you need to install **Ruby** first.

1. [Download and install Ruby](#).
2. Specify a `path` variable for the folder where the Ruby executable file and the `gem.bat` file are stored. This lets you launch **Ruby** and **Gem Manager** from any folder and ensures that **Ruby** is successfully launched during compilation.
3. **Install and enable** the Sass Support plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
4. Install **Compass**.
  1. The installation is performed in the command line mode. To start the built-in **Terminal**, hover your mouse pointer over  in the lower left corner of the IDE, then choose Terminal from the menu (see [Working with Embedded Local Terminal](#) for details).
  2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
gem install compass
```


The tool is installed to the folder where Ruby executable file and the `gem.bat` file are stored.

## Setting up a Compass project

You can have a project set up according to the Compass requirements in two ways: create a new Compass project or create an empty project and introduce a Compass-specific structure in it. In either case, a project is set up through command line commands. Of course, you can set up a Compass project externally and then open it in IntelliJ IDEA.


During project set-up, a `conf.rb` configuration file is generated. You will need to specify the location of this file when integrating Compass with IntelliJ IDEA.

– To set up the Compass-specific structure in an existing project:

1. Open the desired project in IntelliJ IDEA.
2. Open the built-in Terminal by hovering your mouse pointer over  in the lower left corner of IntelliJ IDEA and choosing Terminal from the menu.
3. At the command prompt, type:

```
compass init
```

– To create a Compass project from scratch:

1. Open the desired project in IntelliJ IDEA.
2. Open the built-in Terminal by hovering your mouse pointer over  in the lower left corner of IntelliJ IDEA and choosing Terminal from the menu.
3. Switch to the folder that will be the parent for the new project folder. Type the following command:

```
cd <parent folder name>
```

4. At the command prompt, type:

```
compass create <the name of the project to be created>
```

## Integrating Compass with IntelliJ IDEA

To develop a Compass-specific project in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to specify the Compass executable file `compass` and the project configuration file `config.rb`. You can do it either through the Compass Support page of the Settings dialog box or on the fly using an intention action that opens the Compass Support dialog box.

1. Open the Compass page or dialog box by doing one of the following:

- Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Compass under Languages & Frameworks.
- 1. In a `.sass` or `.scss` file, type the following **import** statement:

```
@import 'compass'
```

2. Click the red bulb icon or press `Alt+Enter` . Then choose Configure Compass from the suggestion list.

The Compass Support dialog box opens.

2. To activate Compass support, select the Enable Compass support checkbox.
3. In the Compass executable file text box, specify the location of the `compass` executable file under the Ruby installation. Type the path manually, for example, `C:\Ruby200-x64\bin\compass` , or choose it from the drop-down list, or click the Browse button `⋮` and choose the location of the `compass` file in the dialog box that opens.
4. In the Config path field, specify the location of the project Compass configuration file `config.rb` . Type the path manually, for example, `C:\my_projects\compass_project\config.rb` , or choose it from the drop-down list, or click the Browse button `⋮` and choose the location of the `compass` file in the dialog box that opens. The Compass configuration file `config.rb` is generated during project set-up through `compass create` or `compass init` commands.

## Creating a Compass Sass or a Compass SCSS compiler

Sass and SCSS are not processed by browsers that work with CSS code. Therefore to be executed, Sass or SCSS code has to be translated into CSS. This operation is referred to as **compilation** and the tools that perform it are called **compilers** .

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with a compiler that translates Sass and SCSS code from a Compass project without changing the Compass-specific project structure. To use the compiler in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to configure it as a [File Watcher](#) . For each supported compiler, IntelliJ IDEA provides a predefined File Watcher template. To run a compiler in your project, create a project-specific File Watcher based on the relevant template.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a common procedure and user interface for creating **File Watchers** of all types. The only difference is in the predefined templates you choose in each case.

1. Install and enable the File Watchers repository plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it is available from the [IntelliJ IDEA plugin repository plugin repository](#) . See [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) for details.
2. To start creating a File Watcher, open the Settings/Preferences dialog box by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS on the main menu, and then click File Watchers under the Tools node. The [File Watchers page](#) that opens, shows the list of **File Watchers** that are already configured in the project.
3. Click the Add button `+` or press `Alt+Insert` and choose the compass sass or compass scss predefined template from the pop-up list.
4. In the Program text box, specify the path to the executable file:
  - `compass.bat` for Windows
  - `compass` for Unix and macOSType the path manually or click the Browse button `⋮` and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.
5. In the Arguments text box, type one of the following depending on the operating system used:
  - For macOS:
    - `compile $ProjectFileDir$` to process an entire directory
    - `compile $ProjectFileDir$ $FilePath$` to process a single file
  - For Windows:
    - `compile $UnixSeparators($ProjectFileDir$)$` to process an entire directory
    - `compile $UnixSeparators($FilePath$)$` to process a single file
  - For Linux (Ubuntu):
    - `compile $ProjectFileDir$` to process an entire directory
    - `compile $ProjectFileDir$ $FilePath$` to process a single file
6. Proceed as described on page [Using File Watchers](#) .

## Running a Compass Sass or Compass SCSS compiler

When you open a Sass or SCSS file, IntelliJ IDEA checks whether an applicable file watcher is available in the current project. If such file watcher is configured but disabled, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up window that informs you about the configured file watcher and suggests to enable it.

If an applicable file watcher is configured and enabled in the current project, IntelliJ IDEA starts it automatically upon the event specified in the [New Watcher dialog](#) .

- If the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox is selected, the File Watcher is invoked as soon as any changes are made to the source code.
- If the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox is cleared, the File Watcher is started upon save ( File | Save All , `Ctrl+S` ) or when you move focus from IntelliJ IDEA (upon frame deactivation).

IntelliJ IDEA creates a separate file with the generated output. The file has the name of the source Sass or SCSS file and the extension `css` . The location of the generated files is defined in the Output paths to refresh text box of the [New Watcher](#)

[dialog](#) . However, in the Project Tree , they are shown under the source file which is now displayed as a node.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides facilities to run CSS-specific code quality inspections through integration with the [Stylelint](#) code verification tool. The tool registers itself as an IntelliJ IDEA code inspection: it checks CSS code for most common mistakes and discrepancies without running the application. When a tool is activated, it launches automatically on the edited CSS file. Discrepancies are highlighted and reported in pop-up information windows, a pop-up window appears when you hover the mouse pointer over a stripe in the Validation sidebar. You can also press `Alt+Enter` to examine errors and apply suggested quick fixes. Learn more about inspections and intention actions at [Code Inspection](#) and [Intention Actions](#).

## Before you start

1. Integration with IntelliJ IDEA is supported through the CSS plugin. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. [Stylelint](#) is run through [Node.js](#), therefore make sure the [Node.js](#) runtime environment is downloaded and installed on your computer. The runtime environment also contains the [Node Package Manager \(npm\)](#) through which [Stylelint](#) is installed.
3. Integration with [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) is supported through the [Node.js](#) plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing Stylelint

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click `+`.
3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the `stylelint` package and click Install Package. Learn more about installing tools through [NPM](#) in [NPM](#).

## Activating and configuring Stylelint

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click [Stylelint](#) under Stylesheets. The [Stylelint](#) page opens.
2. Select the Enable checkbox to activate [Stylelint](#). After that the controls in the dialog box become available.
3. In the Node Interpreter field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click `...` and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).
4. In the Stylelint Package field, specify the location of the `stylelint` package installed globally or in the current project, see [Stylelint](#).

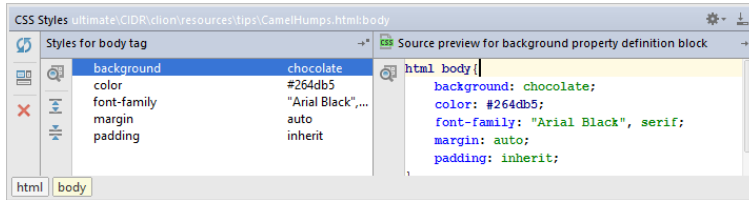
This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

For HTML, XHTML, JSP, JSPX files, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a way to explore all styles applied to an arbitrary tag.

The results for each tag are displayed in the dedicated tabs of the CSS Styles tool window. Using this tool window, you can view the list of styles applied to a tag, and the definition of these styles. Besides that, you can navigate from style to the corresponding tag in the source code.

## To show styles that are used for a tag

1. Open the desired file in the editor, and right-click the tag you want to explore for applied styles.
2. On the context menu, choose Show Applied Styles for Tag .
3. View results in a dedicated tab in the CSS Styles tool window:



IntelliJ IDEA brings powerful XML editing support that includes:

- Validation and syntax highlighting.
- **Code completion** ( `Ctrl+Space` ).
- **Indentation** ( `Ctrl+Alt+I` , `Ctrl+Alt+L` ).
- **Formatting** ( `Ctrl+Alt+L` ) according to the [XML code style](#) .
- **Intention actions** ( `Alt+Enter` ).
- **Viewing code structure** ( `Alt+7` ).
- **Navigation in the source code** ( `Ctrl+B` ).
- **Integrated documentation** ( `Ctrl+Q` ).
- **Search for usages** ( `Alt+F7` ).
- **Commenting and uncommenting lines** ( `Ctrl+Slash` , `Ctrl+Shift+Slash` ).
- **Unwrapping and removing tags** ( `Ctrl+Shift+Delete` ).
- **Generating schemas from instance documents** and vice versa.
- **Generating DTD files** .


A [Data Type Definition \(DTD\)](#) is required for running [structure validation checks](#) on a Web content file. IntelliJ IDEA can scan any XML file for the existing elements and attributes and generate a DTD for it.


### **To generate a DTD for an XML file**

1. Open the desired file in the active editor tab.
2. On the main menu, choose Tools | XML Actions | Generate DTD From XML File . The resulting DTD is added as a section above the first line of the file.




## To generate an XML instance document from an XML Schema

1. With the desired Schema ( `.xsd` ) file opened in the active editor tab, choose Tools | XML Actions | Generate XML Document from XSD Schema on the main menu.
2. In the [Generate Instance Document from Schema](#) dialog box that opens configure the XML instance document generation procedure:
  - In the Schema Path text box, specify the location of the Schema to base the XML document generation on. By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. Accept this suggestion or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the dialog that opens.
  - In the Instance Document Name text box, specify the name of the output file to place the generated XML in.


**Warning!** IntelliJ IDEA suggests the name of the source XML document with the `.xml` extension. If you type another name, make sure the extension is correct.
  - Specify the location of the generated document. By default, it will be placed in the same directory as the source Schema file. To specify another location, click the Browse button  and select the desired path in the dialog that opens.
  - From the Element Name drop-down list, select the local name of the global element to be used as the root of the generated XML document.
  - Specify whether to take restriction and uniqueness particles into consideration by selecting the corresponding checkboxes.

An [XSD \(XML Schema Definition\) Schema](#) is required for running [structure validation checks](#) on a Web content file. IntelliJ IDEA can scan any XML file for the existing elements and attributes and generate a Schema for it.

## To have a Schema generated based on an XML instance document

1. With the desired XML document opened in the active editor tab, choose Tools | XML Actions | Generate XSD Schema from XML File on the main menu.
2. In the [Generate Schema From Instance Document](#) dialog box that opens configure the Schema generation procedure:
  - In the Instance Document Path text box, specify the location of the file to be used as the basis for Schema generation. By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. Accept this suggestion or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the dialog that opens.
  - In the Result Schema File Name text box, specify the name of the output file to place the generated Schema in.

**Warning** IntelliJ IDEA suggests the name of the source XML document with the `.xsd` extension. If you type another name, make sure the extension is correct.

- Specify the location of the generated Schema. By default, the generated Schema file will be placed in the same directory as the source XML instance document. To specify another location, click the Browse button  and select the desired path in the dialog that opens.
- From the Design Type drop-down list, select the way to declare elements and complex types.
- From the Detect Simple Content Type drop-down list, select the type to use for leaf text.
- In the Detect Enumerations Limit text box, type the number of occurrences to cause the Schema enumeration appearance.

**Tip** To suppress Schema enumeration, specify 0.

Your XML file may reference an external XML schema (XSD) or DTD file, e.g.

```
<root xmlns="http://www.example.org"
      xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
      xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.example.org http://www.example.org/xsds/example.xsd">
```

or

```
<!DOCTYPE root SYSTEM "http://www.example.org/dtds/example.dtd">
```

If the referenced URL or the namespace URI is "unfamiliar", it's marked as an error.

For situations like this, IntelliJ IDEA provides the following [intention actions](#) :

- Fetch External Resource. IntelliJ IDEA downloads the referenced file and associates it with the URL (or the namespace URI). The error highlighting disappears. The XML file is validated according to the downloaded schema or DTD. (The associations of the URLs and the namespace URIs with the schema and DTD files are shown on the [Schemas and DTDs page](#) in the Settings dialog.)
- Manually Setup External Resource. Use this option when you already have an appropriate schema or DTD file available locally. The [Map External Resource dialog](#) will open and you'll be able to select the file for the specified URL or namespace URI. The result of the operation is the same as in the case of fetching the resource.
- Ignore External Resource. The URL or the namespace URI is added to the Ignored Schemas and DTDs list. (This list is shown on the [Schemas and DTDs page](#) in the Settings dialog.) The error highlighting disappears. IntelliJ IDEA won't validate the XML file, however, it will check if the XML file is well-formed.

There is one more intention action that you may find useful: Add Xsi Schema Location for External Resource . This intention action lets you complete your root XML elements. If the namespace is already specified, IntelliJ IDEA can add a couple of missing attributes.

For example, if you have a fragment like this:

```
<root xmlns="http://www.example.org">
```

and perform the intention action on the value of the `xmlns` attribute, the result will be:

```
<root xmlns="http://www.example.org"
      xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
      xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.example.org >
```

At this step, you'll be able to add the schema URL, and then map the URL (or the namespace URI) onto an appropriate schema file, or add the URL (or the URI) to the Ignored Schemas and DTDs list.

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## Types of validity checks

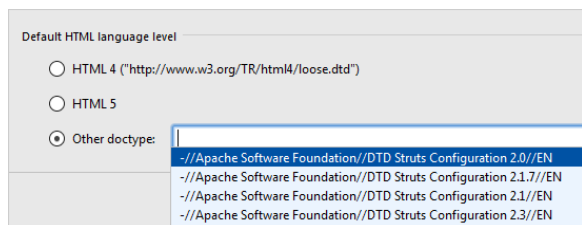
IntelliJ IDEA performs two different [validity](#) checks:

- **On-the-fly validation** is available for all Web content files and is performed as you edit the file. IntelliJ IDEA checks well-formedness, that is, detects various violations of syntax requirements, such as unclosed tags, wrong end-tag name, duplicate tags, unresolved links, etc. All encountered errors are highlighted in the editor. However, this form of code validation is rather *soft*, that is, not all requirements are taken into account.
- **Full validation** involves structure validation in addition to well-formedness check. Full validation is available for files that are associated with an [XSD \(XML Schema Definition\) Schema](#) or contain a [Data Type Definition \(DTD\)](#). IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the structure of your XML file complies with the structure defined in the corresponding DTD or Schema. The results of full validation are provided as a [Message View](#).

## Choosing the default HTML language level

Normally, an HTML or an XHTML file has the `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration which states the **language level** of the used in the source code from the file. This language level is used as a standard against which the contents of the file are validated. If an HTML or an XHTML file does not have a `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration, the contents of the file will be validated against the default standard (schema).

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Default XML Schemas under Schemas and DTDs. The [Default XML Schemas](#) page opens.
2. In the Default HTML Language Level area, choose the default schema to validate HTML and XHTML files without a `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration. The available options are:
  - HTML 4 or HTML 5 : Choose one of these options to have files treated as HTML 4 or HTML 5 and validated against one of these standards.
  - Other doctype : Choose this option to have HTML files by default validated against a custom DTD or schema and specify the URL of the DTD or schema to be used.Note that code completion is available in this field: press `Ctrl+Space` to see the list of suggested URLs.



choose the [XSD \(XML Schema Definition\) Schema](#) to validate XML files. The available options are:

- XML Schema 1.1 See [W3C XML Schema Definition Language \(XSD\) 1.1 Part 1: Structures](#) and [W3C XML Schema Definition Language \(XSD\) 1.1 Part 2: Datatypes](#) for details.
- XML Schema 1.0 See [XML Schema Part 1: Structures Second Edition](#) and [XML Schema Part 2: Datatypes Second Edition](#) for details.

## Choosing the default schema to validate XML files

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Default XML Schemas under Schemas and DTDs. The [Default XML Schemas](#) page opens.
2. In the Default XML Schema Version area, choose the [XSD \(XML Schema Definition\) Schema](#) to validate XML files. The available options are:
  - XML Schema 1.1 See [W3C XML Schema Definition Language \(XSD\) 1.1 Part 1: Structures](#) and [W3C XML Schema Definition Language \(XSD\) 1.1 Part 2: Datatypes](#) for details.
  - XML Schema 1.0 See [XML Schema Part 1: Structures Second Edition](#) and [XML Schema Part 2: Datatypes Second Edition](#) for details.

## Running full validation on an XML file

1. Open the desired XML file in the editor, or just select it in the [Project](#) tool window.
2. On the context menu, choose Validate.

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## Introduction

This section describes how to:

- Get a Java representation of an [XML Schema](#)
- Have an [XML Schema](#) generated on the basis of a Java class
- [Unmarshal](#) XML instance documents into Java content trees and vice versa.

With IntelliJ IDEA, this transformation can be done using one of the following data binders:

- [Java Architecture for XML Binding \(JAXB\)](#)
- [XMLBeans](#)

## Using JAXB and XmlBeans

### **To use JAXB and XmlBeans, perform the following preliminary steps:**

1. Download and install the XMLBeans tool.
2. On the [Plugins settings](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box, make sure that the Web Services bundled plugin is enabled.
3. On the [Web Services](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box, specify the installation directory of XmlBeans and one of the following Web Services engines:
  - [Metro](#)
  - [GlassFish](#)
  - [Java API for XML Web Services Reference Implementation \(JAX-WS RI\)](#)
  - [Java Web Services Development Pack \(JWS DP\)](#)

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## Introduction

This topic describes how to get a Java representation of an [XML Schema](#), which involves mapping the elements of the XML Schema to members of a Java class. With IntelliJ IDEA, this transformation can be done using one of the following data binders:

- [JAXB](#) generates classes and groups them in Java packages. A package consists of a Java class name and an `ObjectFactory` class. The latter is a factory that is used to return instances of a bound Java class.
- [XmlBeans](#) converts an XML Schema into a Java class, compiles it, and places in the specified output `.jar` file.



## Using JAXB

### To generate a Java class from an XML Schema using JAXB

1. In the active editor tab, open the desired Schema (`.xsd`) file or an XML document which contains the desired Schema. Then choose Tools | JAXB | Generate Java Code From XML Schema Using JAXB on the main menu.
2. In the [Generate Java from Xml Schema using JAXB](#) dialog box that opens configure the generation procedure:
  - In the Schema/DTD/WSDL Path drop-down list, specify the file to be used as the basis for code generation. By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. Accept this suggestion or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the Select XML Schema File for JAXB Generation that opens.
  - From the Output Path drop-down list, select the module source directory to place the generated Java class in.
  - In the Package Prefix drop-down list, specify the package to include the generated stubs in.
  - Using the checkboxes, configure additional options, such as generating annotation, setting the read-only status, downloading and installing additional libraries.

## Using XmlBeans

### To generate and compile a Java class from an XML Schema using XmlBeans

1. In the active editor tab, open the desired Schema (`.xsd`) file or an XML document which contains the desired Schema. Then choose Tools | XmlBeans | Generate Java Code From XML Schema Using XmlBeans on the main menu.
2. In the [Generate Java Code From XML Schema using XmlBeans](#) dialog box that opens configure the generation procedure:
  - In the Schema Path drop-down list, specify the file to be used as the basis for code generation. By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. Accept this suggestion or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the Select XML Schema /WSDL File for Generation dialog box that opens.
  - In the Output Path drop-down list, specify the name of the `.jar` file to place the generated and compiled Java code in. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create a new file `types.jar`. To overwrite an existing file, click the Browse button  and choose the desired file in the Select XML Schema / Wsdl File for generation dialog box that opens.
  - To have missing libraries downloaded and installed automatically, select the Add necessary libraries in order for generated code compile and work checkbox.

This topic describes how to have an [XML Schema](#) generated on the basis of a Java class, which involves mapping the members of the Java class to the elements of the XML Schema. With IntelliJ IDEA, this transformation can be done using the [JAXB](#) .

## To generate an XML Schema from a Java class using JAXB

1. Open the [Generate XML Schema From Java Using JAXB](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - In the [Project](#) tool window, select the name of the desired class and choose Web Services | Generate XML Schema From Java Using JAXB on the context menu.
  - With the desired class opened in the active editor tab, choose Tools | JAXB | Generate XML Schema From Java Using JAXB on the main menu.
2. Specify the method parameter and return types to be reflected in the generated Schema:
  - To have all the class methods involved, clear the Include parameter and return type of the following methods checkbox.
  - To select specific methods to be involved, select the Include parameter and return type of the following methods checkbox, then select the Add to JAXB generation checkbox next to the desired methods.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have marshal code stubs generated using [JAXB](#) or [XMLBeans](#) binding tools.

### **To generate marshal code using JAXB**

1. Position the cursor where you need the marshaller to be generated.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | JAXB | JAXB Client Code | Generate JAXB marshal code (Java object to XML)
  - On the context menu, choose WebServices | JAXB Client Code | Generate JAXB marshal code (Java object to XML)

### **To generate marshal code using XMLBeans**

1. Position the cursor where you need the marshaller to be generated.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | XMLBeans | XMLBeans Client Code | Generate XMLBeans marshal code (Java object to XML)
  - On the context menu, choose WebServices | XMLBeans Client Code | Generate XMLBeans marshal code (Java object to XML)



With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have unmarshal code stubs generated using [JAXB](#) or [XMLBeans](#) binding tools.

### **To generate unmarshal code using JAXB**

1. Position the cursor where you need the unmarshaller to be generated.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | JAXB | JAXB Client Code | Generate JAXB unmarshal code (Java object from XML) .
  - On the context menu, choose WebServices | JAXB Client Code | Generate JAXB unmarshal code (Java object from XML) .

### **To generate unmarshal code using XMLBeans**

1. Position the cursor where you need the unmarshaller to be generated.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | XMLBeans | XMLBeans Client Code | Generate XMLBeans unmarshal code (Java object from XML) .
  - On the context menu, choose WebServices | XMLBeans Client Code | Generate XMLBeans unmarshal code (Java object from XML) .

IntelliJ IDEA lets you refactor your XML code.

The XML refactoring support is based on the Refactor-X plugin. This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.

To access XML refactoring commands, you can use the main menu or the context menu in the editor: Refactor | XML Refactorings | <Refactoring\_Name> .

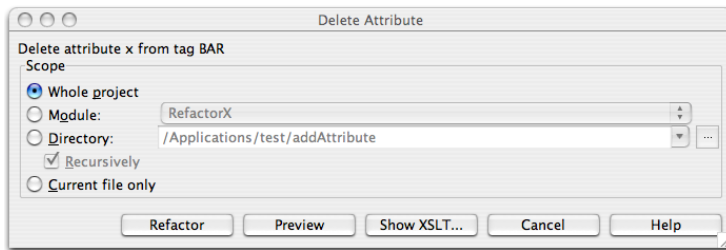
The following refactorings are available:

- Delete Attribute
- Replace Attribute With Tag
- Replace Tag With Attribute
- Add Attribute
- Add Subtag
- Move Attribute In
- Move Attribute Out
- Change Attribute Value
- Convert Contents To Attribute
- Expand Tag
- Collapse Tag
- Merge Tags
- Split Tags
- Delete Tag
- Unwrap Tag
- Wrap Tag
- Wrap Tag Contents

The Delete Attribute refactoring allows you to delete a set of attribute definitions on a set of XML tag. If this refactoring is invoked, all attributes matching the selected attribute name on tags with the selected tag name may be removed. This bulk removal of attributes may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Deleting an attribute

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the attribute to be deleted.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Delete Attribute from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the scope of the deletion. All attributes matching name of the attribute selected on the tag selected will be deleted, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
4. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected attribute Find window.
5. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

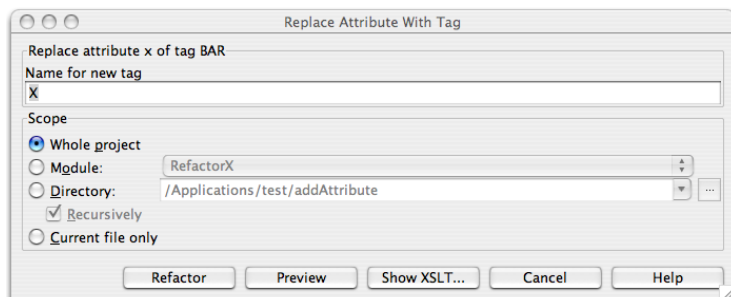
Please note the following:

- Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the attributes to be removed. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.
- Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.
- The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Replace Attribute with Tag refactoring allows you to replace attribute definitions on a set of XMLs tag with equivalent sub-tags. If this refactoring is invoked, all attributes matching the selected attribute name on tags with the selected tag name may be removed, and equivalent sub-tags created. This bulk transformation of attributes to tags is useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Converting an attribute into a tag

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the attribute to be converted.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Replace Attribute with Tag from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the name of the tags to replace the selected attributes.
4. Determine the scope of the replacement. All attributes matching name of the attribute selected on the tag selected will be replaced, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
5. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected attribute Find window.
6. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the attributes to be replaced. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

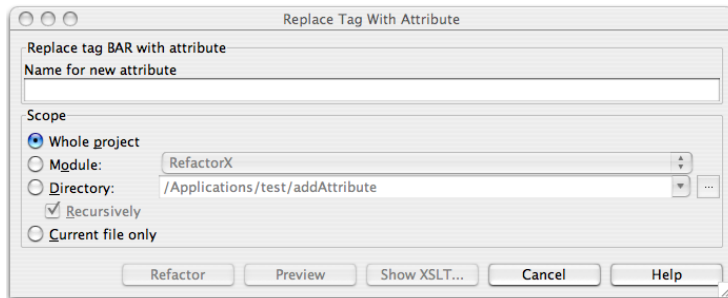
Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Replace Tag with Attribute refactoring allows you to replace sub-tags definitions on a set of XMLs tag with equivalent attributes. If this refactoring is invoked, all tags matching the selected tag's name on tags with the selected parent tag name may be removed, and equivalent attributes created. This bulk transformation of sub-tags to attributes is useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Converting a tag into an attribute

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the tag to be converted.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Replace Tag with Attribute from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the name of the attributes to replace the selected tags.
4. Determine the scope of the replacement. All tags matching name of the tag selected on the parent tag selected will be replaced, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
5. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected tag Find window.
6. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the tags to be replaced. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

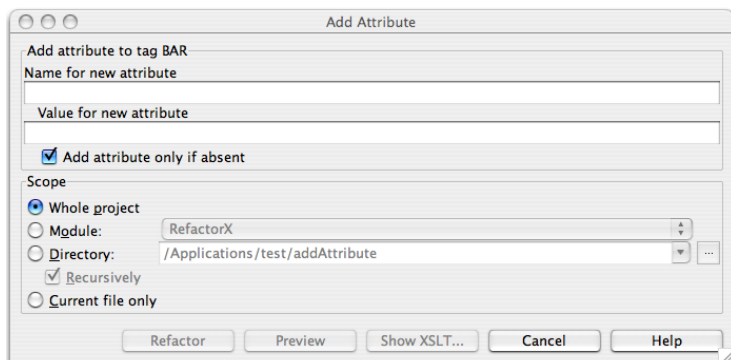
Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Add Attribute refactoring allows you to add an attribute to a set of XML tags. If this refactoring is invoked, attributes matching the requested attribute name and value will be added to tags with the selected tag name. Optionally, the requested attribute may be added only to tags that do not already contain the selected attribute. This bulk addition of attributes is useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Adding an attribute

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the corresponding tag.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Add Attribute from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the name of the attribute to add to the selected tags.
4. Determine the value of the attribute to add to the selected tags.
5. Determine whether tags that already contain the requested attribute will be ignored, or will have their values changed.
6. Determine the scope of the addition. All tags matching name of the selected will be replaced, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
7. Click Preview to make IntelliJ IDEA search for usages of the selected attribute.
8. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Clicking Preview opens the Refactoring preview window with all found usages of the attributes to be replaced. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

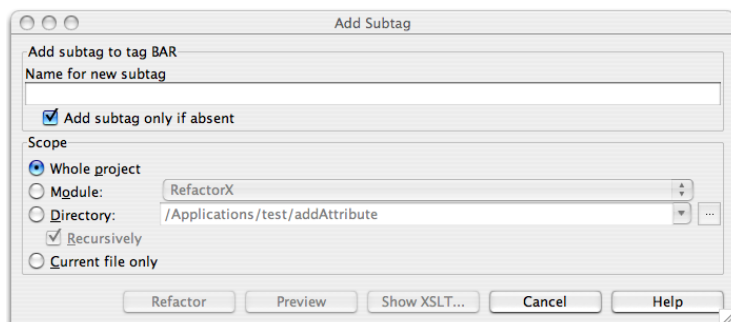
Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window, displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Add Subtag refactoring allows you to add a subtag to a set of XML tags. If this refactoring is invoked, subtags matching with requested subtag name will be added to tags with the selected tag name. Optionally, the requested subtag may be added only to tags that do not already contain the selected subtag. This bulk addition of subtags is useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Adding a subtag

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the corresponding tag.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Add Subtag from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the name of the subtag to add to the selected tags.
4. Determine whether tags that already contain the requested subtag will be ignored, or will have their values changed.
5. Determine the scope of the addition. All tags matching name of the selected will be replaced, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
6. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected subtag Find window.
7. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the subtags to be replaced. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

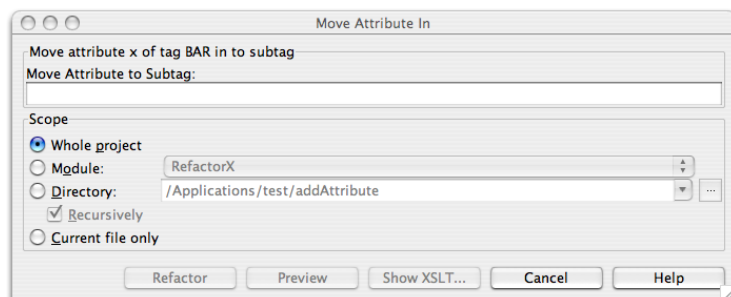
Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying an small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Move Attribute In refactoring allows you to move attributes defined on a set of XML tags inward to a set of subtags. If this refactoring is invoked, all attributes matching the selected attribute name on tags with the selected tag name may be moved inward toward a subtag of a given name. This bulk modification of attribute values may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Moving an attribute into a subtag

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the attribute to be moved.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Move Attribute In from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the subtag to move the attribute to.
4. Determine the scope of the change. All attributes matching the name of the attribute selected on the tag selected will be modified, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
5. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected attribute Find window.
6. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the attributes to be changed. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying an small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

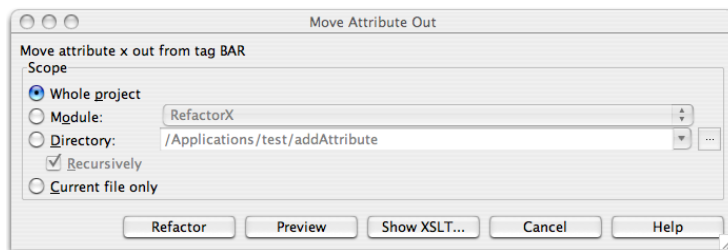
The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.



The Move Attribute Out refactoring allows you to move attributes defined on a set of XML tags outward to their parent tags. If this refactoring is invoked, all attributes matching the selected attribute name on tags with the selected tag name may be moved outward. This bulk modification of attribute values may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Moving an attribute to a parent tag

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the attribute to be moved.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Move Attribute Out from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the scope of the change. All attributes matching the name of the attribute selected on the tag selected will be modified, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
4. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected attribute Find window.
5. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the attributes to be changed. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

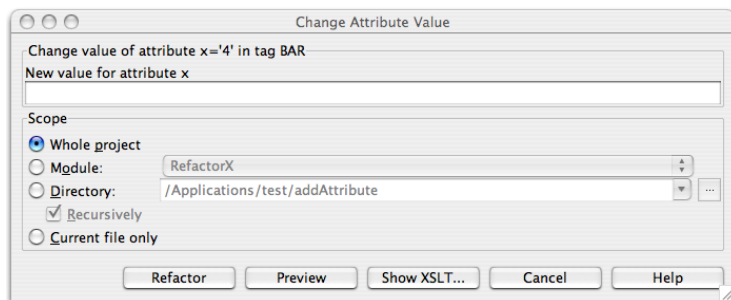
Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Change Attribute Value refactoring allows you to change the values an attribute defined on a set of XML tags. If this refactoring is invoked, all attributes matching the selected attribute name and selected attribute value on tags with the selected tag name may have their values changed. This bulk modification of attribute values may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Changing a value of an attribute

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the attribute whose value you want to change.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Change Attribute Value from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the new value for the attribute.
4. Determine the scope of the change. All attributes matching the name and value of the attribute selected on the tag selected will be modified, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
5. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected attribute Find window.
6. Cstepck OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the attributes to be changed. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

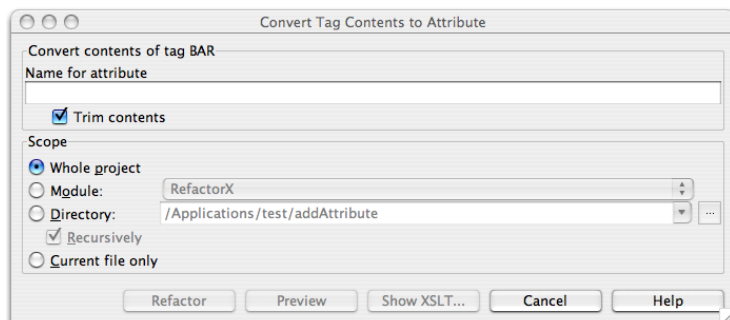
Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying an small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Convert Tag Contents to Attribute refactoring allows you to replace the contents of a set of XMLs tag with equivalent attributes. If this refactoring is invoked, all tags matching the selected tag's name will have their textual contents removed, and equivalent attributes created. This bulk transformation of tag contents to attributes is useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Converting tag contents into attributes

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the tag whose contents you want to convert.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Convert Tag Contents to Attribute from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the name of the attributes to be created from the selected tag contents.
4. Determine the scope of the replacement. All tags matching name of the selected will have their contents converted to attributes, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
5. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected tag Find window.
6. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the tags to be converted. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Expand Tag intention allows you expand an empty XML tag into an equivalent start tag and end tag.

The Collapse Tag intention allows you collapse an XML tag whose contents are only white space, into an empty XML tag.

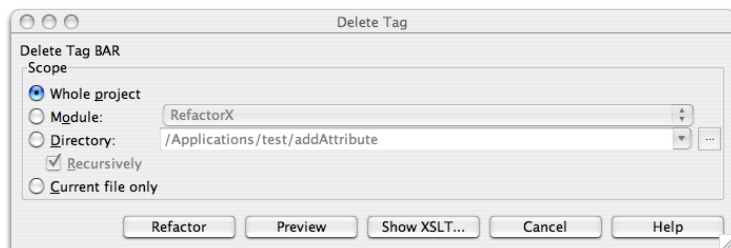
The Merge Tag intention allows you to merge two sequential and compatible XML tags into one larger tag. The tags to merge must have the same name and attributes. To merge two tags, simply select the first tag to merge, and invoke the intention with `Alt+Enter`. Then select Merge Tags, and the tags will be merged. Merging effectively replaces the two tags with a new tag. The new tag will have the same attributes as the original tags, and its contents will be created by appending the contents of the first tag with the contents of the second.

The Split Tag intention allows you split a large XML tag into two smaller XML tags. To split tags, simply select the child tag you wish the split to occur on in the body of the tag, and invoke the intention with `Alt+Enter`. Then select Split Tags, and the tag will be split. Splitting a tag will create two sequential tags, both with the same name and attributes as the original tag. The contents of the first tag will be whatever comes before the selected child tag, with everything else becoming the contents of the second tag.

The Delete Tag refactoring allows you to delete a set of XML tags. If this refactoring is invoked, all tags matching the selected tag name on tags with the selected tag name may be removed. This bulk removal of tags may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Deleting a tag

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the tag to be deleted.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Delete Tag from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the scope of deletion. All tags matching name of the tag selected will be deleted, if they are in scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
4. Click Preview to make IntelliJ IDEA search for usages of the selected tag.
5. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview checkbox, all usages will be changed immediately.

Clicking Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the tags to be removed. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

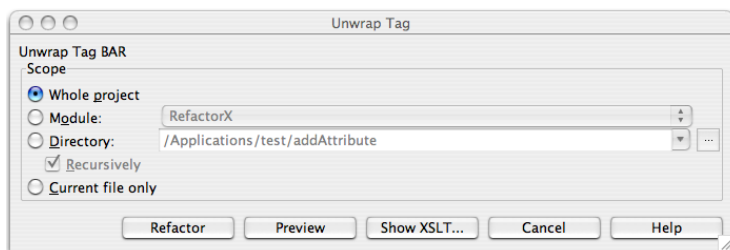
The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.



The Unwrap Tag refactoring allows you to unwrap a set of XML tags, replacing them with their contents, if any. If this refactoring is invoked, all tags matching the selected tag name may be unwrapped. This bulk unwrapping of tags may be useful as XML schemas evolve. Note that top-level tags will not be unwrapped, as this may make XML documents invalid.

## Unwrapping a tag

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the tag to be unwrapped.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Unwrap Tag from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the scope of the unwrapping. All tags matching name of the tag selected will be unwrapped, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
4. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected tag Find window.
5. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

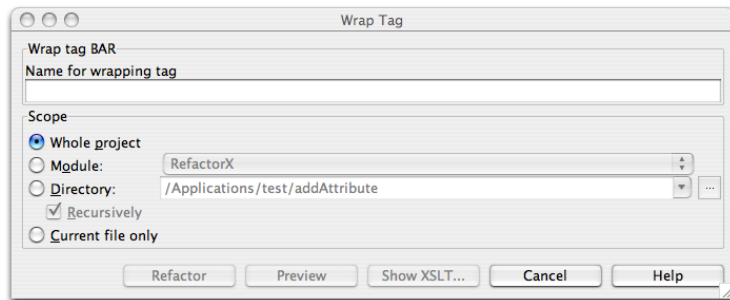
Please note the following:

- Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the tags to be unwrapped. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.
- Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.
- The Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Wrap Tag refactoring allows you to wrap a set of XML tags in a newly created parent. If this refactoring is invoked, all tags matching the selected tag name may be wrapped. This bulk wrapping of tags may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Wrapping a tag

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the tag to be wrapped.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Wrap Tag from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the name of the new tags which will wrap the selected tags.
4. Determine the scope of the wrapping. All tags matching the name of the tag selected will be wrapped, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
5. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected tag Find window.
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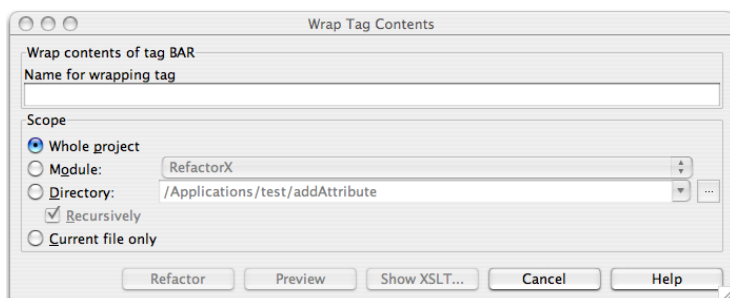
Please note the following:

- Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the tags to be wrapped. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.
- Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.
- Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

The Wrap Tag Contents refactoring allows you to wrap the contents of a set of XML tags in newly created tag. If this refactoring is invoked, all tags matching the selected tag name will have their contents wrapped. This bulk wrapping of tag contents may be useful as XML schemas evolve.

## Wrapping tag contents

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the tag whose contents you want to wrap.
2. Select Refactor | XML Refactorings | Wrap Tag Contents from the main or the context menu.



3. Determine the name of the new tags which will wrap the contents of the selected tags.
4. Determine the scope of the wrapping. All tags matching name of the tag selected will be wrapped, if they are in the selected scope. Scopes available include the current file, the entire project, or a specified directory or module. Directory scopes can either include sub-directories, or not, based on whether the Recursively checkbox is selected. If the Limit to files with DTD:... checkbox is selected, the scope will be limited to those files with the same DOCTYPE as the current file.
5. Press Preview button to make IntelliJ IDEA to search for usages of the selected tag Find window.
6. Click OK to continue. If you do not select the Preview option, all usages will be changed immediately.

Pressing Preview opens the Refactoring preview window displaying all found usages of the tags to be wrapped. In this window you can exclude/include usages you want to refactor.

Pressing Show XSLT... opens the XSLT preview window displaying a small fragment of XSLT equivalent to the refactoring requested. This fragment can be used by XSLT processors to perform the requested refactoring on files external to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

Refactoring preview window may appear anyway, if the files to be affected are read-only.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

**Tip** To get guidance in Node development, see [HowToNode.org](https://www.howtonode.org).

[Node.js](#) is a lightweight runtime environment for executing JavaScript on the server side. IntelliJ IDEA integrates with Node.js providing assistance in configuring, editing, running, debugging, testing, profiling, and maintaining your applications.

## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
2. **Install** and **enable** the NodeJS plugin. The **NodeJS** plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Quick start with a Node.js application


**Tip** If you have only one Node.js on your machine and you followed the standard installation procedure, IntelliJ IDEA detects your Node.js automatically. Otherwise, choose the relevant interpreter from the drop-down list. Learn more from [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).

Here we will use a simple [Express application](#) as an example.

### To create an application

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose Node.js and NPM in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose Node.js Express App and click Next.
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project folder, the Node.js interpreter, and the version of [express-generator](#) to use. In the Options area, choose the template and the CSS to use.
5. When you click Finish, IntelliJ IDEA generates a **Node.js Express**-specific project with all the required configuration files.

## Configuring Node.js in a project

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)), choose Node.js and NPM under Languages and Frameworks. The [Node.js and NPM](#) page opens.
2. In the Node Interpreter field, choose the interpreter from the drop-down list or from the dialog that opens when you click .
3. In the Coding Assistance area, click Enable to configure the **Node.js Core** module sources as a [JavaScript library](#) and associate it with your project. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion, reference resolution, validation, and debugging capabilities for `fs`, `path`, `http`, and other core modules that are compiled into the Node.js binary. When the configuration is completed, IntelliJ IDEA displays information about the currently configured version, the notification Node.js Core Library is enabled, and adds the Disable and the Usage scope buttons.

### Optionally

Configure the scope in which the Node.js Core sources are treated as libraries:

1. Click Usage scope. The [Usage Scope](#) dialog opens.
2. Click the relevant directories, and for each of them select the newly configured Node.js Core library from the list.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!



With IntelliJ IDEA, you can use local and remote Node.js interpreters. The term **local Node.js interpreter** denotes a Node.js installation on your computer. The term **remote Node.js interpreter** denotes a Node.js installation on a remote host or in a virtual environment set up in a **Vagrant** instance. Local interpreters are configured on the [Node.js and NPM](#) page as described below.

You can use a remote interpreter in four ways:

- Through SSH credentials to access the host where the Node.js interpreter is installed.
- Through access to the corresponding **Vagrant** instance.
- According to a [Server Access Configuration](#). This approach is also helpful if you are going to synchronize your project sources with the Web server on the target remote host.
- Through access to a **Docker Container** with Node.js.

Remote interpreters are configured in the [Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog](#) dialog that opens only from the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog. See [Configuring remote Node.js interpreters](#) for details.

## Configuring a local Node.js interpreter

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)), choose Node.js and NPM under Languages and Frameworks. The [Node.js and NPM](#) page opens.
2. Click the  next to the Node Interpreter drop-down list.
3. In the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) that opens with a list of all the currently configured interpreters, click **+** on the toolbar. In the dialog box that opens, choose Add Local on the context menu and choose the local installation of Node.js, then click OK. You return to the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) where the Node interpreter read-only field shows the path to the chosen interpreter.
4. In the Npm package field, specify the Node package manager (npm) associated with the selected interpreter. Choose the relevant npm from the drop-down list or click  next to it and in the dialog box that opens choose the location of the npm to use.

Alternatively, you can specify the path to the [Yarn package manager](#) if you want to use it instead of npm.

The field is available only if the selected interpreter is of the type **local**.

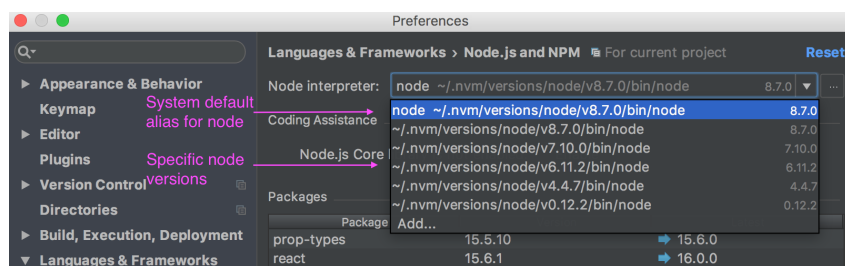
When you click OK, you return to the Node.js and NPM page where the Node interpreter field shows the new interpreter.

## Using a system Node.js version

**Tip** This functionality is especially helpful when you are using [nvm](#).

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can set the default system node alias as your project's Node.js version. This means that if you install a new node version and make it the default in your system, all the tools and run configurations in IntelliJ IDEA where this system alias is specified in the Node.js interpreter field will use this newer version.

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)), choose Node.js and NPM under Languages and Frameworks. The [Node.js and NPM](#) page opens.
2. From the Node interpreter drop-down list, choose **node**.
3. Specify this new Node.js interpreter where applicable, e.g. in your run/debug configurations or settings of specific tools.





## Configuring a remote Node.js interpreter on a host accessible through SSH connection

Before you start:

1. Configure access to an **ssh** server on the target remote host and make sure this server is running.
2. Make sure the **Node.js Remote Interpreter** repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

To configure a Node.js interpreter using SSH credentials:

1. On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations. In the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button **+**, and choose Node.js on the context menu. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog that opens, click  next to the Node interpreter field.
2. In the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) that opens with a list of all the currently configured interpreters, click **+** on the toolbar. In





- the dialog box that opens, choose Add Remote on the context menu .
- In the [Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog](#) that opens, choose the SSH Credentials method.
  - Specify the name of the remote host and the port which the SSH server listens to. The default port number is 22.
  - Specify your credentials to access the remote host in accordance with the credentials received during the registration on the server. Type your user name and choose the authentication method:
    - To access the host through a password, choose Password from the Auth type drop-down list, specify the password, and select the Save password checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember it.
    - To use [SSH authentication](#) via a key pair, choose Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY) . To apply this authentication method, you need to have your private key on the client machine and your public key on the remote server you connect to. IntelliJ IDEA supports private keys generated using the [OpenSSH](#) utility. Specify the path to the file where your **private key** is stored and type the passphrase (if any) in the corresponding text boxes. To have IntelliJ IDEA remember the passphrase, select the Save passphrase checkbox.
    - If your SSH keys are managed by a credentials helper application (for example, [Pageant](#) on Windows or [ssh-agent](#) on Mac and Linux), choose Authentication agent (ssh-agent or Pageant) .
  - Specify the location of the **Node.js** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/node` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `node` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the Node.js home directory must be open for edit.
  - When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the Node.js executable is actually stored in the specified folder.
    - If no Node.js executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
    - If the Node.js executable is found, you return to the Node.js Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the Node.js interpreter are displayed.

## Configuring a remote Node.js interpreter in a Vagrant environment instance

Before you start:

- Make sure that [Vagrant](#) and [Oracle's VirtualBox](#) are downloaded, installed, and configured on your computer as described in [Vagrant](#) .
- Make sure the [Vagrant](#) and [Node.js Remote Interpreter](#) plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
- Make sure the [Node.js Remote Interpreter](#) repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
- Make sure that the parent folders of the following executable files are added to the system **PATH** variable:
  - `vagrant.bat` or `vagrant` from your Vagrant installation. This should be done automatically by the Vagrant installer.
  - `VBoxManage.exe` or `VBoxManage` from your Oracle's VirtualBox installation.
- Configure the Node.js development environment in the **Vagrant instance** to be used. Learn more about using [Vagrant](#) with IntelliJ IDEA in [Vagrant](#) .

To configure a Node.js Interpreter in a Vagrant instance

- On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations . In the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button , and choose Node.js on the context menu. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog that opens, click  next to the Node interpreter field.
- In the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) that opens with a list of all the currently configured interpreters, click  on the toolbar. In the dialog box that opens, choose Add Remote on the context menu .
- In the [Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog](#) that opens, choose the Vagrant method.
- Specify the Vagrant instance folder which points at the environment you are going to use. Technically, it is the folder where the **VagrantFile** configuration file for the desired environment is located. Based on this setting, IntelliJ IDEA detects the **Vagrant host** and shows it as a link in the Vagrant Host URL read-only field.
- Specify the location of the **Node.js** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/node` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `node` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the Node.js home directory must be open for edit.
- When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the Node.js executable is actually stored in the specified folder.
  - If no Node.js executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
  - If the Node.js executable is found, you return to the Node.js Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the Node.js interpreter are displayed.

## Configuring a remote Node.js interpreter on a remote host accessible through SFTP




Before you start:

- Make sure a `ssh` server is running on the target remote host and you have configured access to it.
- Make sure the [Node.js Remote Interpreter](#) repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling](#)

[Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .


3. Make sure the **Remote Hosts Access** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
4. Make sure you have at least one IntelliJ IDEA-wide **server access configuration** of the SFTP type to establish access to the target host. To make a configuration available in all IntelliJ IDEA projects, clear the Visible only for this project checkbox in the [Deployment: Connection Tab](#) . See [Creating a Remote Server Configuration](#) for details.

To configure a remote Node.js interpreter based on an SFTP server access configuration

1. On the main menu, choose [Run | Edit Configurations](#) . In the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button  , and choose Node.js on the context menu. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog that opens, click  next to the Node interpreter field.
2. In the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) that opens with a list of all the currently configured interpreters, click  on the toolbar. In the dialog box that opens, choose Add Remote on the context menu .
3. In the [Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog](#) that opens, choose the Deployment Configuration method.
4. From the Deployment Configuration drop-down list, choose the **server access configuration** of the SFTP type according to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to connect to the target host. If the settings specified in the chosen configuration ensure successful connection, IntelliJ IDEA displays the URL address of the target host as a link in the Deployment Host URL field.

To use an interpreter configuration, you need **path mappings** that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. By default, IntelliJ IDEA retrieves path mappings from the chosen server access (deployment) configuration. If the configuration does not contain path mappings, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.

To fix the problem, open the [Deployment](#) page under the Build, Execution, Deployment node, select the relevant server access configuration, switch to the Mappings tab, and map the local folders to the folders on the server as described in [Creating a Remote Server Configuration](#) section.

5. Specify the location of the **Node.js** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/node` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `node` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the Node.js home directory must be open for edit.
6. When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the Node.js executable is actually stored in the specified folder.
  - If no Node.js executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
  - If the Node.js executable is found, you return to the Node.js Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the Node.js interpreter are displayed.





## Configuring a remote Node.js interpreter in a Docker container

You can quickly bootstrap your Node.js application with Docker, IntelliJ IDEA will take care of the initial configuration by automatically creating a new `Dockerfile` , keeping your source code up-to-date and installing `npm` dependencies in the container. Configuring a Node.js environment running in a Docker container as a Node.js remote interpreter lets you run, debug, and profile your Node.js application from IntelliJ IDEA.

Before you start:

1. Make sure the **Node.js** , **Node.js Remote Interpreter** , and **Docker Integration** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
2. Download, install, and configure **Docker** as described in [Docker](#) .

To configure a remote Node.js interpreter in a Docker container:






1. On the main menu, choose [Run | Edit Configurations](#) . In the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button  , and choose Node.js on the context menu. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog that opens, click  next to the Node interpreter field.
2. In the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) that opens with a list of all the currently configured interpreters, click  on the toolbar. In the dialog box that opens, choose Add Remote on the context menu .
3. In the [Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog](#) that opens, choose the Docker method.
4. In the Server field, specify the **Docker configuration** to use, see [Docker](#) . Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click  next to it and create a new configuration in the [Docker](#) dialog box that opens.
5. In the Image name field, specify the base Docker image to use. Choose one of the previously downloaded or your custom images from the drop-down list or type the image name manually, for example, `node:argon` or `mhart/alpine-node` . When you later launch the run configuration, Docker will search for the specified image on your machine. If the search fails, the image will be downloaded from the image repository specified on the [Registry](#) page.
6. The Node.js interpreter path field shows the location of the default Node.js interpreter from the specified image.
7. When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA closes the [Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog](#) and brings you to the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) where the new interpreter configuration is added to the list. Click OK to return to the run configuration.

## Configuring mappings

When you debug an application with a remote Node.js interpreter, the debugger tells IntelliJ IDEA the name of the currently

processed file and the number of the line to be processed. IntelliJ IDEA opens the local copy of this file and indicates the line with the provided number. This behaviour is enabled by specifying correspondence between files and folders on the server and their local copies. This correspondence is called mapping, it is set in the debug configuration.

If you use an interpreter accessible through SFTP connection or located on a Vagrant instance, the mappings are automatically retrieved from the corresponding deployment configuration or `Vagrantfile`. To specify additional mappings:

1. On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations. In the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, click the Add New Configuration toolbar button , and choose Node.js on the context menu.
2. In the **Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js** dialog that opens, choose the required remote interpreter from the Node interpreter drop-down list.
3. Click  next to the Path Mappings field.
4. The **Edit Project Path Mappings Dialog** that opens, shows the path mappings retrieved from the deployment configuration or `Vagrantfile`. These mappings are read-only.
  - To add a custom mapping, click  and specify the path in the project and the corresponding path on the remote runtime environment in the Local Path and Remote Path fields respectively. Type the paths manually or click  and select the relevant files or folders in the dialog box that opens.
  - To remove a custom mapping, select it in the list and click .



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA helps you run and debug your Node.js applications. You can debug applications that are started from IntelliJ IDEA as well as attach to already running applications.


## Before you start

Install and enable the NodeJS plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Running a Node.js application

IntelliJ IDEA runs Node.js applications according to a run configuration of the type **Node.js**. IntelliJ IDEA also uses this configuration for [debugging Node.js applications locally](#).


### To create a Node.js run/debug configuration

1. On the main menu, choose **Run | Edit Configuration**, then in the Edit Configurations dialog, click  on the toolbar and select Node.js from the pop-up list. The **Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js** dialog opens.
2. Choose Node.js interpreter to use from the drop-down list or configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).
3. In the JavaScript File field, specify the path to the main file of the application that starts it (for example, `bin/www` for [Node.js Express applications](#)).

### Optionally

- In the Node Parameters field, specify the flags that customize the start of Node.js. For example, to make your application accessible for remote debugging, type one of the debugging flags depending on your Node.js version: `--inspect=<debugger port>` for Node.js versions 6.5 and higher or `--debug=<debugger port>` for any Node.js version earlier than 8. The default debugger port is `5858`.
- In the Application parameters text box, specify the arguments to be passed to the application on start through the `process.argv` array.

### To run an application

Choose the newly created Node.js configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the toolbar and click  next to it. The application starts, and the **Run Tool Window** opens showing the application output.

## Debugging a Node.js application


IntelliJ IDEA makes it easier to debug Node.js applications. You can put breakpoints right in your JavaScript or TypeScript code so you no longer need any `debugger` and `console.log()` statements. You can do many things that will help you explore the code and understand where the bug is. In the Debug tool window, you can view the call stack and the variables in their current state, evaluate expressions in the editor, and step through the code.

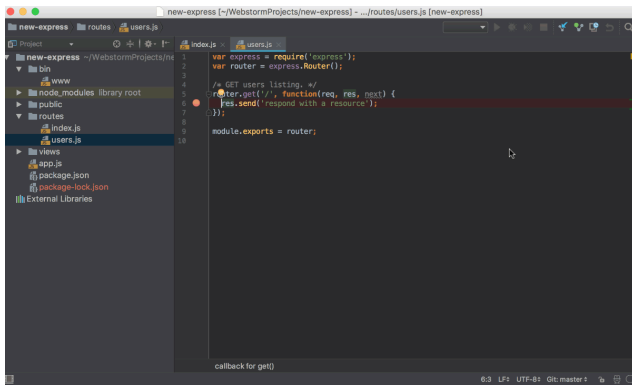
## Local and Remote debugging

IntelliJ IDEA supports two debugging modes:

- **Local debugging**: in this mode, your application is started from IntelliJ IDEA and is running locally on your computer. To debug it, use a Node.js configuration.
- **Debugging a remote application**: in this mode, your application is running in a remote environment in the [debug mode](#) and IntelliJ IDEA attaches to a running process. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes `--inspect` and `--debug` flags so you can make any application accessible for remote debugging. IntelliJ IDEA supports remote debugging with the [Chrome Debugging Protocol](#) and the [V8 Debugging Protocol](#) (also known as Legacy Protocol). In either case, a debugging session is initiated through a run/debug configuration of the type **Attach to Node.js/Chrome**.

## Debugging a Node.js application locally

1. Set the **breakpoints** in the Node.js code where necessary.
2. Create a Node.js run/debug configuration [as described above](#). If necessary, product% can generate a **JavaScript Debug** configuration and start it automatically together with the **Node.js** configuration as described in [Starting a JavaScript Debug configuration together with a Node.js configuration](#).
3. Choose the newly created Node.js configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the toolbar and click  next to it. The **Debug Tool Window** opens.
4. Perform the steps that will trigger the execution of the code with the breakpoints.
5. Switch to IntelliJ IDEA, where the controls of the Debug tool window are now enabled. Proceed with the debugging session — [step through the breakpoints](#), switch between frames, change values on-the-fly, [examine a suspended program](#), [evaluate expressions](#), and [set watches](#).



## Debugging a running Node.js application

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can debug an application that is running in a remote environment. IntelliJ IDEA supports remote debugging with the [Chrome Debugging Protocol](#) and the [V8 Debugging Protocol](#) (also known as Legacy Protocol). In either case, a debugging session is initiated through an **Attach to Node.js/Chrome** configuration.

When your application is running in a **remote environment**, you need to ensure that IntelliJ IDEA can connect to it. Please note that by default Node.js binds the debug port on the loopback interface. To listen on all network interfaces, start an application in a remote environment with `--inspect=0.0.0.0:<port>`, the default port is `9229`.

## Remote debugging with Chrome debugging protocol

Use this protocol to debug applications started with the `--inspect` flag. This flag is used with Node.js versions later than 6.3.

### To create an Attach to Node.js/Chrome run/debug configuration

1. Choose Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu, then click **+** in the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, and choose Attach to Node.js/Chrome from the list. The **Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome** dialog box opens.
2. Specify the host where the target application is running and the port passed to `--inspect` when starting the Node.js process to connect to. Copy the port number from the information message `Debugger listening <host>:<port>` in the **Run** tool window that controls the running application. The default port is 5858.
3. In the Attach to area, choose Chrome or Node.js > 6.3 started with `--inspect`.

### To start debugging

1. Set the breakpoints in the Node.js code as necessary.
2. Choose the newly created Attach to Node.js/Chrome configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the toolbar and click **🐞** next to it. The **Debug Tool Window** opens.
3. In the browser of your choice, open the starting page of your application. Control over the debugging session returns to IntelliJ IDEA.
4. Switch to IntelliJ IDEA. In the Debug tool window, [step through the breakpoints](#), switch between frames, change values on-the-fly, [examine a suspended program](#), [evaluate expressions](#), and [set watches](#).

## Remote debugging with V8 Debugging Protocol

Use this protocol to debug applications started with the `--debug` flag. This flag is used with Node.js versions earlier than 8.

### To create an Attach to Node.js/Chrome run/debug configuration

1. Choose Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu, then click **+** in the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, and choose Attach to Node.js/Chrome from the list. The **Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome** dialog box opens.
2. Specify the host where the target application is running and the port passed to `--debug` when starting the Node.js process to connect to. Copy the port number from the information message `Debugger listening <host>:<port>` in the **Run** tool window that controls the running application. The default port is 5858.
3. In the Attach to area, choose Node.js < 8 started with `--debug`.

### To start debugging

1. Make sure the application to debug has been launched in the remote environment with the following parameters: `--debug=<debugger port>` The default port is `5858`.
2. Set the breakpoints in the Node.js code as necessary.
3. Choose the newly created Attach to Node.js/Chrome configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the toolbar and click **🐞** next to it. The **Debug Tool Window** opens.
4. In the browser of your choice, open the starting page of your application. Control over the debugging session returns to IntelliJ IDEA.


5. Switch to IntelliJ IDEA, where the controls of the Debug tool window are now enabled. Proceed with the debugging session — [step through the breakpoints](#) , switch between frames, change values on-the-fly, [examine a suspended program](#) , [evaluate expressions](#) , and [set watches](#) .

## Starting a JavaScript Debug configuration together with a Node.js configuration

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can debug the server-side code and the client-side JavaScript code of your application in two modes:

- Separately, using single-run configurations.
- Simultaneously, using a complex Node.js with JavaScript Debug configuration. All you need is configure the behaviour of the browser and enable debugging the client-side code of the application. This functionality is provided through a `JavaScript Debug` run configuration, so technically, IntelliJ IDEA creates separate run configurations for the server-side and the client-side code, but you specify all your settings in one dedicated `Node.js` run configuration.

### To create a complex Node.js with JavaScript Debug configuration

1. Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.
2. From the list, choose the `Node.js` run configuration to start together with a `JavaScript Debug` configuration. In the dialog box that opens, switch to the Browser / Live Edit tab.
3. Select the After launch checkbox to start a browser automatically when you launch a debugging session.
4. In the text box below, type the URL address to open the application at.
5. Choose the browser to use from the drop-down list next to the After launch checkbox.
  - To use the system default browser, choose Default .
  - To use a custom browser, choose it from the list. Note that `Live Edit` is fully supported only in Chrome.
  - To configure browsers, click the Browse button  and adjust the settings in the Web Browsers dialog box that opens. For more information, see [Configuring Browsers](#) .
6. Select the With JavaScript debugger checkbox.

As for any other JavaScript debugging session, you can enable the Live Edit functionality as described in [Live Editing](#) .

### To enable Live Edit in a Node.js application

1. Make sure the `LiveEdit` repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click Debugger under Build, Execution, Deployment , and then click Live Edit . The `Live Edit` page opens.
3. Select the Update Node.js application on changes checkbox. Set the elapsed time for applying the changes to a running application: accept the default value `300 ms` or specify a custom value using the spin box next to the corresponding field.

## Debugging a Node.js application running in a remote environment

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can attach to Node.js applications that are running in [Vagrant boxes](#) , in [Docker containers](#) , or on remote hosts accessible via [various transfer protocols](#) or via SSH.

## Debugging a Node.js application in a Docker container

**Tip** Find some examples at [Quick Tour of WebStorm and Docker](#).

**Tip** Even with automatic configuration, you still need to bind the port on which your application is running with the port of the container. Those exposed ports are available on the Docker host's IP address (by default 192.168.99.100). Such binding is required when you debug the client side of a `Node.js Express` application. In this case, you need to open the browser from your computer and access the application at the container host through the port specified in the application.

IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging of Node.js applications in Docker containers through run/debug configurations of the type `Node.js` .


### Before you start debugging a Node.js application on Docker

1. Make sure Docker is installed, configured, and running as described in [Downloading, installing, and starting Docker](#) and [Configuring Docker in IntelliJ IDEA](#) .

### To choose the Node.js interpreter on Docker



1. Create a Node.js run/debug configuration [as described above](#) .
2. Select one of the configured Node.js interpreters of the type Remote Interpreter - Docker from the drop-down list or configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .

### To specify the Docker container settings


Click  next to the Edit Docker Container Settings field and specify the settings in the Edit Docker Container Settings dialog that opens.

Alternatively, select the Auto configure checkbox to do it automatically. Learn more about the Auto configure mode at [Quick Tour of WebStorm and Docker: What Happens On Each Run](#) .

#### To configure port bindings


1. Click  next to the Docker Container Settings field.
2. In the Edit Docker Container Settings dialog that opens, expand the Port bindings area.
3. Click  and in the Port bindings dialog that opens, map the ports as follows:
  - In the Container port text box, type the port specified in your application.
  - In the Host port text box, type the port through which you want to open the application in the browser from your computer.
  - In the Host IP text box, type the IP address of the Docker's host, the default IP is 192.168.99.100. The host is specified in the API URL field on the [Docker](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) .
  - Click OK to return to the Edit Docker Container Settings dialog where the new port mapping is added to the list.
4. Click OK to return to the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog.

#### To start debugging

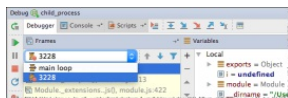
1. Set the breakpoints in the Node.js code as necessary.
2. Choose the newly created Node.js configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the toolbar and click  next to it.
3. Proceed as during a local debugging session, [as described above](#) .

### Node.js multiprocess debugging

IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging additional Node.js processes that are launched by the [child\\_process.fork\(\) method](#) or by the [cluster module](#) . Such processes are shown as **threads** in the **Frame** pane on the **Debugger tab** of the **Debug Tool Window** .

1. Set the breakpoints in the processes to debug.
2. Create a **Node.js** run/debug configuration.
3. Choose the newly created configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the tool bar and click the Debug toolbar button  .

The **Debug Tool Window** opens and the **Frames** drop-down list shows the additional processes as threads as soon as they are launched:



To examine the data (variables, watches, etc.) for a process, select its thread in the list and view its data in the **Variables** and **Watches** panes. When you select another process, the contents of the panes are updated accordingly.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [nodeunit](#) framework and makes it easier to test Node.js applications.

## Creating and running unit tests for Node.js applications

1. [Enable nodeunit support](#) .
2. [Write the unit tests](#) .
3. Mark the folder where the unit tests are stored as a test source folder, see [Configuring projects](#) .
4. [Create a run configuration](#) of the type **Nodeunit** .
5. [Launch unit tests](#) and [monitor test results](#) in the **Run** tool window.

### Before you start

1. Download, install, and enable the **Node.js** plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
3. Download and install the [nodeunit](#) testing framework.

### Creating Nodeunit tests

1. [Create a folder called](#) `test` at the same level as the `src` folder
2. Populate the `test` folder. For each production file, create a separate test file.
3. Mark the folder where the unit tests are stored as a test source folder, see [Configuring projects](#) .

### Creating a Nodeunit run configuration

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box by choosing **Run | Edit Configurations** on the main menu.
2. Click the Add button **+** on the toolbar and select the Nodeunit configuration type.
3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the following:
  1. The name to identify the configuration.
  2. The path to the Node.js installation to use.  
If you have [appointed one of the installations as default](#) , the field displays the path to its executable file.
  3. The working directory. This can be the project root folder or the parent directory for the `test` folder.
  4. The scope of tests to run.
    - To have IntelliJ IDEA run all the test files in a folder, choose **All JavaScript test files** in the directory from the Run drop-down list. In the **Directory** field, provide the path to the test folder relative to the [working directory](#) .
    - To have a specific test executed, choose **JavaScript test file** from the Run drop-down list. In the **JavaScript test file** field, provide the path to the file relative to the [working directory](#) .
4. Apply the changes and close the dialog box.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

As you may know, [V8](#) is an open-source JavaScript engine developed by Google. It is used in Google [Chrome](#) , [Chromium](#) , [Node.js](#) , and [io.js](#) .

V8 has a sampling CPU profiler [V8 profiler](#) which is intended for capturing and analyzing CPU profiles and heap snapshots for your [Node.js](#) applications. With V8 CPU profiling you can get a better understanding of which parts of your code take up the most CPU time, and how your code is executed and optimized by the V8 JavaScript engine.

You can also open and explore profiles and snapshots captured in Google Chrome DevTools for your client-side code.

#### Why is profiling important

- A carefully designed algorithm can make your code faster and manage your memory consumption better, even more efficiently than the virtual machine can. Profiling is the way to look inside the execution of your code and prove your assumptions about your design decisions.
- Profiling is especially relevant for Javascript, which is a powerful language with advanced features like dynamic typing, closures, and even the ability to create code at runtime. Therefore the behavior of the JavaScript engine is quite sophisticated, and there are cases when you really need to go deep into the details of how the engine works. Some of the code patterns you use need being tweaked to allow the JavaScript optimizer to do its work.
- JavaScript is by no means a simple language to judge if your code manages memory well. Closure memory leaks are a good illustration of the fact that code that looks good and simple may still cause leaks.

### Before you start

1. Install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment version 0.11.0 or higher.
2. **Install** and **enable** the NodeJS plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
3. Restart IntelliJ IDEA for the changes to take effect.

### Preparing for V8 CPU and memory heap profiling

V8 CPU profiling is provided through the IntelliJ IDEA built-in functionality, you do not need to install any additional software.

V8 memory heap profiling is provided through the globally installed [v8-profiler](#) package.

**Tip** You can also install the [v8-profiler](#) package on the [Node.js](#) and [NPM](#) page as described in [NPM](#) .

#### To install v8-profiler globally

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type `npm install -g v8-profiler` at the command prompt.

### CPU profiling

With V8 CPU profiling you can get a better understanding of which parts of your code take up the most CPU time, and how your code is executed and optimized by the V8 JavaScript engine.

To identify the processes that consume most of your CPU, you can use two methods: [sampling](#) and [tracing](#) .

- When the [sampling](#) method is applied, you periodically record stack traces of your application. The periods between records are measured in conventional units referred to as [ticks](#) .  
This method does not guarantee very good accuracy or precision for the following reason: snapshots are taken at random moments therefore any function can happen to be recorded in a snapshot. However, sampling can give us a rough picture of where the most of time is spent.
- When the [tracing](#) method is used, we actively record tracing information by ourselves, directly in the code. It is obviously better to get exact measurements of how much time each method took, and also allows you to count how many times the traced method was called. The disadvantage of this method is that it comes with bigger [result distortion](#) compared to [sampling](#) .

**Result Distortion** . Both sampling and tracing introduce delays into execution and therefore influence the profiling results.

With sampling, delays can be estimated as some fixed amount of time for each sampling event and do not introduce greater distortion than the sampling method itself (i.e. the delay is much shorter than the sampling interval). With tracing, the profiling delay depends on the code and the places where we made tracing measurements. For instance, if a traced method is called inside other traced methods numerously, all inner delays will accumulate for the outer method. If so, it may be difficult to separate the execution time from tracing distortion.

Usually we use sampling and tracing methods together. We start with sampling to get an idea of which parts of our code take the most time, and then instrument the code with tracing calls to zero on the issues.

Measurements are made not only for the work of your code, but also activities performed by the engine itself, such as compilation, calls of system libraries, optimization, and garbage collection. The following time metrics are made for execution of functions themselves and for performing activities:



- **Total** : the number of ticks (the time) during which a function was executed or an activity was performed.
- **Total%** : the ratio of a function/activity execution time to the entire time when measurements were made.
- **Self** : the pure execution time of a function/activity itself, without the time spent on executing functions called by it.
- **Self%** : the ratio of the pure execution time of a function/activity to the entire time when the measurements were made.
- **Of Parent** : the ratio of the pure execution time of a function to the execution time of the function that called it ( **Parent** ).

## Configuring CPU profiling

To invoke V8 CPU profiling on application start, you need to specify additional settings in the Node.js run configuration according to which the application will be launched.

1. Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.
2. From the list, choose the **Node.js** run configuration to activate CPU Profiling in or create a new configuration as described in [Running and Debugging Node.js](#) .
3. Switch to the V8 Profiling pane and specify the following:
  1. Select the Record CPU profiling info checkbox.
  2. In the Log folder field, specify the folder to store recorded logs in. Profiling data are stored in V8 log files `isolate-  
<session number>` .

## Collecting CPU profiling information

1. Select the run configuration from the list on the main toolbar and then choose Run | Run <configuration name> on the main menu or click the Run toolbar button  .
2. When the scenario that you need to profile is executed, stop the process by clicking the Stop  toolbar button.

V8 log file will be processed by V8 scripts to calculate averaged call traces. IntelliJ IDEA opens the [V8 Profiling Tool Window](#) .

## Analyzing CPU profiling information

Analyzing the profiling logs is available after the process stops because currently stopping and restarting profiling during execution of an application is not supported.

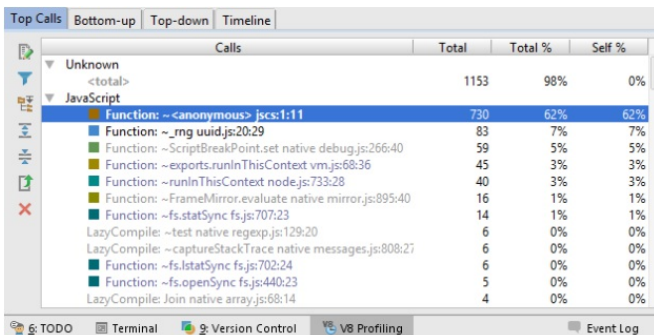
The collected profiling data is displayed in the [V8 Profiling Tool Window](#) which IntelliJ IDEA opens automatically when you stop your application. If the window is already opened and shows the profiling data for another session, a new tab is added. Tabs that were opened automatically are named after the run configurations that control execution of the applications and collecting the profiling data.

If you want to open and analyze some previously saved profiling data, choose V8 Profiling - Analyze V8 Profiling Log on the main menu and select the relevant V8 log file `isolate-  
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## Exploring call Trees

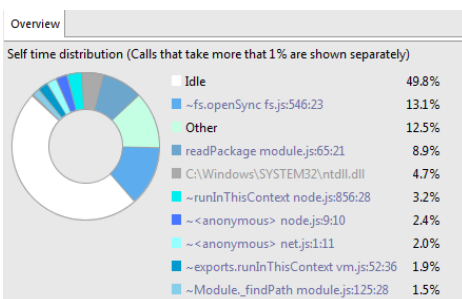
Based on the collected profiling data, IntelliJ IDEA builds three call trees and displays each of them in a separate pane. Having several call trees provides the possibility to analyze the application execution from two different points of view: on the one hand, which calls were time consuming ("heavy"), and on the other hand, "who called whom".

- The Top Calls pane shows a list of performed activities sorted in the descending order by the **Self** metrics. For each activity IntelliJ IDEA displays its **Total** , **Total%** , and **Self%** metrics. For each function call, IntelliJ IDEA displays the name of the file, the line, and the column where the function is defined.



Calls	Total	Total %	Self %
Unknown <total>	1153	98%	0%
JavaScript			
Function: ~<anonymous> jscs:1:11	730	62%	62%
Function: ~rng uuid.js:20:29	83	7%	7%
Function: ~ScriptBreakPoint.set native debug.js:266:40	59	5%	5%
Function: ~exports.runInThisContext vm.js:68:36	45	3%	3%
Function: ~runInThisContext node.js:733:28	40	3%	3%
Function: ~FrameMirror.evaluate native mirror.js:895:40	16	1%	1%
Function: ~fs.statSync fs.js:707:23	14	1%	1%
LazyCompile: ~test native regexp.js:129:20	6	0%	0%
LazyCompile: ~captureStackTrace native messages.js:808:27	6	0%	0%
Function: ~fs.lstatSync fs.js:702:24	6	0%	0%
Function: ~fs.openSync fs.js:440:23	5	0%	0%
LazyCompile: Join native array.js:68:14	4	0%	0%

The diagram in the Overview pane shows distribution of self time for calls with the **Self%** metrics above 1%.



- The Bottom-up pane also shows the performed activities sorted in the descending order by the **Self** metrics. Unlike the Top Calls pane, the Bottom-up pane shows only the activities with the **Total%** metrics above 2 and the functions that called them. This is helpful if you encounter a **heavy** function and want to find out where it was called from. For each activity IntelliJ IDEA displays its execution time in **ticks** and the **Of Parent** metrics. For each function call, IntelliJ IDEA displays the name of the file, the line, and the column where the function is defined.
- The Top-down pane shows the entire call hierarchy with the functions that are execution entry points at the top. For each activity IntelliJ IDEA displays its **Total**, **Total%**, **Self**, and **Self%** metrics. For each function call, IntelliJ IDEA displays the name of the file, the line, and the column where the function is defined. Some of the functions may have been optimized by V8, see [Optimizing for V8](#) for details.
  - The functions that have been optimized are marked with an asterisk ( \* ) before the function name.
  - The functions that possibly require optimization but still have not been optimized are marked with a tilde ( ~ ) character before the function name. Though optimization may be delayed by the engine or skipped if the code is short-running, a tilde ( ~ ) points at a place where the code can be rewritten to achieve better performance.

Function	Total	Total %	Self	Self %
Function: listOnTimeout timers.js:94:23	1084	92%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.runMain module.js:488:26	1084	92%	0	0%
Function: Module.load module.js:268:24	1084	92%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.load module.js:339:33	1070	91%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.extensions.js module.js:4	1069	90%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.compile module.js:36	1069	90%	0	0%
Function: --<anonymous> js:1:11	1065	90%	730	62%
Function: ~require module.js:372:1	296	25%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.require mo	296	25%	0	0%
Function: Module.load mo	296	25%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.load	292	24%	0	0%
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Function:	273	23%	0	0%

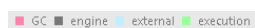
## Working with call trees

- To navigate to the source code of a function, select the function in question in the tree and click on the toolbar or choose Jump to source on the context menu of the selection. The file with the source code of the selected function is opened in the editor with the cursor positioned at the function.
- When a tab for a profiling session is opened, by default the nodes with heaviest calls are expanded. While exploring the trees, you may like to fold some nodes or expand other ones. To restore the original tree presentation, click the Expand Heavy Traces button on the toolbar.
- To have IntelliJ IDEA display only the calls that indeed cause performance problems, filter out light calls:
  1. Click the Filter button on the toolbar.
  2. Using the slider, specify the minimum **Total%** or **Parent%** value for a call to be displayed and click Done .
- To expand or collapse all the nodes in the active pane, click or on the toolbar respectively.
- To expand or collapse a node, select it and choose Expand Node or Collapse Node on the context menu of the selection.
- Save and compare calls and lines:
  - To save a line with a function and its metrics, select the function and choose Copy on the context menu of the selection. This may be helpful if you want to compare the measurements for a function from two sessions, for example, after you make some improvements to the code.
  - To save only the function name and the name of the file where the function is defined, select the function and choose Copy Call on the context menu of the selection.
  - To compare an item with the contents of the Clipboard, select the item in question and choose Compare With Clipboard on the context menu of the selection. Compare the items in the **Difference Viewer** that opens.
- To save the call tree in the current pane to a text file, click on the toolbar and specify the target file in the dialog box that opens.

## Analyzing the Flame chart

Use the multicolor chart in the Flame Chart tab to find where the application paused and explore the calls that provoked these pauses. The chart consists of four areas:

- The upper area shows a timeline with two sliders to limit the beginning and the end of a fragment to investigate.
- The bottom area shows a stack of calls in the form of a multicolor chart. When called for the first time, each function is assigned a random color, whereupon every call of this function within the current session is shown in this color.
- The middle area shows a summary of calls from the **Garbage Collector**, the engine, the external calls, and the execution itself. The colors reserved for the **Garbage Collector**, the engine, the external calls, and the execution are listed on top of the area:



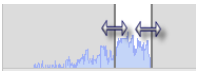
- The right-hand pane lists the calls within a selected fragment, for each call the list shows its duration, the name of the called function, and file where the function is defined.

## Selecting a Fragment in the Timeline

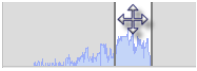
To explore the processes within a certain period of time, you need to select the fragment in question. You can do it in two ways:

- Use the sliders:






– Click the **window** between two sliders and drag it to the required fragment:



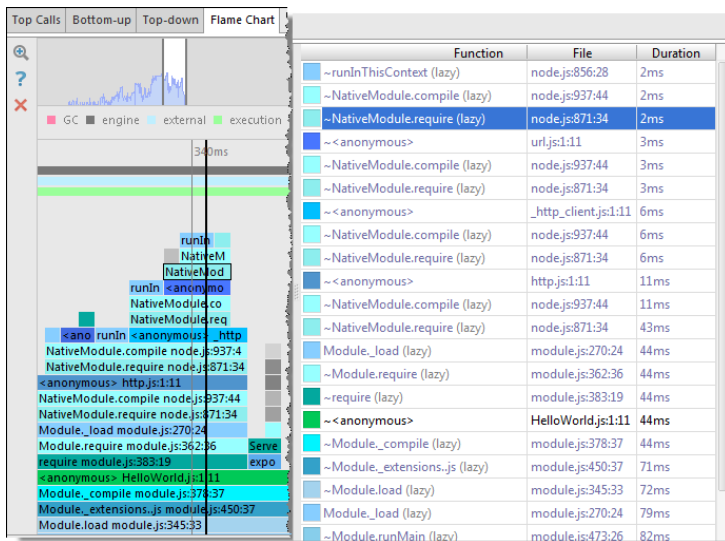
In either case, the multicolor chart below shows the stack of calls within the selected fragment.

To enlarge the chart, click the selected fragment and then click the Zoom button  on the toolbar. IntelliJ IDEA opens a new tab and shows the selected fragment enlarged to fit the tab width so you can examine the fragment with more details.

## Synchronization in the Flame chart

The bottom and the right-hand areas are synchronized: as you drag the slider in the bottom area through the timeline the focus in the right-hand pane moves to the call that was performed at each moment.

Moreover, if you click a call in the bottom area, the slider moves to it automatically and the focus in the right-hand pane switches to the corresponding function, if necessary the list scrolls automatically. And vice versa, if you click an item in the list, IntelliJ IDEA selects the corresponding call in the bottom area and drags the slider to it automatically:



IntelliJ IDEA supports navigation from the right-hand area to the source code of called functions, to the other panes of the tool window, and to areas in the flame chart with specific metrics.

– To jump to the source code of a called function, select the call in question and choose Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection.

– To switch to another pane, select the call in question, choose Navigate To on the context menu of the selection and then choose the destination:

- Navigate in Top Calls
- Navigate in Bottom-up
- Navigate in Top-down

IntelliJ IDEA switches to the selected pane and moves the focus to the call in question.

– To have the flame chart zoomed at the fragments with specific metrics of a call, select the call in question, choose Navigate To on the context menu of the selection, and then choose the metrics:

- Navigate to Longest Time
- Navigate to Typical Time
- Navigate to Longest Self Time
- Navigate to Typical Self Time

You can also navigate to the stacktrace of a call to view and analyze exceptions. To do that, select the call in question and choose Show As Stacktrace. IntelliJ IDEA opens the stacktrace in a separate tab, to return to the Flame Chart pane, click V8 CPU Profiling tool window button in the bottom tool window.

## Memory profiling

Though the V8 JavaScript engine does memory management for you, memory leaks or dynamic memory problems are still possible. Here are some examples of memory leaks or shortcomings reasons:



- Using global objects to store collections of data, with complicated free policies.
- Errors in usages of closures: closures keep references onto outside objects.
- Keeping detached DOM nodes in javascript variables.
- Too frequent memory allocation.

Memory management control is especially important for **Node.js** applications, because the server-side code tend to run long while memory inaccuracy is accumulated.

V8 heap snapshots are complicated by their nature; they include many “engine” objects; the inner structure of objects differs from what you expect while reading your code. Learn more at [Javascript Memory Profiling](#) .



## Configuring memory profiling

To allow taking memory snapshots, you need to specify additional settings in the Node.js run configuration according to which the application will be launched.

1. Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.
2. From the list, choose the **Node.js** run configuration to activate CPU Profiling in or create a new configuration as described in [Running and Debugging Node.js](#) .
3. Switch to the V8 Profiling pane and specify the following:
  1. Select the Allow taking heap snapshots checkbox.
  2. In the Log folder field, specify the folder to store recorded logs in. Profiling data are stored in V8 log files `isolate-  
<session number>` .
  3. Specify the **v8-profiler** package to use. Choose the relevant package from the v8-profiler package drop-down list or click the  button next to it and choose the package in the dialog box that opens.
  4. Specify the port through which IntelliJ IDEA communicates with the profiler, namely, sends a command to take a snapshot when you click the Take Heap Snapshot button  on the toolbar of the Run tool window.

To take memory snapshots of an application running on a Docker container, select the Auto configure checkbox and add **v8-profiler** to your `package.json` file, then switch to the V8 profiling tab and specify the path as `./node_modules/v8-profiler` .

## Collecting memory profiling information

1. Select the run configuration from the list on the main toolbar and then choose Run | Run <configuration name> on the main menu or click the Run toolbar button  .
2. At any time during the application execution, click the Take Heap Snapshot button  on the toolbar of the Run tool window.
3. In the dialog box that opens, choose the folder to store the taken snapshot in and specify the name to save the snapshot file with. To start analyzing the snapshot immediately, select the Open snapshot checkbox.
4. Click OK to save the snapshot.

## Analyzing memory profiling information

The collected profiling data is displayed in the [V8 Heap Tool Window](#) , which opens when you take a snapshot at choose to open it. If the window is already opened and shows the profiling data for another session, a new tab is added. Tabs that were opened automatically are named after the run configurations that control execution of the applications and collecting the profiling data.

If you want to open and analyze some previously saved memory profiling data, choose V8 Profiling - Analyze V8 Heap Snapshot on the main menu and select the relevant `.snapshot` file. IntelliJ IDEA creates a separate tab with the name of the selected file.

The tool window has three tabs that present the collected information from difference point of views.




- The Containment tab shows the objects in you application grouped under several top-level entries: **DOMWindow objects** , **Native browser objects** , and **GC Roots** , which are roots the **Garbage Collector** actually uses. See [Containment View](#) for details.



For each object, the tab shows its **distance from the GC root** , that is the shortest simple path of nodes between the object and the GC root, the [shallow size](#) of the object, and the [retained size](#) of the object. Besides the absolute values of the object's size, IntelliJ IDEA shows the percentage of memory the object occupies.

- The Biggest Objects tab shows the most memory-consuming objects sorted by their [retained sizes](#) . In this tab, you can spot memory leaks provoked by accumulating data in some global object.
- The Summary tab shows the objects in your application grouped by their types. The tab shows the number of objects of each type, their size, and the percentage of memory that they occupy. This information may be a clue to the memory state.

Each tab has a Details pane, which shows the path to the currently selected object from GC roots and the list of object's **retainers** , that is, the objects that keep links to the selected object. Every heap snapshot has many “back” references and loops, so there are always many retainers for each object.

## Navigating through a snapshot

- To help differentiate objects and move from one to another without losing the context, mark objects with text labels. To set a label to an object, select the object of interest and click  on the toolbar or choose Mark on the context menu of the selection. Then type the label to mark the object with in the dialog box that opens.
- To navigate to the function or variable that corresponds to an object, select the object of interest and click  on the toolbar or choose Edit Source on the context menu of the selection. If the button and the menu option are disabled, this means that IntelliJ IDEA has not found a function or a variable that corresponds to the selected object. If several functions or variables are found, they are shown in a pop-up suggestion list.
- To jump from an object in the Biggest Objects or Summary tab or Occurrences view to the same object in the Containment tab, select the object in question in the Biggest Objects or Summary tab and click  on the toolbar or choose Navigate in Main Tree on the context menu of the selection. This helps you investigate the object from the containment point of view and concentrate on the links between objects.

- To search through a snapshot:
  1. In the Containment tab, click  on the toolbar.
  2. In the [V8 Heap Search Dialog](#) that opens, specify the search pattern and the scope to search in. The available scopes are:
    - Everywhere: select this checkbox to search in all the scopes. When this checkbox is selected, all the other search types are disabled.
    - Link Names: select this checkbox to search among the object names that V8 creates when calling the **C++ runtime**, see <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/11202824/what-is-in-javascript>. In the [V8 Heap Tool Window](#), link names are marked with the `%` character (`%<link name>`).
    - Class Names: select this checkbox to search among functions-constructors.
    - Text Strings: select this checkbox to perform a textual search in the contents of the objects.
    - Snapshot Object IDs: select this checkbox to search among the unique identifiers of objects. V8 assigns such a unique identifier in the format to each object when the object is created and preserves it until the object is destroyed. This means that you can find and compare the same objects in several snapshots taken within the same session. In the [V8 Heap Tool Window](#), object IDs are marked with the `@` character (`@<object id>`).
    - Marks: select this checkbox to search among the labels you set to objects manually by clicking  on the toolbar of the Containment tab.

The search results are displayed in the Details pane, in a separate Occurrences of '<search pattern>' view. To have the search results shown grouped by the search scopes you specified, press the Group by Type toggle button on the toolbar.

When you open the dialog box next time, it will show the settings from the previous search.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js and Pug (ex-Jade) plugins are installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [Pug \(Jade\)](#) template engine.



## Before you start

1. Install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.
2. Make sure the **NodeJS** and **Pug (ex-Jade)** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

Also, if you need a file watcher, make sure that the **File Watchers** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Changes to the UI

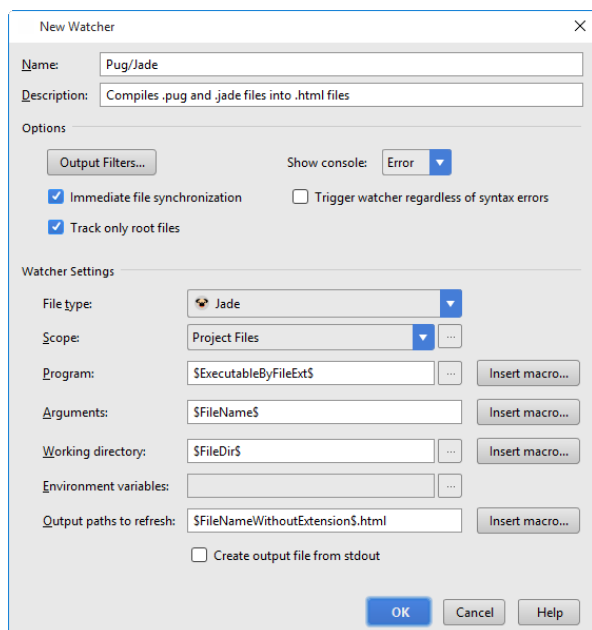
The **Pug (ex-Jade)** plugin introduces the following changes to the IntelliJ IDEA UI:

- The Jade file item is added to the New menu.
- The Pug files are marked with the icon  ; the Jade files are marked with the icon .
- Coding assistance is provided in the Pug (Jade)-specific and HTML context:
  - [Code formatting](#)
  - Syntax highlighting
  - [Code completion](#)
  - [Color schemes](#)

## Using Pug(Jade) templates in a Node.js application

At runtime, the Pug (Jade) files will be transformed into HTML pages.

1. Create a project from scratch, or around existing sources, or based on a **NodeExpress** template.
2. Create a **Pug (Jade)** file. Follow these steps:
  1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , select the directory in which you want to create a new file. To do that, for example, choose `File | New` .
  2. On the context menu, choose Jade file and specify the file name in the dialog box that opens.
3. Create a File Watcher to transform files with the extension `.jade` or `.pug` into `.html` pages:
  1. Click the `Add Watcher` link in the upper right-hand corner of the editor.
  2. In the [New Watcher Dialog](#) , accept the default predefined settings.Note that if the executable is in the PATH, then you should not specify it explicitly. Depending on the file extension (`.jade` or `.pug` ), the corresponding executable is invoked.



4. As you edit a `.pug / .jade` file, IntelliJ IDEA invokes the file watcher which creates an `.html` file with the name of the processed `.pug / .jade` file and stores the generated `html` code in it.

See [Using File Watchers](#) for details.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

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## Introduction

A number of tools are started through **Node.js**, for example, the **CoffeeScript**, **TypeScript**, and **Less** compilers, **YUI**, **UglifyJS**, and **Closure** compressors, **Karma** test runner, **Grunt** task runner, etc. The **Node Package Manager (npm)** is the easiest way to install these tools, the more so that you have to install **Node.js** anyway.

Depending on the desired location of the tool executable file, choose one of the following methods:

- Install the tool **globally** at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project.
- Install the tool in a specific project and thus restrict its use to this project.
- Install the tool in a project as a [development dependency](#).

In either installation mode, make sure that the parent folder of the tool is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the tool from any folder.

## Installing Node.js and Node Package Manager (npm)

1. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment.

If you are going to use the command line mode, make sure the path to the parent folder of the **Node.js** executable file and the path to the `npm` folder are added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the tool and **npm** from any folder.

2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing an external tool globally

**Global** installation makes a tool available at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project. Moreover, during installation the parent folder of the tool is automatically added to the `PATH` variable, which enables you to launch the tool from any folder.

- Run the installation from the command line in the **global** mode:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( `View | Tool Windows | Terminal` ) and switch to the directory where **NPM** is stored or define a `PATH` variable for it so it is available from any folder, see [Installing NodeJs](#).
2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
npm install -g <tool name>
```

The `-g` key makes the tool run in the **global** mode. Because the installation is performed through **NPM**, the tool is installed in the `npm` folder. Make sure this parent folder is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the tool from any folder.

For more details on the **NPM** operation modes, see [npm documentation](#). For more information about installing the tool, see <https://npmjs.org/package/>.

- Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing `File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS`, and click **Node.js and NPM** under **Languages & Frameworks**.
2. On the **Node.js and NPM** page that opens, the **Packages** area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click `+`.
3. In the **Available Packages** dialog box that opens, select the required package to install.
4. Select the **Options** checkbox and type `-g` in the text box next to it.
5. Optionally specify the product version and click **Install Package** to start installation.

## Installing an external tool in a project

**Local** installation in a specific project restricts the use of a tool to this project.

– Run the installation from the command line:

1. Open the embedded Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ) and switch to the project root folder.
2. At the command prompt, type `npm install <tool name>` .

– Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `(Ctrl+Alt+S)` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Node.js and NPM under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the Node.js and NPM page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click **+** .
3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package.
4. Optionally specify the product version and click Install Package to start installation.

**Project level** installation is helpful and reliable in [template-based projects](#) of the type **Node Boilerplate** or **Node.js Express** , which already have the `node_modules` folder. The latter is important because **NPM** installs the tool in a `node_modules` folder. If your project already contains such folder, the tool is installed there.

Projects of other types or **empty** projects may not have a `node_modules` folder. In this case **npm** goes upwards in the folder tree and installs the tool in the first detected `node_modules` folder. Keep in mind that this detected `node_modules` folder may be **outside** your current project root.

Finally, if no `node_modules` folder is detected in the folder tree either, the folder is created right under the current project root and the tool is installed there.

In either case, make sure that the parent folder of the tool is added to the `PATH` variable. This enables you to launch the tool from any folder.

## Installing an external tool as a development dependency

If a tool is a documentation or a test framework, which are of no need for those who are going to re-use your application, it is helpful to have it excluded from download for the future. This is done by marking the tool as a [development dependency](#) , which actually means adding the tool in the `devDependencies` section of the `package.json` file.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have a tool marked as a **development dependency** right during installation. Do one of the following:

– Run the installation from the command line:

1. Launch the built-in Terminal ( View | Tool Windows | Terminal ).
2. Switch to the project root folder and at the command prompt type:

```
npm install --dev <tool name>
```

– Run **NPM** from IntelliJ IDEA using the Node.js and NPM page of the Settings dialog box.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `(Ctrl+Alt+S)` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Node.js and NPM under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the Node.js and NPM page that opens, the Packages area shows all the Node.js-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer, both at the **global** and at the **project** level. Click **+** .
3. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the package.
4. Select the Options checkbox and type `--dev` in the text box next to it.
5. Optionally specify the product version and click Install Package to start installation.

After installation, a tool is added to the `devDependencies` section of the `package.json` file.

## Running npm scripts

IntelliJ IDEA provides the interface for [running npm scripts](#) . IntelliJ IDEA parses `package.json` files, recognizing definitions of scripts, lets you build trees of scripts and navigate between a script in the tree and its definition in the `package.json` file, and supports running and debugging tasks as well as configuring the script execution mode and output.

## Before you start

1. Download and install [Node.js](#) which contains [npm](#) .
2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
3. Create a `package.json` file with the `scripts` property containing the definitions of the scripts to run.
4. To enable debugging of a script, add the `$NODE_DEBUG_OPTION` to its definition in the `package.json` file, for example:

```

{
  "name": "application-name",
  "version": "0.0.1",
  "scripts": {
    "main": "node $NODE_DEBUG_OPTION ./app-compiled.js"
  }
}

```

Scripts are launched in the following ways:

- From a tree of scripts in the dedicated [NPM Tool Window](#) . The tool window opens when you invoke `npm` by choosing Show npm Scripts on the context menu of a `package.json` in the Project tool window or of a `package.json` opened in the editor.
- According to a dedicated run configuration, see [Run/Debug Configuration: NPM](#) .
- Automatically, as a start-up task.
- As a before-launch task, from another run configuration.



The result of executing a script is displayed in the [Run tool window](#) . The tool window shows the npm script output, reports the errors occurred, lists the packages or plugins that have not been found, etc. The name of the last executed script is displayed on the title bar of the tool window.

## Building a tree of scripts


- If the npm tool window is not opened yet:

Select the required `package.json` file in the Project tool window or open it in the editor and choose Show npm Scripts on the context menu.

In either case, the npm tool window opens showing the scripts tree built according to the selected or opened `package.json` file.

- In the npm tool window, click  on the toolbar and choose the required `package.json` file from the list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a scripts tree under it. The title of the node shows the path to the `package.json` file according to which the tree is built.
- To re-build a tree, switch to the required node and click  on the toolbar.


### To sort the scripts in a tree by their names

Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name .



By default, a tree shows the scripts in the order in which they are defined in `package.json` (option Definition order ).

## Running npm scripts from the tree of scripts

### To run a script

Double click the required script. Alternatively select it in the tree and press  or choose Run <script name> on the context menu.


### To run several scripts

Use the multiselect mode: hold  (for adjacent items) or  (for non-adjacent items) keys and select the required scripts, then choose Run on the context menu of the selection.


## Running tasks according to a run configuration

Besides using **temporary** run configurations that IntelliJ IDEA creates automatically, you can create and launch your own **npm** run configurations.

### To create an npm run configuration

1. Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.
2. Click  on the toolbar and select npm from the pop-up list.
3. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: NPM](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the run configuration, the [npm command line command](#) to execute, the scripts to run (use blank spaces as separators), the location of the `package.json` file to retrieve the definitions of the scripts from, and the command line arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node executable file and the Node.js-specific options to be passed to this executable file, see [Node parameters](#) for details.

If applicable, specify the [environment variables](#) for the Node.js executable file.

To run a script according to a run configuration, select the run configuration from the list on the main tool bar and then choose Run | Run <configuration name> on the main menu or click the Run toolbar button  . The output is displayed in the [Run tool window](#) .

## Running npm scripts automatically

If you have some scripts that you run on a regular basis, you can add the corresponding run configurations to a list of **startup**

tasks . The tasks will be executed automatically on the project start-up.

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click Startup Tasks under Tools .
2. On the [Startup Tasks page](#) that opens, click **+** on the toolbar.
3. From the drop-down list, choose the required **npm** run configuration. The configuration is added to the list.  
If no applicable configuration is available in the project, click **+** and choose Edit Configurations . Then define a configuration with the required settings in the [Run/Debug Configuration: NPM](#) page that opens. When you save the new configuration it is automatically added to the list of startup tasks.

## Running a script as a as a before-launch task

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) dialog by choosing Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu, and select the required configuration from the list or create it anew by clicking **+** and choosing the relevant run configuration type.
2. In the dialog box that opens, click **+** in the Before launch area and choose Run npm script from the drop-down list.
3. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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- OSGi and OSMORC
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## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create OSGi-based applications using Osmorc plugin. IntelliJ IDEA also lets you [import Bnd/Bndtools projects](#) . You can create a project with the OSGi support, add a module with the OSGi support to the existing project, or add the OSGi support to an existing module.

## Prerequisite

Before you start working with OSGi, make sure that the Osmorc plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Creating a project or module with OSGi support

### To create a project or module with OSGi support

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java . In the right-hand part of the page, specify Project SDK and select OSGi from the list. In Libraries area specify OSGi library settings:
  - Use library - select this option to specify the existing OSGi library.
  - Download - select this option to download the library. You can click Configure to edit downloading options.
  - Set up library later - select this option to configure the library later in your project.

Click Next .
3. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .  
Click Finish .

## Adding OSGi support to the existing module

1. In the project tree right-click the module to which you want to add the OSGi support.
2. From the drop-down list select Add Framework Support .
3. In the dialog that opens, from the left-hand pane, select OSGi .
4. On the right side of the page, in the Libraries area, specify OSGi library settings.

The OSGi library settings are as follows:

- Use library - select this option to specify the existing OSGi library.
- Download - select this option to download the library. You can click Configure to edit downloading options.
- Set up library later - select this option to configure the library later in your project.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you import Bnd/Bndtools projects.

Before import your project, make sure that [Osmorc](#) plugin is enabled in IntelliJ IDEA. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and activated by default. If the plugin is not enabled, [enable the plugin](#).

### To import an external Bnd/Bndtools model into IntelliJ IDEA, follow these steps

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Import Project on the [Welcome screen](#). Otherwise, select File | New | Project from Existing Sources.
2. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the directory that contains the project to be imported, or a file that contains an appropriate project description. Click OK.
3. On the [first page](#) of the Import Project wizard, select Bnd/Bndtools, and click Next. (This page is not shown if IntelliJ IDEA has guessed what you are importing.)
4. On the next page of the wizard, specify [Bnd/Bndtools](#) projects you want to import and click Next.
5. On the next page of the wizard, specify [project SDK](#) and click Finish.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This topic describes how to set up a new project with Osmorc. Please take a look at [Importing an Eclipse Workspace](#) , if you want to import an existing Eclipse workspace into IntelliJ IDEA.

From this section you will learn how to activate Osmorc for a module. Nothing about the creation of projects and modules which will use Osmorc is Osmorc-specific. So create them just like you would create any other IntelliJ IDEA projects and modules.

Osmorc is activated in a module via the dedicated Osmorc [facet](#) .

## Adding the Osmorc facet to a module

– [Add the facet explicitly](#) .

1. In the root folder of your module, create a `META-INF` folder.
2. In the `META-INF` folder, create a manifest file `MANIFEST.MF` .
3. Add at least the following two headers to the `MANIFEST.MF` manifest file:
  - `Bundle-ManifestVersion`
  - `Bundle-SymbolicName`

IntelliJ IDEA will now recognize the Osmorc facet for the module and will propose to add it. Confirm the addition.

– [Have the facet detected](#) automatically.

Now you can start working on your OSGI application. Change your manifest files to export and import packages and Osmorc will create corresponding dependencies between the IntelliJ IDEA modules.

You may also want to take a look at the Settings-part of this documentation to learn how to define and use framework instances.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

There are two places where Osmorc's settings can be changed:

- Project specific and application wide settings are managed on the [OSGi](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog box.
- Module specific settings are managed through the [Osmorc module facet settings](#) .

## Project and Application Settings

The [OSGi](#) page

### Facet Settings

In the facet settings you first have to decide whether you will edit the manifest files yourself or whether you want Osmorc to create it with bnd from the dependencies on other modules and libraries.

When you decide to maintain the manifest file manually, Osmorc creates dependencies on modules and the framework instance bundles in the module where the manifest file is changed. Here you take charge of the OSGi dependencies between your bundles and Osmorc tries to match them with corresponding module dependencies.

Letting Osmorc generate the manifest files for you is exactly the other way around. You develop your application as you would develop any other application in IntelliJ IDEA. You add dependencies on other modules and libraries and Osmorc tries to translate those dependencies into OSGi dependencies when running your bundles.

If you are maintaining the manifest file yourself, you have to tell Osmorc where it is to be found. You can change this location for each module or you can define a project default in the project settings and use it here.

Each time a module is compiled, Osmorc creates a bundle JAR for that module. This JAR is used when running an Osmorc run configuration. You can change how the JAR is named and where it is put, but for most cases the created default should be OK.

The created JAR contains the compilation output and the manifest file - either the manually maintained or the one created by Osmorc. Sometimes you will need to add some other files that need to be copied into the generated JAR . For Eclipse RCP bundles - or plugins as they are called there - you will need to add the `plugin.xml` . You can do this in the table listing additional JAR content. The first column takes the path to the source file relative to the content root of the module and the second column takes the path to the destination file. So since the plugin.xml of an Eclipse RCP plugin normally resides in the root of a plugin, you will type in `plugin.xml` for both columns of that entry. Future versions will provide a file chooser to choose the source file.

**Note** Currently the table for the additional JAR contents is very simple. It grows automatically as you type in new file definitions. There is always an empty row at the bottom that waits for new content. If you want to remove an entry, simply remove both the source and destination definition for it. It is then deleted automatically.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Project-specific Osmorc settings are managed in the Project Settings tab on the [OSGi](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.

## To configure the project-specific Osmorc settings

1. From the Framework Instance drop-down list, select the desired framework instance.

The drop-down list contains all the framework instances defined for the currently running IntelliJ IDEA at the IDE level. If the framework instance you need is missing, switch to the [Framework Definitions](#) tab and define the required instance there.

The drop-down list shows the names of the framework instances followed by the name of the used framework integrator in parentheses. In case you are opening a project created with another installation of IntelliJ IDEA which does not yet have the framework instance used by the project, `undefined` will be shown where normally the name of the framework integrator appears. If that is the case, switch to the Framework Definitions tab and define the framework instance.

2. To have the specified framework instance created for the module, select the Create and maintain the module Framework Instance checkbox.
3. Specify the default manifest file `MANIFEST.MF` location.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The OSGi specification has a number of implementations. Each implementation has a different set of base bundles, different ways to start them, and require different layout for the folder containing the binary bundles and their sources.

To cope with this diversity, Osmorc uses the notion of framework integrators and framework instances .

A framework integrator is used to integrate an instance of a specific framework implementation. Osmorc contains framework integrators for [Eclipse Equinox](#) , [Knopflerfish](#) , and [Apache Felix](#) . An extension point for framework integrators is also available. So integrators for framework implementations that are not directly supported by Osmorc can be developed by third parties.

A framework instance is a concrete installation of a framework implementation. As framework instances are normally not installed in the folder structure of a project, a framework instance with a specific name can be installed in different locations under different installations of IntelliJ IDEA. A project only knows the name of the framework instance it uses. Osmorc creates the connection to the framework instance if it exists as soon as the project is opened.

The framework definitions known by the currently used IntelliJ IDEA installation are listed on the [OSGi](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.

Framework definitions are added, edited, and removed in the [Framework Definitions](#) tab of the OSGi page.

## To define a new framework instance

1. [Open the Settings dialog box](#) , click the Osmorc node, and switch to the Framework Definitions tab.
2. Click the Add button.
3. In the Create New Framework Instance dialog box that opens select the type of framework integrator, specify a unique name and the base folder for the framework instance.

**Tip** Please, refer to the descriptions of various framework integrators to find out what requirements this folder should meet.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The Equinox framework integrator provides integration for Eclipse Equinox and its derivatives, such as Eclipse RCP DSK .

The base directory for Equinox framework instances is the `eclipse` folder of the installation or the folder containing the `plugins` folder, if the installation doesn't contain an `eclipse` folder.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The Knopflerfish framework integrator provides integration for Knopflerfish .

The base directory for Knopflerfish framework instances is the installation folder of Knopflerfish. This installation folder should contain a `knopflerfish.org` folder, which in its turn should contain an `osgi` folder.

The integrator searches for bundles in the JARs in the child folder and for the matching sources in bundles.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The Felix framework integrator provides integration for Apache Felix .

As there is no single downloadable package containing both sources and binary bundles, you need to download all the items separately and specify their location.

## To provide all the items the integrator expects to find, perform the following general steps

1. Download the binary ZIP or tar archive of Apache Felix and unpack its `felix-<version>` subfolder to the desired location.

**Note** At the time of this writing the current version of Apache Felix is 1.0.3, so the downloadable binary ZIP or tar contains a folder `felix-1.0.3` .

2. Specify the location of `felix-<version>` as the base folder for the integrator. The integrator loads the bundle JARs from the `bin` and `bundle` subfolders.

## To enable access to the sources of the bundles in IntelliJ IDEA

1. In the base folder, create an `src` folder with the `bin` and `bundle` subfolders.
2. Copy all source ZIP archives for `felix.jar` into the `src/bin` folder. `main-1.0.3.zip` and `framework-1.0.3.zip` should be put here.

**Tip** Unfortunately, sources for some classes in `felix.jar` are missing in the archives and you'll have to additionally download some files, such as `org.osgi.core-1.0.0.zip` , and put them here to get the sources for all classes.

3. Store the source ZIP archives for the other bundles in the `src/bundle` folder.

**Warning!** Do not change the source ZIP of any of the bundles. The integrator expects to find the Felix specific folder structure inside them. A source ZIP named `mybundle-1.00.zip` will contain the sources in the folder `mybundle-1.00/src/main/java` .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Osmorc provides the following run configuration types for running OSGi -based applications:

- [OSGi Bundles](#)


This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The OSGi Bundles run configuration allows running bundles that don't have any dependencies on a specific OSGi framework implementation on any of the installed framework instances.

Currently there are limitations for this run configuration type:

- Only the core framework bundle will be loaded.
- Your bundles cannot depend on any other bundles of the framework.

### **To create an OSGi Bundles run configuration, perform the following general steps**

- [Open the Run/Debug Configurations](#) dialog box, click the Add button , and choose OSGi Bundles .
- In the dialog box that opens choose a framework instance to run your bundles on and specify the bundle to start with.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

PHP support includes:

- Possibility to [create PHP files and classes from templates](#) .
- Full [PHP 5.6.x](#) syntax support.
- Partial support for [PHP 7](#) return type hints.
- Syntax and error highlighting.
- [Basic on-the-fly code completion](#) .
- Resolution of `include` statements and file references, including references to `PHAR` archives.  
All the `PHAR` files from the current project and the specified include path are shown in the [project](#) tool window under the Project View/Libraries/PHAR node and available for browsing right there.
- [Class Completion](#) .
- [Intention actions and quick fixes](#) .
- [Surrounding](#) with code constructs `Ctrl+Alt+J` and `Ctrl+Alt+T` .
- [Code inspections](#) .
- [Jump to declaration](#) (`Ctrl+B`) .
- [Refactoring](#) :
  - [Rename](#) (`Shift+F6`) .
  - [Move](#) (`F6`) .
  - [Copy](#) (`F5`) .

PHP development support is provided through the `PHP` plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

This part describes some procedures that are specific for developing PHP applications and some preliminary steps that are required to configure PHP development environment.

## To develop an application using PHP

Follow these general steps:

1. [Configure the PHP development environment](#) .
2. Configure PHP interpreters as described in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) .
3. Start [creating a project from scratch](#) . On the first page of the [New Project wizard](#) , choose PHP in the left-hand pane, then choose PHP Empty Project in the right-hand pane.

**Tip** To run and debug your application on a local Web server, create the project root below the Web server document root. Thus your application sources will be "visible" for the local Web server.

4. Create and configure the required data sources (see [Managing data sources](#)) .
5. [Populate the application](#) using provided coding assistance.
6. [Deploy](#) the application.

**Tip** With IntelliJ IDEA you can flexibly configure deployment of PHP applications. For example, you can set up your PHP project on a local Web server from the very beginning, or develop and test an application locally and then upload it to a remote Web server, etc.

7. [Run](#) the application. You can do it in several ways:
  - From IntelliJ IDEA using a [run configuration](#) of the type [PHP Web Application](#) to view application output in a browser.
  - From IntelliJ IDEA using a [PHP Console](#) run configuration to view the application output in the Run tool window.
  - From IntelliJ IDEA, using a [built-in Web server](#) . This approach saves your time and effort because you do not need to deploy the application sources.

The following optional steps may be helpful:

- [Set up unit testing](#) in your project.
- Install and configure a debugging engine and specify the debugger options, see [Configuring a Debugging Engine](#) and [Configuring Debugger Options](#) for details.
- [Debug](#) the application.

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Configuring PHP Development Environment](#)
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [Configuring PHP development environment](#)
- [Installing an AMP Package](#)
- [Installing Components Separately](#)
- [Built-In Web Server](#)
- [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#)
- [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#)
- [Using Distributed Configuration Files \(.htaccess\)](#)
- [Configuring Include Paths](#)
- [Configuring PHP Namespaces in a Project](#)
- [Composer Dependency Manager](#)

## Prerequisites

**Warning!** This topic gives general guidelines in configuring environment for developing and testing PHP applications locally. These instructions by no means apply to configuring production environment, which is outside the scope of this Help.

PHP development requires the following software installed and configured:

- A Web server and a PHP engine are mandatory.  
Starting with version 5.4, PHP interpreters contain a built-in Web server. The server is by no means intended for production but for development and testing purposes only.
- A database server, if your application will use a database.
- A debugging tool, if you are going to debug your application.
- A command line tool, if you are going to run PHP commands from the command line.

## Configuring PHP development environment

### To set up the PHP development environment, follow these general steps:

1. Download, install, and configure the Web server, the PHP engine, and the MySQL server. Do one of the following:
  - Download, install, and configure the desired [AMP package](#) ( A pache, M ySQL, P HP).
  - Install and configure [each component separately](#) , then [check your installation](#) .
2. Optionally, perform these steps:
  - Install and configure a [debugging engine](#) .
  - Install and enable the [PHPUnit tool](#) .

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AMP packages are operating system-specific. The most common ones are:

– [XAMPP](#) for Windows.

**Tip** It is recommended that you use version 1.7.1 or later.

– The LAMP package compatible with the Linux distribution used.

– [MAMP](#) for macOS.

The installation procedure may differ depending on the operating system used, follow the installation instructions provided.

**Warning!** If you are using Windows Vista, avoid installing the package in the `Program Files` folder. This folder is write-protected by default, which means that no files can be placed on the server and further processed by the PHP engine.

## To install and configure an AMP package

1. Download and install the desired AMP package.

2. Use the AMP control pane to start the components.

If the server does not start, most likely a port conflict takes place. By default, the Apache HTTP server listens to port 80. This port can be already used by other services, for example, Skype. To solve the issue, update the server configuration file as follows:

– Locate the line `Listen 80` and change it to, e.g., `Listen 8080` .

– Locate the line `ServerName localhost:80` and change it accordingly, in this example to `ServerName localhost:8080` .

Save the configuration file and restart the Web server.

3. To check your installation, open your browser and type the following URL address: `http://localhost:<port number>` . The AMP welcome page appears.

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The installation procedure for PHP environment components may differ depending on the operating system used, follow the installation instructions provided.

In this section:

- [Installing and configuring the components separately](#)
- [Checking the Web server installation](#)
- [Checking the PHP engine installation](#)

## To install and configure each component separately

1. Download and install a [Web server](#) . The most common choice is the [Apache HTTP server](#) .
2. Download and install the [PHP engine](#) . During the installation, specify the Web server you are going to use and its home directory.

**Tip** To enable the use of the MySQL database server, select the Complete installation option or select the MySQL and MySQLi items in the Extensions list on the corresponding page of the installation wizard.

3. Download, install, and configure a [database server](#) .

## To check the Web server installation

- To make sure that the Web server has been installed correctly, start the server, open your browser, and type the following URL address: `http://localhost`

The Test page for Apache installation should appear.

**Tip** If the server does not start, most likely a port conflict takes place. [Resolve the conflict](#) as during an AMP package installation.  
- If you have changed the default port 80, specify the port number explicitly: `http://localhost:<port number>`

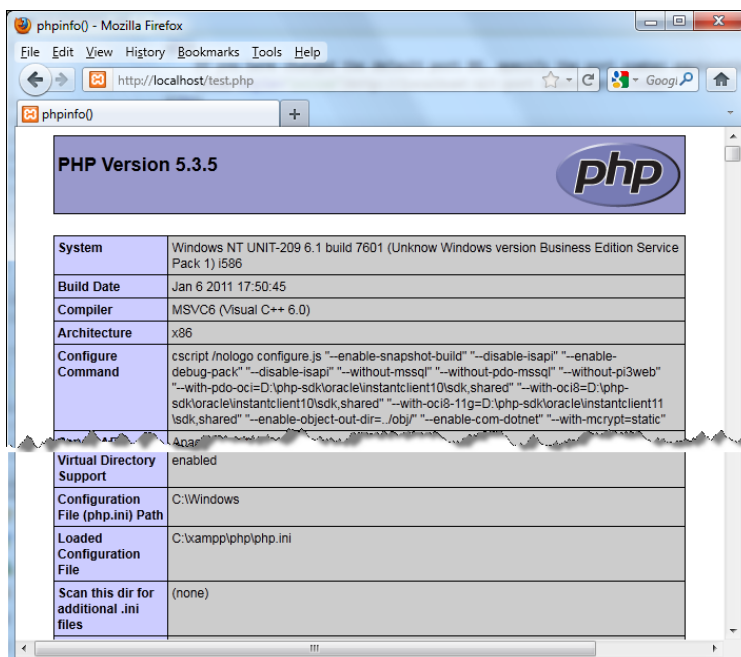
## To check the PHP engine installation

Finally, make sure that the PHP engine has been installed successfully and interacts with the Web server correctly.

1. Using a text processor of your choice, create a file `test.php` and type the following text:

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<?php
    echo phpinfo();
?>
```

2. Save the file on the Web server, in the folder the PHP engine looks at.
3. Run the browser and enter the following URL address: `http://localhost:<port number>/test.php` . The page that opens should show detailed information on the version of PHP engine used, the location of the configuration files, etc.



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In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Configuring the built-in web server](#)
- [Opening a file in the browser](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA has a built-in web server that can be used to preview and debug your application. This server is always running and does not require any manual configuration. All the project files are served on the built-in server with the root URL

`http://localhost:<built-in server port>/<project root>`, with respect to the project structure.

The built-in server can only serve static content like HTML, JavaScript and CSS. To use it with PHP files, you need a [local PHP interpreter](#) specified for your project. When the interpreter is configured, IntelliJ IDEA will automatically start the [PHP Built-in Web Server](#) and redirect all PHP requests to it as soon as you run your PHP application. To run your PHP application, either [open a file in the browser](#) or [create a dedicated run/debug configuration](#) and [launch it](#).

Integration with the built-in Web server is supported in IntelliJ IDEA 11.1 and higher.

## Configuring the built-in web server

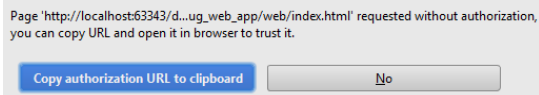
If necessary, you can customize the parameters of the built-in web server. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing `File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS`, and click `Debugger` under `Build, Execution, Deployment`.

### ItemDescription

Port	Use this spin box to specify the port on which the built-in web server runs. By default this port is set to port <code>63343</code> through which IntelliJ IDEA accepts connections from services. You can set the port number to any other value starting with 1024 and higher.
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Can accept external connections	If this checkbox is selected, then the files on the built-in server running on the specified port are accessible from another computer.  If this checkbox is cleared (by default), then the debugger listens only to local connections.
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Allow unsigned requests	For security reasons, any request to a page on the built-in server from outside IntelliJ IDEA is by default rejected and the following authorization pop-up window is displayed:
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To access the requested page, click `Copy authorization URL to clipboard` and paste the generated token in the address bar of the browser.  
However this behaviour may be annoying, for example, it may block your debugging session if manual intervention is impossible. To suppress displaying the authorization pop-up window, select the `Allow unsigned requests` checkbox.

## Opening a file in the browser

Do one of the following:

- Choose `View | Open in Browser` on the main menu or press `Alt+F2`. Then select the desired browser from the pop-up menu.
- Hover your mouse pointer over the code to show the browser icons bar:  Click the icon that indicates the desired browser.

Note that if a `Deployment server` is defined for this project and marked as default, the file will be served from this server instead. If necessary, you can still open the page via the IntelliJ IDEA built-in web server. To do this, open the desired browser and type the URL of the file with respect to the project structure, using `http://localhost:<built-in server port>/<project root>` as the root URL.

**Note** For more details on working with deployment servers, refer to the [Working with Web Servers: Copying Files](#) section.



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In this section:

- [Prerequisite](#)
- [Important notes](#)
- [Configuring a remote PHP interpreter on a host accessible through SSH connection](#)
- [Configuring a remote PHP interpreter in a Vagrant environment instance](#)
- [Configuring a remote PHP interpreter on a remote host accessible through SFTP](#)
- [Configuring a remote PHP interpreter in a Docker container](#)
- [Configuring custom mappings](#)

## Prerequisite

Before you start working with remote interpreters, make sure that the SSH Remote Run plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Important notes

The term **remote PHP interpreter** denotes a PHP engine installed on a remote host or in a virtual environment. The term **remote PHP interpreter** is used as the opposite of **local PHP interpreters** that are installed on your computer, see [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) .

You can access a remote PHP interpreter in the following ways:



- Using SSH credentials to access the host where the PHP interpreter is installed.
- Through access to the corresponding [Vagrant](#) instance.
- According to a [Server Access Configuration](#) . This approach is also helpful if you are going to synchronize your project sources with the Web server on the target remote host.

## Configuring a remote PHP interpreter on a host accessible through SSH connection

Before you start:


1. Configure access to an `ssh` server on the target remote host and make sure this server is running.
2. Make sure the **PHP Remote Interpreter** repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .


To configure a PHP interpreter using SSH credentials:





1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the PHP page that opens, click the  button next to the CLI Interpreter drop-down list in the Development environment section.
3. In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click the Add toolbar button  in the left-hand pane, then choose Remote on the context menu.
4. In the Configure Remote PHP Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the SSH Credentials method.
5. Specify the name of the remote host and the port which the SSH server listens to. The default port number is 22.
6. Specify your credentials to access the remote host in accordance with the credentials received during the registration on the server. Type your user name and choose the authentication method:
  - To access the host through a password, choose Password from the Auth type drop-down list, specify the password, and select the Save password checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember it.
  - To use [SSH authentication](#) via a key pair, choose Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY) . To apply this authentication method, you need to have your private key on the client machine and your public key on the remote server you connect to. IntelliJ IDEA supports private keys generated using the [OpenSSH](#) utility.  
Specify the path to the file where your **private key** is stored and type the passphrase (if any) in the corresponding text boxes. To have IntelliJ IDEA remember the passphrase, select the Save passphrase checkbox.
  - If your SSH keys are managed by a credentials helper application (for example, [Pageant](#) on Windows or [ssh-agent](#) on Mac and Linux), choose Authentication agent (ssh-agent or Pageant) .

To use an interpreter configuration, you need **path mappings** that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. IntelliJ IDEA first attempts to retrieve path mappings itself by processing all the available application-level configurations. If IntelliJ IDEA finds the configurations with the same host as the one specified above, in the Host field, the mappings from these configurations are merged automatically. If no configurations with this host are found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message informing you that path mappings are not configured.

To fix the problem, open the [Deployment](#) page under the Build, Execution, Deployment node, select the server access configuration in question, switch to the Mappings tab, and map local folders to folders on the server as described in [Creating a Remote Server Configuration](#) , section Mapping Local Folders to Folders on the Server and the URL Addresses to Access Them .

- Specify the location of the **PHP** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/php` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `php` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the PHP home directory must be open for edit.
- When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the PHP executable is actually stored in the specified folder.
  - If no PHP executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
  - If the PHP executable is found, you return to the Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the PHP interpreter are displayed.
- Optionally, customize the configuration settings of the installation in the Additional area. In the Debugger extension text box, specify the path to Xdebug. This enables IntelliJ IDEA to activate Xdebug when it is necessary if you have disabled it in the `php.ini` file, see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#).
  - In the Configuration options field, compose a string of configuration directives to be passed through the `-d` [command line option](#) and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. The directives specified in this field override the default directives generated by IntelliJ IDEA, such as `-dxdebug.remote_enable=1`, `-dxdebug.remote_host=127.0.0.1`, `-dxdebug.remote_port=9001`, `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req`. For example, if you specify the `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` directive it will override the default `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` directive and thus switch Xdebug to the **Just-In-Time (JIT)** mode, see [Debugging in the Just-In-Time Mode](#) for details.

To do that, click the Browse button  next to the Configuration options field, and then create a list of entries in the Configuration Options dialog box, that opens.

  - To add a new entry, click the Add button . In the new line, that is added to the list, specify the name of the new entry and its value in the Name and Value text boxes respectively. You can add as many entries as you need, just keep in mind that they will be transformed into a command line with its length limited to 256 characters.
  - To delete an entry, select it in the list and click the Remove button .
  - To change the order of entries, use the Up  and Down  buttons.

Upon clicking OK, you return to the CLI Interpreters dialog box, where the entries are transformed into a command line.




## Configuring a remote PHP interpreter in a Vagrant environment instance

Before you start

- Make sure that [Vagrant](#) and [Oracle's VirtualBox](#) are downloaded, installed, and configured on your computer as described in [Vagrant](#).
- Make sure the **Vagrant** and **PHP Remote Interpreter** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
- Make sure that the parent folders of the following executable files are added to the system **PATH** variable:
  - `vagrant.bat` or `vagrant` from your Vagrant installation. This should be done automatically by the Vagrant installer.
  - `VBoxManage.exe` or `VBoxManage` from your Oracle's VirtualBox installation.
- Configure the PHP development environment in the **Vagrant instance** to be used.


Learn more about using **Vagrant** with IntelliJ IDEA in [Vagrant](#).





To configure a PHP interpreter in a Vagrant instance:

- Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
- On the PHP page that opens, click the  button next to the CLI Interpreter drop-down list in the Development environment section.
- In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click the Add toolbar button  in the left-hand pane, then choose Remote on the context menu.
- In the Configure Remote PHP Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the Vagrant method.
- Specify the Vagrant instance folder which points at the environment you are going to use. Technically, it is the folder where the **VagrantFile** configuration file for the desired environment is located. Based on this setting, IntelliJ IDEA detects the **Vagrant host** and shows it as a link in the Vagrant Host URL read-only field. To use an interpreter configuration, you need **path mappings** that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. IntelliJ IDEA evaluates path mappings from the `VagrantFile` configuration file.
- Specify the location of the **PHP** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/php` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `php` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the PHP home directory must be open for edit.
- When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the PHP executable is actually stored in the specified folder.
  - If no PHP executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
  - If the PHP executable is found, you return to the Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the

PHP interpreter are displayed.

8. Optionally, customize the configuration settings of the installation in the Additional area. In the Debugger extension text box, specify the path to Xdebug. This enables IntelliJ IDEA to activate Xdebug when it is necessary if you have disabled it in the `php.ini` file, see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#) .
  - In the Configuration options field, compose a string of configuration directives to be passed through the `-d` [command line option](#) and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. The directives specified in this field override the default directives generated by IntelliJ IDEA, such as `-dxdebug.remote_enable=1` , `-dxdebug.remote_host=127.0.0.1` , `-dxdebug.remote_port=9001` , `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` .  
For example, if you specify the `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` directive it will override the default `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` directive and thus switch Xdebug to the **Just-in-Time (JIT)** mode, see [Debugging in the Just-in-Time Mode](#) for details.

To do that, click the Browse button  next to the Configuration options field, and then create a list of entries in the Configuration Options dialog box, that opens.

- To add a new entry, click the Add button  . In the new line, that is added to the list, specify the name of the new entry and its value in the Name and Value text boxes respectively.  
You can add as many entries as you need, just keep in mind that they will be transformed into a command line with its length limited to 256 characters.
- To delete an entry, select it in the list and click the Remove button  .
- To change the order of entries, use the Up  and Down  buttons.



Upon clicking OK , you return to the CLI Interpreters dialog box, where the entries are transformed into a command line.

## Configuring a remote PHP interpreter on a remote host accessible through SFTP

Before you start:


1. Make sure that an `ssh` server is running on the target remote host and you have configured access to it.
2. Make sure the **PHP Remote Interpreter** repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
3. Make sure the **Remote Hosts Access** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
4. Make sure you have at least one IntelliJ IDEA-wide **server access configuration** of the SFTP type to establish access to the target host. To make a configuration available in all IntelliJ IDEA projects, clear the Visible only for this project checkbox in the [Deployment: Connection Tab](#) . See [Creating a Remote Server Configuration](#) for details.

To configure a remote PHP interpreter based on an SFTP server access configuration:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the PHP page that opens, click the  button next to the CLI Interpreter drop-down list in the Development environment section.
3. In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click the Add toolbar button  in the left-hand pane, then choose Remote on the context menu.
4. In the Configure Remote PHP Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the Deployment Configuration method.
5. From the Deployment Configuration drop-down list, choose the **server access configuration** of the SFTP type according to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to connect to the target host. If the settings specified in the chosen configuration ensure successful connection, IntelliJ IDEA displays the URL address of the target host as a link in the Deployment Host URL field.


To use an interpreter configuration, you need **path mappings** that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. By default, IntelliJ IDEA retrieves path mappings from the chosen server access (deployment) configuration. If the configuration does not contain path mappings, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.





To fix the problem, open the [Deployment](#) page under the Build, Execution, Deployment node, select the relevant server access configuration, switch to the Mappings tab, and map the local folders to the folders on the server as described in [Creating a Remote Server Configuration](#) section.

6. Specify the location of the **PHP** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/php` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `php` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the PHP home directory must be open for edit.
7. When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the PHP executable is actually stored in the specified folder.
  - If no PHP executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
  - If the PHP executable is found, you return to the Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the PHP interpreter are displayed.
8. Optionally, customize the configuration settings of the installation in the Additional area. In the Debugger extension text box, specify the path to Xdebug. This enables IntelliJ IDEA to activate Xdebug when it is necessary if you have disabled it in the `php.ini` file, see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#) .
  - In the Configuration options field, compose a string of configuration directives to be passed through the `-d` [command](#)

[line option](#) and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. The directives specified in this field override the default directives generated by IntelliJ IDEA, such as `-dxdebug.remote_enable=1` , `-dxdebug.remote_host=127.0.0.1` , `-dxdebug.remote_port=9001` , `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` .

For example, if you specify the `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` directive it will override the default `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` directive and thus switch Xdebug to the **Just-In-Time (JIT)** mode, see [Debugging in the Just-In-Time Mode](#) for details.

To do that, click the Browse button  next to the Configuration options field, and then create a list of entries in the Configuration Options dialog box, that opens.

- To add a new entry, click the Add button  . In the new line, that is added to the list, specify the name of the new entry and its value in the Name and Value text boxes respectively.
- You can add as many entries as you need, just keep in mind that they will be transformed into a command line with its length limited to 256 characters.
- To delete an entry, select it in the list and click the Remove button  .
- To change the order of entries, use the Up  and Down  buttons.

Upon clicking OK , you return to the CLI Interpreters dialog box, where the entries are transformed into a command line.

9. Click the Show phpinfo button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a separate information window where you can examine the installation details and view the list of loaded extensions and configured options. Please note that the options specified in the Configuration Options field of the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box are not listed.





## Configuring a remote PHP interpreter in a Docker container


Before you start:

1. Make sure that [Docker](#) is downloaded, installed, and configured on your computer as described in [Docker](#) .
2. Make sure the [Docker Integration](#) , [PHP Docker](#) , and [PHP Remote Interpreter](#) plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
3. Configure the PHP development environment in the [Docker container](#) to be used.


Learn more about using [Docker](#) with IntelliJ IDEA in [Docker](#) .

To configure a PHP interpreter in a Docker container:




1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the PHP page that opens, click the  button next to the CLI Interpreter drop-down list in the Development environment section.
3. In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click the Add toolbar button  in the left-hand pane, then choose Remote on the context menu.
4. In the Configure Remote PHP Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the Docker method.
5. In the Server field, specify the [Docker configuration](#) to use, see [Docker](#) . Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click  next to it and create a new configuration in the [Docker](#) dialog box that opens.
6. In the Image name field, specify the base Docker image to use. Choose one of the previously downloaded or your custom images from the drop-down list or type the image name manually, for example, `php:latest` or `php:7.0-cli` . When you later launch the run configuration, Docker will search for the specified image on your machine. If the search fails, the image will be downloaded from the image repository specified on the [Registry](#) page.
7. Specify the location of the PHP executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/php` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `php` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the PHP home directory must be open for edit.
8. When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the PHP executable is actually stored in the specified folder.
  - If no PHP executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
  - If the PHP executable is found, you return to the Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the PHP interpreter are displayed.
9. Optionally, customize the configuration settings of the installation in the Additional area. In the Debugger extension text box, specify the path to Xdebug. This enables IntelliJ IDEA to activate Xdebug when it is necessary if you have disabled it in the `php.ini` file, see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#) .
  - In the Configuration options field, compose a string of configuration directives to be passed through the [-d command line option](#) and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. The directives specified in this field override the default directives generated by IntelliJ IDEA, such as `-dxdebug.remote_enable=1` , `-dxdebug.remote_host=127.0.0.1` , `-dxdebug.remote_port=9001` , `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` .
  - For example, if you specify the `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` directive it will override the default `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` directive and thus switch Xdebug to the **Just-In-Time (JIT)** mode, see [Debugging in the Just-In-Time Mode](#) for details.

To do that, click the Browse button  next to the Configuration options field, and then create a list of entries in the Configuration Options dialog box, that opens.

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To add a new entry, click the Add button . In the new line, that is added to the list, specify the name of the new entry and its value in the Name and Value text boxes respectively.

You can add as many entries as you need, just keep in mind that they will be transformed into a command line with its length limited to 256 characters.





- To delete an entry, select it in the list and click the Remove button .
- To change the order of entries, use the Up  and Down  buttons.

Upon clicking OK, you return to the CLI Interpreters dialog box, where the entries are transformed into a command line.

0. Click the Show phpinfo button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a separate information window where you can examine the installation details and view the list of loaded extensions and configured options. Please note that the options specified in the Configuration Options field of the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box are not listed.

## Configuring custom mappings



If you use an interpreter accessible through SFTP connection or located on a Vagrant instance, the mappings are automatically retrieved from the corresponding deployment configuration or `Vagrantfile`. To specify additional mappings:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. From the Interpreter drop-down list, choose the remote interpreter for which you want to customize the mappings. The Path Mappings read-only field shows the path mappings retrieved from the corresponding deployment configuration or `Vagrantfile`, see the chapters above. To specify the custom mappings, click  next to the Path Mappings field.
3. The [Edit Project Path Mappings Dialog](#) that opens, shows the path mappings retrieved from the deployment configuration or `Vagrantfile`. These mappings are read-only.
  - To add a custom mapping, click  and specify the path in the project and the corresponding path on the remote runtime environment in the Local Path and Remote Path fields respectively. Type the paths manually or click  and select the relevant files or folders in the dialog box that opens.
  - To remove a custom mapping, select it in the list and click .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.


**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

A **local PHP interpreter** is a PHP engine installed on your computer opposite to a **remote PHP interpreters** that can be installed on a remote host or in a virtual environment set up in a **Vagrant** instance .

1. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing **File | Settings for Windows and Linux** or **IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS**, and click **PHP** under **Languages & Frameworks** .
2. On the **PHP** page that opens, click the  button next to the **CLI Interpreter** drop-down list in the **Development environment** section.
3. In the **CLI Interpreters** dialog box that opens, click the **Add** toolbar button  in the left-hand pane, then choose **Local** on the context menu. If you already have a local interpreter configured in IntelliJ IDEA, it is also shown on the menu and the menu item changes to **Other Local** .
4. In the right-hand pane of the dialog box, specify the PHP interpreter's settings.

1. In the **Name** text box, type the identifier to distinguish the interpreter from others, for example,

```
php_installation_<version> .
```

2. Specify the PHP engine installation directory in the **PHP Home** field. Type the path manually or click the **Browse** button  and choose the location in the **Choose PHP Home** dialog box, that opens.


IntelliJ IDEA displays the version of the PHP engine detected in the specified folder and the debugger associated with this PHP engine in the `php.ini` file.


5. Optionally, customize the configuration settings of the installation in the **Additional** area. In the **Debugger extension** text box, specify the path to Xdebug. This enables IntelliJ IDEA to activate Xdebug when it is necessary if you have disabled it in the `php.ini` file, see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#) .

- In the **Configuration options** field, compose a string of configuration directives to be passed through the **-d command line option** and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. The directives specified in this field override the default directives generated by IntelliJ IDEA, such as `-dxdebug.remote_enable=1` , `-dxdebug.remote_host=127.0.0.1` , `-dxdebug.remote_port=9001` , `-dxdebug.remote_mode=req` .

For example, if you specify the `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` directive it will override the default `-`



`dxdebug.remote_mode=req` directive and thus switch **Xdebug** to the **Just-In-Time (JIT)** mode, see [Debugging in the Just-In-Time Mode](#) for details.

To do that, click the **Browse** button  next to the **Configuration options** field, and then create a list of entries in the **Configuration Options** dialog box, that opens.

- To add a new entry, click the **Add** button  . In the new line, that is added to the list, specify the name of the new entry and its value in the **Name** and **Value** text boxes respectively.

You can add as many entries as you need, just keep in mind that they will be transformed into a command line with its length limited to 256 characters.

- To delete an entry, select it in the list and click the **Remove** button  .

- To change the order of entries, use the **Up**  and **Down**  buttons.

Upon clicking **OK** , you return to the **CLI Interpreters** dialog box, where the entries are transformed into a command line.

6. Click the **Show phpinfo** button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a separate information window where you can examine the installation details and view the list of loaded extensions and configured options. Please note that the options specified in the **Configuration Options** field of the **CLI Interpreters** dialog box are not listed.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Associating a name pattern with the distributed configuration file type](#)
- [Important notes](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA provides syntax highlighting, formatting, [code completion](#) and [documentation lookup](#) while editing [distributed configuration files](#) .

Distributed configuration files are used to make directory-based changes to the [HTTP Apache Server](#) configuration and usually have the name `.htaccess` .

If you are using a file with the name `.htaccess` , IntelliJ IDEA recognizes it as distributed configuration file and provides full coding assistance for it, so no additional steps are required from your side.

If you want to use a file with another name, you need to associate this full name or the corresponding pattern with the distributed configuration [file type](#) . After that, IntelliJ IDEA will treat any file with the name matching the specified pattern as a distributed configuration file and process it accordingly.

## Associating a name pattern with the distributed configuration file type

### To associate a name pattern with the distributed configuration file type

1. [Open the Settings/Preferences](#) and click File Types .
2. In the [File Types](#) page that opens, select Apache config files from the Recognized File Types list.
3. In the Registered Patterns area, click [+](#) .
4. In the Add wildcard dialog box that opens, specify the pattern that defines the extensions of your distributed configuration files.
5. Click OK . IntelliJ IDEA returns you to the File Types page where the specified pattern is added to the Registered Patterns list.

## Important notes

Please note the following:

- By default, the Registered Patterns list contains one item `htaccess` .
- To discard a pattern, select it in the list and click the Remove button.
- To change a pattern, select it in the list, click the Edit button, and update the pattern as necessary in the Add wildcard dialog box that opens.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

**Include paths** are used for code completion and reference resolution in some functions/methods that use file paths as arguments, for example, `require()` or `include()` .

To configure include paths:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, configure the list of include paths in the Include path area:
  - Use the `+` and `-` buttons to add and remove paths.
  - Use the `↑` and `↓` buttons to change the order of items in the list.
  - Press the `↓a` toggle button to have the paths sorted alphabetically in the ascending order.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Detecting namespace roots automatically](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA comes with a configurable convention which specifies that the project root folder is also the root for the packages and namespaces. In other words: the project root folder is by default marked as **Source** and every directory created under it is considered a separate namespace. This complies with the [PSR-0](#), also known as the **Autoloading Standard**, which prescribes that classes and namespaces in PHP should match the directory and file structure, and vice-versa.

According to [PSR-4](#), any directory can be explicitly assigned a namespace prefix. With this project structure, autoloaders in different PHP frameworks become interoperable.

## Detecting namespace roots automatically

When you open a project that contains at least one file with a namespace, IntelliJ IDEA displays a message with a proposition to set the namespace root.

Accordingly, when no namespace root has been configured yet and you create a class, IntelliJ IDEA proposes to configure the namespace root.

You can also trigger namespace root detection by choosing Code | Detect PSR-0 Namespace Roots on the main menu. The Directories dialog box that opens, shows the folders under the project root folder with the project root folder marked as **Source**, which means that it is the root for all the namespaces in it. Accept the settings by clicking OK or configure the namespace root manually as described below.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [Composer Dependency Manager](#) so you can install PHP-related frameworks right from the IDE.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated interface for [initializing](#) a project and [adding dependencies](#). Note that in this mode, you can use Composer only in the current project.

To run any Composer command in any IntelliJ IDEA project, use the tool in the command-line mode, see [How do I run Composer from the command line in IntelliJ IDEA?](#) below.

Check [Composer Support in PhpStorm](#) for step-by-step guidance and examples.

## Where do I get Composer from?

### Option 1: Download Composer

Download `composer.phar` from the [Composer Official website](#).

### Option 2: Update Composer to the latest version

On the main menu, choose *Tools | Composer | Self-Update*. Learn more from the [Composer Official website](#).

## How do I initialize Composer in a IntelliJ IDEA project?

### 1. Run Init Composer

On the main menu, choose *Tools | Composer | Init Composer*. The [Composer Settings Dialog](#) opens.

### 2. Specify the PHP interpreter to use

Choose one of the configured local PHP interpreters from the list in the Execution area. See [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

### 3. Specify the composer.phar to use

In the Execution area, specify the path to `composer.phar`. If you have not downloaded it yet, click the *Download* link and specify the folder to store `composer.phar` in.

### 4. Complete the generated composer.json

When you click OK, the *Composer Settings* dialog is closed, IntelliJ IDEA creates a stub of the `composer.json` file and opens it in the editor. Complete the code or accept the default values. For more details, see [Composer.json: Project Setup](#).

**Tip** Composer initialization in a project results in creating a `composer.json` file. Note that you can have several `composer.json` files in one IntelliJ IDEA project. For each `composer.json`, actions are invoked from its context menu in the editor or in the Project view.

## How do I set up an external Composer project in IntelliJ IDEA?

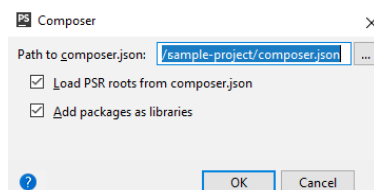
### 1. Open your project

Click *Open* on the Welcome screen or choose *File | Open* on the main menu, then choose the folder where your Composer project is stored. IntelliJ IDEA shows a notification:

```
Event Log
6/6/2017
2:46 PM Composer: Composer configuration file found. Initialize Composer settings? Do not ask again.
```

### 2. Initialize Composer

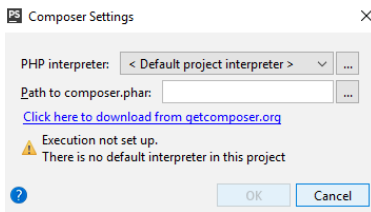
Click *Initialize*. IntelliJ IDEA shows the *Composer* dialog where you need to specify the location of `composer.json`. If IntelliJ IDEA detects a configuration file, the *Path to composer.json* field is already filled in:



### 3. Complete configuration for executing Composer commands

Open the *Composer* page (*File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Composer* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Composer* for macOS).

Alternatively, if you have one `composer.json` in your project, choose *Tools | Composer | Install* on the main menu. IntelliJ IDEA shows the following dialog:



In either case, specify the PHP interpreter and the `composer.phar` to use. See [How do I initialize Composer in a IntelliJ IDEA project?](#) above.

#### 4. Install the dependencies

- If you have only one `composer.json` in your project, choose *Tools | Composer | Install* on the main menu. See also [How do I appoint the default composer.json in a IntelliJ IDEA project?](#) .
- If you have several `composer.json` files, choose *Composer | Install* from the context menu of the relevant one.

## How do I appoint a default composer.json in a IntelliJ IDEA project?

You can have several `composer.json` files in one IntelliJ IDEA project. For each `composer.json` , actions are invoked from its context menu in the editor or in the Project view. You can also appoint the **default composer.json** for your IntelliJ IDEA project. Composer actions for it are invoked from *Tools | Composer* on the main menu.

To appoint a default composer.json

#### 1. Open the Composer page

Choose *File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Composer* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Composer* for macOS.

#### 2. Specify the location of the default composer.json

If you have only one Composer configuration file in your IntelliJ IDEA project, the *Path to composer.json* field is filled in automatically.

#### 3. Configure the open-for-edit status of Composer packages

To protect packages under `vendor/**/*` against editing, leave the *Add packages as libraries* checkbox selected (this is the default setting).

If you want to edit Composer packages under `vendor/**/*` , clear the *Add packages as libraries* checkbox.

#### 4. Enable settings synchronization

Make sure the *Synchronize IDE settings with composer.json* checkbox is selected to automatically detect the PHP language level and configure project Source and Test roots based on the configuration from `composer.json` .

IntelliJ IDEA is aware of PSR-0/PSR-4 source roots and of their namespace prefixes declared in the `autoload` and `autoload-dev` sections in `composer.json` . IntelliJ IDEA also detects the PHP language level based on the `php` setting in the `require` section.

Because `composer.json` contains the most up-to-date information about the project configuration, this automatic synchronization ensures that the Source and Test folder exactly match the project structure and the correct PHP language level is set automatically. Learn more about PSR and autoload from the [Composer official website](#) . For examples and details in synchronizing settings, see [PhpStorm blog](#) .

**Tip** By default, all packages under `vendor/**/*` are excluded from the project and added as write-protected libraries.

## How do I install dependencies?

You can install specific packages one-by-one, IntelliJ IDEA will update your `composer.json` automatically. Alternatively, you can list the packages you need in the `require` and `require-dev` sections and then install them all at once.

Learn more about adding dependencies from the [Composer Official website](#) .

#### Option 1: Install packages one-by-one

##### 1. Open the Manage Composer Dependencies dialog

On the context menu of `composer.json` , choose *Composer | Manage Dependencies* .

##### 2. Choose the package to add

Select the required package from the *Available Packages* list, possibly using the search field. The list shows all the available packages, the packages that are already installed are marked with a tick.

Choose the relevant version from the *Version to install* list.

##### 3. Optionally, customize the package installation

Expand the *Settings* hidden area and specify the advanced installation options. In the *Command line parameters* text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have a dependency added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev`. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md>.

Click *Install* to start installation. To leave the dialog, click *Close*.

When the installation is completed, IntelliJ IDEA creates a new subfolder under *vendor*, stores the new package in this subfolder, and adds the new package to the `require` or `require-dev` section of `composer.json`.

**Tip** To install packages from the default `composer.json`, choose *Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies* on the main menu.

#### Option 2: Install all dependencies at once

On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose *Composer | Install*. IntelliJ IDEA installs all the packages listed in the `require` and `require-dev` sections.

## How do I update dependencies?

You can update specific packages to the latest version one-by-one, IntelliJ IDEA will update your `composer.json` automatically. Alternatively, you can update all the packages listed in the `require` and `require-dev` sections at once.

#### Option 1: Update packages one-by-one

##### 1. Open the Manage Composer Dependencies dialog

On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose *Composer | Manage Dependencies*.

##### 2. Choose the package to update

Select the required package from the *Available Packages* list among the packages marked with a tick and click *Update*.

#### Option 2: Update all dependencies at once

On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose *Composer | Update*. IntelliJ IDEA updates all the packages listed in the `require` and `require-dev` sections.

**Tip** To update packages from the default `composer.json`, choose *Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies* on the main menu.

## How do I uninstall a dependency?

##### 1. Open the Manage Composer Dependencies dialog

On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose *Composer | Manage Dependencies*.

##### 2. Choose the package to uninstall

In the *Available Packages* list, select the package to uninstall among the packages marked with a tick and click *Remove*.

When the uninstallation is completed, IntelliJ IDEA updates the `require` or `require-dev` section of `composer.json` automatically.

**Tip** To remove packages from the default `composer.json`, choose *Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies* on the main menu.

## How do I generate a Composer project stub?

##### 1. Open the New Project dialog

Choose *File | New | Project* or click *Create NewProject* on the Welcome screen.

##### 2. Choose the project type and location

In the left-hand pane, click *PHP* from the list, then choose *Composer Project* in the right-hand pane, and then click *Next*.

On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder where it will be created.

##### 3. Choose composer.phar to use

– To use commands from a previously downloaded `composer.phar`, choose *Use existing composer.phar* and specify its location in the text box.

– To download a new instance of Composer, choose *Download composer.phar from getcomposer.org*. The `composer.phar` file will be saved under the project root folder specified in the *Location* text box.

##### 4. Specify PHP interpreter to use

Choose one of the configured local PHP interpreters from the list, see [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

## 5. Specify the package to install during the project creation

Select the package to add from the *Available Packages* list, possibly using the search field, and choose the relevant version from the *Version to install* list.

## 6. Optionally

In the *Command line parameters* text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have a package added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev`. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md>.

When you click *Finish*, the `create-project` command is invoked with the selected package. This results in creating a Composer project whose configuration and structure depends on the selected package, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md> for details. After that a IntelliJ IDEA project opens.

## How do I run Composer from the command line in IntelliJ IDEA?

In the command-line mode the full range of Composer command is at your disposal. To use Composer in this mode, you need to configure it as an external command-line tool.

**Tip** Make sure the Command Line Tool Support repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

### Step 1: Integrate Composer with IntelliJ IDEA as an external command-line tool

#### 1. Open the Composer dialog

Choose *File | Settings | Tools | Command Line Tool Support for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | Command Line Tool Support for macOS*. On the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page that opens, click **+** and choose *Composer* from the list.

#### 2. Specify how you want to launch Composer

Choose one of the options *composer.phar* or *php script* or *composer executable*. Depending on your choice, specify the paths to PHP installation folder and `composer.phar` or to `composer` executable file.

IntelliJ IDEA parses the contents of the specified `.phar` archive or executable file for Composer commands. When the file analysis is completed, IntelliJ IDEA returns to the *Command Line Tools Support* page where the specified file is added to the list of command line tools available in IntelliJ IDEA.

#### 3. Complete Composer configuration

On the *Command Line Tools Support* page where Composer is added to the list of tools, select the *Enable* checkbox, specify the alias to use in calls, customize the command set if necessary, and choose where to show the input pane for running commands. See [How do I customize a tool?](#) and [Input pane location](#) for details.

**Tip** You can have several instances of Composer configured and switch between them from one project to another by specifying the relevant one during [Composer initialization](#).

**Tip** If you choose *composer executable*, IntelliJ IDEA does not provide coding assistance and you cannot execute scripts because no PHP interpreter is appointed.

### Step 2: Initialize a Composer project

Open the Input pane (*Tools | Run Command*), type `c init` at the command prompt, and answer the questions of the wizard. Learn more from the [Composer Official website](#).

**Tip** If you have specified a custom alias for Composer instead of the default `c`, type `<tool alias> init`.

### Step 3: Run Composer commands

Open the Input pane (*Tools | Run Command*) and type `<alias>` (`c` by default) and press `Ctrl+Space` to invoke completion. The result of command execution is shown in the *Output* tab with the name of the command. Learn more from [How do I run a command?](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

On this page:

- [Basics](#)
- [Enabling documentation comments](#)
- [Generating a PHPDoc block for a method or a function](#)
- [Creating tags in a PHPDoc comment block](#)
- [Inspecting PHPDoc comments](#)
- [Configuring formatting inside PHPDoc comments](#)
- [Viewing PHPDoc comments](#)

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA creates stubs of [PHPDoc blocks](#) on typing the opening tag `/**` and pressing `Enter` or pressing `Alt+Insert` and appointing the method/function to document.

If this feature is [applied to a method or a function](#), `@param`, `@throws`, `@return`, and `@var` tags are created. In any other places IntelliJ IDEA adds an empty documentation stub.

If you need [additional PHP-specific tags](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion that suggests tag names that are relevant in the current context. If a certain tag has multiple values, the same code completion provides a list of available values.

In PHPDoc comments, IntelliJ IDEA supports formatting options in compliance with ZEND, PEAR, and other standards.

PHPDoc comments in your source code are available for the [Quick Documentation Lookup](#) feature and open for review on pressing `Ctrl+Q`.

## Enabling documentation comments

1. Open the Editor | General | Smart Keys page of IntelliJ IDEA settings (`Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the Enter section, select or clear Insert documentation comment stub check box.

3. **Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

For Python, scroll to the Insert type placeholders in the documentation comment stub option and select or clear the check box as required. Refer to [the option description](#) for details.

## Generating a PHPDoc block for a method or a function

1. To invoke PHPDoc block generation, do one of the following:
  - Place the caret before the method or function declaration, type the opening block comment `/**`, and press `Enter`.
  - On the context menu anywhere in the editor, choose Generate, then choose Generate PHPDoc blocks, and choose the method or function to generate comments for.
  - Press `Alt+Insert`, then choose Generate PHPDoc blocks, and choose the method or function to generate comments for.

IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the appointed method or function, where possible extracts the data for method parameters, return values, variables, etc., and on this basis generates a stub of a documentation block.

2. Describe the listed parameters and return values where necessary. IntelliJ IDEA checks and treats syntax in comments according to the [PHP Inspections](#) settings.

## Creating tags in a PHPDoc comment block

IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the appointed method or function, where possible extracts the data for method parameters, return values, variables, etc., and on this basis generates a stub of a documentation block. If necessary, you can fill in the missing information.

1. In a PHPDoc block, select the desired empty line and press `Ctrl+Space`.
2. Select the relevant tag from the suggestion list.
3. If the entered tag has several values, press `Ctrl+Space` and select the desired value from the suggestion list.

## Inspecting PHPDoc comments

IntelliJ IDEA provides a set of predefined code inspections targeted at PHPDoc blocks. These inspections check whether classes, methods, functions, variables, and constants are supplied with a PHPDoc comment and whether the tags in the comment match the documented item.

- To enable or disable an inspection:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Inspections under Editor.
  2. On the [Inspections](#) page that opens, expand the PHPDoc node under the PHP node. The list of predefined inspections is displayed.

3. To enable or disable an inspection, select or clear the checkbox next to it.
- To have IntelliJ IDEA check that PHPDoc comments are provided for all code constructs of a certain type:
1. Select the checkbox next to the **Missing PHPDoc Comment** inspection.
  2. In the Options area, select the checkboxes next to the required code construct type: class, method, function, variable, or constant.
  3. To suppress reporting a **Missing PHPDoc Comment** error if a method or function does not contain any parameters and/or return values, select the Skip if empty .

## Configuring formatting inside PHPDoc comments

You can configure the appearance of PHPDoc comments and the presentation of class names in the Settings dialog box, on the PHPDoc tab of the [Code Style. PHP](#) under the Code Style node. Note that the tag for properties is no longer configurable, the default `@var` tag is inserted automatically. See <https://github.com/phpDocumentor/fig-standards/pull/55> for details.

1. [Open the Settings dialog box](#) , click Code Style , then click PHP , and switch to the PHPDoc tab.
2. Configure the alignment by selecting or clearing the checkboxes in the tab.
3. Specify how you want IntelliJ IDEA to present class names for properties, function parameters, **return** and **throws** values, etc. by selecting or clearing the Use fully-qualified class names checkbox.

## Viewing PHPDoc comments

[Quick Documentation Lookup](#) helps you get quick information for any symbol that is supplied with Documentation comments in the applicable format. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes inline documentation created in accordance with the [PHP Documentation](#) format and shows it in the [Documentation Tool Window](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this part:

- [Configuring a Debugging Engine](#)
- [PHP Debugging Session](#)
- [Multiuser Debugging via Xdebug Proxies](#)




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**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

This section describes how to configure two most popular tools used in PHP debugging:

- [Xdebug](#)
- [Zend Debugger](#)

These tools cannot be used simultaneously because they block each other. To avoid this problem, you need to update the corresponding sections in the `php.ini` file. To open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click  next to the CLI Interpreter field.
3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor .

In this part:

- [Configuring Xdebug](#)
- [Configuring Zend Debugger](#)
- [Validating the Configuration of a Debugging Engine](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Downloading and installing Xdebug](#)
- [Enabling Xdebug integration with the PHP interpreter](#)
- [Configuring Xdebug in IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Configuring Xdebug for using in the On-Demand mode](#)
- [Configuring Xdebug for using in the Just-In-Time mode](#)
  - [Command-line scripts](#)
  - [Web server debugging](#)

## Downloading and installing Xdebug

Download the [Xdebug](#) extension compatible with your version of PHP and save it in the `php/` folder.

- The location of the `php/` folder is defined during the [installation of the PHP engine](#).
- If you are using an [AMP package](#), the Xdebug extension may be already installed. Follow the instructions in the `xdebug.txt`.

See [Xdebug Installation Guide](#) for detailed step-by-step instructions.

## Enabling Xdebug integration with the PHP interpreter

1. Open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click `...` next to the CLI Interpreter field.
3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor.

2. To disable the [Zend Debugger](#) and [Zend Optimizer](#) tools, that blocks Xdebug, remove or comment the following lines in the `php.ini` file:

```
zend_extension=<path_to_zend_debugger>
zend_extension=<path_to_zend_optimizer>
```

3. To enable Xdebug, locate the `[Xdebug]` section in the `php.ini` file and update it as follows:

```
[Xdebug]
zend_extension="<path to php_xdebug.dll>"
xdebug.remote_enable=1
xdebug.remote_port="<the port for Xdebug to listen to>" (the default port is 9000)
xdebug.profiler_enable=1
xdebug.profiler_output_dir="<AMP home\tmp>"
```

4. To enable [multiuser debugging via Xdebug proxies](#), locate the `xdebug.idekey` setting and assign it a value of your choice. This value will be used to register your IDE on Xdebug proxy servers.

5. Save and close the `php.ini` file.

## Configuring Xdebug in IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.

2. Check the [Xdebug](#) installation associated with the selected PHP interpreter:

1. On the PHP page, choose the relevant PHP installation from the CLI Interpreter drop-down list and click the Browse button `...` next to the field. The list shows all the PHP installations available in IntelliJ IDEA, see [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#).
2. The CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens shows the following:
  - The version of the selected PHP installation.
  - The name and version of the debugging engine associated with the selected PHP installation (Xdebug or Zend Debugger). If no debugger is configured, IntelliJ IDEA shows `Debugger: Not installed`.

Alternatively, open the [Xdebug checker](#), paste the output of the `phpinfo()`, and click Analyze my phpinfo() output. Learn more about checking the [Xdebug](#) installation in [Validating the Configuration of a Debugging Engine](#).

3. Define the Xdebug behaviour. Click Debug under the PHP node. On the [Debug](#) page that opens, specify the following settings in the Xdebug area:

- In the Debug Port text box, appoint the port through which the tool will communicate with IntelliJ IDEA. This must be

exactly the same port number as specified in the `php.ini` file:

```
xdebug.remote_port = <port_number>
```

By default, Xdebug listens on port 9000.

- To have IntelliJ IDEA accept any incoming connections from Xdebug engines through the port specified in the Debug port text box, select the Can accept external connections checkbox.
  - Select the Force break at the first line when no path mapping is specified checkbox to have the debugger stop as soon as it reaches and opens a file that is not mapped to any file in the project on the [Servers](#) page. The debugger stops at the first line of this file and [Debug Tool Window. Variables](#) shows the following error message: **Cannot find a local copy of the file on server <path to the file on the server>** and a link [Click to set up mappings](#) . Click the link to open the Resolve Path Mappings Problem dialog box and map the problem file to its local copy.  
When this checkbox cleared, the debugger does not stop upon reaching and opening an unmapped file, the file is just processed, and no error messages are displayed.
  - Select the Force break at the first line when the script is outside the project checkbox to have the debugger stop at the first line as soon as it reaches and opens a file outside the current project. With this checkbox cleared, the debugger continues upon opening a file outside the current project.
4. In the External Connections area, specify how you want IntelliJ IDEA to treat connections received from hosts and through ports that are not registered as [deployment server configurations](#) .
- Ignore external connections through unregistered server configurations: Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA ignore connections received from hosts and through ports that are not registered as deployment server configurations. When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA does not attempt to create a deployment server configuration automatically.
  - Break at first line in PHP scripts: Select this checkbox to have the debugger stop as soon as connection between it and IntelliJ IDEA is established (instead of running automatically until the first breakpoint is reached). Alternatively turn on the *Run | Break at first line in PHP scripts* option on the main menu.
  - Max. simultaneous connections: Use this spin box to limit the number of external connections that can be processed simultaneously.

## Configuring Xdebug for using in the On-Demand mode

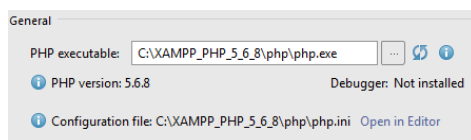
Starting with version 2016.2, IntelliJ IDEA supports the **On-Demand** mode where you can disable Xdebug for your global PHP installation, and have it enabled automatically on demand only when you are debugging your command-line scripts or when you need code coverage reports. This lets your command line scripts (including Composer and unit tests) run much faster.

1. Disable Xdebug for command-line scripts:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. From the PHP executable drop-down list, choose the relevant PHP interpreter and click `...` next to it. In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click the Open in Editor link next to the Configuration file: `<path to php.ini>` file. Close all the dialog boxes and switch to the tab where the `php.ini` file is opened.
3. In the `php.ini` file, find the `[XDebug]` section and comment the following line in it by adding `;` in preposition:

```
;[XDebug]  
  
;zend_extension = "<full_path_to_xdebug>"
```

4. Open the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box and click `🔗` next to the PHP executable field. IntelliJ IDEA informs you that debugger is not installed:



2. To enable IntelliJ IDEA to activate Xdebug when it is necessary, specify the path to it in the Debugger extension text box, in the Additional area. Type the path manually or click `...` and select the location in the dialog box that opens.

## Configuring Xdebug for using in the Just-In-Time mode

IntelliJ IDEA supports the use of Xdebug in the **Just-In-Time (JIT)** mode so it is not attached to your code all the time but connects to IntelliJ IDEA only when an error occurs or an exception is thrown. The Xdebug operation mode is toggled through the `xdebug.remote_mode` setting, which is by default set to `req` . The mode is available both for debugging command-line scripts and for web server debugging.

Depending on whether you are going to debug command-line scripts or use a Web server, use one of the scenarios below.

## Command-line scripts

For debugging command-line scripts, specify the custom `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` directive as an **additional configuration option** :

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. From the PHP executable drop-down list, choose the relevant PHP interpreter and click `⋮` next to it.
3. In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click `⋮` next to the Configuration options text box in the Additional area.
4. In the Configuration options dialog that opens, click `+` to add a new entry, then type `-dxdebug.remote_mode` in the Configuration directive field and `jit` in the Value field.

When you click OK , you return to the CLI Interpreters dialog box where the Configuration options text box shows `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` .

## Web server debugging

1. On the main menu, choose [Run | Web Server Debug Validation](#) .
2. In the [Web Server Debug Validation Dialog](#) that opens, choose the Web server to validate the debugger on.
  - Choose Local Web Server or Shared Folder to check a debugger associated with a local Web server.
    - Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. For Web servers of the type **Inplace** , the folder is under the project root. The folder must be accessible through [http](#) .
    - URL to Validation Script: In this text box, type the URL address of the folder where the validation script will be created. If the project root is mapped to a folder accessible through [http](#) , you can specify the project root or any other folder under it.
  - Choose Remote Web Server to check a debugger associated with a remote server.
    - Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. The folder must be accessible through [http](#) .
    - Deployment Server: In this field, specify the server access configuration of the type [Local Server](#) or [Remote Server](#) to access the target environment. For details see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) . Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click the Browse button `⋮` in the [Deployment dialog](#) .
3. Click Validate to have IntelliJ IDEA create a validation script, deploy it to the target remote environment, and run it there.
4. Open the `php.ini` file which is reported as loaded and associated with Xdebug.
5. In the `php.ini` file, find the `[XDebug]` section and change the value of the `xdebug.remote_mode` from the default `req` to `jit` .

See also [Just-In-Time debugging and PHP Exception Breakpoints with PhpStorm and Xdebug](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Downloading and installing Zend Debugger](#)
- [Enabling Zend Debugger integration with the PHP interpreter](#)
- [Integrating Zend Debugger with IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Configuring Zend Debugger for using in the On-Demand mode](#)

## Downloading and installing Zend Debugger

1. Download the [Zend Debugger package](#) which corresponds to your operating system.
2. Locate the `ZendDebugger.so` (Unix) or `ZendDebugger.dll` (Windows) file in the directory which corresponds to your version of PHP (e.g. 4.3.x, 4.4.x, 5.0.x, 5.1.x, 5.2.x, 5.3.x, 5.4.x).
3. Copy the file to your Web server in a location that is accessible by the Web server.

## Enabling Zend Debugger integration with the PHP interpreter

1. Open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
  2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click `...` next to the CLI Interpreter field.
  3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor .
2. Locate or create the `[Zend]` section.
3. To load the Zend Debugger extension, add one of the following lines inside the `[Zend]` section depending on your operating system:
  - Linux and macOS :

```
zend_extension=<full_path_to_ZendDebugger.so>
```

– Windows :

```
zend_extension_ts=<full_path_to_ZendDebugger.dll>
```

– Windows non-thread safe :

```
zend_extension=<full_path_to_ZendDebugger.dll>
```

**Warning!** The Windows non-thread safe binary file is only used with Zend Core 2.0.

4. To enable access to Zend Debugger from IntelliJ IDEA, add the following lines:

```
zend_extension=<full_path_to_zend_debugger_extension>
zend_debugger.allow_hosts=127.0.0.1
zend_debugger.expose_remotely=allowed_host
zend_debugger.tunnel_min_port=<any integer value above 1024>
zend_debugger.tunnel_max_port=<any integer value below 65535>
```

The value of the `zend_debugger.allow_hosts` parameter is the IPs of your machine to connect to the server debugger. It could be a comma-separated list of IPs in the format `X.X.X.X` (for example, 192.168.0.6).

**Tip** For a thread-safe Windows binary use the `zend_extension_ts` parameter instead of `zend_extension` .

5. Restart your Web server.
6. To check that the Zend Debugger has been installed and configured correctly, create a file with the following contents:

```
<?php
    phpinfo();
?>
```

Open the page that corresponds to the file in the browser. The output should contain a Zend Debugger section.

## Integrating Zend Debugger with IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. Check the **Zend Debugger** installation associated with the selected PHP interpreter:
  1. On the PHP page, choose the relevant PHP installation from the CLI Interpreter drop-down list and click the Browse button  next to the field. The list shows all the PHP installations available in IntelliJ IDEA, see [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) .
  2. The CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens shows the following:
    - The version of the selected PHP installation.
    - The name and version of the debugging engine associated with the selected PHP installation (Xdebug or Zend Debugger). If no debugger is configured, IntelliJ IDEA shows `Debugger: Not installed` .

Learn more about checking the **Zend Debugger** installation in [Validating the Configuration of a Debugging Engine](#) .


3. Define the Zend Debugger behaviour. Click Debug under the PHP node. On the [Debug](#) page that opens, specify the following settings in the Zend Debugger area:
  - In the Debug Port text box, appoint the port for IntelliJ IDEA to communicate with the tool through. Type the port number within the **tunnel** specified in the `php.ini` file through `zend_debugger.tunnel_min_port` and `zend_debugger.tunnel_max_port` . For details, see <http://files.zend.com/help/previous-version/Zend-Server-4-Community-Edition/zenddebugger.html>
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA accept any incoming connections from Zend Debugger engines through the port specified in the Debug port text box, select the Can accept external connections checkbox.
  - To use a debugger toolbar in the browser, specify the port through which the debugger settings are passed to the browser in the Settings broadcasting port text box.
  - Use the Automatically detect IDE IP checkbox to enable and disable autodetection of host IP addresses. When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA detects all the host IP addresses to be sent to Zend Debugger through the `debug_host` parameter. All the detected IP addresses are listed in the text box to the right. Autodetection of IP address is helpful when you use [Vagrant](#) , or [VirtualBox](#) , or other virtualization tool.

Clear the checkbox to block autodetection of host IP addresses and specify the required ones explicitly in the text box.

4. In the External Connections area, specify how you want IntelliJ IDEA to treat connections received from hosts and through ports that are not registered as [deployment server configurations](#) .
  - Ignore external connections through unregistered server configurations: Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA ignore connections received from hosts and through ports that are not registered as deployment server configurations. When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA does not attempt to create a deployment server configuration automatically.
  - Break at first line in PHP scripts: Select this checkbox to have the debugger stop as soon as connection between it and IntelliJ IDEA is established (instead of running automatically until the first breakpoint is reached). Alternatively turn on the *Run | Break at first line in PHP scripts* option on the main menu.
  - Max. simultaneous connections: Use this spin box to limit the number of external connections that can be processed simultaneously.
5. To block requests from the [Z-Ray system](#) if they annoy you by invoking the IntelliJ IDEA debugger too often, select the Ignore Z-Ray system requests checkbox.

## Configuring Zend Debugger for using in the On-Demand mode

Starting with version 2016.2, IntelliJ IDEA supports the **On-Demand** mode where you can disable Zend Debugger for your global PHP installation, and have it enabled automatically on demand only when you are debugging your command-line scripts or when you need code coverage reports. This lets your command line scripts (including Composer and unit tests) run much faster.

1. Disable Zend Debugger for command-line scripts:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
  2. From the PHP executable drop-down list, choose the relevant PHP interpreter and click  next to it. In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click the Open in Editor link next to the Configuration file: <path to php.ini> file. Close all the dialog boxes and switch to the tab where the `php.ini` file is opened.
  3. In the `php.ini` file, find the `[Zend]` section and comment the following lines in it by adding `;` in preposition: Linux and macOS :

```
zend_extension=<full_path_to_ZendDebugger.so>
```


Windows :

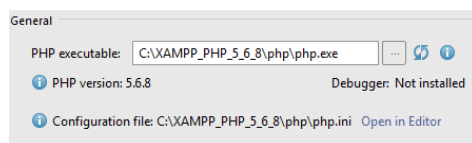
```
zend_extension_ts=<full_path_to_ZendDebugger.dll>
```


Windows non-thread safe :

```
zend_extension=<full_path_to_ZendDebugger.dll>
```

**Warning!** The Windows non-thread safe binary file is only used with Zend Core 2.0.

4. Open the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box and click  next to the PHP executable field. IntelliJ IDEA informs you that debugger is not installed:



2. To enable IntelliJ IDEA to activate Zend Debugger when it is necessary, specify the path to it in the Debugger extension text box, in the Additional area. Type the path manually or click  and select the location in the dialog box that opens.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.


**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA can validate your configuration of **Xdebug** or **Zend Debugger** and tell you if some setting is missing (for example, `xdebug.remote_enable` ) or inconsistent with other settings. When configuring the PHP interpreter for a project, IntelliJ IDEA informs you whether a debugger is installed in your local PHP development environment and reports on the **Xdebug** or **Zend Debugger** version used. For details, see [Configuring a Debugging Engine](#) , [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) , and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) .

You can also get more detailed information about the debugging engine on a local or remote Web server.

1. On the main menu, choose Run | Web Server Debug Validation .

2. In the [Web Server Debug Validation Dialog](#) that opens, choose the Web server to validate the debugger on.

- Choose Local Web Server or Shared Folder to check a debugger associated with a local Web server.
  - Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. For Web servers of the type **Inplace** , the folder is under the project root. The folder must be accessible through **http** .
  - URL to Validation Script: In this text box, type the URL address of the folder where the validation script will be created. If the project root is mapped to a folder accessible through `http` , you can specify the project root or any other folder under it.
- Choose Remote Web Server to check a debugger associated with a remote server.
  - Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. The folder must be accessible through **http** .
  - Deployment Server: In this field, specify the server access configuration of the type **Local Server** or **Remote Server** to access the target environment. For details see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) .  
Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  in the [Deployment dialog](#) .

3. Click Validate to have IntelliJ IDEA create a validation script, deploy it to the target remote environment, and run it there.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

Before you start debugging, make sure that you have a debugging engine installed and configured properly. IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging with two most popular tools: [Xdebug](#) and [Zend Debugger](#). These tools cannot be used simultaneously because they block each other. To avoid this problem, you need to update the corresponding sections in the `php.ini` file as described in [Configuring Xdebug](#) and [Configuring Zend Debugger](#).

To open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click `...` next to the CLI Interpreter field.
3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor.

With IntelliJ IDEA, a PHP debugging session can be initiated either through a debug configuration or without it. The latter approach is also called **Zero-configuration debugging**. IntelliJ IDEA supports three main ways to initiate a PHP debugging session:

- You create a [PHP Web Application debug configuration](#), and then IntelliJ IDEA uses its settings to launch the application, open the browser, and activate the debugging engine.
- You create a [PHP HTTP Request debug configuration](#), IntelliJ IDEA generates a request on its base, and then accesses a specific page through this request.
- **Zero-configuration debugging**, when no debug configuration is created at all. Instead, you open the starting page of your PHP application in the browser manually and then activate the debugging engine from the browser, while IntelliJ IDEA listens to incoming debugger connections.

No matter which method you choose, you can specify the scripts requests to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore during debugging. This approach can be useful, when your application contains scripts that use AJAX. Suppose you have a `menu-ajax-script.php` that "reloads" a part of your web page. This script works properly so you do not need to debug it. However, this script is still requested during the debugging session. To have incoming connections to this script ignored, add the `menu-ajax-script.php` script to the **skipped paths** list. You can also group such scripts into folders and add these folders to the "ignore list".

When using Xdebug, you can also [debug PHP applications in the multiuser mode](#) via Xdebug proxy servers.

In this part:

- [Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration](#)
- [Debugging with a PHP Web Application Debug Configuration](#)
- [Zero-Configuration Debugging](#)
- [Debugging a PHP HTTP Request](#)
- [Debugging in the Just-In-Time Mode](#)
- [Debugging with PHP Exception Breakpoints](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

The term **PHP debug server configuration** denotes the settings that ensure HTTP access for debugging engines to interact with local and remote Web servers and set correspondence between files on the server and their local copies in the IntelliJ IDEA project. The settings from debug server configurations are used when debugging with run/debug configurations of the type **PHP Web Application** or **PHP Remote Debug** and during **Zero-Configuration Debugging** sessions.

You can create a debug server configuration manually from scratch or import some settings from a server access (deployment) configuration (see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) for details).


On this page:

- [Defining a debug server configuration manually](#)
- [Importing settings from a server access \(deployment\) configuration](#)

## Defining a debug server configuration manually

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing `File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS`. Expand the `Languages & Frameworks` node, and then click `Servers` under `PHP`.

Alternatively, click  next to the `Server` drop-down list in the [Run/Debug Configuration: PHP Web Application](#) dialog box.

In either case, the [Servers](#) page opens with the left-hand pane showing all the available debug server configurations. Click  on the toolbar and specify the debug server settings in the right-hand pane.

2. Specify the debug server configuration name.

3. Specify the host where the application is run and the port to access it.

4. From the `Debugger` drop-down list, choose the [debugging engine](#) to use.

5. Specify how IntelliJ IDEA will set up correspondence between files on the server and their local copies. Based on these mappings, IntelliJ IDEA will open local copies of currently processed files.

Path mappings in **PHP Debug Server** configurations look very similar to the path mappings in **server access (deployment)** configurations. Unfortunately, they cannot be reused, as **deployment** configurations uses relative paths while **PHP Debug Servers** configurations rely on absolute paths.

– Select the `Use path mappings` checkbox if you are working on a remote Web server, that is, when the Web server is on a physically remote host, or the Web server is installed on your machine but your project is outside the Web server document root. Also select the checkbox if you are using symlinks.

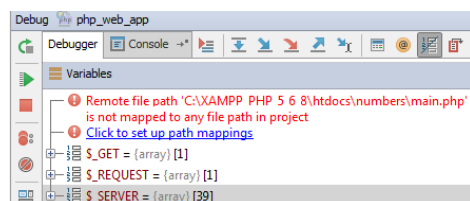
Map the absolute paths to the files and folders on the server with absolute paths to your project files in the local file system using the `Path on server` and `File/Directory` fields respectively.

– `File / Directory`: This read-only field displays the files and folders of the current project. Select a file or a folder to be used as the local copy.

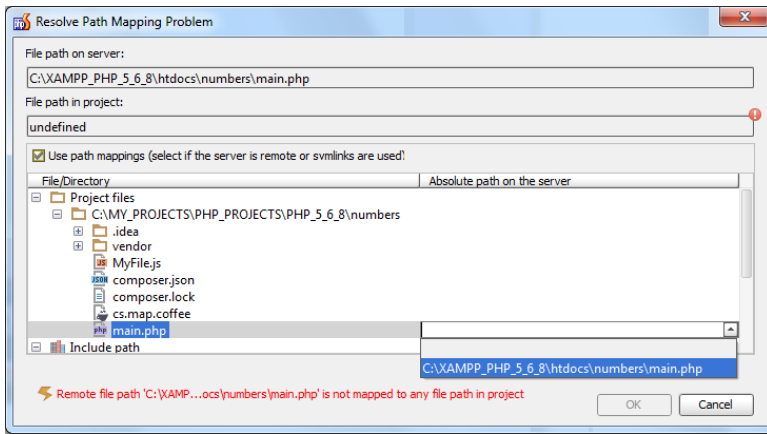
– `Path on server`: In this field, specify the absolute path to the file or folder on the target server to which the selected local file or folder corresponds. Type the path manually or select it from the drop-down list.

– Clear the `Use path mappings` checkbox if you are working right on your Web server so your project root is under the server document root. In this case the absolute paths to the files on the Web server and the absolute paths to the corresponding files in your project are the same.

If you do not specify any path mappings and start debugging an application that is not under the server document root, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message:



The `Click to set up path mappings` link brings up the `Resolve Path Mappings Problem` dialog box, where you can define the path mappings:




When you click OK and leave the dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA selects the Use path mappings checkbox on the [Servers](#) page automatically.


6. Select the Shared checkbox to share the debug server configuration across a team. The host/port settings and the path mappings are stored in the `.idea/php.xml` file is available to all team members through a version control system. Note that mappings are shared only for directories inside the project.

## Importing settings from a server access (deployment) configuration

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Servers under PHP .

Alternatively, click  next to the Server drop-down list in the [Run/Debug Configuration: PHP Web Application](#) dialog box.

In either case, the [Servers](#) page opens with the left-hand pane showing all the available debug server configurations. Click  on the toolbar. The [Import from Deployment Configuration Dialog](#) dialog box opens.

2. From the Deployment drop-down list, choose the server access configuration (deployment configuration) to copy the server access settings from. The list contains all the available deployment configurations. To create a new configuration, click  and specify new settings in the [Deployment: Connection Tab](#) dialog box that opens.
3. Depending on the type of the server access configuration chosen from the Deployment drop-down list, specify one of the following:
  - For an **FTP** , **SFTP** , or **FTPS** server access configuration, specify the absolute path to the server deployment root. This path will be added as a prefix to the path from the Root Path text box on the [Deployment: Connection Tab](#) .  
If you are not sure about this absolute path, you can open the Remote Host tool window, choose the required deployment configuration, position the cursor at the root folder, and choose Copy Path on the context menu, see [Accessing Files on Web Servers](#) for details. Alternatively, contact your hosting provider.
  - For **Local or mounted folder** , type the absolute path to the **server root** as specified in the Folder field of the [Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration](#) dialog box.
  - For **Inplace Server** configurations no mappings are required because the local and remote paths are the same in this case.
4. The Preview area shows the host/port and the path mappings retrieved from the chosen server access configuration (deployment configuration).

When you choose the deployment configuration to use, the Absolute path on the server field shows relative paths mapped to the project files and folders in the chosen configuration, that is, paths to files and folders relative to the deployment root. As you specify the absolute path to the deployment root (the server root for FTP/SFTP/FTPS or the mounted folder), the contents of the field are updated automatically and finally the field shows absolute paths on the server.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Preparing the debugging engine](#)
- [Setting breakpoints](#)
- [Creating a debug configuration of the type PHP Web Application](#)
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## Introduction

In this debugging mode, IntelliJ IDEA fully controls the debugging process: it launches the application, opens the browser, and activates the debugging engine according to a [PHP Web Application debug configuration](#).

A PHP Web Application debug configuration tells IntelliJ IDEA the URL address to access the starting page of the application, the browser to open the starting page in, and the [debug server configuration](#) to use.

You can also specify the scripts requests to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore during debugging. This approach can be useful, when your application contains scripts that use AJAX. Suppose you have a `menu-ajax-script.php` that "reloads" a part of your web page. This script works properly so you do not need to debug it. However, this script is still requested during the debugging session. To have incoming connections to this script ignored, add the `menu-ajax-script.php` script to the [skipped paths](#) list. You can also group such scripts into folders and add these folders to the "ignore list".

## Preparing the debugging engine

Before you start debugging, make sure that you have a debugging engine installed and configured properly. IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging with two most popular tools: [Xdebug](#) and [Zend Debugger](#). These tools cannot be used simultaneously because they block each other. To avoid this problem, you need to update the corresponding sections in the `php.ini` file as described in [Configuring Xdebug](#) and [Configuring Zend Debugger](#).

To open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click `...` next to the CLI Interpreter field.
3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor.

## Setting breakpoints

Breakpoints are source code markers used to trigger actions during a debugging session. Typically, the purpose behind setting a breakpoint is to suspend program execution to allow you to examine program data. However, IntelliJ IDEA can use breakpoints as triggers for a variety of different actions. Breakpoints can be set at any time during the debugging process. Your breakpoints don't affect your source files directly, but the breakpoints and their settings are saved with your IntelliJ IDEA project so you can reuse them across debugging sessions.

1. Place the caret on the desired line of the source code.

Breakpoints can be set in the PHP context inside `*.php`, `*.html`, and files of other types. Line breakpoints can be set only on executable lines, but not on comments, declarations, or empty lines.

2. Do one of the following:

- Click the left gutter area at a line where you want to toggle a breakpoint.
- On the main menu, choose *Run | Toggle Line Breakpoint*.
- Press `Ctrl+F8`.

## Creating a debug configuration of the type PHP Web Application

1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations.
- Press `Shift+Alt+F10`, then press `0` to display the Edit Configuration dialog box or select the configuration from the pop-up window and press `F4`.

2. Click `+` on the toolbar or press `Insert`. From the drop-down list, select the PHP Web Application configuration type.

The [PHP Web Application](#) dialog box opens.






3. Specify the configuration name.

4. Choose the applicable debug server configuration from the Server drop-down list or click the Browse button `...` and define a debug server configuration in the [Servers](#) dialog box that opens as described in [Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration](#).

5. In the Start URL text box, type the server path to the file that implements the application starting page. Specify the path relative to the server configuration root (The [server configuration root](#) is the highest folder in the file tree on the local or remote server accessible through the server configuration. For in-place servers, it is the project root.). The read-only field below shows the URL address of the application starting page. The URL address is composed dynamically as you type.







- Specify the browser to open the application in. Choose a configured browser from the Browser drop-down list or click the Browse button  and [specify another browser](#) in the [Web Browsers](#) dialog box that opens.

## Initiating a debugging session and examining the suspended program

- To start debugging, click the Debug button  on the toolbar.
- As soon as the debugger suspends on reaching the first breakpoint, examine the application by analyzing **frames**. A **frame** corresponds to an active method or function call and stores the local variables of the called method or function, the arguments to it, and the code context that enables expression evaluation. All currently active frames are displayed on the Frames pane of the [Debug tool window](#), where you can switch between them and analyze the information stored therein in the Variables and Watches panes. For more details, see the section [Examining Suspended Program](#).
- Continue running the program and examine its frames as soon as it is suspended again.
  - To control the program execution manually, step through the code using the commands under the *Run* menu or toolbar buttons: *Step Into* () , *Step Out* () , *Step Over* () , and others. For more details, see [Stepping Through the Program](#).
  - To have the program run automatically up to the next breakpoint, resume the session by choosing *Run | Resume Program* or pressing () .

## Specifying scripts to skip requests to

This approach can be useful, when your application contains scripts that use AJAX. Suppose you have a `menu-ajax-script.php` that "reloads" a part of your web page. This script works properly so you do not need to debug it. However, this script is still requested during the debugging session. To have incoming connections to this script ignored, add the `menu-ajax-script.php` script to the **skipped paths** list. You can also group such scripts into folders and add these folders to the "ignore list".

- Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing () or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the PHP node under Languages & Frameworks, and then click Skipped Paths under Debug.
- On the [Skipped Paths](#) page that opens, configure an "ignore list" of scripts and folders with scripts not to be invoked if IntelliJ IDEA receives incoming connections to them.
  - To add a new entry to the list, click the Add button  or press () . Then click the Browse button  and in the dialog box that opens choose the file or folder to skip connections to.
  - To remove an entry from the list, select it and click the Remove button  or press () . The script will be now executed upon receiving requests to it.
- To have IntelliJ IDEA inform you every time it receives a request to a script to be skipped, select the Notify about skipped paths checkbox.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

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## Overview

In case of **zero-configuration debugging**, you do not need to create any debug configuration. Instead, you open the starting page of your PHP application in the browser manually, and then activate the debugging engine from the browser, while IntelliJ IDEA listens to incoming debugger connections.

To enable starting and stopping the debugging engine from the browser manually, you need to set a special `GET / POST` or `COOKIE` parameter. You can do it manually in the `php.ini` configuration file or generate the **Start Debugger / Stop Debugger** bookmarks on the toolbar of your browser. These bookmarks provide control over the debugger cookie, through them you will activate and deactivate the debugger.


For more details about setting the parameters manually, see [Starting the Debugger](#) for Xdebug and [Zend Debugger GET Request Parameters](#) for Zend Debugger.

You can also specify the scripts requests to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore during debugging. This approach can be useful, when your application contains scripts that use AJAX. Suppose you have a `menu-ajax-script.php` that "reloads" a part of your web page. This script works properly so you do not need to debug it. However, this script is still requested during the debugging session. To have incoming connections to this script ignored, add the `menu-ajax-script.php` script to the **skipped paths** list. You can also group such scripts into folders and add these folders to the "ignore list".

## Preparing the debugging engine

Before you start debugging, make sure that you have a debugging engine installed and configured properly. IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging with two most popular tools: [Xdebug](#) and [Zend Debugger](#). These tools cannot be used simultaneously because they block each other. To avoid this problem, you need to update the corresponding sections in the `php.ini` file as described in [Configuring Xdebug](#) and [Configuring Zend Debugger](#).

To open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click  next to the CLI Interpreter field.
3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor.

## Setting the breakpoints

Breakpoints are source code markers used to trigger actions during a debugging session. Typically, the purpose behind setting a breakpoint is to suspend program execution to allow you to examine program data. However, IntelliJ IDEA can use breakpoints as triggers for a variety of different actions. Breakpoints can be set at any time during the debugging process. Your breakpoints don't affect your source files directly, but the breakpoints and their settings are saved with your IntelliJ IDEA project so you can reuse them across debugging sessions.

1. Place the caret on the desired line of the source code.
  - Breakpoints can be set in the PHP context inside `*.php`, `*.html`, and files of other types. Line breakpoints can be set only on executable lines, but not on comments, declarations, or empty lines.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Click the left gutter area at a line where you want to toggle a breakpoint.
  - On the main menu, choose [Run | Toggle Line Breakpoint](#).
  - Press `Ctrl+F8`.

## Generating the Start Debugger/Stop Debugger bookmarklets

These bookmarklets will appear on the toolbar of your browser. They provide control over the debugger cookie, through them you will activate and deactivate the debugger.

1. Enable the **Bookmarks toolbar** in your browser by doing one of the following depending on the browser type:
  - In **Firefox**, choose *View | Toolbar | Bookmarks Toolbar*.
  - In **Chrome**, choose *Bookmarks | Showbookmarks bar*.
2. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing *File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS*. Expand the **Languages & Frameworks** node, and then click **Debug** under **PHP**.
3. On the **Debug** page, that opens, click the **Use debugger bookmarklets** to initiate debugger from your favorite browser link.
4. On the **Zend Debugger & Xdebug bookmarklets** page that opens, check the debugging engine settings and click **Generate**. The bookmarks for listed debugging-related actions are generated.
5. Drag the generated links to the bookmark toolbar in your browser.

## Initiating a debugging session and examining the suspended program

1. Generate the bookmarklets to toggle the debugger through. These bookmarklets will appear on the toolbar of your browser. They provide control over the debugger cookie, through them you will activate and deactivate the debugger.
  1. Enable the **Bookmarks toolbar** in your browser by doing one of the following depending on the browser type:
    - In **Firefox**, choose *View | Toolbar | Bookmarks Toolbar*.
    - In **Chrome**, choose *Bookmarks | Showbookmarks bar*.
  2. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing *File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS*. Expand the **Languages & Frameworks** node, and then click **Debug** under **PHP**.
  3. On the **Debug** page, that opens, click the **Use debugger bookmarklets** to initiate debugger from your favorite browser link.
  4. On the **Zend Debugger & Xdebug bookmarklets** page that opens, check the debugging engine settings and click **Generate**. The bookmarks for listed debugging-related actions are generated.
  5. Drag the generated links to the bookmark toolbar in your browser.
2. **Set the breakpoints** where necessary.
3. Toggle the **Start Listen PHP Debug Connections** button  so it changes to . After that IntelliJ IDEA starts listening to the port of the debugging engine used in the current project. Ports for debuggers are set at the IntelliJ IDEA level in the **Debug** dialog box (*File | Settings | PHP | Debug*).
4. Open the starting page of your application in the browser, choose the **Start debugger** bookmark to activate the debugging engine from the browser, re-load the current page (the starting page of the application), and then return to IntelliJ IDEA.
5. As soon as the debugger suspends on reaching the first breakpoint, examine the application by analyzing **frames**. A **frame** corresponds to an active method or function call and stores the local variables of the called method or function, the arguments to it, and the code context that enables expression evaluation. All currently active frames are displayed on the **Frames** pane of the **Debug tool window**, where you can switch between them and analyze the information stored therein in the **Variables** and **Watches** panes. For more details, see the section **Examining Suspended Program**.
6. Continue running the program and examine its frames as soon as it is suspended again.
  - To control the program execution manually, step through the code using the commands under the **Run** menu or toolbar buttons: **Step Into** (`F7`), **Step Out** (`Shift+F8`), **Step Over** (`F8`), and others. For more details, see **Stepping Through the Program**.
  - To have the program run automatically up to the next breakpoint, resume the session by choosing **Run | Resume Program** or pressing `F9`.

## Troubleshooting

During a debugging session you may encounter one of the following problems:

### No Path Mappings are Configured

In some cases you may get one of the following error messages: **Remote file path path/to/script/on/the/server.php is not mapped to any file path in project** or **The script path/to/script/on/the/server.php is outside the project**. This means that IntelliJ IDEA is not sure which local file corresponds to the specified remote file path because you have not specified the path mappings in the **Debug server configuration**.

Even if path mappings in a **Debug Server** configuration look very similar to path mappings in a **Deployment** configuration, they cannot be reused, because **Deployment** configurations require paths to be relative, and **Debug Server** configurations rely on absolute paths.


Click the link and configure path mappings in the dialog box that opens, as described in **Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration**.

### No Debug Server is Configured

If you initiate a debugging session without having configured a **Debug server**, upon establishing connection IntelliJ IDEA displays the **Incoming Connection Dialog** where suggests importing mappings from a **server access configuration** (**deployment configuration**). If you choose **Import mappings from deployment**, IntelliJ IDEA tries to detect the most suitable deployment configuration, preselects it in the **Deployment** drop-down list, and the **Preview** area shows the absolute path to

the project file which corresponds to the currently executed script according to the mappings from the selected configuration.

If IntelliJ IDEA does not detect a relevant configuration:

1. Choose the most suitable configuration from the drop-down list or click  and create a new configuration in the **Deployment** dialog box that opens, whereupon the new configuration is added to the list.
2. In the Deployment root text box, type the absolute path to the server root folder.

You can also select the Manually choose local file or project option, in this case IntelliJ IDEA displays the project tree view where you can select a project file and map the currently executed script to it. You can also select and map the entire project.

To continue debugging with the imported or manually specified configuration settings, click **Accept**.




## A Script Is not Suspended

Establishing a **Zero-Configuration** debugging session may fail, with no breakpoints hit and therefore the script not suspended. This may happen if the path mappings are not configured or configured erroneously, or if you have not set any breakpoints. In the latter case, enabling selecting the **Break at First Line in PHP Scripts** checkbox in the **External Connections** area or turning the **Run | Break at First Line in PHP Scripts** option on the main menu may also help.

To have IntelliJ IDEA display a notification if the script is not suspended, select the **Notify if debug session was finished without being stopped** checkbox in the **Advanced Settings** area on the **Debug** page of the **Settings** dialog box.

## Specifying the scripts to skip requests to

This approach can be useful, when your application contains scripts that use AJAX. Suppose you have a `menu-ajax-script.php` that "reloads" a part of your web page. This script works properly so you do not need to debug it. However, this script is still requested during the debugging session. To have incoming connections to this script ignored, add the `menu-ajax-script.php` script to the **skipped paths** list. You can also group such scripts into folders and add these folders to the "ignore list".

1. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing **Ctrl+Alt+S** or by choosing **File | Settings for Windows and Linux** or **IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS**. Expand the **PHP** node under **Languages & Frameworks**, and then click **Skipped Paths** under **Debug**.
2. On the **Skipped Paths** page that opens, configure an "ignore list" of scripts and folders with scripts not to be invoked if IntelliJ IDEA receives incoming connections to them.
  - To add a new entry to the list, click the **Add** button  or press **Alt+Insert**. Then click the **Browse** button  and in the dialog box that opens choose the file or folder to skip connections to.
  - To remove an entry from the list, select it and click the **Remove** button  or press **Alt+Delete**. The script will be now executed upon receiving requests to it.
3. To have IntelliJ IDEA inform you every time it receives a request to a script to be skipped, select the **Notify about skipped paths** checkbox.

## Starting a debugging session from the command line

You can start debugging a PHP CLI script from the command line, having IntelliJ IDEA listen for incoming debugger connections.

1. **Set the breakpoints** where necessary.
2. On the toolbar, toggle the **Start Listening for PHP Debug Connections** button or choose **Run | Start Listening for PHP Debug Connections** on the main menu.
3. Start the script with debugger options depending on the debugging engine you are using - Xdebug or Zend Debugger.

## Starting a Script with Xdebug

Xdebug has various [configuration options](#) which can be used to let the PHP interpreter reach out to IntelliJ IDEA. These parameters have to be passed to the PHP interpreter using the `-d` command line switch. A more convenient is to set an environment variable you do not need to provide the `-d` switches all the time.

Do one of the following:

- Launch PHP with several switches:

```
php -dxdebug.remote_enable=1 -dxdebug.remote_mode=req -dxdebug.remote_port=9000 -dxdebug.remote_host=1
```

- Set an environment variable that configures Xdebug:

- `set XDEBUG_CONFIG="remote_enable=1 remote_mode=req remote_port=9000 remote_host=127.0.0.1 remote_connect_back=0"` for Windows
- `export XDEBUG_CONFIG="remote_enable=1 remote_mode=req remote_port=9000 remote_host=127.0.0.1 remote_connect_back=0"` for Linux and macOS

## Starting a script with Zend Debugger

Zend Debugger has various [configuration options](#) which can be used to let the PHP interpreter reach out to IntelliJ IDEA. These parameters have to be passed to the PHP interpreter using an environment variable:



- `set QUERY_STRING="start_debug=1&debug_host=127.0.0.1&no_remote=1&debug_port=10137&debug_stop=1"` for Windows
- `export QUERY_STRING="start_debug=1&debug_host=127.0.0.1&no_remote=1&debug_port=10137&debug_stop=1"` for Linux and macOS

## Configuring path mappings

To tell IntelliJ IDEA which path mapping configuration should be used for a connection from a certain machine, set the value of the `PHP_IDE_CONFIG` environment variable to `serverName=SomeName`, where `SomeName` is the name of the **debug server configuration** defined on the [Servers](#) page, see [Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration](#). Depending on the operating system you are using, set the value in one of the following formats:

- `set PHP_IDE_CONFIG="serverName=SomeName"` for Windows
- `export PHP_IDE_CONFIG="serverName=SomeName"` for Linux and macOS

## Troubleshooting

- The **debug server configuration** is not specified through the `PHP_IDE_CONFIG` environment variable. In this case, IntelliJ IDEA detects the host and port from `$_SERVER['SSH_CONNECTION']` and suggests to create a new **debug server configuration** if it doesn't exist. This works for all connections through **ssh** even without a tunnel.
- The **debug server configuration** is not specified through the `PHP_IDE_CONFIG` environment variable and `$_SERVER['SSH_CONNECTION']` is not defined. In this case, a warning is displayed with a link to the instruction in specifying the **debug server configuration** through the `PHP_IDE_CONFIG` environment variable.
- The **debug server configuration** is specified through the `PHP_IDE_CONFIG` environment variable but a wrong format is used, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message with the instructions.
- The `PHP_IDE_CONFIG` environment variable is configured properly, but the specified **debug server configuration** doesn't exist, IntelliJ IDEA displays a warning with a link to the [Servers](#) page.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

Besides debugging the entire application, you can debug separate [HTTP Requests](#). This is helpful when you are actually interested in a specific page that is accessed in a number of steps, but for this or that reason you cannot specify this page as the start page for debugging, for example, because you need to "come" to this page with certain data.

Debugging PHP HTTP requests in IntelliJ IDEA is supported through the [PHP HTTP Request](#) run configuration. Based on the configuration settings, IntelliJ IDEA composes the request to run.

On this page:

- [Preparing the debugging engine](#)
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- [Creating a debug configuration of the type PHP HTTP Request](#)
- [Initiating a debugging session and examining the suspended program](#)

## Preparing the debugging engine

Before you start debugging, make sure that you have a debugging engine installed and configured properly. IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging with two most popular tools: [Xdebug](#) and [Zend Debugger](#). These tools cannot be used simultaneously because they block each other. To avoid this problem, you need to update the corresponding sections in the `php.ini` file as described in [Configuring Xdebug](#) and [Configuring Zend Debugger](#).

To open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click `⋮` next to the CLI Interpreter field.
3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor.

## Setting the breakpoints

Breakpoints are source code markers used to trigger actions during a debugging session. Typically, the purpose behind setting a breakpoint is to suspend program execution to allow you to examine program data. However, IntelliJ IDEA can use breakpoints as triggers for a variety of different actions. Breakpoints can be set at any time during the debugging process. Your breakpoints don't affect your source files directly, but the breakpoints and their settings are saved with your IntelliJ IDEA project so you can reuse them across debugging sessions.

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2. Do one of the following:
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  - On the main menu, choose *Run | Toggle Line Breakpoint*.
  - Press `Ctrl+F8`.


## Creating a debug configuration of the type PHP HTTP Request

IntelliJ IDEA agglutinates the settings specified in this configuration into a PHP HTTP request.






1. Open the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose *Run | Edit Configurations*.
  - Press `Shift+Alt+F10`, then press `0` to display the Edit Configuration dialog box or select the configuration from the pop-up window and press `F4`.
2. Click `+` on the toolbar or press `Insert`. From the drop-down list, select the PHP HTTP Request configuration type. The [PHP HTTP Request](#) dialog box opens.
3. Specify the configuration name.
4. In the Server drop-down list, specify the debug server configuration to interact with the Web server where the application is executed. Select one of the existing configurations or click the Browse button `⋮` and define a debug server configuration in the [Servers](#) dialog box that opens as described in [Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration](#).
5. In the URL text box, complete the `host` element of the request to debug. Type the path relative to the host specified in the debug server configuration. As you type, IntelliJ IDEA composes the URL address on-the-fly and displays it below the text box.
6. Specify whether you want to bring any data to the target page. From the Request method drop-down list, choose the relevant request type:
  - To access the page without bringing any data, choose GET.
  - To access the page with some data saved in variables, choose POST and type the relevant variables in the Request body text box.  
By default, the [Project Encoding](#) is used in requests encoding if it is not specified explicitly, for example:

```
header('Content-type: text/html;charset=utf-8');
```

The **Project Encoding** is specified on the [File Encodings](#) page, under the **Editor** node of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) .

7. In the Query text box, type the query string of the request. This string will be appended to the request after the  symbol.
8. Click OK , when ready.

## Initiating a debugging session and examining the suspended program

1. To start debugging, click the Debug button  on the toolbar.
2. As soon as the debugger suspends on reaching the first breakpoint, examine the application by analyzing **frames** . A **frame** corresponds to an active method or function call and stores the local variables of the called method or function, the arguments to it, and the code context that enables expression evaluation. All currently active frames are displayed on the Frames pane of the [Debug tool window](#) . where you can switch between them and analyze the information stored therein in the Variables and Watches panes. For more details, see the section [Examining Suspended Program](#) .
3. Continue running the program and examine its frames as soon as it is suspended again.
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  - To have the program run automatically up to the next breakpoint, resume the session by choosing *Run | Resume Program* or pressing 

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IntelliJ IDEA supports the use of Xdebug in the **Just-In-Time (JIT)** mode so it is not attached to your code all the time but connects to IntelliJ IDEA only when an error occurs or an exception is thrown. The Xdebug operation mode is toggled through the `xdebug.remote_mode` setting, which is by default set to `req`. The mode is available both for debugging command-line scripts and for web server debugging.

In this section:




- [Configuring Xdebug for using in the Just-In-Time mode](#)
- [Command-line scripts](#)
- [Web server debugging](#)
- [Debugging session](#)

## Configuring Xdebug for using in the Just-In-Time mode

Depending on whether you are going to debug command-line scripts or use a Web server, use one of the scenarios below.


### Command-line scripts

For debugging command-line scripts, specify the custom `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit` directive as an **additional configuration option**:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. From the PHP executable drop-down list, choose the relevant PHP interpreter and click  next to it.
3. In the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box that opens, click  next to the Configuration options text box in the Additional area.
4. In the Configuration options dialog that opens, click  to add a new entry, then type `-dxdebug.remote_mode` in the Configuration directive field and `jit` in the Value field.

When you click OK, you return to the CLI Interpreters dialog box where the Configuration options text box shows `-dxdebug.remote_mode=jit`.

### Web server debugging

1. On the main menu, choose *Run | Web Server Debug Validation*.
2. In the [Web Server Debug Validation Dialog](#) that opens, choose the Web server to validate the debugger on.
  - Choose Local Web Server or Shared Folder to check a debugger associated with a local Web server.
    - Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. For Web servers of the type **Inplace**, the folder is under the project root. The folder must be accessible through `http`.
    - URL to Validation Script: In this text box, type the URL address of the folder where the validation script will be created. If the project root is mapped to a folder accessible through `http`, you can specify the project root or any other folder under it.
  - Choose Remote Web Server to check a debugger associated with a remote server.
    - Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. The folder must be accessible through `http`.
    - Deployment Server: In this field, specify the server access configuration of the type [Local Server](#) or [Remote Server](#) to access the target environment. For details see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#). Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  in the [Deployment dialog](#).
3. Click Validate to have IntelliJ IDEA create a validation script, deploy it to the target remote environment, and run it there.
4. Open the `php.ini` file which is reported as loaded and associated with Xdebug.
5. In the `php.ini` file, find the `[XDebug]` section and change the value of the `xdebug.remote_mode` from the default `req` to `jit`.

### Debugging session

Set the breakpoints and launch a debugging session, as described in [Initiating a Debugging Session](#) or [Debugging with a PHP Web Application Debug Configuration](#).

Xdebug connects to IntelliJ IDEA in the following two cases:

- When an error occurs. In this case, Xdebug stops on the line right after the error condition. The reason for that is that IntelliJ IDEA first has to run the erroneous code before it knows something is wrong.
- When an exception is thrown. If the exception is handled, Xdebug breaks at the first line of the `catch` block if there is one, or at the `finally` block.

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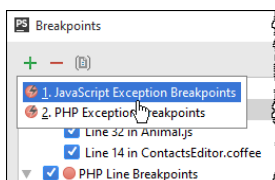
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In this section:

- [Configuring PHP Exception breakpoints](#)
- [Examining the suspended program](#)

## Configuring PHP Exception breakpoints

1. On the main menu, choose Run | View Breakpoints , or press `Ctrl+Shift+F8` .
2. In the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box that opens, click `+` .
3. From the drop-down list, choose PHP Exception Breakpoint .



4. In the Add Exception Breakpoint dialog box that opens, specify the errors or exceptions on which you want the debugger to suspend.
  - To break on PHP error conditions, choose one of the standard types from the drop-down list, the available options are **Warning** , **Notice** , or **Deprecated** .
  - Alternatively, specify a **custom Exception type** . Note that `E_ERROR` , `E_PARSE` , and `E_COMPILE_ERROR` are not handled as they halt execution of the PHP engine.

Click OK when ready.

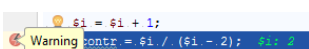
IntelliJ IDEA returns you to the Breakpoints dialog box.

5. Configure the new exception breakpoint as described in [Configuring Breakpoints](#) .

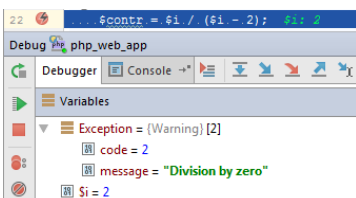
## Examining the suspended program

When the debugger breaks on an error or an exception, IntelliJ IDEA sets a **PHP Exception Breakpoint** .

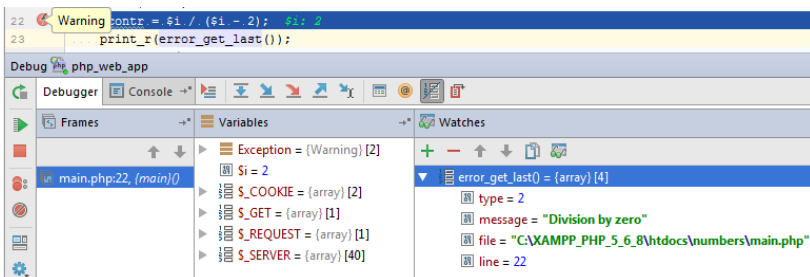
- To see the breakpoint type, hover the mouse pointer over the breakpoint. The type is displayed in a pop-up window:



- The Variables pane displays a fake **Exception** variable which shows the exception message and the exception code:



- To get more information on PHP errors, add a **watch** for the `error_get_last()` function, see [Adding, Editing and Removing Watches](#) . Then the details of errors will be displayed in the Watches pane:




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When using Xdebug, you can debug PHP applications in the multiuser mode via [Xdebug proxy](#) servers.

## To enable multiuser debugging via an Xdebug proxy server

1. Open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
  2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click  next to the CLI Interpreter field.
  3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor .
2. Locate the `xdebug.idekey` setting and assign it a value of your choice.
3. Configure access to the required Xdebug proxy server from your IDE:
  - To register your IDE to the server choose Tools | Xdebug Proxy | Register IDE on the main menu. In the [Xdebug Proxy](#) dialog box, that opens, specify the `xdebug.idekey` , the host on which the Xdebug proxy server resides, and the port which IntelliJ IDEA will listen to during a proxy debugging session. When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA connects to the specified proxy server and sends the specified credentials. The server registers the credentials and sends a confirmation.
  - To update the credentials, choose Tools | Xdebug Proxy | Configuration on the main menu. In the [Xdebug Proxy](#) dialog box, that opens, edit the IDE key, the host, and the port settings.
  - To discard the current credentials, choose Tools | Xdebug Proxy | Cancel IDE Registration on the main menu.

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Besides pure debugging, you can also profile the performance of your applications. IntelliJ IDEA provides visual representation of the profiling data collected by the debugging engine you are currently using.

In this section:

- [Profiling with Xdebug](#)
  - [Enabling Profiling with Xdebug](#)
  - [Analyzing Xdebug Profiling Data](#)
- [Profiling with Zend Debugger](#)
  - [Enabling Profiling with Zend Debugger](#)
  - [Analyzing Zend Debugger Profiling Data](#)

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Besides [interactive debugging](#), IntelliJ IDEA integration with [Xdebug](#) also supports profiling. IntelliJ IDEA provides visual representation of profiling data generated by Xdebug. You can select several snapshots at a time and collect the aggregated profiling information.

Before profiling with Xdebug, download, install and configure the components of the [PHP development environment](#). Normally, these are a PHP engine, a web server, and the Xdebug tool.

In this part:

- [Enabling Profiling with Xdebug](#)
- [Analyzing Xdebug Profiling Data](#)



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

Xdebug profiler is incorporated in the Xdebug tool. Therefore you first need to download, install, and enable Xdebug itself and after that enable the profiling functionality within it.

To enable profiling with Xdebug, perform these general steps:

- [Configuring Xdebug](#)
- [Enabling the Xdebug profiler](#)
- [Configuring the way to toggle the profiler from the browser](#)
- [Specifying the location for storing accumulated profiling data](#)

## Configuring Xdebug

1. [Download and install](#) the Xdebug tool.
2. [Integrate Xdebug with the PHP engine](#) .
3. [Integrate Xdebug with IntelliJ IDEA](#) .

## Enabling the Xdebug profiler

1. Open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
  2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click `⋮` next to the CLI Interpreter field.
  3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor .
2. Set the [xdebug.profiler\\_enable](#) directive to 1:

```
xdebug.profiler_enable = 1;
```

3. To enable toggling the profiler from the browser through control over debugger cookies, set the [xdebug.profiler\\_enable\\_trigger](#) directive to 1:

```
xdebug.profiler_enable_trigger = 1;
```

## Configuring the way to toggle the profiler from the browser

To specify the GET/POST or COOKIE parameters, do one of the following:

- [Specify the values manually](#) .
- Generate the bookmarklets to toggle the debugger through. These bookmarklets will appear on the toolbar of your browser. They provide control over the debugger cookie, through them you will activate and deactivate the debugger.
  1. Enable the **Bookmarks toolbar** in your browser by doing one of the following depending on the browser type:
    - In **Firefox** , choose *View | Toolbar | Bookmarks Toolbar* .
    - In **Chrome** , choose *Bookmarks | Showbookmarks bar* .
  2. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Debug under PHP .
  3. On the [Debug](#) page, that opens, click the Use debugger bookmarklets to initiate debugger from your favorite browser link.
  4. On the [Zend Debugger & Xdebug bookmarklets](#) page that opens, check the debugging engine settings and click Generate . The bookmarks for listed debugging-related actions are generated.
  5. Drag the generated links to the bookmark toolbar in your browser.

## Specifying the location for storing accumulated profiling data

1. Open the active `php.ini` file in the editor:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
  2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, click `⋮` next to the CLI Interpreter field.
  3. In the CLI Interpreters dialog box that opens, the Configuration File read-only field shows the path to the active `php.ini` file. Click Open in Editor .
2. Define location for accumulating profiling snapshots by specifying the [xdebug.profiler\\_output\\_dir](#) directive.

```
xdebug.profiler_output_dir = "<output folder name>"
```

3. Specify the name of the file to store snapshots in through the value of the `xdebug.profiler_output_name` directive. The default name is `cachegrind.out.%p`, where `%p` is the name format specifier. Accept the default name or define a custom one in compliance with the following standard:

1. The name should always be `cachegrind.out`.
2. Use the [supported format specifiers](#).

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When integration with [Xdebug profiler is enabled](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides visual representation of profiler snapshots. IntelliJ IDEA opens a separate editor tab with four views where the data are presented based on different criteria.

To have the profiling data collected and analyze it, perform these general steps:

- [Initiating an Xdebug debugging session](#)
- [Retrieving the data accumulated by the profiler](#)
- [Examining the profiling data](#)

## Initiating an Xdebug debugging session

To start an Xdebug session, do one of the following:

- To start debugging an entire application, create debug configuration of the type [PHP Web Application](#), and launch debugging by clicking the Debug toolbar button .  
See [Debugging with a PHP Web Application Debug Configuration](#) for details.
- To debug a specific PHP HTTP request, define a debug configuration of the type [PHP HTTP Request](#), and launch debugging by clicking the Debug toolbar button .  
See [Debugging a PHP HTTP Request](#) for details.
- To initiate a zero-configuration debugging session:
  1. Toggle the Start Listen PHP Debug Connections button  so it changes to . After that IntelliJ IDEA starts listening to the port of the debugging engine used in the current project. Ports for debuggers are set at the IntelliJ IDEA level in the [Debug](#) dialog box ( *File* | *Settings* | *PHP* | *Debug* ).
  2. Open the starting page of your application in the browser, choose the Start debugger bookmark to activate the debugging engine from the browser, re-load the current page (the starting page of the application), and then return to IntelliJ IDEA.

## Retrieving the data accumulated by the profiler

1. On the main menu, choose *Tools* | *Analyze Xdebug Profiler Snapshot*.
  2. In the *Select Xdebug profiler snapshot* dialog box, that opens, choose the [folder and the file where the profiling data is stored](#).
- IntelliJ IDEA presents the collected profiling data in a separate editor tab with the name of the selected profiler output file.

## Examining the profiling data

When you request on the accumulated profiling data, IntelliJ IDEA opens its visualized presentation in a separate editor tab. The tab is named after the selected [profiler output file](#) and consists of several views. Switch between the views to analyze the profiling data based on various criteria of analysis.

- In the *Execution Statistics* view, examine the summary information about execution metrics of every called function.
- In the *Call Tree* view, explore the execution paths of all called functions.
- To explore the execution paths of a specific function, select the function in question in the *Call Tree* view and view its callees in the *Callees* view.
- To explore all the paths that can result in calling a specific function, select the function in question in the *Call Tree* view and examine its possible callers in the *Callers* view.

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Besides [interactive debugging](#) , IntelliJ IDEA integration with [Xdebug](#) also supports profiling. IntelliJ IDEA provides visual representation of profiling data generated by Zend Debugger.

Before profiling with Zend Debugger, download, install and configure the components of the [PHP development environment](#) . Normally, these are a PHP engine, a web server, and the Zend Debugger tool.

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Xdebug profiler is incorporated in the Zend Debugger tool. Therefore you only need to download, install, and enable Xdebug itself.

To enable profiling with Zend Debugger, perform these general steps:

- [Configuring Zend Debugger](#)
- [Configuring the way to toggle the profiler from the browser](#)

## Configuring Zend Debugger

1. [Download and install](#) the Zend Debugger tool.
2. [Integrate Zend Debugger with the PHP engine](#) .
3. [Integrate Xdebug with IntelliJ IDEA](#) .

## Configuring the way to toggle the profiler from the browser

To specify the GET/POST or COOKIE parameters, do one of the following:

- Generate the bookmarklets to toggle the debugger through. These bookmarklets will appear on the toolbar of your browser. They provide control over the debugger cookie, through them you will activate and deactivate the debugger.
  1. Enable the **Bookmarks toolbar** in your browser by doing one of the following depending on the browser type:
    - In **Firefox** , choose *View | Toolbar | Bookmarks Toolbar* .
    - In **Chrome** , choose *Bookmarks | Showbookmarks bar* .
  2. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing *File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS*. Expand the *Languages & Frameworks* node, and then click *Debug* under *PHP* .
  3. On the [Debug](#) page, that opens, click the *Use debugger bookmarklets* to initiate debugger from your favorite browser link.
  4. On the [Zend Debugger & Xdebug bookmarklets](#) page that opens, check the debugging engine settings and click *Generate* . The bookmarks for listed debugging-related actions are generated.
  5. Drag the generated links to the bookmark toolbar in your browser.
- Specify the values manually.

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When integration with the [Zend Debugger profiler is enabled](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides visual representation of profiler snapshots. IntelliJ IDEA opens a separate editor tab with four views where the data are presented based on different criteria.

With Zend Debugger, profiling is supported within a [zero configuration debugging session](#).

To have the profiling data collected and analyze it, perform these general steps:

- [Initiating a zero configuration Zend Debugger session](#)
- [Examining the profiling data](#)

## Initiating a zero configuration Zend Debugger session

1. Generate the bookmarklets to toggle the debugger through. These bookmarklets will appear on the toolbar of your browser. They provide control over the debugger cookie, through them you will activate and deactivate the debugger.
  1. Enable the **Bookmarks toolbar** in your browser by doing one of the following depending on the browser type:
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  2. Open the **Settings / Preferences Dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing *File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS*. Expand the **Languages & Frameworks** node, and then click **Debug** under **PHP**.
  3. On the **Debug** page, that opens, click the **Use debugger bookmarklets** to initiate debugger from your favorite browser link.
  4. On the **Zend Debugger & Xdebug bookmarklets** page that opens, check the debugging engine settings and click **Generate**. The bookmarks for listed debugging-related actions are generated.
  5. Drag the generated links to the bookmark toolbar in your browser.
2. Toggle the **Start Listen PHP Debug Connections** button so it changes to . After that IntelliJ IDEA starts listening to the port of the debugging engine used in the current project. Ports for debuggers are set at the IntelliJ IDEA level in the **Debug** dialog box (*File | Settings | PHP | Debug*).
3. Open the starting page of your application in the browser, choose the **Start debugger** bookmark to activate the debugging engine from the browser, re-load the current page (the starting page of the application), and then return to IntelliJ IDEA. Establishing a **Zero-Configuration** debugging session may fail, with no breakpoints hit and therefore the script not suspended. This may happen if the path mappings are not configured or configured erroneously, or if you have not set any breakpoints. In the latter case, enabling selecting the **Break at First Line** in **PHP Scripts** checkbox in the **External Connections** area or turning the *Run | Break at First Line in PHP Scripts* option on the main menu may also help.

To have IntelliJ IDEA display a notification if the script is not suspended, select the **Notify if debug session was finished without being stopped** checkbox in the **Advanced Settings** area on the **Debug** page of the Settings dialog box.
4. In the dialog box, that opens, select the incoming connection to profile and click **Accept**. The **Incoming Connection** from Zend Debugger dialog box appears only once, when you accept connection from this host for the first time. IntelliJ IDEA presents the collected profiling data in a separate editor tab with the name of the selected profiler output file.

## Examining the profiling data

When you request on the accumulated profiling data, IntelliJ IDEA opens its visualized presentation in a separate editor tab. The tab is named after the file that implements the page you are currently profiling and consists of several views. Switch between the views to analyze the profiling data based on various criteria of analysis.

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The topics in this part provide guidelines in PHP-specific unit testing procedures. For general information on testing in IntelliJ IDEA, see the section [Testing](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA supports unit testing of PHP applications through integration with the [PHPUnit](#) tool.

Generally, IntelliJ IDEA runs and debugs PHPUnit tests same way as other applications, by running the run/debug configurations [you have created](#) . When doing so, it passes the specified test class, file, or directory to the test runner. You can run unit testing locally and remotely depending on the chosen run configuration.

### **To create and run unit tests on PHP applications, perform the following general steps:**

- [Enable PHPUnit support](#) .
- Write the unit tests to run.
- [Group the test](#) to distinguish between testing in a production and in your development environment or to enable filtering tests by their authors.
- [Create a run configuration](#) :
  - To run unit tests locally, create a [PHPUnit](#) configuration.
  - To run unit tests on a remote server, create a [PHPUnit by HTTP](#) configuration.
- [Launch unit tests](#) by clicking the Run toolbar button  and [monitor test results](#) in the [Run tool window](#) .
- Launch unit tests with coverage by clicking the Run with coverage toolbar button  and analyze the test coverage in the [Coverage Tool Window](#) .
- Debug unit tests by setting breakpoints where necessary and clicking the Debug toolbar button  . For details, see [PHP Debugging Session](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports unit testing of PHP applications through integration with the [PHPUnit](#) tool.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the **PHP** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Make sure the PHP interpreter is configured in IntelliJ IDEA on the [PHP page](#), as described in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#).

## Where do I get PHPUnit from?

**Tip** Alternatively choose *Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies* on the main menu.

**Tip** Before you start, make sure Composer is installed on your machine and initialized in the current project, see [Composer Dependency Manager](#).

### Option 1: Download phunit.phar

Download `phunit.phar` as described on [PHPUnit Official website](#) and save it on your computer:

- To get full coding assistance in addition to simply running PHPUnit tests, store `phunit.phar` under the root of the project where PHPUnit will be later used.
- If you only need to run PHPUnit tests and you do not need any coding assistance, you can save `phunit.phar` outside the project.

### Option 2: Use Composer

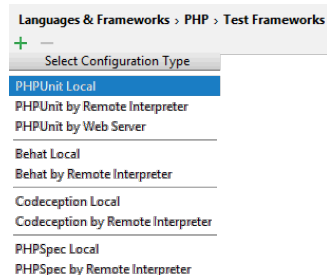
1. On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose *Composer | Manage Dependencies*.
2. In the [Manage Composer Dependencies Dialog](#) that opens, select the `phunit/phunit` package from the Available Packages list, possibly using the search field. The list shows all the available packages, the packages that are already installed are marked with a tick.  
Choose the relevant version from the *Version to install* list.
3. If necessary, expand the *Settings* hidden area and specify the advanced installation options. In the *Command line parameters* text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have the package added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev`. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md>.
4. Click *Install*.

## How do I integrate PHPUnit with IntelliJ IDEA in a project?

### Step 1: Choose the type of configuration for PHPUnit

Open the [Settings / Preferences dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S`, or alternatively choose *File | Settings* on Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences* on macOS. Expand the *Languages and Frameworks* node and select *Test Frameworks* under *PHP*.

On the [Test Frameworks page](#) that opens, click `+` in the central pane and choose the configuration type from the list:

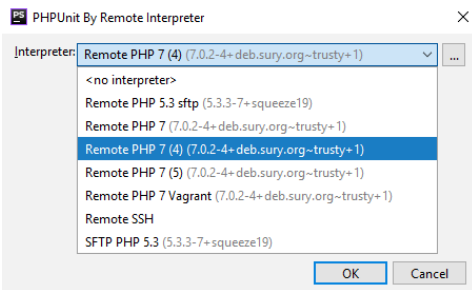


### Step 2: Choose the PHP interpreter or deployment server to use

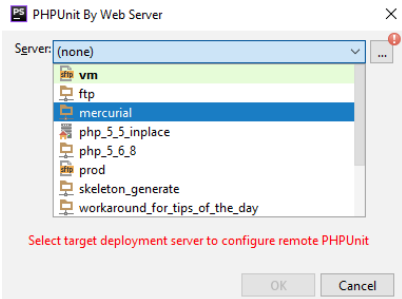
To use PHPUnit with a remote PHP interpreter or a web server, choose one of the configurations from the dialog box that opens.

- Choose a remote PHP interpreter:





– Choose a deployment configuration:




Step 3: Specify the PHPUnit installation type

In the right-hand pane, choose one of the methods:

– Option 1: Run PHPUnit downloaded via Composer

Specify the path to the `autoload.php` file in the `vendor` folder. See [PHPUnit Installation via Composer](#) and [Composer](#) for details.

– Option 2: Run PHPUnit from `phpunit.phar`

Download [phpunit.phar](#), save the archive in the project root folder, and specify the path to it. When you click , IntelliJ IDEA detects and displays the PHPUnit version.

– Option 3: Run PHPUnit from PEAR


Pear should be configured as an include path.

The PHPUnit installation procedure depends on the operating system you use and your system settings. Please, refer to the [PHPUnit installation instructions](#) for information on installing and configuring this tool.

Step 4 (optional): Specify the default configuration file

In the *Test Runner* area, appoint the configuration `xml` file to use for launching and executing scenarios.

By default, PHPUnit looks for a `phpunit.xml` configuration file in the project root folder or in the `config` folder. You can appoint a custom configuration file.

You can also type the path to a bootstrap file to have PHP script always executed before launching tests. In the text box, specify the location of the script. Type the path manually or click  and select the desired folder in the [dialog that opens](#).

**Tip** In local configurations the default project PHP interpreter is used, see [Default project CLI interpreters](#).

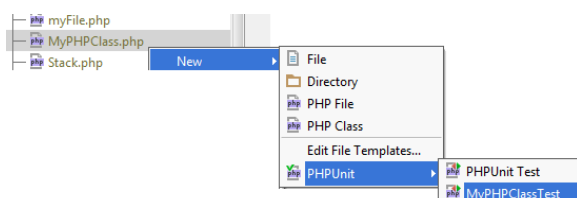
**Tip** Make sure Composer is set up in your project as described in [Composer Dependency Manager](#).

**Tip** For local configurations, you can download the archive by clicking the [Download](#) link. Just make sure a default PHP interpreter is defined in the current project.

## How do I generate a PHPUnit test for a class?

Step 1: Open the Generate PHPUnit Test dialog

In the Project view, select the PHP class to create unit tests for, e.g. `MyPHPClass` as shown in the image below, and choose *New | PHPUnit | PHPUnit Test* on the context menu of the selection.



## Step 2: Configure test generation

In the *Generate PHPUnit Test* dialog, specify the following:

1. The fully qualified name of the class to be tested, this name will be used to propose the *Test Class Name* . To use completion, press `Ctrl+Space` .
2. The name of the test class. IntelliJ IDEA automatically composes the name from the production class name as follows: `<production class>Test.php` . The test class name is displayed in the *Name* text box of the *Test Class* area.
3. The folder for the test class, by default the folder where the production class is stored. To specify another folder, click `...` next to the *Directory* text box and choose the relevant folder.
4. When the test is ready, navigate back to the production class by choosing *Navigate | Go to Test Subject* . For details, see [Navigating Between Test and Test Subject](#) .

## Step 3: Launch test generation

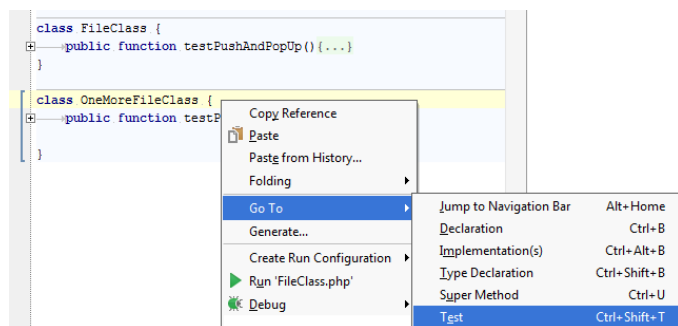
Check, accept, or update the predefined settings and click OK to initiate the test generation.

**Tip** By default, the Name text box displays the name of the class on which the test generation was invoked.

## How do I generate a test for a PHP class defined among others within a PHP file?

### Step 1: Open the Generate PHPUnit Test dialog

In the file, select the class to generate the test for and choose *Go To | Test* on the context menu, then choose *Create New Test* in the pop-up list.



### Step 2: Configure test generation

In the *Generate PHPUnit Test* dialog, proceed as described [above](#) : specify the name of the production class, the name of the test class, the name of the test file, and the folder for the test file.

Specify the namespace the test class will belong to. IntelliJ IDEA completes the namespace automatically based on the specified directory and displays the generated value in the *Namespace* text box.

When the test is ready, navigate back to the production class by choosing *Navigate | Go to Test Subject* . For details, see [Navigating Between Test and Test Subject](#) .

**Tip** Alternatively, choose *File | New | PHPUnit | PHPUnit Test* .

**Tip** When the directory is changed, the namespace is changed accordingly.

## How do I generate a PHPUnit test method?

1. Open the required test class in the editor, position the cursor anywhere inside the class definition, and choose *Generate* on the context menu, then choose *PHPUnit Test Method* from the *Generate* pop-up list.
2. Set up the test *fixture* , that is, have IntelliJ IDEA generate stubs for the code that emulates the required environment before test start and returns the original environment after the test is over:

On the context menu, choose *Generate | Override method* , then choose *SetUp* or *TearDown* in the *Choose methods to override* dialog that opens.

For more details, see [Fixtures on the PHPUnit Official website](#) .

## How do I run and debug PHPUnit tests?

You can run and debug single tests as well as tests from entire files and folders. IntelliJ IDEA creates a run/debug configuration with the default settings and launches the tests. You can later save this configuration for further re-use.

### Option 1: To run or debug a single test

Open the test file in the editor, right-click the call of the test and choose *Run '<test\_name>'* or *Debug '<test\_name>'* on the

context menu.

#### Option 2: To run or debug tests from a file

In the [Project view](#), select the file with the tests to run and choose *Run '<file\_name>'* or *Debug '<file\_name>'* on the context menu.

#### Option 3: To run or debug tests from a folder

In the Project view, select the folder with the tests to run and choose *Run '<folder\_name>'* or *Debug '<folder\_name>'* on the context menu.


#### Option 4: To save an automatically generated default configuration

After a test session is over, choose *Save <default\_test\_configuration\_name>* on the context menu of the test, test file, or folder.

#### Option 5: To run or debug tests through a previously saved run/debug configuration

Choose the required PHPUnit configuration from the list on the tool bar and click  or .

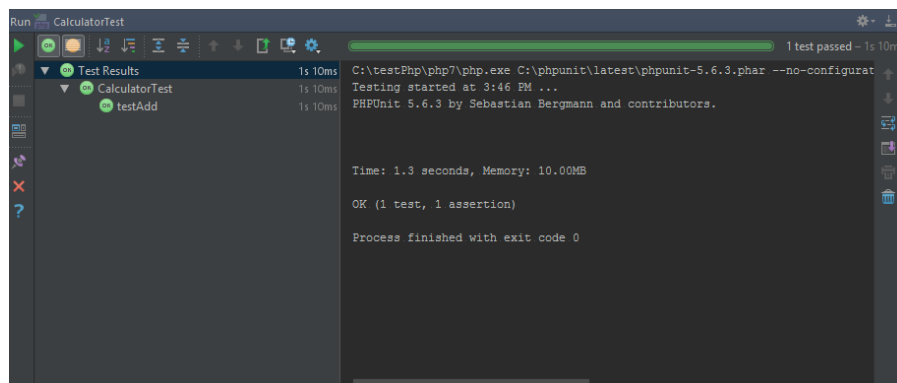
#### Option 6: To create a custom run/debug configuration

1. In the Project view, select the file or folder with the tests to run and choose *Create run configuration* on the context menu. Alternatively, choose *Run | Edit Configurations* on the main menu, then click  and choose *PHPUnit* from the list.
2. In the [Run/Debug Configuration: PHPUnit](#) dialog that opens, specify the test scope and (optionally) test runner options.

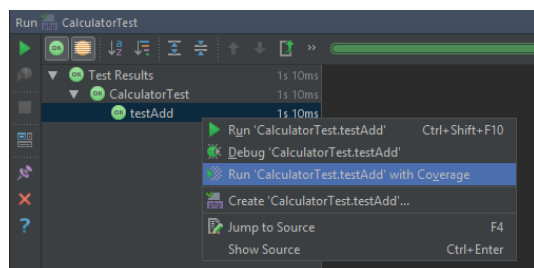
## How do I monitor test results?

IntelliJ IDEA shows the results of test execution in the [Test Runner](#) tab of the [Run Tool Window](#). The tab is divided in 2 main areas. In the left-hand area you can drill down through all unit tests to see which ones succeeded and which ones failed. In this area you can also filter tests and export results.

The right-hand area shows us the raw PHPUnit output:




Use the context menu in the left-hand area to run specific tests or navigate to the source code:

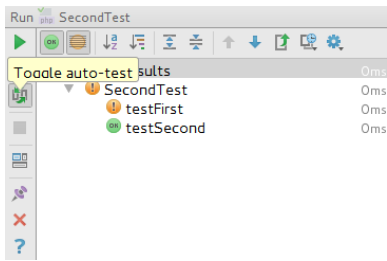


## How do I run PHPUnit tests automatically?

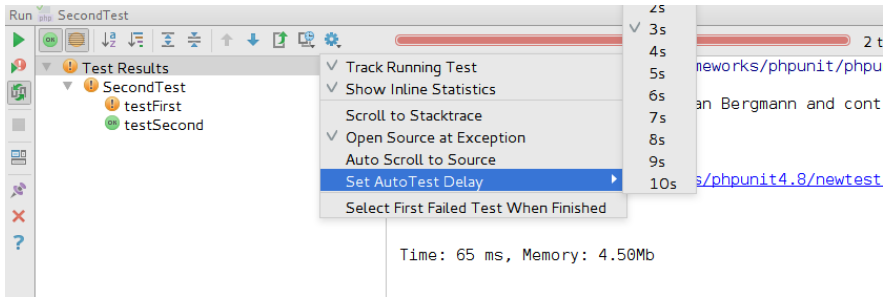
You can configure IntelliJ IDEA to re-run tests automatically when the affected code is changed. This option is configured per run/debug configuration and can be applied to a test, a test file, or a folder depending on the test scope specified in this run/debug configuration.

#### To configure re-running tests automatically

1. Run the tests.
2. In the *Test Runner* tab, press the  toggle button on the toolbar:



3. Optionally, set the time delay for launching the tests upon the changes in the code:



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can practice behaviour-driven development by running **scenarios** using the **Behat** framework. Currently IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with [Behat 3](#) and [Behat 2](#) versions.

Native support of Behat in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Recognition of and coding assistance for `.feature` scenario files and `.php` scenario definition files.
- Support of [Gherkin](#) syntax in `.feature` files: `Feature`, `Scenario`, `Given`, `When`, `Then`, `And`, and `But` keywords.
- Recognition of `@given`, `@when`, and `@then` annotations in definition files.
- Setting correspondence between *scenarios* and their *definitions* through regular expressions in accordance with the [PCRE](#) standard for Behat 2.4 and PCRE+ for Behat 3.0. [Turnip expressions](#) are also welcome.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the PHP interpreter is configured in IntelliJ IDEA on the [PHP page](#), as described in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#). Note that Behat 3 requires PHP 5.5 and higher.
2. Make sure the PHP and Behat plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

## Where do I get Behat from?

**Tip** Alternatively choose *Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies* on the main menu.

**Tip** Before you start, make sure Composer is installed on your machine and initialized in the current project, see [Composer Dependency Manager](#).

### Option 1: Download behat.phar

1. Download `behat.phar` from the [Behat Downloads page](#).
2. Store `behat.phar` on your computer:
  - To get full coding assistance in addition to simply running Behat scenarios, store `behat.phar` under the root of the project where Behat will be later used. In this case, IntelliJ IDEA will include it in indexing, so references to Behat classes will be successfully resolved.
  - If you only need to run Behat scenarios and you do not need any coding assistance, you can save `behat.phar` outside the project.

### Option 2: Use Composer

1. On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose *Composer | Manage Dependencies*.
2. In the [Manage Composer Dependencies Dialog](#) that opens, select the `behat/behat` package from the Available Packages list, possibly using the search field. The list shows all the available packages, the packages that are already installed are marked with a tick.  
Choose the relevant version from the *Version to install* list.
3. If necessary, expand the *Settings* hidden area and specify the advanced installation options. In the *Command line parameters* text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have the package added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev`. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md>.
4. Click *Install*.

Learn more about installing Behat from [Behat Official website](#).

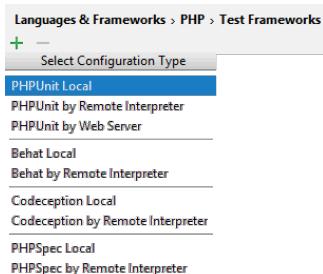
## How do I integrate Behat with IntelliJ IDEA in a project?

**Tip** In local configurations the default project PHP interpreter is used, see [Default project CLI interpreters](#).

### Step 1: Choose how to use Behat

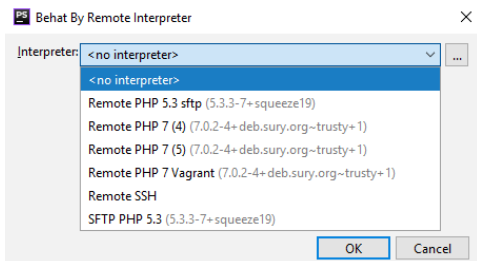
Open the [Settings / Preferences dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S`, or alternatively choose *File | Settings* on Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences* on macOS. Expand the *Languages and Frameworks* node and select *Test Frameworks* under *PHP*.

On the [Test Frameworks page](#) that opens, click `+` in the central pane and choose the configuration type from the list:




### Step 2: Choose the PHP interpreter to use

To use Behat with a remote PHP interpreter, choose one of the configurations from the dialog box that opens:




### Step 3: Specify the Behat library to use

In the *Behat Library* area, specify the location of the Behat executable file or `behat.phar` archive. Click  next to the *Path to Behat directory or phar file* text box. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of Behat and displays it below the text box.

**Step 4: Specify the Behat configuration file to use** In the *Test Runner* area, appoint the configuration `.yaml` file to use for launching and executing scenarios.

By default, Behat looks for a `behat.yaml` configuration file in the project root folder or in the `config` folder. You can appoint a custom configuration file.

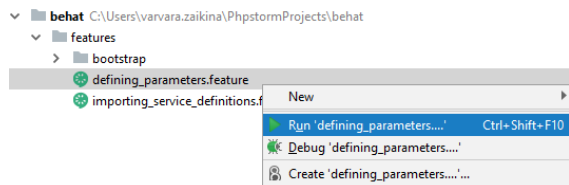
- Clear the *Default configuration file* checkbox to have Behat use the `behat.yaml` configuration file from the project root folder or from the `config` folder. If no such file is found, test execution fails, therefore it may be more reliable to specify the configuration file explicitly.
- Select the *Default configuration file* checkbox to specify your own `.yaml` configuration file. This file will be later used as default in all Behat run/debug configurations.
  - In the text box, specify the location of the configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

## How do I run and debug Behat tests?

For information about writing Behat features, see [http://docs.behat.org/en/latest/user\\_guide/writing\\_scenarios.html](http://docs.behat.org/en/latest/user_guide/writing_scenarios.html).

### Option 1: To run or debug Behat tests

In the Project tool window, select the feature file to run your tests from and choose *Run <feature\_name>* or *Debug <feature\_name>* on the context menu of the selection:





IntelliJ IDEA generates a default run configuration and starts a run/debug test session with it.


### Option 2: To save an automatically generated default configuration

After a test session is over, choose *Save <default\_test\_configuration\_name>* on the context menu of the feature file and choose *Save <default\_configuration\_name>* on the context menu.

### Option 3: To run or debug tests through a previously saved run/debug configuration

Choose the required Behat configuration from the list on the tool bar and click  or .

### Option 4: To create a custom run/debug configuration

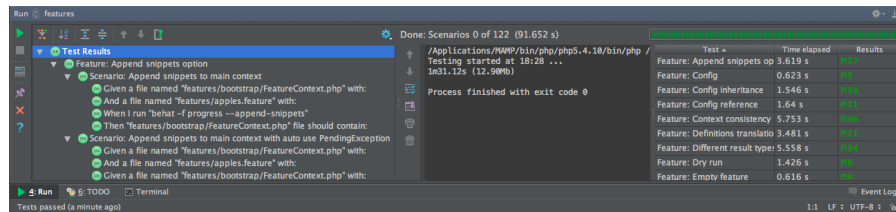
1. In the Project view, select the file or folder with the tests to run and choose *Create run configuration* on the context menu. Alternatively, choose *Run | Edit Configurations* on the main menu, then click  and choose *Behat* from the list.

2. In the **Run/Debug Configuration: Behat** dialog that opens, specify the the scenarios to run and customize the behavior of the current **PHP interpreter** by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

## How do I monitor test results?

IntelliJ IDEA shows the results of test execution in the **Test Runner** tab of the **Run Tool Window**. The tab is divided in 2 main areas. In the left-hand area you can drill down through all unit tests to see which ones succeeded and which ones failed. In this area you can also filter tests and export results.

The right-hand area shows us the raw Behat output:



Use the context menu in the left-hand area to run specific tests or navigate to the source code.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides support for running `unit`, `functional`, and `acceptance` tests with the [Codeception test framework](#), versions 2.2.0 and higher.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the `PHP` and `Codeception` plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
2. Make sure the PHP interpreter is configured in IntelliJ IDEA on the [PHP page](#), as described in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#).

## Where do I get Codeception from?

**Tip** Alternatively choose `Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies` on the main menu.

**Tip** Before you start, make sure Composer is installed on your machine and initialized in the current project, see [Composer Dependency Manager](#).

### Option 1: Download codeception.phar

1. Download `codeception.phar` at the [Codeception Installation page](#).
2. Save `codeception.phar` under the root of the project where Codeception will be later used. You can also save `codeception.phar` anywhere else and [configure it as an include path](#). In either case, IntelliJ IDEA will include `codeception.phar` in indexing, so IntelliJ IDEA will successfully resolve references to Codeception classes and thus provide you with full coding assistance.

### Option 2: Use Composer

1. On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose `Composer | Manage Dependencies`.
2. In the [Add Composer Dependency dialog](#) that opens, select the `codeception/codeception` package from the Available Packages list, possibly using the search field. The list shows all the available packages, the packages that are already installed are marked with a tick.  
Choose the relevant version from the `Version to install` list.
3. If necessary, expand the `Settings` hidden area and specify the advanced installation options. In the `Command line parameters` text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have the package added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev`. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md>.
4. Click `Install`.

Learn more about installing Codeception from [Codeception Official website](#).

## How do I initialize Codeception in a project?

To generate a `codeception.yml` configuration file, open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal (`Alt+F12`) and at the command prompt type one of the following commands depending on the installation mode and your current operating system:

- If you installed `codeception.phar` in your project, type `php codecept.phar bootstrap` for Windows and macOS or `codecept bootstrap` for Linux.
- If you installed `Codeception` through `Composer`, type `codecept bootstrap` for all platforms.

## How do I integrate Codeception with IntelliJ IDEA in a project?

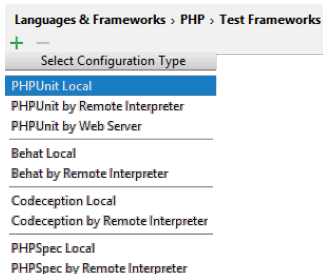
**Tip** In local configurations the default project PHP interpreter is used, see [Default project CLI interpreters](#).

### Step 1: Choose how to use Codeception

Open the [Settings / Preferences dialog](#) by pressing (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), or alternatively choose `File | Settings` on Windows and Linux or `IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences` on macOS. Expand the `Languages and Frameworks` node and select `Test Frameworks` under `PHP`.

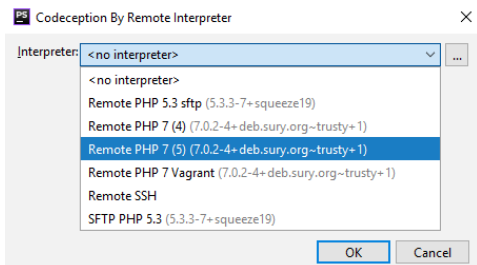
On the [Test Frameworks page](#) that opens, click `+` in the central pane and choose the configuration type from the list:





### Step 2: Choose the PHP interpreter to use

To use Codeception with a remote PHP interpreter, choose one of the configurations from the dialog box that opens:



### Step 3: Specify the Codeception library to use

In the *Codeception Library* area, specify the location of the Codeception executable file or `codeception.phar` archive in the target environment. For example, if you installed Codeception through Composer, the executable file is stored in `vendor/bin/codecept`. Click next to the *Path to Codeception directory or phar file* text box. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of Codeception and displays it below the text box.

### Step 4: Specify the Codeception configuration file to use

In the Test Runner area, appoint the configuration `.yaml` file to use for launching and executing scenarios.

By default, Codeception looks for a `codeception.yaml` configuration file in the project root folder. You can appoint a custom configuration file.

- Clear the Default configuration file checkbox to have Codeception use the `codeception.yaml` configuration file from the project root folder. If no such file is found, test execution fails, therefore it may be more reliable to specify the configuration file explicitly.

- Select the Default configuration file checkbox to specify your own `.yaml` configuration file. This file will be later used as default in all Codeception run/debug configurations.

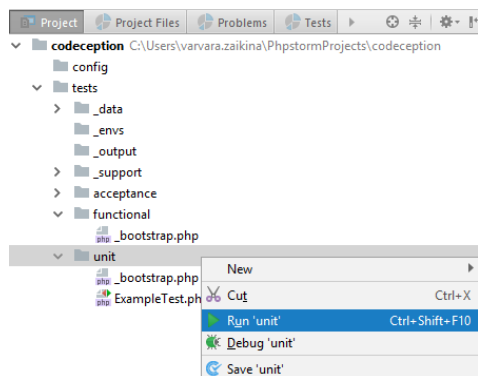
In the text box, specify the location of the configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

## How do I run and debug Codeception tests?

For information about writing Codeception tests, see [Unit Tests](#), [Acceptance Tests](#), and [Functional Tests](#). To run or debug your tests, do one of the following:

### Option 1: To run or debug Codeception tests

In the Project tool window, select the file or folder to run your tests from and choose *Run <file\_or\_folder\_name>* or *Debug <file\_or\_folder\_name>* on the context menu of the selection:



IntelliJ IDEA generates a default run configuration and starts a run/debug test session with it.

### Option 2: To save an automatically generated default configuration


After a test session is over, choose *Save <default\_test\_configuration\_name>* on the context menu of the file or folder and

choose *Save <default\_configuration\_name>* on the context menu.

Option 3: To run or debug tests through a previously saved run/debug configuration

Choose the required Codeception configuration from the list on the tool bar and click  or .

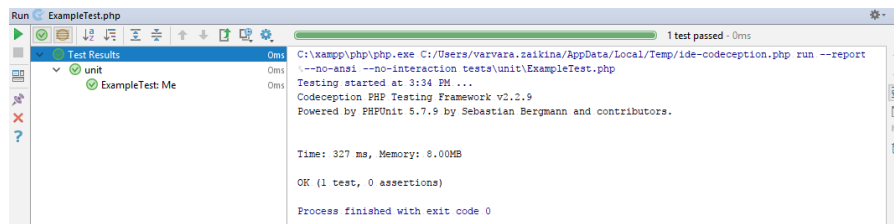
Option 4: To create a custom run/debug configuration

1. In the Project view, select the file or folder with the tests to run and choose *Create run configuration* on the context menu. Alternatively, choose *Run | Edit Configurations* on the main menu, then click  and choose *Codeception* from the list.
2. In the *Run/Debug Configuration: Codeception* dialog that opens, specify the the tests to run and customize the behavior of the current **PHP interpreter** by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

## How do I monitor test results?

IntelliJ IDEA shows the results of test execution in the *Test Runner* tab of the *Run Tool Window*. The tab is divided in 2 main areas. In the left-hand area you can drill down through all unit tests to see which ones succeeded and which ones failed. In this area you can also filter tests and export results.

The right-hand area shows us the raw Codeception output:



Use the context menu in the left-hand area to run specific tests or navigate to the source code.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can practice behaviour-driven development by running **specifications** using the **PHPSpec** toolset.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the **PHP** and **PHPSpec** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
2. Make sure the PHP interpreter is configured in IntelliJ IDEA on the [PHP page](#) , as described in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) .

## How do I install PHPSpec using Composer in IntelliJ IDEA?

**Tip** Before you start, make sure Composer is installed on your machine and initialized in the current project, see [Composer Dependency Manager](#) .

**Tip** Alternatively choose **Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies** on the main menu.

1. On the context menu of `composer.json` , choose **Composer | Manage Dependencies** .
2. In the **Manage Composer Dependencies Dialog** that opens, select the `phpspec/phpspec` package from the Available Packages list, possibly using the search field. The list shows all the available packages, the packages that are already installed are marked with a tick.  
Choose the relevant version from the *Version to install* list.
3. If necessary, expand the Settings hidden area and specify the advanced installation options. In the Command line parameters text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have the package added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev` . For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md> .
4. Click **Install** .

Learn more about PHPSpec installation from [PHPSpec Official website](#) .

## How do I integrate PHPSpec with IntelliJ IDEA in a project?

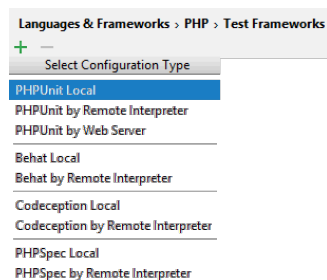
**Tip** In local configurations the default project PHP interpreter is used, see [Default project CLI interpreters](#) .

**Tip** If no path to PHPSpec is specified for a *Local* interpreter, IntelliJ IDEA does not provide full support of PHPSpec, for example, it does not show suggestion for code completion and does not resolve references.

### Step 1: Choose how to use Codeception

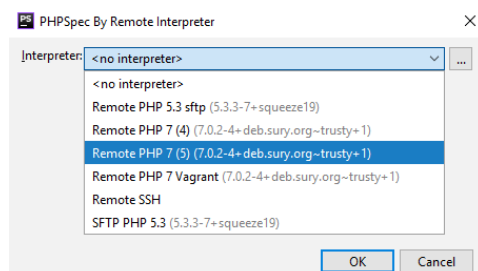
Open the **Settings / Preferences dialog** by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` , or alternatively choose **File | Settings** on Windows and Linux or **IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences** on macOS. Expand the **Languages and Frameworks** node and select **Test Frameworks** under **PHP** .

On the **Test Frameworks page** that opens, click **+** in the central pane and choose the configuration type from the list:




### Step 2: Choose the PHP interpreter to use

To use PHPSpec with a remote PHP interpreter, choose one of the configurations from the dialog box that opens:



### Step 3: Specify the PHPSpec library to use


In the *Path to PHPSpec executable* text box, specify the location of `phpspec`. PHPSpec does not necessarily have to be installed under the current project root. Click  next to the *Path to PHPSpec directory or phar file* text box. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of PHPSpec and displays it below the text box.

### Specify the PHPSpec configuration file to use

In the Test Runner area, appoint the configuration `.yaml` file to use for launching and executing specifications.

By default, PHPSpec looks for a `phpspec.yaml` or a `phpspec.yaml.dist` configuration file in the project root folder. You can appoint a custom configuration file.

- Clear the Default configuration file checkbox to have PHPSpec use the `phpspec.yaml` or `phpspec.yaml.dist` configuration file from the project root folder. If no such file is found, test execution fails, therefore it may be more reliable to specify the configuration file explicitly.
- Select the Default configuration file checkbox to specify your own `.yaml` configuration file. This file will be later used as default in all PHPSpec run/debug configurations.

In the text box, specify the location of the configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

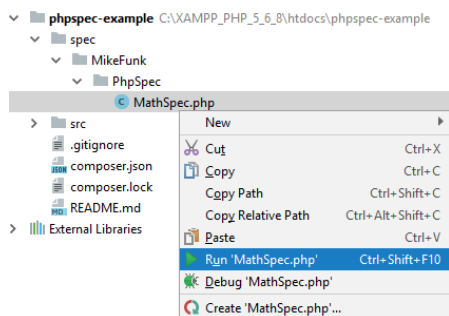
In local configurations, the *Prefix ('spec\_prefix')*: read-only field shows the namespace prefix for specifications. IntelliJ IDEA detects `spec_prefix` from the configuration file specified in the *Default Configuration File* field. The default value is `spec`. See [PHPSpec Configuration: PSR-4](#) and [PHPSpec Configuration: Spec and Source Location](#) for details.

## How do I run and debug PHPSpec tests?

For information about writing PHPSpec specifications, see <http://www.phpspec.net/en/stable/manual/getting-started.html#specifying-behaviour>. To run or debug your tests, do one of the following:

### Option 1: To run or debug PHPSpec tests

In the Project tool window, select the file or folder to run your tests from and choose *Run <file\_or\_folder\_name>* or *Debug <file\_or\_folder\_name>* on the context menu of the selection:



IntelliJ IDEA generates a default run configuration and starts a run/debug test session with it.


### Option 2: To save an automatically generated default configuration

After a test session is over, choose *Save <default\_test\_configuration\_name>* on the context menu of the file or folder and choose *Save <default\_configuration\_name>* on the context menu.

### Option 3: To run or debug tests through a previously saved run/debug configuration

Choose the required PHPSpec configuration from the list on the tool bar and click  or .

### Option 4: To create a custom run/debug configuration

1. In the Project view, select the file or folder with the tests to run and choose *Create run configuration* on the context menu. Alternatively, choose *Run | Edit Configurations* on the main menu, then click  and choose *PHPSpec* from the list.
2. In the *Run/Debug Configuration: PHPSpec* dialog that opens, specify the tests to run and customize the behavior of the current PHP interpreter by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

## How do I monitor test results?

IntelliJ IDEA shows the results of test execution in the *Test Runner* tab of the *Run Tool Window*. The tab is divided in 2 main areas. In the left-hand area you can drill down through all unit tests to see which ones succeeded and which ones failed. In this area you can also filter tests and export results.

The right-hand area shows us the raw PHPSpec output: Use the context menu in the left-hand area to run specific tests or navigate to the source code.

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

[Code Coverage](#) for [PHPUnit](#) shows you how much of your code is covered with tests and marks covered and uncovered lines visually right in the editor.

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuring code coverage](#)
- [Measuring code coverage](#)


## Prerequisites

1. The [PHPUnit](#) tool is [installed](#) on your machine and [enabled in IntelliJ IDEA](#) .
2. A [Xdebug](#) or [Zend Debugger](#) debugging engine is configured in the current PHP interpreter.

## To configure code coverage

1. Press `Ctrl+Alt+S` or choose File | Settings (for Windows and Linux) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (for macOS) on the main menu, and then go to Build, Execution, Deployment | Coverage .
2. Specify coverage options on the [Coverage](#) page.

## To measure code coverage

1. Write the tests manually.
2. [Create a run configuration](#) of the type [PHPUnit](#) .
3. On the main toolbar, select the [PHPUnit](#) run configuration in the Run/Debug Configurations drop-down list and click the Run with Coverage button  .
4. [Monitor the code coverage](#) in the [Coverage](#) tool window.

In this section:

- [Blade](#)
- [PHP Command Line Tools](#)
- [Drupal](#)
- [Google App Engine for PHP](#)
- [Joomla!](#)
- [Phing](#)
- [PHP Code Sniffer](#)
- [PHP Mess Detector](#)
- [WordPress](#)

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Overview](#)
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- [Adding, editing, and removing Blade directives](#)
- [Configuring Blade delimiters](#)

## Overview

IntelliJ IDEA provides full support of the [Laravel Blade template engine](#) up to version 5.1. This support involves:




- Highlighting of **Blade** syntax in template files.
- Code completion for all **Blade** directives, both predefined and custom, as well as for braces.
- In `@for` and `@foreach` directives, variable introduction is offered with autocompletion inside the code constructs.
- Expanding and folding sections defined through the `@section` directive. A block of code between a `@section` directive and a closing directive (for example, `@stop`) can be expanded or folded by clicking  or  in the gutter area.
- Dedicated **Blade**-specific code inspections, for example an inspection to check that a section opened with `@section` directive is closed with one of the corresponding directives.
- **Blade**-aware navigation with `Ctrl+B` includes links to templates in `@extends` and `@include` directives.
- **Finding usages** (`Alt+F7`) can be invoked on a file name or a symbol in the code to show all the usages of a template across your codebase. Currently this functionality is available only inside other templates, but not from views.
- Customizing predefined **Blade** directives and defining custom directives for **Blade** templates.

## Preparing to use Blade templates

Before you start, make sure the **PHP** and **Blade** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

## Adding, editing, and removing Blade directives

In IntelliJ IDEA, **Blade** directives are managed in the Directives tab of the [Blade Page](#). The tab lists all the currently available **Blade** directives, for those that have parameters, the prefixes and suffixes are also shown. When you start, the list contains only **predefined** directives. You can edit these directives as well as create custom ones.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Blade under PHP. On the [Blade](#) page that opens, switch to the Directives tab. The tab shows a list of all currently available directives.
2. Do one of the following:
  - To define a new directive, click the Add directive button  and then specify the directive's name in the Name text box. If the new directives requires a prefix and a suffix, select the Has parameter checkbox and type the prefix and suffix to use in the Prefix and Suffix text boxes respectively. IntelliJ IDEA will automatically enclose the prefix and suffix in opening and closing brackets and quotes and add a colon separator `:` so the parameters will look as follows: `("<prefix>:<suffix>")`.
  - To edit an existing directive, select it in the list and change the values in the text boxes below. To restore the original definition, click the Reset to defaults button .
  - To remove a directive from the list, select it and click the Remove directive button .

## Configuring Blade delimiters

IntelliJ IDEA recognizes **Blade** templates and provides error highlighting and code completion for them based on the **delimiters** you specify. These delimiters are managed in the Text Tags tab of the [Blade Page](#).

The fields in the tab show the opening and closing characters for [raw tags](#), [content tags](#), and [escaped tags](#).

The fields are filled in with the default values in compliance with [Blade Templates 5.1](#). If you are using an earlier version, you can specify the relevant custom delimiters and IntelliJ IDEA will provide coding assistance according to the new rules.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports running commands of popular third-party or user-defined PHP tools: [Symfony 1.1+](#) , [Symfony2](#) , [Zend Framework 1](#) , [Zend Framework 2 \(ZFTool\)](#) , [Yii](#) , [Composer](#) , [Drush 5.8+](#) , [Laravel](#) and [Doctrine](#) (Symfony console-based), [WordPress Command Line Interface](#) .

Check the [Command Line Tools Tutorial](#) for step-by-step guidance and examples of using command line tools with IntelliJ IDEA.


**Tip** Before you start, install and enable the PHP and Command Line Tool Support repository plugins on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) .

On this page:

- [How do I integrate an external PHP command line tool with IntelliJ IDEA?](#)
- [How do I run a command?](#)
- [How do I customize a tool?](#)
- [How do I define my own command line tool?](#)
- [How do I keep a tool descriptor consistent?](#)

## How do I integrate an external PHP command line tool with IntelliJ IDEA?

1. Download and install the tool
2. Choose the tool type and visibility

Open the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page ( *File | Settings | Tools | Command Line Tool Support* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | Command Line Tool Support* for macOS). Click  on the toolbar and in the *Command Line Tools* dialog choose the name of the tool from the list. In the *Visibility* area, specify whether you want to use the tool in the current project or globally, in any IntelliJ IDEA project, and click *OK* .

3. Specify the tool alias

In the *Alias* text box, accept the default alias to use in calls of tool commands or edit it, if necessary.

4. Optionally customize the command set

See [How do I customize a tool?](#) for details.

## How do I run a command?


1. Open the Input pane

On the main menu, choose *Tools | Run Command* . The pane opens as a pop-up window or as a text box at the bottom of the [Command Line Tools Console](#) tool window.

2. Invoke the command

Type the call of the command in the format `<tool alias> <command>` . The result of command execution is shown in the *Output* tab with the name of the command.

3. Save the command output

Click  on the toolbar of the *Output* tab. In the *Export Preview* dialog that opens, specify the text file to store the output in or click *Copy* to save the output in the clipboard.


4. To terminate a command

Click  on the toolbar. If the *Output* tab is already closed, kill the current thread from the progress bar.

**Tip** If the file with this name and location already exists, choose to overwrite its contents with the new data or to append the new data to the existing file.

## How do I customize a tool?

1. Open the tool definition file

On the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page, select the tool in the list and click  on the toolbar. The `.xml` tool descriptor opens in the editor.

2. Update the definitions of the commands

As you type, `.xml` tool descriptor is [checked for well-formedness](#) on the fly.

3. Reload the command definitions

On the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page, select the tool in the list and click  on the toolbar.

**Tip** Reloading commands is currently supported only for Symfony.

## How do I define my own command line tool?



1. Create a tool definition file
2. Create a custom IntelliJ IDEA tool

Open the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page ( *File | Settings | Tools | Command Line Tool Support* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | Command Line Tool Support* for macOS). Click **+** on the toolbar and in the *Command Line Tools* dialog box that opens, select *Custom tool* from the *Choose tool* list, and [specify the visibility level](#) for it (Project or Global).

3. Specify the tool definition file and alias

In the [Tool Settings](#) dialog, type the path to the tool definition file, the tool alias, and provide a brief description of the tool.

When you click *OK*, IntelliJ IDEA brings you to the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page, where the new tool is added to the list.

4. Choose where to show the Input pane

See [Choose the Input pane location](#) above.

5. Open the tool definition file

Select the newly created tool and click . The tool definition `.xml` file opens in the editor.


6. Define the tool commands.

## How do I keep a tool descriptor consistent?

### Option 1: On-the-fly validation

Every time you edit a command definition in the `.xml` tool descriptor, IntelliJ IDEA [checks it for well-formedness](#) on the fly.

### Option 2: Full validation

[Full validation](#) is performed every time you invoke a command. If any inconsistencies are detected, the tool is marked with the *Invalid description* icon  on the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page.

### To run full validation

1. Open the Input pane

On the main menu, choose *Tools | Run Command*. The pane opens as a pop-up window or as a text box at the bottom of the [Command Line Tools Console](#) tool window.

2. Invoke validation

Type the call of a command and in the *Tool definition file errors* tab, analyze the notifications on detected structure inconsistencies. Each notification shows a brief description of the problem, the file and the line number where the problem is detected.

By default, the tab is hidden and opens when you click *More* in the *Command Line Tool* pop-up window with an error notification. To close the tab, click the cross on its header. To re-open it, click *More* once again.

**Tip** The location of the pane depends on the *Show console in* setting on the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page, see [Choosing where to show the Input pane](#).

**Tip** The *Command Line Tool* pop-up window remains on the screen until you close it manually.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

You can use IntelliJ IDEA as an IDE for [Drupal](#) development including modules, themes, and core. The supported versions are 6, 7, and 8.

IntelliJ IDEA provides integration between the Symfony2 and Drupal 8 while developing Drupal modules and core.

## Before you start

Install and enable the PHP and Drupal Support repository plugins on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Where do I get Drupal from?

Download Drupal from the [Drupal Official website](#) and install it as described in the [Drupal installation instructions](#).

## How do I set up a Drupal project in IntelliJ IDEA?

### Option 1: Create a IntelliJ IDEA project with a Drupal module

You can create a IntelliJ IDEA project by a Drupal Module template, this project will be set up and configured in accordance with the Drupal requirements.

#### 1. Open the New Project dialog

Choose *File | New | Project* or click *Create NewProject* on the Welcome screen.

#### 2. Choose the project type and location

In the left-hand pane, click PHP from the list, then choose Drupal Module in the right-hand pane, and then click *Next*. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder where it will be created.

#### 3. Choose Drupal installation to use

Specify the root folder of the Drupal installation and choose the version of Drupal to use, the supported versions are 6, 7, and 8.

#### 4. Configure Include paths

Select the *Set up PHP | Include paths* checkbox to have Drupal include paths automatically configured for the project.

After you leave the dialog box, the following paths will be added to the *Include Paths* list on the [PHP](#) page: `<drupal installation root>/includes`, `<drupal installation root>/modules`, and `<drupal installation root>/sites/all/modules`

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA generates and configured a project stub in accordance with the selected Drupal version. For Drupal 8, a `module_name.info.yml` file is generated.

**Tip** Later you can change the Drupal installation and re-configure the include paths on the [Frameworks](#) page as described in [How do I change Drupal settings?](#)

### Option 2: Import an existing Drupal module

When you open an existing Drupal module, IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the Drupal-specific structure and suggests activating the Drupal support.

#### 1. Open your project

Click *Open* on the Welcome screen or choose *File | Open* on the main menu, then choose the folder where your Drupal module is stored. IntelliJ IDEA detects a Drupal-specific structure and shows a notification:

**Drupal Support**  
Looks like it's Drupal module. [Enable Drupal support?](#) Or [do not ask again?](#)

#### 2. Enable Drupal support

Click *Enable* in the notification. In the *Drupal Module* dialog box that opens, select the *Enable Drupal integration* checkbox and proceed as when creating a project with a Drupal module: specify the root folder of the Drupal installation, choose the version to use, and configure include paths.

Whether you enable the Drupal support in an existing IntelliJ IDEA project or create a new project with a Drupal module, IntelliJ IDEA checks if the development environment is configured properly for Drupal development.

Any detected inconsistency is reported in the *Event Log* tool window and as a pop-up. For each discrepancy IntelliJ IDEA suggests a fix. To apply a suggestion, click the link next to the reported event.

```

EventLog
12:44:19 PM Drupal Support: Drupal-style formatting can be set for this project. Set it?
12:44:19 PM Drupal Support
Changed PHP | Include paths.
Added:
C:/DRUPAL/drupal-7.23/includes
C:/DRUPAL/drupal-7.23/modules
C:/DRUPAL/drupal-7.23/sites/all/modules
12:44:19 PM Drupal Support: *.theme, *.profile, *.install, *.test files
are not associated with PHP file type. Fix?
12:44:19 PM Drupal Support: *.info files are not associated with Ini file type. Fix?

```

## How do I associate Drupal-specific files with the PHP file type?

IntelliJ IDEA recognizes and treats files as `php` files and provides code highlighting based on file type associations.

### Option 1: Use the Event log

In the *Event Log* tool window, click *Fix* next to the `Drupal support: <*.file extension> files are not associated with PHP file type` message.

### Option 2: Use the File Types page

Open the [File Types page](#) (*File | Settings | Editor | File Types* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | File Types* for macOS) and define file masks in the *Registered Patterns* area. See [Creating and Registering File Types](#) for details.

## How do I change the Drupal settings?

### Option 1: Enable or disable Drupal integration

On the [Frameworks page](#) (*File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Frameworks* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Frameworks* for macOS), toggle the *Enable Drupal integration* checkbox to activate or deactivate Drupal in the current IntelliJ IDEA project.

To use another Drupal installation, type the path to the relevant installation folder. Change the version if necessary.

### Option 2: Update the include paths

On the [PHP page](#) (*File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | PHP* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | PHP* for macOS), make the required changes in the *Include Paths* area.

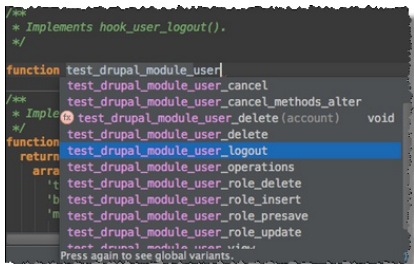
**Tip** If the Drupal integration is disabled, the paths are automatically excluded.

## How do I use Drupal hooks in IntelliJ IDEA?

IntelliJ IDEA provides full native support of [Drupal hooks](#) in `.module` files.

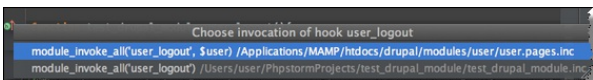
### Step 1: Use code completion for hoo declarations

IntelliJ IDEA indexes any hook invocation whereupon hook names become available in code completion for creating hook implementations. To complete a declaration, start typing the hook name and press `Ctrl+Space`.



### Step 2: Navigate to hook invocations

- To navigate to a hook invocation from the editor, click the icon in the gutter.
- In case of multiple invocations, IntelliJ IDEA displays a list of available hook invocations so you can choose which one to jump to.



You will be navigated to the line where the relevant hook is invoked with `module_invoke_all()`, `module_invoke()`, or `drupal_alter()`.

### Step 3: View hook documentation

Position the cursor at the name of the hook in question and choose *View | Quick Documentation Lookup* or press

`Ctrl+Q`.

**Tip** Documentation is taken from `.ap1.php` files provided by `core` and many other modules for reference purposes.

## How do I set up the Drupal code style in a IntelliJ IDEA project?

IntelliJ IDEA automatically offers to apply the pre-configured Drupal Coding Standards (code style) if a project is recognized as a Drupal Module, or if the Drupal integration is enabled in an existing project, or when you create a new project with a Drupal Module. However, you can at any time change or customize this setting on the *Code Style: PHP* page of the *Settings* dialog box.

### To use the pre-configured Drupal code style in a project

In the *Event Log* tool window, click *Set* next to the `Drupal-style formatting can be set for this project` message.

**Tip** You can also set the predefined code style on the *Code Style: PHP* page (*File | Settings | Editor | Code Style | PHP* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | Code Style | PHP* for macOS); click *Set from* and choose *Predefined | Drupal*.

If applicable, customize the code style using the controls on the page.

## How do I check my code against the Drupal coding standards?

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can use two tools that detect violations against the Drupal coding standard: *Coder* and *PHP Code Sniffer*. They ensure your code remains clean and consistent and help prevent some common semantic errors made by developers.

### Option 1: Use PHP Code Sniffer

1. Install PHP Code Sniffer as a PEAR package or using Composer. For detailed installation instructions, see [https://github.com/squizlabs/PHP\\_CodeSniffer](https://github.com/squizlabs/PHP_CodeSniffer).
2. Register PHP Code Sniffer in IntelliJ IDEA and configure it as a IntelliJ IDEA inspection as described in [PHP Code Sniffer](#).

### Option 2: Use Coder

1. Download the [Drupal Coder module](#) (7x-2.0 version is recommended).
2. Unpack the downloaded archive and find the `coder_sniffer/Drupal` subdirectory inside. This directory should contain the `ruleset.xml` file and some other subdirectories.
3. Move the contents of `coder_sniffer/Drupal` to `<php installation folder>/CodeSniffer/Standards/Drupal`.

## How do I view the Drupal API documentation from IntelliJ IDEA?

In the IntelliJ IDEA editor, select the symbol you are interested in and choose *Search in Drupal API* on the context menu. The [Drupal API Documentation](#) opens.

## How do I use the Drush command line tool from IntelliJ IDEA?

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the Drush command line shell and scripting interface, version 5.8 and higher.

### Step 1: Download and install Drush

Download and install Drush as described at <https://github.com/drush-ops/drush>.

### Step 2: Configure Drush as a command line tool

1. Open the *Command Line Tool Support* page

Choose *File | Settings | Tools | Command Line Tool Support* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | Command Line Tool Support* for macOS. The *Command Line Tool Support* page opens.

2. Specify the tool type and visibility

Click *Add* and choose *Drush* in the *Choose Tool to Add* dialog. Choose whether Drush will be available in the current project (*Project* visibility) or across all IntelliJ IDEA projects (*Global* visibility). When you click *OK*, the *Drush* dialog opens.

3. Specify the Drush executable

In the *Drush* dialog that opens, IntelliJ IDEA has automatically filled in the default executable location, which is usually `C:/ProgramData/Drush/drush.bat` on Windows and `/usr/bin/drush` on macOS or Linux. If you followed the standard installation procedure, the predefined path will be correct, just click *OK*.

In case of custom installation, type the path to the Drush executable file and click *OK*.

In either case, IntelliJ IDEA loads command definitions automatically and returns to the *Command Line Tool Support* page.

4. Specify the alias for Drush

In the *Alias* text box, specify the alias to use in calls of tool commands. Accept the default alias or edit it, if necessary.

## 5. Activate Drush

Select the *Enable* checkbox to activate the detected command set.

### Step 3: Run Drush commands

Open the Input pane ( *Tools | Run Command* ) and type `<alias>` ( `drush` by default) and press `Ctrl+Space` to invoke completion. The result of command execution is shown in the *Output* tab with the name of the command. Learn more from [How do I run a command?](#) .

## How do I use Drupal 8 with Symfony2?

IntelliJ IDEA provides close integration between Drupal, version 8, and Symfony2. Through this integration, Symfony2 components are connected with Drupal infrastructure. To take advantage of this integration:

### Step 1: Install the Drupal Symfony2 Bridge plugin

Open the [Plugins page](#) ( *File | Settings | Plugins* for Windows and Linux or *@product@ | Preferences | Plugins* for macOS), click *Browse Repositories* , select the plugins and click *Install* . For details, see [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

**Tip** The Drupal Symfony2 Bridge plugin depends on the Symfony2 plugin, which will be installed automatically.

### Step 2: Enable annotations

To get advanced annotations support, install the [PHP Annotations plugin](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

### What coding assistance for Drupal 8 - Symfony2 integration do I get?

- Completion for major Drupal-specific parameters in `<module_name>.info.yml` files that contain information about Drupal modules.
- Strings suitable for use inside Drupal-specific `t() function` are indexed across your project and offered for completion.
- Completion for relevant `.yml` key values in `url()` and other Drupal API functions, which makes search for the right value easier.
- Navigation to the `.yml` file by pressing `Ctrl+B` or choosing *Navigate | Go To Declaration* .
- Full support for [service containers](#) described in `.yml` files, including completion and navigation with `Ctrl+B` .
- Support of the [Twig template engine](#) , which is now the default template engine for Drupal 8, including completion, navigation, and recognition of Drupal functions. See also [Twig in Drupal 8](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can develop a PHP application for running in the [Google PHP Runtime Environment](#). IntelliJ IDEA supports all the major **Google App Engine for PHP** development practices and provides the possibility to run and debug your applications locally before uploading them to the runtime environment.

In this section:

- [Preparing to Develop a Google App for PHP Application](#)
- [Running, Debugging, and Uploading an Application to Google App Engine for PHP](#)

## Google App Engine support in IntelliJ IDEA

- A dedicated **project type** with a specific directory structure and configuration file.
- A dedicated **App Engine for PHP** run/debug configuration for running and debugging applications on the [PHP Development Server](#) which comes bundled with the Google App Engine for PHP SDK.
- Uploading applications using the command of the Tools menu.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!


IntelliJ IDEA takes care of creating the specific directory structure and settings. IntelliJ IDEA can either generate a **Google App Engine for PHP** -specific project stub or you can enable support of **Google App Engine for PHP** in an existing project.

- [Before you start](#)
- [Creating a project stub of a Google App Engine for PHP application](#)
- [Activating the Google App Engine support in an existing project](#)

## Before you start

1. Download and install [Python](#) , version 2.7.
2. Download and install the [Google App Engine for PHP](#) .
3. **Install** and **enable** the Google App Engine Support for PHP plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
4. Create a Google account at <http://www.google.com> .
5. Create an application on the [Create application](#) page of the Google App Engine and remember its application ID, you will have to specify it during the creation of a project.

## Creating a project stub of a Google App Engine for PHP application

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click the New Project button on the Welcome screen.
2. In the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog, which is the first page of the New Project wizard, choose PHP in the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, choose App Engine Project and click Next .
4. On the second page of the wizard, specify the following:
  1. The name of the project and the folder to create it in.
  2. The version of the template to use.
  3. In the Application ID text box, type the identifier of your application as you specified it on the [Create application](#) page.
  4. In the SDK directory text box, specify the path to the folder where the [Google App Engine SDK for PHP](#) is installed.
  5. The location of the Python executable file. Type the path manually in the Python executable text box or click the Browse button  and choose the Python executable in the dialog box that opens.

Click Finish when ready.

IntelliJ IDEA creates a project with the `main.php` file and the `app.yaml` configuration file. The `app.yaml` file contains the generated settings for the `runtime` (should be `php55` ), the `api_version` , the `applicationID` , the `application version` (by default is 1), the `threadsafe` element with the value `true` to enable sending multiple, parallel requests, and the `Script handlers` `url` and `script` (with the value `main.php` ).

## Activating the Google App Engine support in an existing project

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Google App Engine for PHP under PHP .
2. On the [Google App Engine for PHP](#) page that opens, select the Enable Google App Engine for PHP support checkbox and specify the following:
  1. The folder where the **Google App Engine for PHP** SDK is stored.
  2. The path to the Python 2.7 executable file.
  3. In the App Engine Account Settings area, choose the way to authenticate to the development server, the available options are:
    - Use passwordless login via OAuth2: choose this option to use the [OAuth 2.0 protocol](#) . To save the `token` achieved through the [Google Developers Console](#) , clear the Do not save token checkbox.
    - Log in with email and password: choose this option to use your **Gmail** address and password.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to run and debug your applications locally on the [PHP Development Server](#) before uploading them to the [Google PHP Runtime Environment](#). Applications are launched locally according to a dedicated **App Engine for PHP** run/debug configuration.



In this section:

- [Working with the app.yaml file](#)
- [Creating a run configuration of the type App Engine for PHP](#)
- [Running an application on the PHP development server](#)
- [Debugging an application on the PHP development server](#)
- [Uploading an application to the Google PHP runtime environment](#)


## Working with the app.yaml file

A Google App Engine PHP application is configured in the [app.yaml](#) file. If you generate a project stub (see [Preparing to Develop a Google App for PHP Application](#)), the `app.yaml` file is created automatically. If you activate **Google App Engine** support in an existing project, you need to create an `app.yaml` file manually. In either case, make sure the `runtime` property is set to `php55`, because the **Google App Engine for PHP** SDK contains a built-in PHP 5.5 interpreter.


## Creating a run configuration of the type App Engine for PHP

1. On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations, click  and choose App Engine for PHP from the list. The **Run/Debug Configuration: App Engine for PHP** opens.
2. Specify the host to run the development server and the application on (the default is `localhost`).
3. Specify the port through which IntelliJ IDEA will communicate with the development server (the default port is `8080`).
4. Optionally in the Command Line area, specify the settings for running and debugging your application on the PHP development server in the command-line mode:
  - In the Interpreter options field, specify the options to be passed to the PHP executable file of the built-in PHP interpreter, see [Command-Line Arguments](#) for details.
  - In the Custom working directory field, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with your sources and are referenced through relative paths. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the [dialog that opens](#).
  - In the Yaml files field, specify the `.yaml` configuration files to use. This field is optional, use it when your application consists of several modules and therefore several `.yaml` configuration files are used.
  - In the Environment variables field, in this field, specify the **environment variables** to be passed to the built-in server. See [Environment Variables in Apache](#) for details.

## Running an application on the PHP development server

1. Create an **App Engine for PHP** run configuration as described above.
2. Choose the configuration from the list and click  on the toolbar.
3. View and analyze the output of the application in console of the [Run tool window](#).
4. To view the application execution results, open your browser at `http://localhost:8080`.

## Debugging an application on the PHP development server

1. Create an **App Engine for PHP** run configuration as described above.
2. Set the breakpoints in your code, see [Using Breakpoints](#).
3. Choose the configuration from the list and click .
4. In the **Debug** tool window that opens, [step through the program](#), stop and resume the program, examine it when suspended, etc. See [Stepping Through the Program](#), [Pausing and Resuming the Debugger Session](#), and [Examining Suspended Program](#) for details.

## Uploading an application to the Google PHP runtime environment

After you have tested your application by running and debugging it locally on the development server, you can deploy it to the [Google PHP Runtime Environment](#).

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Google App Engine for PHP | Upload App Engine PHP app.
2. Visit the application at `http://<your-application-id>.appspot.com/`.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use IntelliJ IDEA as an IDE for [Joomla!](#) development.

In this part:

- Joomla!
  - [Before you start](#)
  - [Joomla! support](#)
- [Creating and Importing Joomla! Projects](#)
- [Configuring Joomla! Support](#)

## Before you start

1. Download and install [Joomla!](#).
2. Before you start working with Joomla!, make sure that the Joomla! Integration plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Joomla! support

Joomla! support includes:

- Ability to [create a new project](#).
- `JHTML::_($argument)`, `JText::_($argument)`, `JText::script()`, `JText::sprintf();` support.

When `JHTML::_($argument)` is used, IntelliJ IDEA navigates with `Ctrl+Click` on the first argument to the corresponding class or method.

For example, consider the following code:

```
<?php
$options[] = JHTML::_('select.option', $eid, $extension_name);
```

`Ctrl+Click` on `select.option` leads to navigation to the `option` method of the class `select`.

When all the other constructs are used, IntelliJ IDEA navigates with `Ctrl+Click` on the first argument to the corresponding property in the `*.ini` file. For example, in the code

```
<?php
msg = JText::sprintf('COM_INSTALLER_INSTALL_ERROR', JText::_('COM_INSTALLER_TYPE_TYPE' . strtoupper($
```

`Ctrl+Click` on `'COM_INSTALLER_INSTALL_ERROR'` leads to navigation to the property `'COM_INSTALLER_INSTALL_ERROR'` in the file `en-GB.com_installer.ini`.

- Joomla! code style can be selected for the code in the [PHP](#) page of the Editor settings, when clicking the link [Set from](#).
- IntelliJ IDEA detects Joomla! when opening a Joomla! module/plugin/extension or a Joomla! root folder, and suggests enabling Joomla! support, and adjusting namespaces.
- [DocBlocks](#) standards for PHP files, classes, class properties, etc. When Joomla! support is recognized, IntelliJ IDEA suggests installing DocBlocks:

**Joomla! Support**  
Joomla DocBlock templates can be installed.  
[Install it?](#)

- IntelliJ IDEA suggests importing the Joomla! code style. See section [Configuring Joomla! Support](#)
- IntelliJ IDEA detects databases in projects. Just click **+** in the [Database tool window](#) tool window and choose Import from sources...

The settings specified in the file `configuration.php` are detected and used for the new data source connection.

- IntelliJ IDEA provides database prefixes support and changes `#__` to the prefix that is defined in the `$dbprefix` field in the `configuration.php` file.

It is worth noting that a database dialect should be selected in the [SQL Dialects](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

Note also that the type of the selected dialect should be equal to your database type.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.


**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

To have a IntelliJ IDEA project set up and configured in accordance with the **Joomla!** requirements, you can either create a project by a dedicated Joomla! template or import an existing Joomla! project.

In this section:

- [How do I create a IntelliJ IDEA project by a Joomla! Integration template?](#)
- [How do I import a Joomla! project?](#)

## How do I create a IntelliJ IDEA project by a Joomla! Integration template?

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click Create New Project on the Welcome screen. The [Project Category and Options](#) dialog opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, click PHP from the list, then choose Joomla! Integration in the right-hand pane, and then click *Next*.
3. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder where it will be created.
  1. Specify the root folder of the Joomla! installation in the Joomla! installation path. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens.
  2. Select the desired Joomla! project type (component, module, or plugin).

## How do I import a Joomla! project?

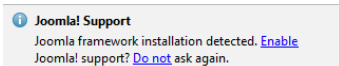
Besides creating a project anew according to the **Joomla!** template, you can open an existing **Joomla!** project in IntelliJ IDEA. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the **Joomla!**-specific structure and suggests activating the **Joomla!** support in project.

1. **Open the folder with the Joomla! project**

Choose *File | Open Directory* on the main menu, then select the required folder in the dialog box that opens.

2. **Enable Joomla! support in the project**

As soon as IntelliJ IDEA detects the **Joomla!**-specific structure in the project, the following Joomla! Support message is displayed in a pop-up window:



Click *Enable*.

3. **Configure PSR roots**

As soon as IntelliJ IDEA detects PSR roots, it displays a message. Choose *Automatic configuration*.

4. **Install DocBlock templates**

Click *Install* in the pop-up message that IntelliJ IDEA displays.

**Tip** If you prefer NOT enabling Joomla! support, just ignore the pop-up, and it will vanish.

– You can always enable Joomla! support and change the integration settings on the [Frameworks](#) page as described in [Configuring Joomla! Support](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

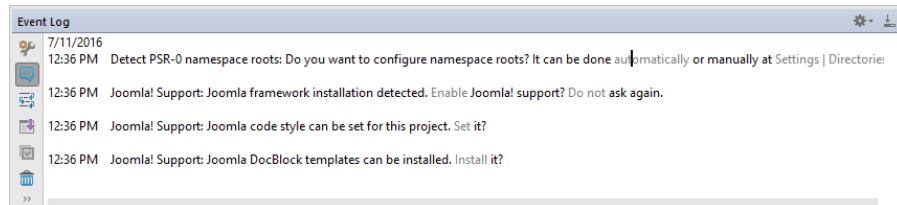
In this section:

- [How do I configure Joomla!-specific development environment?](#)
- [How do I change the Joomla! settings?](#)

## How do I configure Joomla!-specific development environment?

IntelliJ IDEA checks if the development environment is configured properly for Joomla! development.

Any detected inconsistency is reported in the *Event Log* tool window and as a pop-up. For each discrepancy IntelliJ IDEA suggests a fix. To apply a suggestion, click the link next to the reported event.



## How do I change the Joomla! settings?

### 1. Enable or disable Joomla! integration

On the [Frameworks page](#) (*File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Frameworks* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | PHP | Frameworks* for macOS), toggle the *Enable Joomla! integration* checkbox to activate or deactivate Joomla! in the current IntelliJ IDEA project.

To use another Joomla! installation, type the path to the relevant installation folder.

### 2. Set the code style

Open the [Code Style: PHP page](#) (*File | Settings | Editor | Code Style | PHP* for Windows and Linux or *IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Editor | Code Style | PHP* for macOS) and update the settings as necessary.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the [Phing](#) build framework. Phing is mainly intended for building PHP projects, but it can also be used as a build tool in a number of areas. Phing functionality in IntelliJ IDEA is provided through a dedicated [Phing Build](#) tool window.

In this section:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Accessing Phing Build tool window](#)

## Before you start

1. Make sure Phing is [downloaded](#) and [set up](#) on your computer. If you are using an [AMP](#), the package may already contain Phing.
2. **Install** and **enable** the Phing Support plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Accessing Phing Build tool window

1. Open a Phing build file in the editor or select it in the [Project](#) tool window, and then choose Add as Phing build file on the context menu of the selection.
2. Choose *View | Tool Windows | Phing Build* on the main menu. The tool window can be accessed after you have opened it through the context menu of a Phing build file in the editor or in the Project tool window.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Before you start](#)
- [Enabling Phing support](#)
  - [Enabling Phing support through the project settings](#)
  - [Enabling Phing support from the Phing Build tool window](#)
  - [Enabling Phing on the fly, when attempting to run a build file](#)

## Introduction

At the project level, you can enable Phing in the following ways:

- Explicitly through the project settings, on the [Phing](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box.
- When adding a file to the list of Phing build files. A correct Phing build file is an `xml` file with the root element `<project>`.
- On the fly, when you attempt to run a build from the editor or from the project tool window.

In either case, the Phing Build tool window becomes available from the View | Tool Windows | Phing Build menu within the scope of the current project.

## Before you start

1. Make sure Phing is [downloaded](#) and [set up](#) on your computer. If you are using an [AMP](#), the package may already contain Phing.
2. **Install** and **enable** the Phing Support plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Enabling Phing support


### To enable Phing support through the project settings

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Phing under PHP.
2. In the [Phing](#) page that opens, specify the location of the file `phing.bat` in the Path to Phing executable text box. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.


### To enable Phing support from the Phing Build tool window

1. Open a Phing build file in the editor or select it in the [Project](#) tool window.

**Tip** A correct Phing build file is an `xml` file with the root element `<project>`.

2. On the context menu of the editor or the selection, choose Add as Phing build file.
3. In the [Phing Build](#) tool window, that opens, click the Settings button  on the toolbar. The button is only available if the list of build files is not empty.
4. In the [Phing Settings](#) dialog box, that opens, specify the location of the `phing.bat` executable file.

### To enable Phing on the fly, when attempting to run a build file

1. Open an Phing build file in the editor.
2. On the context menu of the editor, choose Run Build File.
3. In the [Phing Build](#) tool window, that opens, click the Settings button  on the toolbar. The button is only available if the list of build files is not empty.
4. In the [Phing Settings](#) dialog box, that opens, specify the location of the `phing.bat` executable file.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Accessing Phing Build tool window](#)
- [Managing lists of build files](#)

## Introduction

A correct Phing build file is an `.xml` file with the root element `<project>`. Build files are created outside the [Phing Build](#) tool window and are normally stored under your PHP project root folder. Find more about writing Phing build files in [Phing Getting Started](#).

## Accessing Phing Build tool window

1. Open a Phing build file in the editor or select it in the [Project](#) tool window, and then choose Add as Phing build file on the context menu of the selection.
2. Choose *View | Tool Windows | Phing Build* on the main menu. The tool window can be accessed after you have opened it through the context menu of a Phing build file in the editor or in the Project tool window.

## Managing lists of build files

### To configure a list of build files, perform these general steps

1. [Open the Phing Build](#) tool window.
2. To add a build file to the list, click the Add button **+** on the toolbar and choose the required `.xml` build file in the Select Phing Build File dialog box, that opens.
3. To remove a build file from the list, select the file and click the Remove button **-** on the toolbar.
4. To navigate to the source code of a build file, select the desired file and choose Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

Phing functionality in IntelliJ IDEA is provided through a dedicated [Phing Build](#) tool window.




In this section:

- [Accessing Phing Build tool window](#)
- [Examining the build targets defined in a build file](#)
- [Hiding targets](#)
- [Associating a shortcut with a Phing target](#)
- [Appointing targets for execution before running or debugging](#)

## Accessing Phing Build tool window


1. Open a Phing build file in the editor or select it in the [Project](#) tool window, and then choose Add as Phing build file on the context menu of the selection.
2. Choose *View | Tool Windows | Phing Build* on the main menu. The tool window can be accessed after you have opened it through the context menu of a Phing build file in the editor or in the Project tool window.

## Examining the build targets defined in a build file

1. [Open the Phing Build](#) tool window. The window shows all the build files as nodes.
2. Depending on your goal, do one of the following:
  - To view the build targets defined in a specific build file, expand the corresponding node by clicking  next to the build file name. Note that this expanding does not affect the targets marked as **hidden**.
  - To fold or unfold the build targets defined in all build files, click respectively the Expand All button  or the Collapse All button  on the toolbar. Note that unfolding does not affect the targets marked as **hidden**.
  - To navigate to the definition of a target in the source code, select the desired target and choose Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection.



## Hiding targets

Among the targets defined in a build file, you may have some that are only called by other targets and are never run alone. You can suppress showing such targets in the build file tree by marking them as **hidden**.

**Hidden** targets do not become visible when you expand the node of a specific build file or click Expand All button .

You can mark a target as **hidden** both directly from the Phing Build tool window or from the Phing Settings dialog box. However, the **hidden** status can be removed **only** through the Phing Settings dialog box.

Depending on your goal, do one of the following:

- To mark one or several build targets as **hidden**, do one of the following:
  - In the Phing Build tool window, select the targets under their build file node and choose Mark to Hide on the context menu of the selection.
  - Select the build file in which they are defined and click the Settings button  on the toolbar. Then in the [Phing Settings](#) dialog box that opens, switch to the Hiding targets tab and select the Hide checkboxes next to the targets to be hidden.
- To remove the **hidden** status of a target:
  1. Select the build file in which it is defined and click the Settings button  on the toolbar.
  2. In the [Phing Settings](#) dialog box that opens, switch to the Hiding targets tab where the Hide checkboxes next to the names of the **hidden** targets are selected. Clear the Hide checkboxes next to the targets for which you want the status **hidden** removed.

## Associating a shortcut with a Phing target

You can associate a build target with a keyboard shortcut and execute commonly-used targets with a single key-stroke. If a Phing build file is added to the project, its targets appear under the Phing Targets node in the [Keymap](#) dialog box.

1. In the [Phing Build](#) tool window, right-click the desired build target.
2. On the context menu, choose Assign Shortcut.
3. In the [Keymap](#) dialog box that opens, configure the shortcut as described in [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#).

## Appointing targets for execution before running or debugging

1. [Open the Phing Build](#) tool window.
2. Select the desired target and choose Before Run/Debug on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the Execute Target Before Run/Debug dialog box that opens, select the [configurations](#) before which you want the target executed.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

Phing functionality in IntelliJ IDEA is provided through a dedicated [Phing Build](#) tool window.

In this section:

- [Accessing the Phing Build tool window](#)
- [Running builds](#)
- [Running separate build targets](#)

## Accessing the Phing Build tool window


1. Open a Phing build file in the editor or select it in the [Project](#) tool window, and then choose Add as Phing build file on the context menu of the selection.
2. Choose *View | Tool Windows | Phing Build* on the main menu. The tool window can be accessed after you have opened it through the context menu of a Phing build file in the editor or in the Project tool window.

## Running builds

1. [Open the Phing Build](#) tool window.
2. Select the required build file in the list and click the Run button  on the toolbar or choose Run Build on the context menu of the selection.

## Running separate build targets

Do one of the following:

- In the [Phing Build](#) tool window, select the required build target in the list and click the Run button  on the toolbar or choose Run Target on the context menu of the selection.
- Use the [shortcut associated with the target](#) .



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

A Phing build file normally contains [property elements](#) that can be configured either manually in the build file itself or externally, in the [Phing Build](#) tool window. Properties that are configured externally are passed to Phing through a command line when build execution is launched and therefore they are every time re-calculated dynamically. Externally configured properties always override the ones set manually in the build file.



In this section:

- [Accessing Phing Build tool window](#)
- [Configuring a property externally](#)

## Accessing Phing Build tool window

1. Open a Phing build file in the editor or select it in the [Project](#) tool window, and then choose Add as Phing build file on the context menu of the selection.
2. Choose *View | Tool Windows | Phing Build* on the main menu. The tool window can be accessed after you have opened it through the context menu of a Phing build file in the editor or in the Project tool window.

## Configuring a property externally

1. Open the Phing Build tool window.
2. Select the required build file in the list and click the Settings button  on the toolbar.
3. In the [Phing Settings](#) dialog box that opens, switch to the Properties tab and configure a list or properties to be passed to Phing through a command line.
  1. To add a new property to the list, click the Add button.
  2. In the Property text box, type the name of the property.
  3. In the Value text box, specify the property value to be passed. Do one of the following:
    - Type the value manually.
    - To use [IntelliJ IDEA macros](#), click the Insert macro button  and configure a list of relevant macro definitions in the [Macros](#) dialog box that opens. To add a macro, select it in the list and click Insert.
4. When the list of properties is ready, click OK in the Phing Settings dialog box.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

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- [Choosing a custom coding style to check your code against](#)
- [Sharing a custom coding style with the team](#)
- [Running Code Sniffer in the batch mode](#)
- [Excluding files from Code Sniffer inspection](#)

## Introduction

In addition to built-in coding assistance, IntelliJ IDEA provides code style check through integration with the [PHP Code Sniffer](#) tool, which validates your code for consistency with a coding standard of your choice. You can appoint one of the predefined [coding standards](#) or use [your own previously defined coding standard](#) with the root directory outside the default PHP Code Sniffer's Standards directory. Moreover, you can share your custom coding style with your team fellows.

To use PHP Code Sniffer right from IntelliJ IDEA instead of from a command line, you need to register it in IntelliJ IDEA and configure it as a IntelliJ IDEA [code inspection](#). Once installed and enabled in IntelliJ IDEA, the tool is available in any opened PHP file, so no steps are required from your side to launch it. The on-the-fly code check is activated upon every update in the file thus making it extremely easy to get rid of problems reported by PHP Code Sniffer.

Errors and warnings reported by PHP Code Sniffer on-the-fly are displayed as pop-up messages. When the tool is run in the batch mode, the errors and warnings are displayed in the Inspection Results tool window. Anyway, each message has the `phpcs` prefix to distinguish it from IntelliJ IDEA internal inspections.

## Before you start

Make sure the PHP plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Choosing the Code Sniffer script to use

You can use PHP Code Sniffer local scripts or scripts associated with PHP interpreters. There can be a number of local and remote PHP interpreters, the one specified on the PHP page of the Settings dialog box is considered **Project Default**.

Learn more about configuring PHP interpreters in [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) or in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#).


1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Code Sniffer under PHP.
2. From the Configuration drop-down list in the Development Environment area, choose the script to use:
  - To use the script associated with a specific remote PHP interpreter, choose the name of this interpreter.
  - To use the script associated with the default project interpreter, that is, the one chosen on the PHP page of the Settings dialog box, choose By default project interpreter.
  - To use a local script, choose Local. In this case the local Code Sniffer will be executed no matter which PHP interpreter - local or remote - is used in the project. Note that there can be only one **Local** configuration for Code Sniffer because IntelliJ IDEA runs a script (`phpcs.bat` for Windows or `phpcs` for Linux) which contains a path to a PHP engine.


## Configuring a local Code Sniffer script

1. Make sure the [PEAR](#) package manager is installed on your machine.
2. Download and install the [PHP Code Sniffer](#). To check it, switch to the directory with the `pear.bat` file and run the following command: `phpcs --version`  
If the tool is available, you will get a message in the following format: `PHP_CodeSniffer version <version> (stable) by Squiz Pty Ltd. (http://www.squiz.net)`

To have code checked against your own custom coding standard, [create it](#). Store the rules and the `ruleset.xml` file that points to them in the coding standard root directory.




3. Register the local PHP Code Sniffer script in IntelliJ IDEA:

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Code Sniffer under PHP.
2. On the [Code Sniffer](#) page that opens, click  next to the Configuration drop-down list.
3. In the Code Sniffer dialog box that opens, specify the location of the Code Sniffer executable `phpcs.bat` or `phpcs` in

the PHP Code Sniffer path text box. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog box, that opens.

To check that the specified path to `phpcs.bat` or `phpcs` ensures interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and Code Sniffer, that is, the tool can be launched from IntelliJ IDEA and IntelliJ IDEA will receive problem reports from it, click the Validate button. This validation is equal to running the `phpcs --version` command. If validation passes successfully, IntelliJ IDEA displays the information on the detected Code Sniffer version.

## Configuring a Code Sniffer associated with a PHP interpreter

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Code Sniffer under PHP .
2. On the [Code Sniffer](#) page that opens, click  next to the Configuration drop-down list. The Code Sniffer dialog box opens showing a list of all the configured Code Sniffer scripts in the left-hand pane, one of them is of the type **Local** and others are named after the PHP interpreters with which the scripts are associated. Click  on the toolbar.
3. In the Code Sniffer by Remote Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the remote PHP interpreter to use the associated script from. If the list does not contain a relevant interpreter, click  and configure a remote interpreter in the CLI Interpreters dialog box as described in [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) .  
When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA brings you back to the Code Sniffer dialog box where the new **Code Sniffer** configuration is added to the list and the right-hand pane shows the chosen remote PHP interpreter, the path to the Code Sniffer associated with it, and the advanced PHP Code Sniffer options.

## Configuring advanced PHP Code Sniffer options

IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to specify advanced PHP Code Sniffer options and thus fine tune the PHP Code Sniffer process behavior depending on the configuration of your computer and the rule sets used.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Code Sniffer under PHP .
2. In the Maximum number of messages per file text box, set the upper limit for the total number of messages to be reported for a file. All the messages above this limit will be rejected and IntelliJ IDEA will display the following warning right in the code:

```
Too many PHP Code Sniffer messages
```



3. In the Tool process timeout text box, specify how long you want IntelliJ IDEA to wait for a result from PHP Code Sniffer, whereupon the process is killed to prevent excessive CPU and memory usage.

## Configuring PHP Code Sniffer as a IntelliJ IDEA inspection

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Inspections under Editor .
2. On the [Inspections](#) page that opens, select the PHP Code Sniffer validation checkbox under the PHP node.
3. On the right-hand pane of the page, configure the PHP Code Sniffer tool using the controls in the Options area:
  1. From the Severity drop-down list, choose the **severity degree** for the Code Sniffer inspection. The selected value determines how serious the detected discrepancies will be treated by IntelliJ IDEA and presented in the [inspection results](#) .
  2. In the Coding standard drop-down list, appoint the coding style to check your code against. The list contains all the coding standards installed inside the main `PHP_CodeSniffer` directory structure.  
Use one of the predefined [coding standards](#) or choose Custom to [appoint your own standard](#) .
  3. Optionally, select the Ignore warnings checkbox to have only errors reported and suppress reporting warnings. This option is equal to the `-n` command line argument.

## Choosing a custom coding style to check your code against

You can have code checked against [your own previously defined coding standard](#) with the root directory outside the default PHP Code Sniffer's Standards directory. This root directory should contain the rules themselves and the `ruleset.xml` file that points to them.

1. [Open the Settings dialog box](#) , and click Inspections . The [Inspections](#) page opens. Select the PHP Code Sniffer validation checkbox under the PHP node.
2. From the Coding standard drop-down list, choose Custom .
3. Click the Browse button  .
4. In the Custom Coding Standard dialog box that opens, specify the path to the root directory of your own coding standard in the Root directory . Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the [dialog that opens](#) .  
The selected root directory should contain the `ruleset.xml` file that points to the rules.

## Sharing a custom coding style with the team

1. Put the root directory of your coding standard under the [project root](#) .

2. [Configure Code Sniffer as a IntelliJ IDEA inspection](#) .
3. [Appoint your coding standard](#) .
4. At the top of the [Inspections](#) page, select the Share Profile checkbox.
5. On the [Version Control](#) page of the Settings dialog box, put the root directory of your coding standard [under version control](#) .

## Running Code Sniffer in the batch mode

1. To [run the inspection](#) , choose Code | Inspect code on the main menu. Specify the inspection scope and profile.
2. View the inspection results in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) . Errors and warnings reported by PHP Code Sniffer have the `phpcs` prefix to distinguish them from IntelliJ IDEA internal inspections.

## Excluding files from Code Sniffer inspection

When waiting for Code Sniffer response exceeds the limit specified in the Tool process timeout field on [Code Sniffer](#) page, IntelliJ IDEA suggests adding the file to the **ignore list** . This list is shown on the Code Sniffer page in the Ignored files area. For each file, IntelliJ IDEA displays its name and location.

- To delete a file from the list and have Code Sniffer process it again, select the file and click the Remove file button **—** .
- To remove all the files from the list, click the Clean the list button **✖** .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

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## Introduction

In addition to built-in coding assistance, IntelliJ IDEA provides checking the source code through integration with the [PHP Mess Detector](#) tool, which detects [potential problems](#) related to code size, inconsistency, unused code, violation of naming conventions, poor design, etc.

You can have [predefined rules](#) applied or define your own [custom set of rules](#).



## Before you start

Make sure the PHP plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).




## Choosing the Mess Detector script to use

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Mess Detector under PHP.
2. From the Configuration drop-down list in the Development Environment area, choose the script to use:
  - To use the script associated with a specific remote PHP interpreter, choose the name of this interpreter.
  - To use the script associated with the default project interpreter, that is, the one chosen on the PHP page of the Settings dialog box, choose By default project interpreter.
  - To use a local script, choose Local. In this case the local Mess Detector will be executed no matter which PHP interpreter - local or remote - is used in the project. Note that there can be only one Local configuration for Mess Detector because IntelliJ IDEA runs a script (`phpmd.bat` for Windows or `phpmd` for Linux) which contains a path to a PHP engine.

## Configuring a local Mess Detector script

1. Download [PHP Mess Detector](#). The easiest way to do that is use the [Composer Dependency Manager](#), see [Composer Dependency Manager](#).
2. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Mess Detector under PHP.
3. On the [Mess Detector](#) page that opens, click  next to the Configuration drop-down list.
4. In the Mess Detector dialog box that opens, specify the location of the Mess Detector executable `phpmd.bat` or `phpmd` in the PHP Mess Detector path text box. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog box, that opens. If you installed the tool through Composer, the default location is `<project root folder>\vendor\bin\phpmd.bat`.  
To check that the specified path to `phpmd.bat` or `phpmd` ensures interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and Mess Detector, that is, the tool can be launched from IntelliJ IDEA and IntelliJ IDEA will receive problem reports from it, click the Validate button. This validation is equal to running the `phpmd --version` command. If validation passes successfully, IntelliJ IDEA displays the information on the detected Mess Detector version.

## Configuring a Mess Detector associated with a PHP interpreter

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Mess Detector under PHP.
2. On the [Mess Detector](#) page that opens, click  next to the Configuration drop-down list. The Mess Detector dialog box opens showing a list of all the configured Mess Detector scripts in the left-hand pane, one of them is of the type Local and others are named after the PHP interpreters with which the scripts are associated. Click  on the toolbar.
3. In the Mess Detector by Remote Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the remote PHP interpreter to use the associated script from. If the list does not contain a relevant interpreter, click  and configure a remote interpreter in the CLI Interpreters dialog box as described in [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#).

When you click OK , IntelliJ IDEA brings you back to the Mess Detector dialog box where the new **Mess Detector** configuration is added to the list and the right-hand pane shows the chosen remote PHP interpreter, the path to the Mess Detector associated with it, and the advanced PHP Mess Detector options.

## Specifying advanced PHP Mess Detector options

IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to specify advanced PHP Mess Detector options and thus fine tune the PHP Mess Detector process behavior depending on the configuration of your computer and the rule sets used.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Languages & Frameworks node, and then click Mess Detector under PHP . The [Mess Detector](#) page opens.
2. In the Maximum number of messages per file text box, set the upper limit for the total number of messages to be reported for a file. All the messages above this limit will be rejected and IntelliJ IDEA will display the following warning right in the code:

```
Too many PHP Mess Detector messages
```

3. In the Tool process timeout text box, specify how long you want IntelliJ IDEA to wait for a result from PHP Mess Detector, whereupon the process is killed to prevent excessive CPU and memory usage.

## Configuring PHP Mess Detector as a IntelliJ IDEA inspection

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Inspections under Editor .
2. On the [Inspections](#) page that opens, select the PHP Mess Detector validation checkbox under the PHP node.
3. On the right-hand pane of the page, configure the PHP Mess Detector tool using the controls in the Options area:
  1. From the Severity drop-down list, choose the [severity degree](#) for the Mess Detector inspection. The selected value determines how serious the detected discrepancies will be treated by IntelliJ IDEA and presented in the [inspection results](#) .
  2. [Appoint the rules to apply](#) .

## Specifying the rules to apply

You can have [predefined rules](#) applied or define your own [custom set of rules](#) .

1. [Open the Settings dialog box](#) , and click Inspections .
2. On the [Inspections](#) page that opens, select the PHP Mess Detector validation checkbox under the PHP node.
3. Do one of the following:
  - To use a predefined rules, in the Options area, select the checkboxes next to the validations to be performed. For more details on [predefined rules](#) , see <http://phpmd.org/rules/index.html> .
  - To use a custom ruleset:
    1. Create and save one or several [ruleset files](#) . A valid [ruleset file](#) is an `.xml` file that contains the root element `<ruleset>` with the attribute `name` . For more details on [custom rulesets](#) , see <http://phpmd.org/documentation/creating-a-ruleset.html> .
    2. In the Custom rulesets area, click the Add Rule button `+` and select the relevant rule definition file in the dialog box that opens. When you click OK , a new item is added to the Custom rulesets list, where the File field shows the location of the selected ruleset file and the Name field shows the ruleset name retrieved from the attribute `name` within the `<ruleset>` tag.

## Running Mess Detector in the batch mode

1. To [run the inspection](#) , choose Code | Inspect code on the main menu. Specify the inspection scope and profile.
2. View the inspection results in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) . Errors and warnings reported by PHP Mess Detector have the `phpmd` prefix to distinguish them from IntelliJ IDEA internal inspections.

## Excluding files from Mess Detector inspection

When waiting for Mess Detector response exceeds the limit specified in the Tool process timeout field on [Mess Detector](#) page, IntelliJ IDEA suggests adding the file to the [ignore list](#) . This list is shown on the Mess Detector page in the Ignored files area. For each file, IntelliJ IDEA displays its name and location.

- To delete a file from the list and have Mess Detector process it again, select the file and click the Remove file button `-` .
- To remove all the files from the list, click the Clean the list button `✕` .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides full coding assistance for developing **WordPress** including **WordPress**-aware code completion, search for hook registration functions and functions specified as hook registration parameters, navigation between hook registrations and the hook invocations, callbacks, the possibility to configure the coding style in accordance with the **WordPress** code style, viewing the official **WordPress** documentation from the IntelliJ IDEA editor, etc.

You can run **WordPress** from IntelliJ IDEA in two modes:

- Through a dedicated user interface. To get access to this functionality in a project, you need to download **WordPress** , register it in IntelliJ IDEA, and activated the **WordPress** integration within the current project.
- Through a set of command line tools. In this case, you need to download **WP-CLI** and configure it as a IntelliJ IDEA **command line tools** , see [PHP Command Line Tools](#) .

In this section:

- [Preparing to Use WordPress](#)
- [WordPress Specific Coding Assistance](#)
- [Using the WordPress Command Line Tool WP-CLI](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this section:

- [Overview](#)
- [Before you start](#)
- [Downloading and installing WordPress](#)
- [Activating the WordPress installation in a project](#)
- [Generating a WordPress application stub](#)

## Overview

IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated interface for developing and running WordPress applications and provides WordPress - aware coding assistance, see [WordPress Specific Coding Assistance](#) . To get access to this functionality in a project, you need to download WordPress , register it in IntelliJ IDEA, and activated the WordPress integration within the current project.

Alternatively, you can download WordPress and create a stub of a WordPress -targeted project. In this case, the WordPress integration in the project will be activated automatically.

Whether you enable the WordPress integration in an existing project or create a stub of a WordPress application, IntelliJ IDEA checks if the development environment is configured properly for WordPress development. If the configuration does not meet the requirements, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up window with a Fix link.

## Before you start

1. Make sure the PHP interpreter is configured in IntelliJ IDEA on the [PHP page](#) , as described in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) .
2. Make sure the PHP and WordPress Support plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
3. Configure the [PHP interpreter](#) to use WordPress with, as described [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) . Note that WordPress requires PHP 5.3 or higher.

## Downloading and installing WordPress

1. Download the `WordPress.zip` archive at <https://wordpress.org/download/> .
2. Extract the archive:
  - To have the possibility to run your WordPress application on a [local Web server](#) , store the extracted file to the [document root](#) of the server where the [PHP interpreter](#) is configured. For local development environment with the [Apache HTTPD Web server](#) , extract `WordPress.zip` to the `htdocs` folder.
  - To run your WordPress application on an [in-place server](#) , store the extracted file under the project root.
  - To run your WordPress application on a [remote server](#) , store the extracted files in your project and then configure automatic upload of them to the document root of the remote server.  
Learn more about [server access configurations](#) , see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) . For information on configuring upload to the server, see [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
  - If you are not going to run your WordPress application but just need to get coding assistance from IntelliJ IDEA, store the extracted files anywhere on your computer. In this case, you will have to configure the installation as an [include path](#) , see [Configuring Include Paths](#) .

To run WordPress in the command line mode, you will need a set of command line tools which you can acquire by installing the `wp-cli/wp-cli` package using the Composer dependency manager or by downloading the `wp-cli.phar` archive. For details, see [Using the WordPress Command Line Tool WP-CLI](#) .

## Activating the WordPress installation in a project

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Frameworks Page under Languages and Frameworks | PHP .
2. On the [Frameworks page](#) that opens, select the Enable WordPress Integration checkbox.
3. In the WordPress Installation Path text box, specify the folder where WordPress is installed. This folder should contain the `wp-admin` and `wp-includes` subdirectories.
4. Click Apply to save the WordPress registration and click PHP .
5. On the [PHP page](#) that opens, add the path to the WordPress installation folder to the Include Paths list: click the `+` button and specify the path to the installation folder in the dialog box that opens. Learn more in [Configuring Include Paths](#) .

## Generating a WordPress application stub

During project creation, IntelliJ IDEA can generate a project stub for developing WordPress applications. The project structure is set up in accordance with the WordPress requirements.

1. Choose File | New | Project on the main menu or click Create New Project on the Welcome screen. The [Project Category and Options](#) dialog opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, click PHP from the list, then choose WordPress Plugin in the right-hand pane, and then click *Next* .
3. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and the folder where it will be created. In the WordPress Installation Path text box, specify the folder where WordPress is installed. This folder should contain the `wp-admin` and



`wp-includes` subdirectories. Click Finish to start the project stub generation.

4. If the newly created project is outside the **WordPress** installation folder, configure it as an **external library** by adding it to the list of **included path**.

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks .
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, add the path to the **WordPress** installation folder to the Include Paths list: click the **+** button and specify the path to the installation folder in the dialog box that opens. Learn more in [Configuring Include Paths](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA provides full coding assistance for developing **WordPress** including **WordPress**-aware code completion, search for hook registration functions and functions specified as hook registration parameters, navigation between hook registrations and the hook invocations, callbacks, the possibility to configure the coding style in accordance with the **WordPress** code style, viewing the official **WordPress** documentation from the IntelliJ IDEA editor, etc.

In this section:

- [Adding the WordPress to a project](#)
  - [Configuring the WordPress installation as a project include path](#)
  - [Adding the wp-content folder to the project](#)
- [Configuring WordPress code style](#)
- [Hooks support](#)
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  - [Navigation from a hook registration to the hook invocation](#)
  - [Callbacks from a hook registration](#)
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## Adding the WordPress to a project

To take advantage of coding assistance provided by IntelliJ IDEA, the **WordPress** installation you are working with should be configured in the project as an **external library**. As a result, the **WordPress** core file will be involved in indexing which is the basis for resolving references and providing code completion, navigation, search, etc.

If the `wp-content` folder is outside the **WordPress** installation, it has to be added either as an **include path** or as a **content root**.

### Configuring the WordPress installation as a project include path

To add **WordPress** to your project as an external library, you need to add it to the list of **include paths**. Learn more in [Configuring Include Paths](#).

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, add the path to the **WordPress** installation folder to the Include Paths list: click the `+` button and specify the path to the installation folder in the dialog box that opens.

### Adding the wp-content folder to the project

If the `wp-content` folder is located outside the **WordPress** installation, you need to add it to the project individually, apart from the **WordPress** core files. This can be done in two ways:

- To have the `wp-content` folder involved in indexing without putting it under the project version control, add it to the list of include paths:
  1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click PHP under Languages & Frameworks.
  2. On the [PHP](#) page that opens, add the path to the `wp-content` folder to the Include Paths list: click the `+` button and specify the path to the folder in the dialog box that opens.
- To have the `wp-content` folder involved in indexing and put it under the project version control, add it as a **content root**:
  1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
  2. In the left-hand pane, select Modules.
  3. In the pane to the right, select the necessary module.
  4. In the right-hand part of the dialog, select the Sources tab.
  5. Click Add Content Root.
  6. In the [dialog that opens](#), locate the `wp-content` directory and click OK.

Learn more about configuring content roots in [Configuring projects](#). For information about adding files and folders to version control, see [Enabling Version Control](#).

### Configuring WordPress code style

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can use the **WordPress Code Style** in accordance with the [WordPress coding standards](#). To configure the native **WordPress** code style, do one of the following:

- 1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS. Expand the Editor node, and then click PHP under Code Style.

2. On the [Code Style. PHP page](#) that opens, click the Set from... link.
3. On the context menu, choose Predefined Style , then choose WordPress .

- Upon activating of the **WordPress** integration, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up window offering you to set the **WordPress** code style. Click the Set it link in the pop-up window and set the code style on the Code Style. PHP page that opens.

Learn more in [Configuring Code Style](#) .

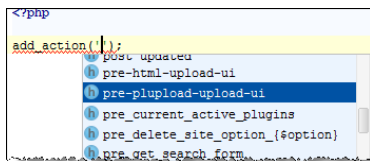
## Hooks support

IntelliJ IDEA indexes all hooks declared in the **WordPress core** and in the included plugins. This makes the basis for coding assistance when working with hooks.

### Completion for parameters of the Action and Filter functions

Hook names are available in code completion of standard parameters for action and filter functions ( `add_action()` and `add_filter()` ). To invoke completion for a parameter:

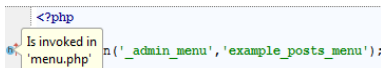
1. Start typing the declaration of an `add_action()` or `add_filter()` function.
2. Press `Ctrl+Space` and choose the relevant parameter from the list.



### Navigation from a hook registration to the hook invocation

To navigate from a hook registration ( `add_action()` or `add_filter()` function) to the hook invocation:

- Click the icon in the gutter area next to the hook registration to navigate from.

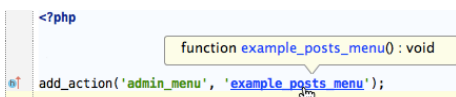


IntelliJ IDEA opens the file where the hook is invoked and positions the cursor at the invocation method, in the current example it is `do_action` .

### Callbacks from a hook registration

You can navigate to the declaration of the function or method specified as the second parameter of a hook registration ( `add_action()` or `add_filter()` function). To do that:

- With the `Ctrl` / `⌘` keyboard key pressed, hover the cursor over the parameter of interest. IntelliJ IDEA displays a pop-up information message with the definition of the function or method specified as this parameter:

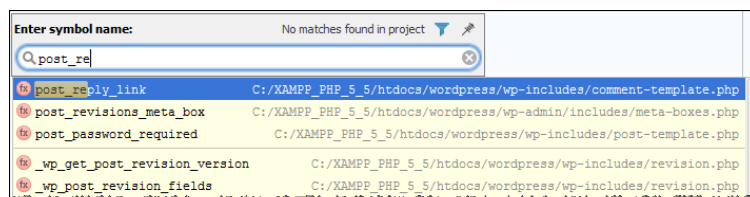


The parameter turns into a link. When you click this link, IntelliJ IDEA opens the file where the function or method was declared and positions the cursor and declaration.

### Navigating to hook invocations

To search for a hook invocation and navigate to it, do one of the following:

- Use the **Navigate to Symbol** functionality:
  1. Choose **Navigate | Symbol** on the main menu.
  2. In the Enter symbol name pop-up window that appears, start typing the hook name in the search field. If necessary, select the Include non-project items checkbox. The contents of the list below the search field change as you type.



3. Click the relevant hook from the list. IntelliJ IDEA opens the file where it is invoked and positions the cursor at the invocation.

- Use the **Search Everywhere** functionality:
  1. Press the `Shift` keyboard key twice.
  2. start typing the hook name in the search field. If necessary, select the Include non-project items checkbox.

The contents of the list below the search field change as you type.

3. Click the relevant hook from the list. IntelliJ IDEA opens the file where it is invoked and positions the cursor at the invocation.

Learn more about search and navigation in [Searching Through the Source Code](#) and [Navigating Through the Source Code](#).

## Searching for hook registration functions

You can search for occurrences of a hook registration function and for occurrences of a function or method specified as the second parameter of a hook registration.

- To get a list of usages for a hook registration function:
  1. Position the cursor at the name of the desired hook registration function and press `Alt+F7` or choose Edit | Find | Find Usages on the main menu.
  2. From the pop-up list that shows the available options in terms of hook/function name, choose the relevant option. The Find tool window opens with a new tab showing all the detected occurrences of the selected function.
  3. Explore the listed occurrences. To navigate to the relevant one, click it. IntelliJ IDEA opens the file with the selected function or method and positions the cursor at it.
- To get a list of occurrences of a function or method specified as the second parameter of a hook registration:
  1. Position the cursor at the parameter of interest and press `Alt+F7` or choose Edit | Find | Find Usages on the main menu. The Find tool window opens with a new tab showing all the detected occurrences of the function or method specified as the parameter on which the search was invoked.
  2. Explore the listed occurrences. To navigate to the relevant one, click it. IntelliJ IDEA opens the file with the selected function or method and positions the cursor at it.

Learn more in [Finding Usages](#).

## Viewing the official WordPress documentation from IntelliJ IDEA

You can view the official [WordPress Documentation](#) at <http://wordpress.org/> right from the IntelliJ IDEA editor.

1. Select the text you are interested in.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Search on WordPress.org .  
IntelliJ IDEA opens the page with the relevant documentation in the default browser.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

To run WordPress in the command line mode, you will need a set of command line tools which you can acquire by installing the `wp-cli/wp-cli` package using the Composer dependency manager or by downloading the `wp-cli.phar` archive. The downloaded command line tool must be registered in IntelliJ IDEA as described in [PHP Command Line Tools](#).

For information about **running** the tool in the command line mode, see [PHP Command Line Tools](#).

On this page:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Installing the wp-cli package using the Composer dependency manager](#)
- [Downloading the wp-cli.phar archive](#)
- [Configuring wp-cli as a IntelliJ IDEA command line tool](#)
- [Running the wp-cli tool](#)

## Before you start

1. Make sure the PHP interpreter is configured in IntelliJ IDEA on the [PHP page](#), as described in [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#).
2. Make sure the **PHP** and **Command Line Tool Support** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.
3. Configure the **PHP** interpreter to use **WordPress** with, as described [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#). Note that **WordPress** requires **PHP 5.3** or higher.

## Installing the wp-cli package using the Composer dependency manager

Before you start, make sure Composer is installed on your machine and initialized in the current project, see [Composer Dependency Manager](#).

1. On the context menu of `composer.json`, choose *Composer | Manage Dependencies*.
2. In the [Manage Composer Dependencies Dialog](#) that opens, select the `wp-cli/wp-cli` package from the Available Packages list, possibly using the search field. The list shows all the available packages, the packages that are already installed are marked with a tick. Choose the relevant version from the *Version to install* list.
3. If necessary, expand the Settings hidden area and specify the advanced installation options. In the Command line parameters text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have the package added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev`. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md>.
4. Click **Install**.

When you click *Finish*, the `create-project` command is invoked with the selected package. This results in creating a Composer project whose configuration and structure depends on the selected package, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md> for details. After that a IntelliJ IDEA project opens.


**TIP** Alternatively choose *Tools | Composer | Manage Dependencies* on the main menu.


## Downloading the wp-cli.phar archive

- Download the `wp-cli.phar` at [WordPress CLI](#).

## Configuring wp-cli as a IntelliJ IDEA command line tool

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing *File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS*, and click **Command Line Tool Support** under **Tools**.
2. On the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page, click the **Add** button. In the **Choose Tool to Add** dialog box that opens, choose **WP-CLI**.
3. In the **WP-CLI** dialog box that opens, choose the way to run **WordPress**:
  - **Installed via PHAR**: Choose this option to launch **WordPress** through a PHP script or have IntelliJ IDEA detect and start the launcher in the `wp-cli.phar` archive. Choose one of the configured PHP interpreters from the **PHP Interpreter** list. See [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

In the **Path to phar** text box, specify the location of the `wp-cli.phar` archive. Type the path manually or click the **Browse** button  and choose the desired location in the dialog box that opens.

- Executable available (installed via Composer, etc.): choose this option to launch **WordPress** through an executable file which is available when you install **WordPress** using a package management tool, for example, Composer.  
In the Path to wp.bat field, specify the location of the `wp.bat` or `wp` executable file. If you used Composer, the default location is `\vendor\wp\cli\bin\wp` or `\vendor\wp\cli\bin\wp.bat`. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the dialog box that opens.
- 4. When you click OK, the WP-CLI dialog box closes and IntelliJ IDEA brings you back to the Command Line Tool Support page, where **wp** is added to the list of available tools.
- 5. From the Console encoding drop-down list, choose the character set to show the tool's output in the [Command Line Tools Console Tool Window](#).
- 6. In the *Showconsole in* area, choose *Pop-up* to open the Input pane in a pop-up window or *Tool window* to show it as a text box at the bottom of the [Command Line Tools Console](#) tool window.

## Running the wp-cli tool

You can run **WP-CLI** commands and analyze their output right in IntelliJ IDEA using the dedicated [Command Line Tools Console](#) tool window, just as the commands of any other command line tools, see [PHP Command Line Tools](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Playframework Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA supports the version 1.x.x of the [Play framework](#) . The necessary integration with the framework is provided by the Playframework Support [plugin](#) bundled with with the IDE.

A Play application in IntelliJ IDEA corresponds to a Java [module](#) .

**Note** If you want to use IntelliJ IDEA just for running the `play` command-line utility (also known as the Play console), you can install and use the version 2.x.x of the Playframework.

In this section:

- [Play framework support overview](#)
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- [Running Play application tests](#)
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- [Creating a run/debug configuration for debugging](#)
- [Modifying the run configuration for running the application](#)

## Play framework support overview

Please note that the Play framework version 1.x is supported by the IntelliJ IDEA version 11. The later versions of IntelliJ IDEA support the Play 2.x version. Moreover, for the IntelliJ IDEA version 14.0, the Play 2.x framework is merged with the Scala plugin.

The Play framework support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- An ability to use the `play` command-line utility (the Play console) right in the IDE.
- Coding assistance:
  - Navigation between the methods of `Application.java` and the corresponding templates.
  - Updating templates through the variables of the corresponding `Application.java` methods.
  - [Code completion](#) for keywords, labels, variables, parameters and functions.
  - Error and syntax highlighting.
  - Code [formatting](#) and [folding](#) .
- Advanced source code [search and replace capabilities](#) .
- [Structure view](#) .

## Preparing for Play application development

To prepare for Play application development:

1. [Download](#) and install the desired Play framework version [supported by IntelliJ IDEA](#) . See the [installation instructions](#) .
2. [Create a new Play application](#) ( `play new` ) or get an existing one (the one that you are going to work with in IntelliJ IDEA).
3. [Prepare your application](#) for opening it in IntelliJ IDEA ( `play idea` or `play idealize` ).
4. Make sure that the [Play framework settings](#) are properly specified in IntelliJ IDEA.
5. [Open the application](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.
6. Optionally, convert the project into the [directory-based format](#) .

## Creating a Play application

To create a new Play application, run the `play new` command in a command-line shell, outside IntelliJ IDEA:

1. Open your command-line shell.
2. Switch to the directory in which you want to create your Play application.
3. Run the following command:

```
play new <dir>
```

where `<dir>` is the name of your new Play application directory (e.g. `helloworld` ) which will be created in the current directory.

4. When asked for the application name, type the name and press `Enter` .

As a result, the Play application with the specified name is created in the specified directory.

## Preparing a Play application for opening it in IntelliJ IDEA

To prepare a Play application for opening it in IntelliJ IDEA, run the `play idea` or the `play idealize` command from the root directory of your Play application:

1. Open your command-line shell.
2. Switch to the root directory of your Play application.
3. Run the following command:

```
play idea
```

(Alternatively, you can use the `play idealize` command.)

As a result, all the necessary IntelliJ IDEA configuration files are created in the current directory. These include the `<app_name>.ipr` project file which you can now [open in IntelliJ IDEA](#).

## Specifying Play framework settings

In IntelliJ IDEA, the Play framework settings are specified in the Settings dialog, on the Play Configuration page.

1. Open the Settings dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. In the left-hand pane of the dialog, select Play Configuration.
3. On the [Play Configuration page](#) that opens in the right-hand part of the dialog:
  - In the Home field, specify the Play framework installation directory.
  - In the Working directory field, specify the Play framework working directory. This is the directory from which the commands of the `play` command-line utility are run.
  - Depending on your preferences, turn the [Show on console run](#) option on or off.
4. Click OK in the Settings dialog.

## Opening a Play application in IntelliJ IDEA

To open a Play application in IntelliJ IDEA, you should open the `<app_name>.ipr` project file [you have previously generated](#):

1. Select File | Open.
2. In the Open File or Project dialog, go to your Play application root folder, select the `<app_name>.ipr` file, and click OK.

In the project that opens your Play application is represented by an IntelliJ IDEA [module](#).

If necessary, convert your project into the [directory-based format](#).

## An alternative way to create an IntelliJ IDEA project for a Play application

The quickest and the most convenient way to start working with a Play application in IntelliJ IDEA is to [run the play idea command](#) and then [open the generated .ipr file](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.

As an alternative, you can create a new project for your Play application sources using File | New | Project from Existing Sources and then add the necessary Play framework assets ( `<play_dir>\framework\lib` and `<play_dir>\framework\play-<version>.jar` ) to [dependencies](#) of the resulting IntelliJ IDEA module:

1. Select File | New | Project from Existing Sources.
2. In the [dialog that opens](#), select your Play application root directory.
3. On the [first page](#) of the Import Project wizard, select Create project from existing sources and click Next.
4. On the [next page of the wizard](#), in the Project location field, specify the path to your Play application root directory. The rest of the settings are not that important. Click Next.
5. Follow the instructions of the wizard. (Normally, all you have to do is to click Next on each of the pages accepting the default settings.)

When the project has been created, add the necessary module dependencies:
6. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
7. In the left-hand pane of the dialog, select Modules.
8. On the [Module page](#) shown in the right-hand part of the dialog, select the [Dependencies tab](#), click `+` and select Jars or directories.
9. In the Attach Files or Directories dialog, go to the Play framework installation directory, select the directory `framework\lib` and the file `framework\play-<version>.jar`, and click OK.
0. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

## Accessing the play command-line utility in IntelliJ IDEA

If a Play application is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, you can access the `play` command-line utility (the Play console) and run it right from the IDE:

1. Select Tools | Play with Playframework.



2. In the [Play Configuration dialog](#) specify the Play framework settings and click OK . (This dialog is not shown if the [Show on console run option](#) is off in the [Play framework settings](#) .)

As a result, the `play` command-line utility is started in the [Run tool window](#) .

## Adding Play modules to an IntelliJ IDEA module

The Play modules used by your Play application should be added to the corresponding IntelliJ IDEA module as the [module content roots](#) . For example, if your application uses (or is about to be using) the Play module `secure` :

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand pane of the dialog, select **Modules** .
3. On the [Module page](#) shown in the right-hand part of the dialog, select the [Sources tab](#) and click **Add Content Root** .
4. In the Select content root directory dialog, go to the Play framework installation folder, select the directory `modules\secure` , and click OK . (If the Play module you want isn't included in the Play framework distribution, you should download that module first to make it available locally.)
5. Click OK in the Project Structure dialog.

## Running a Play application

To run your play application, you can use the `play run` command:

1. [Start the play command-line utility](#) ( [Tools | Play with Playframework](#) ).
2. In the Run tool window, after `play` , type `run` and press `Enter` .
3. Open a Web browser and go to `http://localhost:9000` to see the application home page.

As an alternative, you can create an IntelliJ IDEA [run/debug configuration](#) , and use that configuration for running your application.

To create a run configuration for running your Play application:

1. Open the Run/Debug Configurations dialog (e.g. [Run | Edit Configurations](#) ).
2. Click **+** (`Alt+Insert` ) and select **Application** .
3. In the following fields, specify:
  - Main class. Type `play.server.Server`
  - VM options. Type `-Dapplication.path="."`
  - Working directory. Specify your Play application root directory.
4. If necessary, change the run configuration name and click OK .

Now, to execute this run configuration, you can, for example, use [Run | Run](#) . (For more information, see [Running Applications](#) .)

## Running Play application tests

To run tests for your Play application, you can use the `play test` command:

1. [Start the play command-line utility](#) ( [Tools | Play with Playframework](#) ).
2. In the Run tool window, after `play` , type `test` and press `Enter` .
3. Open a Web browser and go to `http://localhost:9000/@tests` to run the tests.

To be able to use an IntelliJ IDEA run/debug configuration for running your tests:

- Add `<play_dir>\modules\testrunner\lib\play-testrunner.jar` to the dependencies of your module. (See an [example of the procedure](#) to be used.)
- Modify the [run configuration for running the application](#) : in the VM options field, after `-Dapplication.path="."` , type space and then type `-Dplay.id=test`

So, finally, the VM options field will contain:

```
-Dapplication.path="." -Dplay.id=test
```

(If you want a separate run configuration for the tests, you can create a copy of the existing run configuration ([+](#)) and then modify that copy accordingly.)

## Debugging a Play application: process overview

1. [Create a run/debug configuration for debugging](#) . This should be a Remote type of configuration; the port specified in this configuration should correspond to a Java debugger port ( `8000` by default).
2. Set one or more [breakpoints](#) in your code. See [Using Breakpoints](#) .
3. If you are going to use an IntelliJ IDEA run configuration for starting the application, [modify the corresponding run configuration](#) , or create a new one.
4. Run the application by using the `play run` command (without any options and arguments) or by executing the corresponding run configuration.
5. Start the run/debug configuration intended for debugging.

6. In a Web browser, go to `http://localhost:9000` and, by using the application, try to reach a breakpoint.
7. When a breakpoint is reached, switch to IntelliJ IDEA and scrutinize the suspicious code fragments.
8. Continue debugging unless you localize the problem in your code.

See also, [Debugging](#) .

## Creating a run/debug configuration for debugging

1. Open the Run/Debug Configurations dialog (e.g. Run | Edit Configurations ).
2. Click **+** (`Alt+Insert`) and select Remote .
3. In the Port field, specify `8000` . (This is the port to which a Java debugger will connect. By default, the Play framework uses the port `8000` .)
4. If necessary, change the run/debug configuration name and click OK .

## Modifying the run configuration for running the application

If you are using an IntelliJ IDEA [run configuration for running your Play application](#) , this configuration has to be modified so that a Java debugger could connect to the running application. This is done by adding the corresponding JVM options. The necessary options can be copied from the run/debug configuration intended for debugging.

1. Open the Run/Debug Configurations dialog (e.g. Run | Edit Configurations ).
2. In the left-hand pane of the dialog, select the run/debug configuration intended for debugging.
3. Click **⌘** to the right of the upper field containing JVM command-line arguments. As a result, the field contents are copied to the clipboard.
4. Select the run configuration for running the application, and paste the options into the VM options field. This field should finally contain `-Dapplication.path=". "` , then a space and then the options you've just pasted. Here is an example:

```
-Dapplication.path=". " -agentlib:jdwp=transport=dt_socket,server=y,suspend=n,address=8000
```

(If you are using the same run configuration for running the application and the [tests](#) , you may need to delete `-Dplay.id=test` .)

5. Click OK .

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- [Plugin Development Guidelines](#)
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- [Preparing Plugins for Publishing](#)
- [Viewing PSI Structure](#)

## Before you start

1. Download and install a JDK.
2. Make sure that the Plugin DevKit plugin is enabled, see [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
3. Optionally, [download](#) the IntelliJ IDEA Community Edition sources. This will make debugging your plugins much easier.

## Developing plugins

### To develop an IntelliJ IDEA plugin

Follow these general steps:

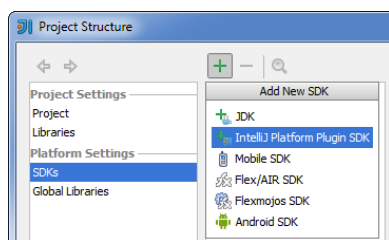
1. Start IntelliJ IDEA.
2. [Configure the IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK](#) .
3. [Create a project for plugin development](#) .
4. Create the necessary source elements and write the source code.
5. [Run and debug](#) your plugin.
6. [Prepare the plugin for publishing](#) .

For more information on IntelliJ IDEA plugin development, refer to the [Writing Plug-ins](#) page.

To be able to develop plugins for IntelliJ IDEA, you have to configure an IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK . You can do that separately - as described on this page, or [when creating a project](#) .

## To configure the IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Under Platform Settings , select SDKs and then click **+** to define a new SDK.
3. Select IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK from the Add New SDK list.



4. If you haven't defined a JDK in IntelliJ IDEA yet, a dialog is shown suggesting that you do that now. Click OK in that dialog, and then select the installation folder of the desired JDK in the [dialog that opens](#) .
5. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the necessary IntelliJ IDEA version. (An IntelliJ IDEA installation acts as an IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK).
6. In the Select internal Java platform dialog, select the desired JDK from the list and click OK . (Listed in this dialog are the JDKs defined in IntelliJ IDEA.)
7. If necessary, change the path to the sandbox in the Sandbox Home field. (The sandbox is a folder where IntelliJ IDEA will copy your plugins for debugging.)
8. Optionally, configure the source path for the IntelliJ IDEA Community Edition sources (if you are going to use them and have them available on your computer). To do that, select the Sourcepath tab and click **+** . In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the folder containing the sources and click OK . Click OK in the Detected Source Roots dialog.
9. Click OK to save the changes and close the Project Structure dialog.

Now, the IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK is in the list of available SDKs, so in the future, when necessary, you will be able to simply select it from the corresponding lists.

To develop a plugin for IntelliJ IDEA, you need a project with a plugin [module](#) .

## To create a new project with a plugin module

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) . Otherwise, select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.

2. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane, select IntelliJ Platform Plugin .

3. In the right-hand part of the page:

– Specify the [SDK](#) to be used.

If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. Otherwise, click New and select the installation folder of the desired IntelliJ IDEA version. (An IntelliJ IDEA installation acts as an IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK.) If asked to specify a JDK first, do so.

– If necessary, enable Groovy support by selecting the corresponding checkbox. If the necessary Groovy version is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA as a [library](#) , select that library from the list. Otherwise, click Create and select the installation folder of the desired Groovy version in the dialog that opens.

– If necessary, enable SQL support by selecting the corresponding checkbox. Select the SQL dialect to be used by default from the list.

Click Next .

4. Specify the name and location settings for your project and module. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

When a project is created, populate it with [new actions](#) , components, etc. To create the necessary items, use the New menu. To access this menu, select the required location, package, etc. in the [Project Tool Window](#) and then do one of the following:

– Select File | New in the main menu.

– Select New from the context menu.

– Press [Alt+Insert](#) .

To run or debug your plugin, you should create the corresponding [Run/Debug configuration](#) first.

## To create a Run/Debug configuration for a plugin

1. On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configurations .
2. In the [Run/Debug Configuration dialog](#) , click **+** , or press `Insert` , and select Plugin .
3. Specify the settings as necessary and click OK .

## To run or debug a plugin

Depending on whether you are going to run or debug your plugin:

- To run the plugin, select Run | Run from the main menu, or press `Shift+F10` .
- To debug the plugin, select Run | Debug from the main menu, or press `Shift+F9` .

As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will start an instance of itself. This will be the instance in which your plugin will be available.

When your plugin is ready, you might want to upload it to the JetBrains Plugin Repository (<http://plugins.intellij.net>) or to the [repository of your own](#). Yet, before uploading a plugin, you need to create a ZIP or JAR plugin archive. This section provides instructions for creating such an archive.

## To create a plugin archive

- Right-click the plugin module in the Project view and select Prepare Plugin Module <module-name> For Deployment in the context menu.

As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create the necessary archive.

**Note** If the plugin module does not depend on libraries, a JAR archive will be created. Otherwise, a ZIP archive will be created that will include all the necessary libraries.

## Introduction

the PSI viewer enables you to explore the internal structure of the source code, as it is interpreted by IntelliJ IDEA.

## Important note

PSI viewer command is only available when there is at least one plugin module in project.

If you want this information to be available for any project, add the following line to the file `bin/idea.properties` under the product installation:

```
idea.is.internal=true
```

## Viewing PSI structure of the source code

### To view PSI structure of the source code

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | View PSI Structure .
2. In the [PSI Viewer](#) dialog box, type or paste the fragment of source code to be analyzed in the Text area, select file type, and specify the other options.
3. Click Build PSI Tree , and preview the generated PSI tree in the PSI Structure pane.

If the source code in the Text area has been changed, click the same button to refresh preview.



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## Introduction

Python Plugin extends IntelliJ IDEA with the full-scale functionality for Python development.

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Python, make sure that Python plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Python SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

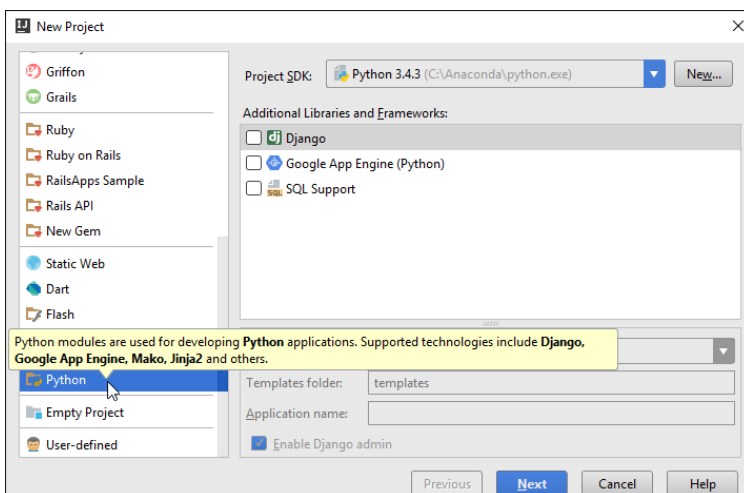
Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Python](#)
- [Django](#)

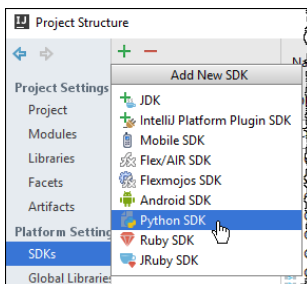
## Changes to the UI

Being installed, the Python Plugin introduces the following changes to the IntelliJ IDEA UI:

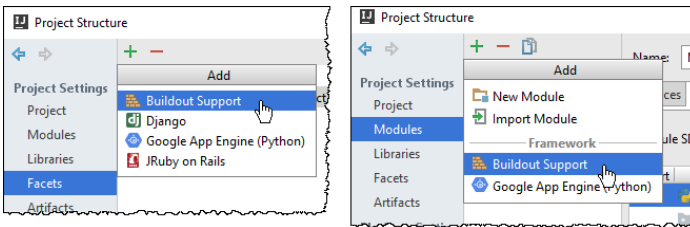
- Python module type is added to the [New Project](#) and [New Module](#) wizards.



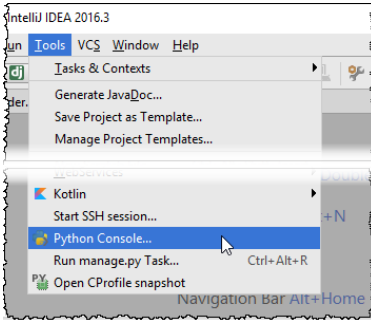
- Python SDK can be specified in the Add new SDK popup under the SDKs node of the [Project Structure](#) dialog.



- Django , Buildout and Google App Engine are implemented as the facets , which can be attached to a Python module, either in the [New Project](#) dialog, or in the [Modules](#) or [Facets](#) pages of the [Project Structure](#) dialog:



- Python-related commands are added to the Tools menu:



- Python and framework-specific [run/debug configurations](#) , [inspections](#) , [intention actions](#) , and [refactorings](#) .

Besides that, the following changes are made to the Settings/Preferences dialog:

- Python code style, colors and fonts, live templates.
- [Python Debugger](#) is added under the Debugger node.
- Python-related options add to the [Stepping](#) page.
- Python [console pages](#) are added.
- [Syntax and error highlighting](#)
- More Python-specific options are added to the [Coverage](#) page.
- [Python Template Languages](#) , [Python External Documentation](#) and [Python Integrated Tools](#) pages are added.

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This section provides descriptions of the Python-specific procedures that are used in projects of all supported [types](#) , and the procedures that pertain to the empty projects only.

## Prerequisite

At least one [Python](#) interpreter is properly installed on your machine.

## Python support

IntelliJ IDEA supports Python from version 2.4 up to the version 3.6.

IntelliJ IDEA provides support for Python 3.5 and (since 2016.3) Python 3.6, with the backing of the following:

- [PEP-0484 -- Type Hints](#)
- [PEP 0448 -- Additional Unpacking Generalizations](#)
- [PEP 0492 -- Coroutines with async and await syntax](#)
- [PEP 526 -- Syntax for variable annotations](#)
- [PEP 498 -- Literal String Interpolation](#)
- [PEP 515 -- Underscores in Numeric Literals](#)
- [PEP 525 -- Asynchronous Generators](#)
- [PEP 530 -- Asynchronous Comprehensions](#)
- and more.

Python support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Dedicated [module type](#) .
- Ability to [configure](#) interpreters. .
- [Python console](#) .
- Run/debug configurations for [Python](#) , and [Python remote debug](#) .
- Code insight
- [Code inspections](#) .
- [Intention actions](#) .
- [Code completion](#) and resolve.
- Built-in code formatter and separate set of Python [code style settings](#) .
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- Recognizing Python [documentation comments](#) .
- Configuring [Python debugger](#) .
- [UML Class diagrams for Python classes](#) .

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In this section:

- [Configuring Python SDK](#)
  - [Basics](#)
- [Configuring Available Python SDKs](#)
- [Configuring Python Interpreter for a Project](#)

## Basics

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can define several Python SDKs. So doing, you can choose the one to be used in your project, from the list of the interpreters available on your machine.

IntelliJ IDEA supports:

- Standard [Python interpreters](#)
- [IronPython](#)
- [PyPy](#)
- [Jython](#)
- [CPython](#)

Python SDKs can be configured on the following levels:

- Current project : selected Python interpreter will be used for the current project.
- New project : selected Python interpreter will be used for the new project instead of the default one.

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In this section:

- [Overview](#)
- [Viewing the list of available interpreters](#)
- [Configuring the list of available interpreters](#)
- [Removing interpreters from the list](#)

## Overview

The list of Python SDKs, available for the various projects, can include interpreters installed locally, remotely, as well as the virtual environments.

The available Python interpreters are defined as the global SDKs. The procedure described below supposes that the necessary Python interpreters are already installed on your computer.


## Viewing the list of available interpreters

### To view the list of available interpreters

- On the main menu, choose File | Project Structure (or click , or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).

## Configuring the list of available interpreters

### To configure the available Python interpreters


1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click SDKs node under the Platform Settings.
3. Click , and then choose Python SDK from the Add New SDK popup menu.
4. In the [Select Python Interpreter](#) dialog box, choose the desired Python executable, and click OK .  
The selected Python interpreter appears in the list of available SDKs.

Having selected an interpreter, you can configure its paths.

5. Repeat steps 1 - 4 to add more Python interpreters to the list.

## Removing interpreters from the list

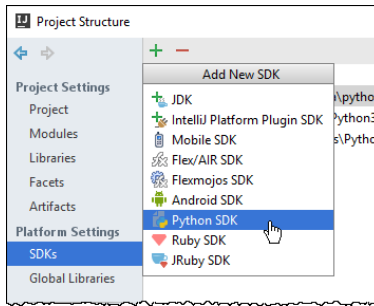
### To remove an interpreter from the list of available interpreters

1. In the list of available interpreters, select the one to be deleted.
2. Click  .

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## To configure a local Python interpreter, follow these steps:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the **Project Structure** dialog, click the node SDKs, click **+**, and from the popup menu, choose Python SDK



3. Select the desired interpreter location (local, remote etc.). In this case, choose Add local.
4. In the **Select Python Interpreter** dialog box, click the desired Python executable.

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In this section:

- [Prerequisite](#)
- [Configuring remote Python interpreter](#)

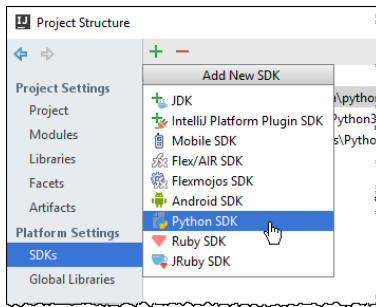
## Prerequisite

Before you start working with remote interpreters, make sure that the SSH Remote Run plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Configuring remote Python interpreter

### To configure a remote Python interpreter, follow these steps:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the [Project Structure](#) dialog, click the node SDKs, click **+**, and from the popup menu, choose Python SDK



3. Select the desired interpreter location (local, remote etc.). In this case, choose Add remote.
4. In the Configure Remote Python Interpreter dialog box, select the desired option (Deployment configuration, SSH Credentials etc.).

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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to create a virtual environment using the [virtualenv](#) tool. So doing, IntelliJ IDEA tightly integrates with `virtualenv`, and enables configuring virtual environments right in the IDE.

`virtualenv` tool comes bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, so the user doesn't need to install it.

## To create a virtual environment

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click SDKs node under the Platform Settings.
3. Click **+**, and then choose Virtual environment from the Add New SDK popup menu.
4. In the Create Virtual Environment dialog box, do the following:
  - In the Name field, type the name of the new virtual environment, or accept the suggested default name.
  - In the Location field, specify the target directory, where the new virtual environment will be created, or accept the suggested default location.
  - From Base interpreter drop-down list, select one of the configured Python interpreters, which will be used as the base for the new virtual environment.  
If the desired base interpreter is missing in the drop-down list, you can locate it manually by clicking `...`.
  - If you want the `site-packages` of the base interpreter to be visible from the virtual environment, select the checkbox `Inherit global site-packages`. If you leave this checkbox cleared, the new virtual environment will be completely isolated.

Click OK to apply changes and close the dialog box.

**Tip** You can create as many virtual environments as required. To easily tell them from each other, use different names.



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## Prerequisite

Make sure that [Anaconda](#) or [Miniconda](#) is downloaded and installed on your computer.

Whether you install Anaconda or Miniconda, [depends](#) on you needs.

## Creating Conda environment

### To create a Conda environment

1. On the main toolbar, click .
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click SDKs node under the Platform Settings.
3. Click , and then choose Conda environment from the Add New SDK popup menu.
4. In the Create Conda Environment dialog box, do the following:
  - In the Name field, type the name of the new Conda environment, or accept the suggested default name.
  - In the Location field, specify the target directory, where the new Conda environment will be created, or accept the suggested default location.
  - From Python version drop-down list, select one of the configured Python interpreters, which will be used as the base for the new Conda environment.

Click OK to apply changes and close the dialog box.

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Once a virtual environment is created, it can be added to the list of available interpreters, as a local interpreter.

### To add an existing virtual environment to the list of available interpreters

1. On the main toolbar, click .
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click SDKs node under the Platform Settings.
3. Click , and then choose Add Local from the Add New SDK popup menu, and add this virtual environment as the local one.

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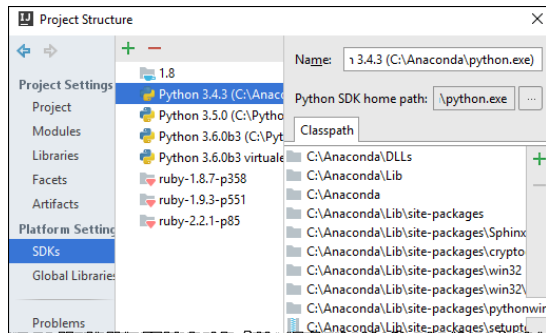
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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to add paths to the selected interpreter. In doing so, these paths will be added to the environment variable `PYTHONPATH`. Also, IntelliJ IDEA will index these paths and (potentially) resolve the objects of the code (for example, imports of packages)

## Viewing interpreter paths

### To view the interpreter paths

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click SDKs node under the Platform Settings.
3. Select the desired interpreter.
4. View the interpreter paths in the Classpath tab:



## Adding interpreter paths

### To add an interpreter path

1. In the toolbar of the [SDKs page of the Project Structure](#) dialog box, click `+`.
2. Choose the desired path in the [Select Path dialog](#).

## Removing interpreter paths

### To delete interpreter paths

1. Select the paths to be deleted.
2. In the toolbar of the [SDKs page of the Project Structure](#) dialog box, click `-`.

## Reloading interpreter paths

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In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Configuring Python interpreter on the project level](#)
- [Configuring Python interpreter on a module level](#)

## Introduction

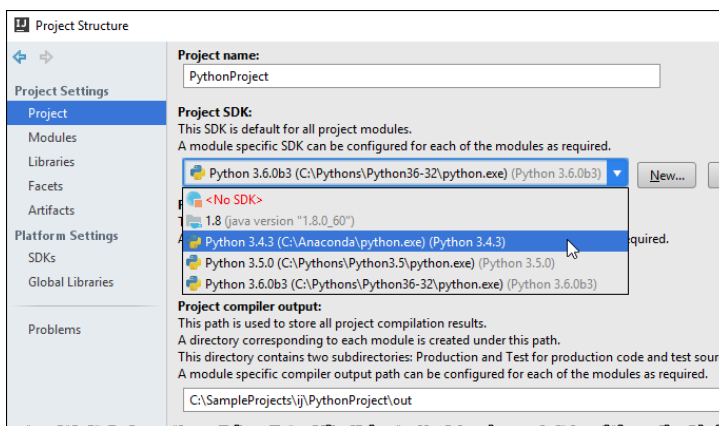
Python interpreter can be assigned on the project level, and on the level of a Python module.

Note that IntelliJ IDEA stores only the interpreter name in the project settings.

## Configuring Python interpreter on the project level

### To configure Python SDK as the project-level SDK, follow these steps

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click Project node under the Project Settings.
3. On the General Settings for Project <project name> , click the Project SDK drop-down list, and select the project level SDK from the list of available SDKs.

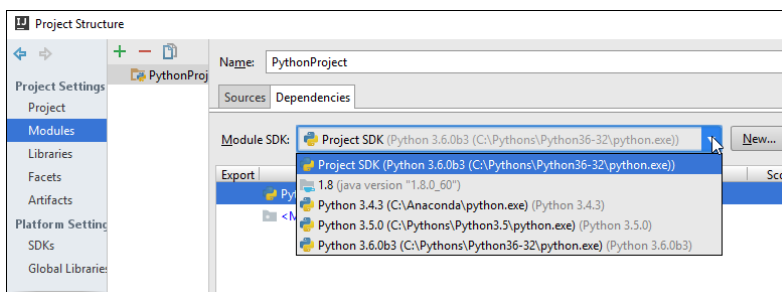


4. Apply changes.

## Configuring Python interpreter on a module level

### To configure Python interpreter for a Python module, follow these steps

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click Modules node under the Project Settings.
3. In the Module <module name> pane of the selected Python module, click the Dependencies tab.
4. Click Module SDK drop-down list, and select the desired Python interpreter from the list of the previously configured available Python interpreters.



If the interpreter you need is missing in the list of available interpreters, click New next to the Module SDK field, choose Python SDK from the pop-up menu, choose interpreter type (local, remote, etc.) and then select the desired executable.

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Empty projects are intended for pure Python programming.

## To create an empty project

1. Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose File | New | Project
- On the [Welcome screen](#), click New Project

New Project dialog box opens.

2. In the New Project dialog box, do the following:

- In the Project type section, click the desired project type, in this case, Python.
- Specify the project SDK. If the desired SDK is missing in the list, click New .
- Click Next .
- Specify the project name and location.

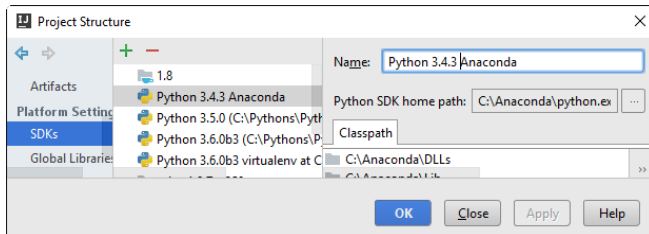
3. Click Finish .

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With IntelliJ IDEA, one can easily discern numerous Python interpreters and virtual environments by their names, rather than by the long paths to the executables.

## To change visible name of a Python interpreter

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the **Project Structure** dialog, click the node SDKs under the Platform Settings.
3. In the Name field, change the name the interpreter as required:



4. Apply changes.

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In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Invoking 'Manage Python Packages' dialog box](#)
- [Installing packaging tools](#)
- [Installing packages](#)
- [Uninstalling packages](#)
- [Upgrading packages](#)

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated tool for installing, uninstalling, and upgrading Python packages. So doing, if a packaging tool is missing, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to install it.

IntelliJ IDEA smartly tracks the status of packages and recognizes outdated versions by showing the number of the currently installed package version (column Version ), and the latest available version (column Latest ). When a newer version of a package is detected, IntelliJ IDEA marks it with the arrow sign ➡ .

## Invoking 'Manage Python Packages' dialog box

### To invoke the 'Manage Python Packages' dialog box

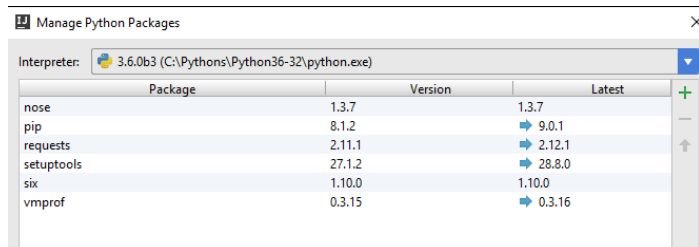
- On the main menu, choose `Tools | Manage Python Packages` . The Manage Python Packages dialog box opens.

## Installing packaging tools

### To install packaging tools

1. In the Manage Python Packages dialog box, choose the desired Python interpreter from the drop-down list of available Python interpreters.
2. If no distribute package management tool has been detected for the selected interpreter, click the Install 'distribute' link that appears in the lower part of the dialog box.
3. If no pip packaging tool has been detected for the selected interpreter, click the Install 'pip' link that appears in the lower part of the dialog box.

With the packaging tools installed, the existing packages are detected and shown in the dialog box.

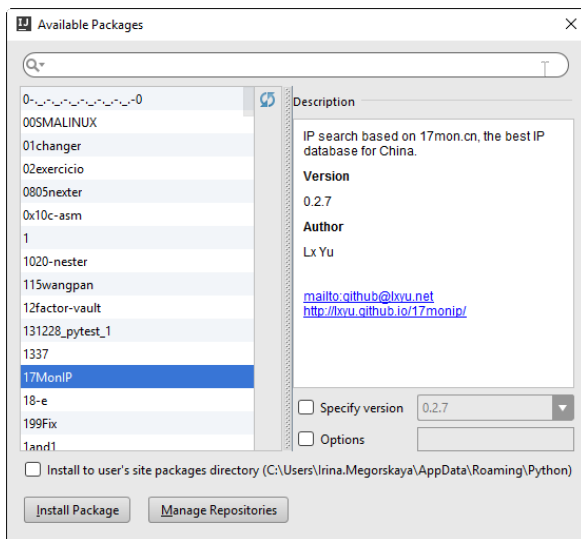


Note that outdated packages are marked with the blue arrows ➡ .

## Installing packages

### To install a package


1. In the Manage Python Packages dialog box, click `Install`
2. In the dialog box that opens, select the desired package from the list.  
If necessary, use the Search field, where you can enter any string. So doing, the list of packages shrinks to show the matching packages only.



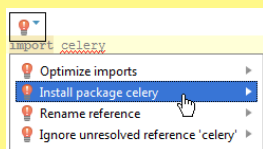
3. If required, select the following checkboxes:
  - Specify version : if this checkbox is selected, you can select the desired version from the drop-down list of available versions. By default, the latest version is taken.
  - Options : if this checkbox is selected, you can type the options in the text field.
4. Click Install Package .

You can use the various packaging tools, including [devpi](#) or [PyPi](#) .

### To specify a custom repository, follow these steps

1. In the Project Interpreter page of the project settings, click **+** , and then, in the dialog box that opens, click Manage Repositories .
2. In the Manage Repositories dialog box that opens, click **+** to add a URL of a local repository, for example, something like `http://somehost/alice/dev` .
3. In the Manage Repositories dialog box, click OK .
4. In the Available Packages dialog, click  to reload the list of packages. As a result, the packages that exist on the local server appear.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA provides a quick fix that automatically installs the package you're trying to import: if, after the keyword `import` , you type a name of a package that is not currently available on your machine, a quick fix suggests to either ignore the unresolved reference, or download and install the missing package:



## Uninstalling packages

### To uninstall a package

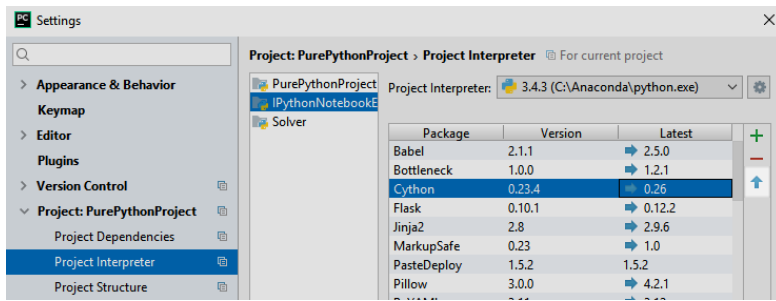
1. In the Packages column of the Manage Python Packages dialog box, select the packages to be uninstalled.
2. Click **-** . The selected packages are removed from disk.

## Upgrading packages

### To upgrade a package

1. In the Packages column of the Manage Python Packages dialog box, select the package to be upgraded.
2. Click **↑** .





The selected package is upgraded to the latest available version.

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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to track the unsatisfied dependencies in your projects, and provides integration with the major means of dependencies management.

In this section:

- [Creating and Running setup.py](#)
- [Creating Requirement Files](#)
- [Populating Dependencies Management Files](#)
- [Resolving Unsatisfied Dependencies](#)

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## Introduction

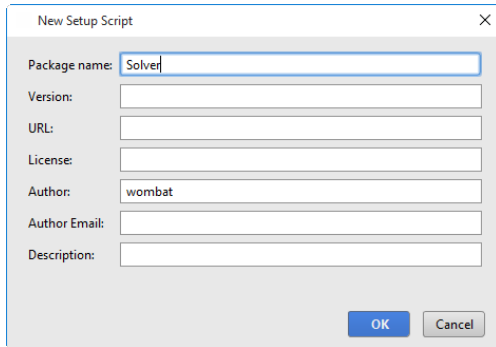
IntelliJ IDEA provides an action that helps create `setup.py` script, intended for building, distributing, and installing modules.

Once `setup.py` is created, the corresponding action becomes disabled, but instead appears the action that allows running tasks of this utility.

## Creating setup.py

### To create setup.py for a project

1. In the Project tool window, choose the project you want to package.
2. On the main menu, choose Tools | Create setup.py .
3. In the New Setup Script dialog box, specify package name, version and the other required information:

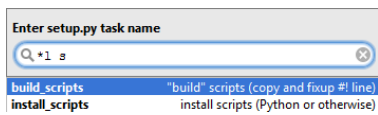


4. Click OK when ready. IntelliJ IDEA creates `setup.py` and opens it in the editor.

## Running setup.py

### To run a task of the setup.py utility

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run setup.py .
2. In the Enter setup.py task name dialog box, type the letters of the task names. Note that asterisk wildcard and initial letters of the snake\_case names are honored. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching names only. Choose the desired task, and press `Enter` .



**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

On this page:

- [Creating requirements](#)
- [Configuring the default requirements file](#)

## Creating requirements

### To define requirements, follow these general steps

1. [Create new file](#) in the root directory of your project.
2. In the New File dialog box, specify the file name.
3. Type the names of the required packages as plain text. Note that recursive requirements syntax is supported: you can use the main requirements file, and include the other requirements with `-r` syntax.

## Configuring the default requirements file

### To configure the default requirements file

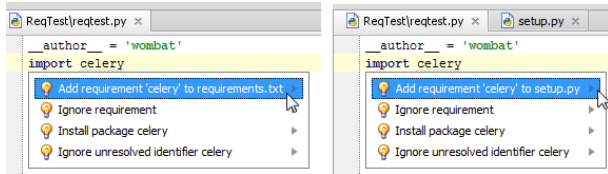
1. [Open the Settings/Preferences dialog box](#) , and then click the page [Python Integrated Tools](#) .
2. In the Package requirements file field, type the name of the requirements file. By default, `requirements.txt` is suggested. You can either accept default, or click the browse button and locate the desired file.

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Though you can edit the dependencies management files according to their syntax, IntelliJ IDEA provides quick fixes that enable populating these files.

## To populate dependency management files

1. Create `setup.py` or `requirements.txt`, as described in the sections [Creating and Running setup.py](#) and [Creating Requirement Files](#).
2. In an `import` statement of a Python file, click a package which is not yet imported. IntelliJ IDEA suggests a quick fix:



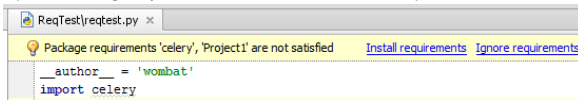
3. Select and apply the suggested quick fix. The package in question is added to the dependency management file.

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IntelliJ IDEA provides quick fixes and notification related to the unsatisfied dependencies.

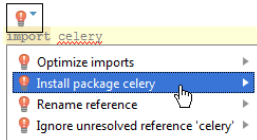
## To resolve unsatisfied dependencies, do one of the following

- Open for editing a Python file that contains unsatisfied dependencies. A notification bar is displayed on top:



Click one of the provided links to satisfy or ignore requirements.

- If no dependencies management files are present, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a quick fix to just install a missing package:



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In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Removing Python compiled files](#)

## Basics

Depending on the selected Python interpreter, the following Python compiled files are created:

- `.pyc` (for Python interpreter)
- `$py.class` (for Jython interpreter)

By default, the `.pyc` and `$py.class` files are ignored, and thus are not visible in the Project tool window. However, IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to delete `.pyc` files from projects or directories.

Please note the following:

- If you [rename](#) or [delete](#) a Python file, the corresponding compiled file is also deleted.
- Python compiled files are deleted recursively.
- If you perform [update from VCS](#) and skip automatic cleanup, then removing Python compiled files is vital. The reason is that after update from version control, some of the Python files could have been deleted, and executing the Clean Python compiled files command will help you get rid of the unnecessary Python compiled files.

## Removing Python compiled files

### To remove Python compiled files

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#), right-click a project or directory, where Python compiled files should be deleted from.
2. On the context menu, choose Clean Python compiled files .  
The `.pyc` and `$py.class` files residing in the selected directory are silently deleted.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Prerequisite

[Django framework](#) and the corresponding [Python](#) interpreter are properly installed on your machine.

## Supported versions of Django and Python

IntelliJ IDEA supports the latest Django versions. The corresponding Python versions depend on Django. See [What Python version can I use with Django?](#)

## Django support

Django support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Dedicated [project and module type](#) .
- Ability to [run the tasks](#) of the `manage.py` utility.
- Django templates support (syntax and error highlighting, code completion, navigation, completion for block names, resolve and completion for custom tags and filters, and quick documentation for tags and filters).
- Ability to [create templates from usage](#) .
- Ability to debug Django templates .
- Live templates (snippets) for the quick development of Django templates.
- Run/debug configuration for [Django server](#) .
- [Navigation between views and templates](#) .
- Code insight support for Django ORM.
- [Code completion](#) and resolve in

- `views.py` and `urls.py` files:

```
class AboutView(  
    template_  
    abs(number)   
    all(iterable)
```

- Models:

```
class Ox(models.M  
    Model   
    Manager   
    ManyToManyField
```

- Meta model options:

```
class Meta:  
    ordering = ["horn_length"]  
    verbose_name_plural
```

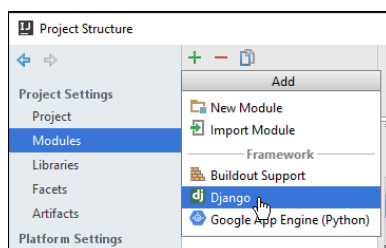
- Class-based views. IntelliJ IDEA provides [Intention action](#) to convert Django function-based generic views to class-based views.
- [Generating model dependency diagrams](#) for Django models.

## Enabling or disabling Django support

Django support can be turned on or off by attaching or detaching the Django facet .

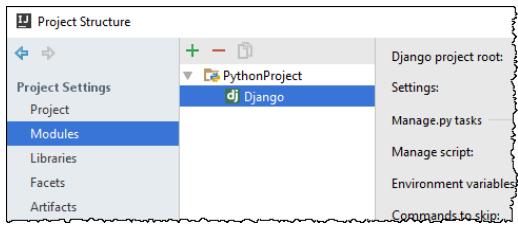
### To enable Django support, follow these steps:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the Modules node, select the desired module to which Django support should be added, and click **+** .
3. Choose **Django** from the popup menu:



4. Select the Django node under the module node





and specify the required parameters in the right-hand pane.

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## Overview

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can run Django `manage.py` utility from within the IDE. Each task of this utility is executed in the `manage.py` console.


Note that Run `manage.py` task command is available for both local and remote interpreters.


## Configuring `manage.py` utility

It's important to note that configuration of the `manage.py` utility is done in the Django facet page of the [Project Structure dialog](#).

### To configure `manage.py` utility, follow these steps

1. In the [Project Structure dialog](#), click the module with Python support, and add Django facet.
2. Click the Django facet.
3. In the Manage.py tasks section, specify the following:
  - In the field Manage script, specify the desired `manage.py` script.

Note that by default IntelliJ IDEA shows the `manage.py` script that resides under the Django project root. If you are not happy with this suggestion, you can choose any other `manage.py` script by clicking the browse button .

- In the Environment variables field, specify the environment variables to be passed to the script. By default, this field is empty.  
Click the browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box. Use the toolbar buttons to make up the list of variables.

If you want to see the system environment variables, click Show link in this dialog box.

## Running `manage.py` utility

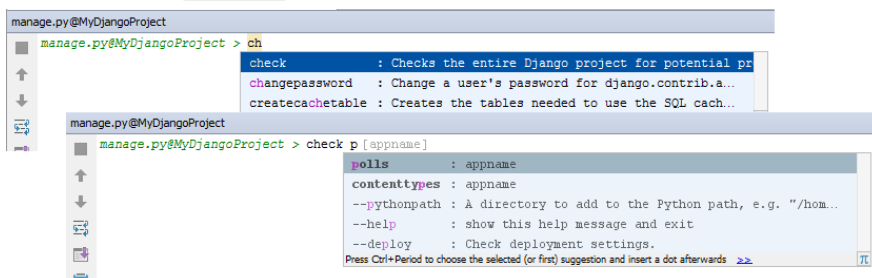
### To run a task of the `manage.py` utility

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run `manage.py` task.  
The `manage.py` utility starts in its own console.
2. Type the name of the desired task.

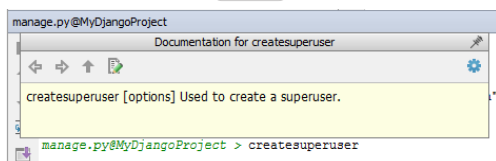
## Working in the `manage.py` utility console

In the `manage.py` console, one can:

- Scroll through the history of executed commands using the up and down arrow keys.
- Use [code completion](#) (`Ctrl+Space`):



- View [quick documentation](#) (`Ctrl+Q`):



## Handling error

IntelliJ IDEA smartly handles errors. When your Django project can't run due to an error, this error displays in the `manage.py` console instead of the command line:

```
Django errors
Failed to get real commands on module "py": python process died with code 1: Traceback (most recent call last):
File "C:\Program Files (x86)\JetBrains\PyCharm
4.5\helpers\pycharm\django_manage_commands_provider\provider.py", line 20, in <module>
django.setup()
File "C:\Python34\lib\site-packages\django\__init__.py", line 18, in setup
apps.populate(settings.INSTALLED_APPS)
File "C:\Python34\lib\site-packages\django\apps\registry.py", line 108, in populate
app_config.import_models(all_models)
File "C:\Python34\lib\site-packages\django\apps\config.py", line 198, in import_models
self.models_module = import_module(models_module_name)
File "C:\Python34\lib\importlib\__init__.py", line 109, in import_module
return _bootstrap._gcd_import(name[level], package, level)
File "<frozen importlib._bootstrap>", line 2254, in _gcd_import
File "<frozen importlib._bootstrap>", line 2237, in _find_and_load
File "<frozen importlib._bootstrap>", line 2226, in _find_and_load_unlocked
File "<frozen importlib._bootstrap>", line 1200, in _load_unlocked
File "<frozen importlib._bootstrap>", line 1129, in _exec
File "<frozen importlib._bootstrap>", line 1471, in exec_module
File "<frozen importlib._bootstrap>", line 321, in _call_with_frames_removed
File "C:\SampleProjects\py\MyDjangoApp\models.py", line 4, in <module>
raise Exception("Failed to load models")
Exception: Failed to load models
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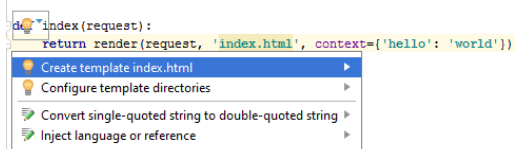
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The storage for templates can be specified on creating a Django template to a Python module ; at a later time, one can configure the directories for templates, using the [Python Template Languages](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

## To create a template for a view

Suppose you reference a template file that doesn't yet exist. IntelliJ IDEA marks such a reference as unresolved, and provides an intention action to create a template file "from usage".

1. Place the caret at the unresolved reference to a template.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` , or click the yellow light bulb to show the list of available intention actions.
3. From the suggestion list, choose action Create template <name> :




Create Template dialog box appears, showing the read-only template name ( Template path field), and a drop-down list of possible template locations ( Templates root field).

Note that IntelliJ IDEA automatically discovers the directories specified in the `TEMPLATE_DIRS` or `TEMPLATE_LOADERS` fields of the `settings.py` file. You can specify the other directories in addition.

4. In the Create Template dialog box, select the template directory, where the new template will be created. The Template root field provides a list of possible locations for the new template. This list includes the template directories specified in the [Python Template Languages](#) page of the Settings dialog, plus the directories, which are automatically detected in the `TEMPLATE_DIRS` or `TEMPLATE_LOADERS` variables of the `settings.py` file.
5. Click OK . The empty `*.html` file with the name in question is created in the specified location.

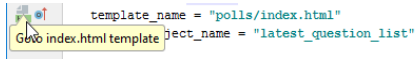
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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to easily navigate between templates and views, using the gutter icons  and .

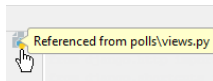
### To navigate from a view to a template

1. Open `views.py` file in the editor.
2. Click the gutter icon next to the desired function:

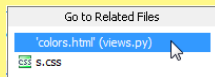


### To navigate from a template to the referencing view

1. Open the desired template file in the editor.
2. Click the gutter icon:



**Tip** If there are more related files (for example, a view and a style sheet), select the desired target from the pop-up that appears:



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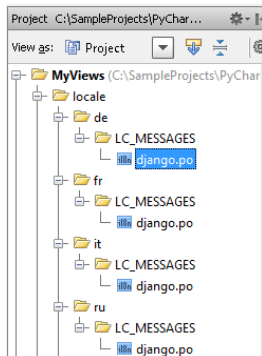
IntelliJ IDEA stores locales in the language-related subdirectories of the `locale` directory. For creating locales, run the `makemessages` task of the `manage.py` utility.

## To create a message file

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run manage.py task , or press `N/A` .
2. In the `manage.py task` window, enter `makemessages` , type `--locale <locale name >` and press `Enter` .

Repeat this step for each locale you want to create.

If there are strings marked for localization, IntelliJ IDEA will produce a directory and `django.po` file for each locale:



If there are no such strings, only an empty directory structure is created.

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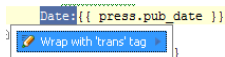
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IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated intention action to wrap strings in Django templates in `{% trans %}`, or `{% blocktrans %}` tags.

The lines with `i18n` tags are marked with  icon in the gutter.

## To wrap block of text in translation tags

1. Open the desired Django template for editing, and select strings to be marked for translation.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` , or click the light bulb to reveal the list of available intention actions:



3. Select intention action `Wrap with 'trans' tag` , and press `Enter` . IntelliJ IDEA wraps selected text in translation tags, and adds `{% load i18n %}` , if extracting text is performed for the first time.

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For compiling locales, run the `compilemessages` task of the `manage.py` utility.


## To compile a message file

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run manage.py task .
2. In the Enter manage.py task name dialog box, select `compilemessages` , and press `Enter` .  
`django.mo` files are produced for each locale.




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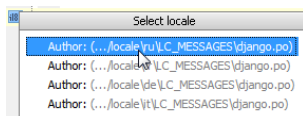
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Use the  gutter icons to navigate from a template to a localization file. To jump from localization file to the corresponding template, use `Ctrl+Click`.

## Navigating from template to locale

### To navigate from a template to locale

1. Click  icon in the gutter next to the desired tag.
2. If a tag is referenced from several locales, select one from the pop-up window:



The selected `django.po` file opens in the editor, with the caret resting at the `msgid` that corresponds to the tag in question.

## Navigating from locale to template

**Note** According to the Django documentation, each `django.po` file contains comments with the path a template above each `msgid`.

### To navigate from a locale to template

1. In the desired `django.po` file, place the caret at the comment above the locale in question:

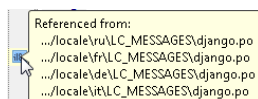
```
#: templates/my_view/detail.html:11
msgid "Author:"
msgstr ""
```

2. On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Declaration`, or use any other method, described in [Navigating to Declaration or Type Declaration of a Symbol](#). The corresponding template files opens in the editor.

## Viewing references

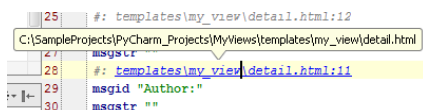
### To view references to a localization tag

- Hover your mouse pointer over the gutter icon next to the desired tag. A balloon that pops up, shows a list of locale files that reference the selected tag:



### To view which template a locale references

- Keeping `Ctrl` key pressed, hover your mouse pointer over the comment above the locale in question. The comment turns into a hyperlink, and the balloon shows reference:



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IntelliJ IDEA provides two ways to debug remotely:

- [Using a remote interpreter](#)
- [Using Python Debug Server](#)

## Remote debug with a remote interpreter

If remote debugging is performed with a remote Python interpreter, then everything is done within a single SSH connection, and port numbers are not required.

### To debug remotely using a remote interpreter, follow these general steps

1. Make sure that a remote interpreter is configured.
2. [Launch the debug process](#) with a regular run/debug configuration.

**Tip** The Python debugger is available in [PyPi](#) so that it can be installed for doing remote debugging with `pip`.

When debugging a process that runs in another machine, it's possible to `pip install pydev` instead of copying archives from `debug-eggs` directory under IntelliJ IDEA's installation.

## Remote debug with a Python Debug Server

For remote debugging, IntelliJ IDEA provides archives with `pydev` directory. Depending on the Python version, these archives are:

- `pycharm-debug.egg` for Python up to version 2
- `pycharm-debug-py3k.egg` for Python 3

This archive resides in the following location, depending on the platform:

- Windows: under the `.IntelliJIDEAXXXX.X\config\plugins\python` directory of the user home.
- \*nix: under the `.IntelliJIDEAXXXX.X/config/plugins/python` directory of the user home.
- macOS: under `/Users/jetbrains/Library/Application Support/IntelliJIDEAXXXX.X/python/` directory.

The process of remote debugging involves the following general steps:

- [Configuring a remote debug server](#).
- [Preparing for debugging](#).
- [Launching the debug server](#).
- [Launching the script externally](#).

### To configure a remote debug server

1. Open the Run/Debug Configuration dialog box, as described in the section [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#), and select the [Python Remote Debug](#) configuration type.
2. Specify the local host name and the number of the port where the debug server will run. If you don't specify any value, IntelliJ IDEA will provide port number at random.
3. If you are going to debug a script that resides on a remote machine, specify the source root of the remote script, and the root of the local sources to keep mapping.

### To prepare for remote debugging

1. In IntelliJ IDEA, open the local script for editing, and add the following command (you can copy it from the remote debug configuration dialog):  
`pydevd.settrace(<host name>, port=<port number>)`

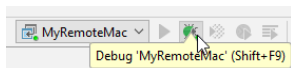
Also, add the corresponding import statement to your script:

```
import pydevd
```

2. Copy the local script to the remote location, where you want to debug it.
3. Include the `pycharm-debug.egg` archive. You can do it in a number of ways, for example:
  - Add the archive to `PYTHONPATH`.
  - Append the archive to `sys.path`.
  - Just copy the `pydev` from the archive to the directory where your remote script resides.

### To launch the debug server

1. Select the desired remote configuration:



2. Click , or press `Shift+F9`. IntelliJ IDEA launches debug server at the specified host and port, which is shown in the Console pane of the [Debug tool window](#).

If the process doesn't stop, but you still want to stop tracing and disconnect from Python Remote Debug Server, add the following function to the end of a remote script being debugged:

```
pydevd.stoptrace()
```

This function stops remote debug process that has been launched with `pydevd.settrace()`. Thus the Python Remote Debug Server will pass to the state of waiting for a new connection.

## To debug a remote script

1. Locate your remote script, and launch it as required by your specific operating system. For example, on Windows, use the command:

```
python <script name>
```

If the corresponding local script exists, IntelliJ IDEA opens it in the editor in the suspended mode; the first executable statement is marked with the blue stripe. Also, IntelliJ IDEA shows the frames and variables for its first executable statement in the [Debug tool window](#). If the corresponding local script cannot be found, IntelliJ IDEA opens a dedicated editor tab, and suggests to do one of the following:

- Edit the local and remote roots in the remote debug configuration dialog box.
- Detect the mapping files automatically, and then select the one to be used as the local version from the list of encountered files with the matching names.
- Download the remote file to the specified location.

2. [Step through the script](#), [set watches](#) and [evaluate expressions](#).

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On this page:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Prerequisite](#)
- [Parameter type specification](#)

## Introduction

You debug your code permanently, and now in course of debugging you can also collect type information and specify these types in docstrings.

IntelliJ IDEA provides an intention action that makes it possible to collect type information at runtime, and define type specifications.

However, it is quite possible to specify the types of parameters manually, without the debugger.

Both cases are explored in the section [Examples](#) .

## Prerequisite

Make sure that the checkbox Insert type placeholders in the [Smart Keys](#) page of the editor settings is selected.

Note also, that reStructuredText is used for all the subsequent examples, but it is possible to use any of the supported formats of the documentation strings, whether it is plain text, Epytext, Google or NumPy. Refer to the description of the page [Python Integrated Tools](#) for details.

## Parameter type specification

### To specify the parameter types, follow these general steps

1. Place the caret at the function name, and press `Alt+Enter` .
2. In the list of intention actions that opens, choose Insert documentation string stub . IntelliJ IDEA creates a documentation stub, according to the selected docstring format, with the type specification, collected during the debugger session.

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In this section:

- RESTful WebServices
  - [Introduction](#)
  - [Developing RESTful Web services](#)
- [Preparing for REST Development](#)
- [Coding Assistance for REST Development](#)
- [Testing RESTful Web Services](#)
- [Creating and Running Your First RESTful Web Service on GlassFish Application Server](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA lets you develop, debug and test [RESTful Web Services](#) . The REpresentational State Transfer (REST) specification [JSR-339 specification](#) version 2.0 and [Jersey reference implementation](#) are supported.

Because **RESTful Web services** can be of various types, there is no definite workflow to develop them. In this section we will outline some specific tasks that can be performed when developing a REST application in IntelliJ IDEA.

## Developing RESTful Web services

### To develop a RESTful Web service, follow these general steps

1. Make sure that the RESTful Web Services plugin is enabled. Create a new project or module for the service development, or enable the RESTful Web Services development support for an existing module. For more information, see [Preparing for REST Development](#) .
2. Populate the RESTful Web service module with the necessary classes and methods.
3. Configure the [artifacts](#) to deploy.
4. [Create a run configuration](#) . On the Deployment tab, specify the artifacts to deploy.
5. Deploy the Web service on an HTTP server and start the server.
6. [Run](#) the application locally or on a remote host.
7. [Test the RESTful Web service](#) .

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At the IntelliJ IDEA level, the RESTful Web Services development support is based on the Java EE: RESTful Web Services (JAX-RS) [plugin](#) . This plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and enabled by default.

At a [module](#) level, the service development support can be enabled when creating a project, adding a new module to an existing project, and also for an existing module.

- [Making sure that the RESTful Web Services plugin is enabled](#)
- [Enabling REST support when creating a project](#)
- [Enabling REST support when adding a module to a project](#)
- [Enabling REST support for an existing module](#)

## Making sure that the RESTful Web Services plugin is enabled

1. Open the Settings dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S` ).
2. In the left-hand part of the dialog, select Plugins .
3. In the right-hand part of the dialog, on the [Plugins page](#) , type `restful` in the search box. As a result, only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain `restful` are shown in the list of plugins.
4. If the checkbox to the right of Java EE: RESTful Web Services (JAX-RS) is not selected, select it.
5. Click OK in the Settings dialog.
6. If suggested, restart IntelliJ IDEA.

## Enabling REST support when creating a project

1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) . Otherwise, select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  2. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) to be used and select the Java EE version to be supported.
  3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Restful Web Service checkbox.
  4. You'll need a [library](#) that implements the JAX-RS API. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
    - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files (`.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
    - Download. Select this option to download the files that implement the JAX-RS API. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
    - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.
- Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.
- Click Next .
5. Specify the name and location settings for your project and module. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) .  
Click Finish .

## Enabling REST support when adding a module to a project

1. Open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the [first page of the wizard](#) , in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise . In the right-hand part of the page, select the Java EE version to be supported.
3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Restful Web Service checkbox.
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- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
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- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Click Next .

5. Specify the name and location settings for your module. For more information, see [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

## Enabling REST support for an existing module

1. Open the Project tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the module of interest and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the [Add Frameworks Support dialog](#) that opens, select the RESTful Web Service checkbox.
4. You'll need a [library](#) that implements the JAX-RS API. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
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  - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

5. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.



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Besides the common [Web services support](#), IntelliJ IDEA provides the following facilities for developing RESTful Web services:

- Code completion for MIME type.
- [Code inspections and quick fixes](#).
- [REST Client tool window](#) for testing RESTful Web services.

## Code Inspection and Quick Fixes

IntelliJ IDEA supports [code inspections](#) and suggests [quick fixes](#) in the following cases:

Issue	Default Quick Fix
Inconsistency between a method annotation and the method return type: a <code>@GET</code> annotated method returns void value.	Change to String.
Resource methods errors.	Remove <code>@Path</code> annotation.
Incorrect parameter type.	Validation for parameters annotated with <code>@QueryParam</code> or <code>@PathParam</code> annotations.
<code>@DefaultValue</code> issues.	<pre>@GET public String get(@DefaultValue("33.5") @QueryParam("str") int str){     return "Hello"; }</pre> <p><code>DefaultValue</code> is marked red with the description "Can't convert to int".</p>
Rest <code>@Path</code> and <code>@PathParam</code> annotations inspections.	
Rest References resolve problems.	References in <code>@PathParam</code> annotations are resolved to templates in <code>@Path</code> annotations
This method should have only one HTTP method designator.	Example: <pre>@GET @POST public String get(){     return "Hello"; }</pre> <p><code>@POST</code> is marked red.</p>
WADL configuration errors.	
<h2>REST Client Tool Window</h2>	
Dedicated <a href="#">REST Client tool window</a> supports:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Constituting URL addresses semiautomatically from the specified Deployment point and the <code>@Path</code> annotation.</li><li>- Submitting requests to the server.</li><li>- Displaying server responses in the Response tab.</li><li>- Code integration between the Java code and the contents of the REST Client window controls.</li></ul>	
<b>Change in the Java code</b> <b>Change in the REST Client tool window</b>	
<code>@Path</code> annotation is updated.	The contents of the Path to resource drop-down list change.
<code>@Produces</code> annotation is updated.	The contents of the Accept drop-down list change.

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## Introduction

Testing RESTful Web Services is supported via the REST Client bundled plugin, which is by default enabled. If not, activate it in the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.

There are two main use cases when you need to compose and run requests to a RESTful Web service:

- When you have developed and deployed a RESTful Web service and want to make sure it works as expected: that it is accessible in compliance with the specification and that it responds correctly.
- When you are developing an application that addresses a RESTful Web service. In this case it is helpful to investigate the access to the service and the required input data before you start the development. During the development, you may also call the Web service from outside your application. This may help locate errors when your application results in unexpected output while no logical errors are detected in your code and you suspect that the bottleneck is the interaction with the Web service.

Testing a RESTful Web service includes the following checks:

- That URL addresses are constituted correctly based on the service deployment end-point and the method annotations.
- That the generated server requests call the corresponding methods.
- That the methods return acceptable data.


IntelliJ IDEA enables you to run these checks from the REST Client tool window by [composing and submitting requests](#) to a server, viewing and analyzing [server responses](#).


If necessary, configure the Proxy settings on the [HTTP Proxy](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.


## Composing and submitting a test request to a Web service method

1. If you are going to test your own Web service, make sure it is deployed and running.
2. Choose [Tools | Test RESTful Web Service](#). The [REST Client dedicated tool window](#) opens.
3. To have IntelliJ IDEA generate an [authentication header](#) which will be used in [basic authentication](#), click the [Generate Authorization Header](#) button and in the dialog box that opens, specify your user name and password for accessing the target RESTful Web service through. Based on these credentials IntelliJ IDEA will generate an [authentication header](#) which will be used in [basic authentication](#). Learn more at [http://www.ics.uci.edu/~fielding/pubs/dissertation/rest\\_arch\\_style.htm](http://www.ics.uci.edu/~fielding/pubs/dissertation/rest_arch_style.htm).
4. Select the test [request method](#) from the HTTP method drop-down list. The available options are:
  - [GET](#)
  - [POST](#)
  - [PUT](#)
  - [PATCH](#)
  - [DELETE](#)
  - [HEAD](#)
  - [OPTIONS](#)
5. Provide the data to calculate the URL address of the target method:
  1. In the [Host/port](#) text box, type the URL address of the host where the Web service is deployed.
  2. From the [Path](#) drop-down list, choose the [@path](#) annotation that corresponds to the method the call to which you need to test.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA supports integration between the contents of this list and Web service Java source code. Any changes to the [@Path](#) annotations are reflected in the contents of the [Path](#) to Resource list.

To synchronize the contents of the [Path](#) drop-down list with the [@Path](#) annotations, click the [Update resource paths from code](#) button .




You can enter the entire URL address of a method to test in the [Host/port](#) text box. Regardless of the chosen [HTTP method](#), upon pressing  IntelliJ IDEA will split the URL address into the [host/port](#) and the path to the method. The extracted relative path will be shown in the [Path](#) text box and the extracted parameters will be added to the list in the [Request Parameters](#) pane of the [Request](#) tab.

6. In the [Header data](#) pane, specify the technical data included in the [request header](#). These data are passed through header fields and define the format of the input parameters ([accept](#) field), the response format ([content-type](#) field), the caching mechanism ([cache-control](#) field), etc.  
To add a field to the list, click [Add](#) , then specify the field name in the [Name](#) text box and the field value in the [Value](#) drop-down list.

The set of fields and their values should comply with the Web service API. In other words, the specified input format should be exactly the one expected by the Web service as well as the expected response format should be exactly the one that the service returns.

For [accept](#), [content-type](#), and some other fields IntelliJ IDEA provides a list of suggested values. Choose the relevant format type from the [Value](#) drop-down list.

7. Create a set of parameters to be passed to the target method and specify their values. Depending on the chosen request method, you can create a list of parameters in two ways:
  - For [GET](#) requests, specify the parameters to be passed as a query string inside the URL. Use the [Request Parameters](#) pane. By default, the pane shows an empty list with one line.

- To add a parameter, click Add , then specify the name of the parameter in the Name text box and the value of the parameter in the Value drop-down list.
- To delete a parameter from the list, select it and click Remove .
- To suppress sending the specified query string parameters and disable the controls in the Request Parameters pane, press the Don't send anything toggle button .
- To have the parameters passed to the target method inside a [request message body](#), use the Request Body pane or have them inserted in the request from a local file. The Request Body pane is disabled when the `GET`, `DELETE`, `HEAD`, or `OPTIONS` request method is selected.
- To specify the parameters explicitly, choose the Text option and type the parameters and values in the text box.
- To have the parameters inserted from a text file, choose the File contents option and specify the file location in the File to send field.
- To have a binary file converted and sent in the request, choose the File upload(multipart/form-data) option and specify the file location in the File to send field.




In either case, the set of parameters and their types should comply with the Web service API, in particular, they should be exactly the same as the input parameters of the target method.

8. To submit a request to the server, click the Submit request button .

Note that the server may lack certificate, or be untrusted.

**Note** If a server is not trusted, IntelliJ IDEA shows a dialog box suggesting to accept the server, or reject it. If you accept the server as trusted, IntelliJ IDEA writes its certificate to the trust store. On the next connect to the server, this dialog box will not be shown.



## Viewing and analyzing responses from Web services

1. To view the response to the server request, switch to the Response tab. The tab is opened automatically when a response is received. By default, the server response is shown in the format, specified in the request header through the [content-type](#) field.
2. To have the response converted into another format and opened in a separate tab in the editor, use the View as HTML , View as XHTML , or View as JSON  buttons.
3. To view the technical data provided in the [header of a Web service response](#), switch to the Response Headers tab.


## Working with cookies

Using the dedicated Cookies tab, you can create, save, edit, and remove cookies, both received through responses and created manually. The **name** and **value** of a cookie is automatically included in each request to the URL address that matches the **domain** and **path** specified for the cookie, provided that the **expiry date** has not been reached.

The tab shows a list of all currently available cookies that you received through responses or created manually. The cookies are shown in the order they were added to the list. When you click a cookie, its details become editable and are displayed in text boxes. See [REST Client Tool Window](#) for details.

- No specific steps are required to save a cookie received through a response, all the cookies received from servers are saved automatically. To edit a received cookie, click the row with the cookie in the list and update the details that are now shown in editable text boxes.
- To create a cookie manually, click  and specify the following:
  - The **name** and **value** of the cookie to be included in requests.
  - The **domain** and **path** the requests to which must be supplied with the **name**, **value**, and **expiry date** of the cookie.
- To remove a cookie from the list, select the row with the cookie and click .



## Configuring Proxy settings

1. Click the Configure HTTP Proxy icon .
2. In the [Proxy dialog](#) that opens, specify the following:
  - Enter the Proxy host name and Proxy port number in the Proxy host and Proxy port text boxes respectively.
  - To enable authorization, check the Use authorization checkbox and type the User name and password in the relevant fields.


## Reusing requests

During an IntelliJ IDEA session, IntelliJ IDEA keeps track of requests and you can run any previously executed request. You can also save the settings of a request in an XML file so they are available in another IntelliJ IDEA session. When necessary, you can retrieve the saved settings and run the request again.



## Rerunning a request within an IntelliJ IDEA session

1. Click the Replay Recent Requests button .
2. From the Recent Requests pop-up list, select the relevant request. The fields are filled in with the settings of the selected request.
3. Click the Submit Request button .

## Saving the settings of a request so they can be retrieved in another IntelliJ IDEA session

- Click the Export Request button . In the dialog box that opens, specify the name of the file to save the settings in and its parent folder.

## Running a request saved during a previous IntelliJ IDEA session

1. Click the Import Request button .
2. In the dialog box that opens, select the relevant XML file. The fields are filled in with the settings of the selected request.
3. Click the Submit Request button .

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This tutorial illustrates developing a simple **RESTful** web service and deploying it to the **GlassFish** application server.

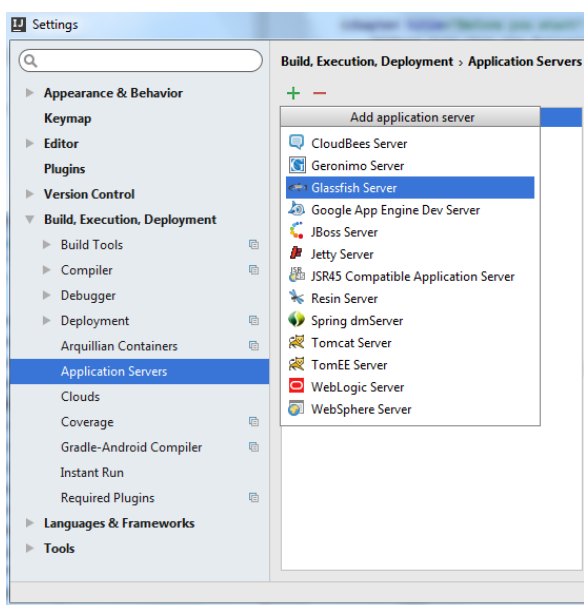
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## Before you start

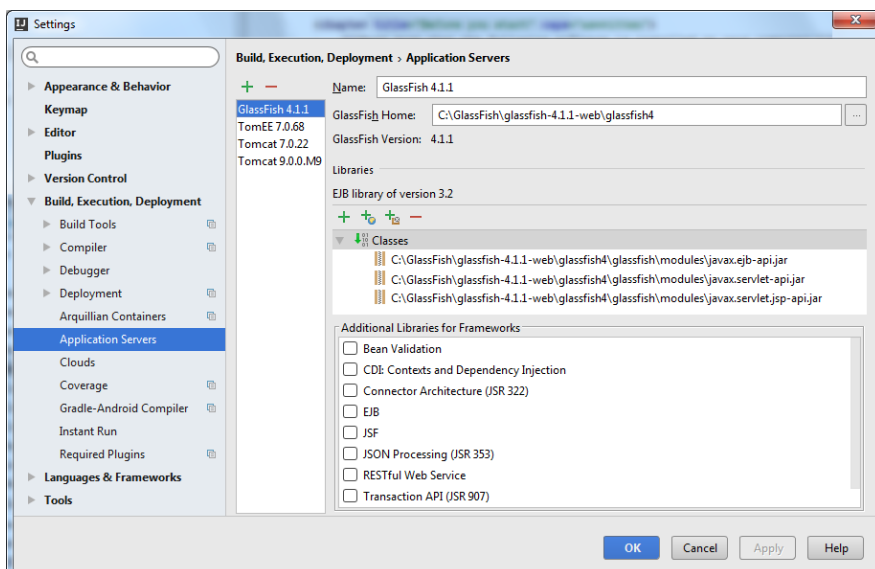
1. Make sure you are using IntelliJ IDEA ULTIMATE Edition.
2. Install the Java SE Development Kit (JDK), version 1.8 or later, see [Download Oracle JDK](#) .
3. Download the **GlassFish** application server, version 3.0.1 or later, see [Download GlassFish](#) .
4. Make sure a web browser is available on your computer.

## Configuring the GlassFish server in IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+S` or by choosing File | Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences for macOS, and click Application Servers under Build, Execution, Deployment .
2. On the [Application Servers](#) page that opens, click **+** above the central pane and choose GlassFish Server from the list.



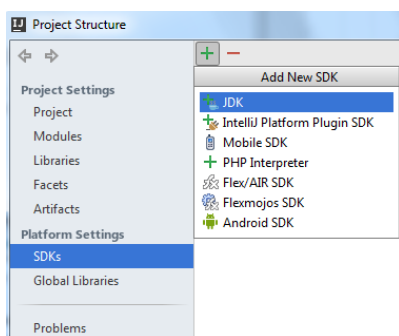
3. In the right-hand pane, specify the GlassFish Server installation folder in the GlassFish Home field. Type the path to it manually or click `...` and choose the installation folder in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of the application server and automatically fills in the Name field as follows: **GlassFish <version>** . In our example it is **GlassFish 4.1.1** .



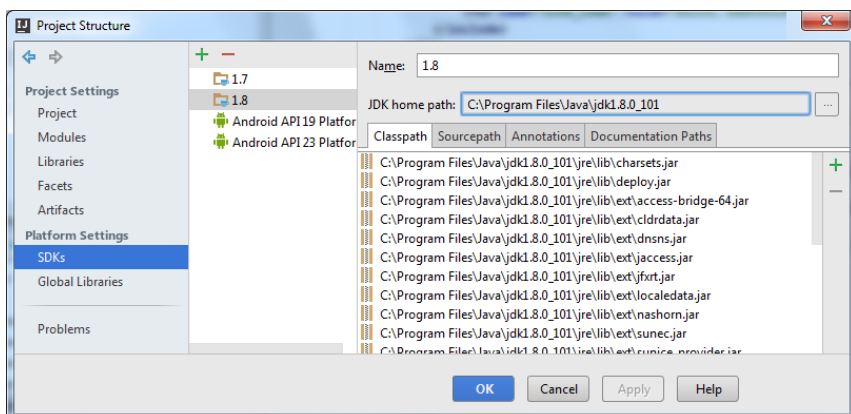
The other fields are filled automatically or are optional, so just click **OK** .

## Configuring the JDK

1. Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` or choose `File | Project Structure` on the main menu.
2. In the [Project Structure Dialog](#) that opens, choose SDK's under the Platform Settings .
3. On the [SDKs](#) page that opens, click `+` above the central pane and choose `JDK` .



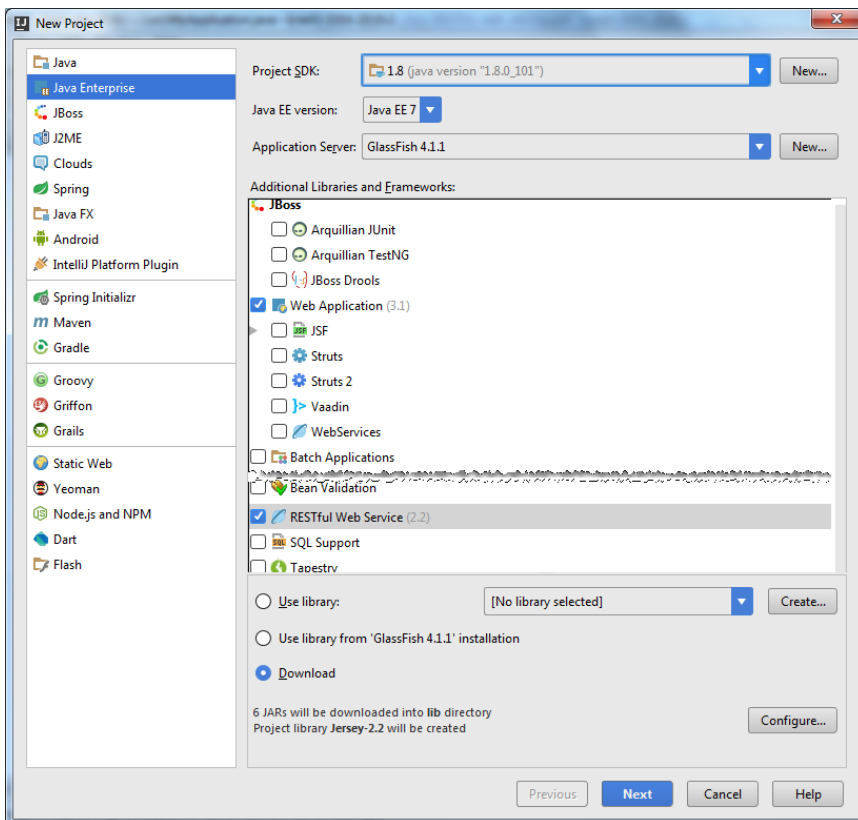
4. In the right-hand pane, specify the installation folder of the Java SE Development Kit (JDK) to use. Type the path manually or click `...` and choose the installation folder in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of the JDK and automatically enters it in the Name field. In our example it is `1.8` .



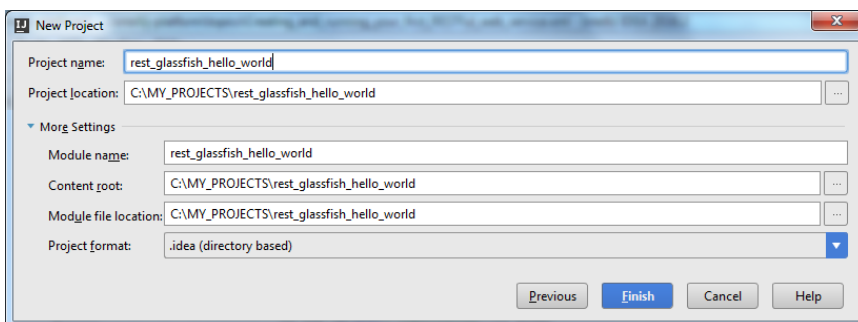
All the mandatory fields in the other tabs are filled in automatically, so just click `OK` .

## Creating a project

1. Click `Create New Project` on the Welcome screen, or choose `File | New | Project` on the main menu. The New Project wizard opens.
2. On the first, [Project Category and Options](#) page of the Wizard:
  1. In the left-hand pane, select `Java Enterprise` .
  2. From the Project SDK list, select the JDK to use. In our example, it is `1.8` .
  3. From the Application Server drop-down list, choose `GlassFish 4.1.1` .
  4. From the JavaEE Version drop down list, choose `JavaEE 7` .
  5. In the [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) area, select the `Web Application` and `RESTful Web Service` checkboxes.
  6. Choose the `Download` option in the area below the Additional Libraries and Frameworks list. The area is displayed only after you have selected the `Web Application` and `RESTful Web Service` checkboxes.
  7. Click `Next` .

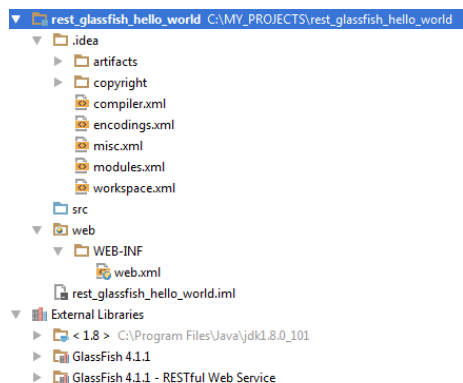


- On the second, **Project Name and Location** page of the Wizard, specify the name for your new project, in our example it is `Rest_glassfish_hello_world` .  
Click **Finish** and wait while IntelliJ IDEA is creating the project.



## Exploring the project structure

When the project is created, you will see something similar to this in the Project tool window:



- `rest_glassfish_hello_world` is a module folder (which in this case coincides with the project folder).
- The `.idea` folder and the file `Rest_glassfish_hello_world.iml` contain configuration data for your project and module respectively.
- The folder `src` is for your Java source code.
- The folder `web` is for the web part of your application. At the moment this folder contains the deployment descriptor `WEB-INF/web.xml` .
- External Libraries include your JDK and the JAR files for working with the **GlassFish Server** .

## Developing source code

Our **Hello World** application will contain a resource class `HelloWorld.java` and a configuration class `MyApplication` . Its

only function will be to output the text **Hello World** .

1. In the `src` folder, create the `HelloWorld.java` class with the following code:

```
import javax.ws.rs.GET;
import javax.ws.rs.Path;
import javax.ws.rs.Produces;

// The Java class will be hosted at the URI path "/helloworld"
@Path("/helloworld")
public class HelloWorld {
    // The Java method will process HTTP GET requests
    @GET
    // The Java method will produce content identified by the MIME Media type "text/plain"
    @Produces("text/plain")
    public String getClichedMessage() {
        // Return some cliched textual content
        return "Hello World";
    }
}
```

2. In the `src` folder, create the `MyApplication.java` class with the following code:

```
import javax.ws.rs.ApplicationPath;
import javax.ws.rs.core.Application;
import java.util.HashSet;
import java.util.Set;

//Defines the base URI for all resource URIs.
@ApplicationPath("/")
//The java class declares root resource and provider classes
public class MyApplication extends Application{
    //The method returns a non-empty collection with classes, that must be included in the published
    @Override
    public Set<Class<?>> getClasses() {
        HashSet h = new HashSet<Class<?>>();
        h.add( HelloWorld.class );
        return h;
    }
}
```

## Examining the generated artifact configuration

Besides building a RESTful-specific project structure, IntelliJ IDEA has also configured an **artifact** for us.

The word artifact in IntelliJ IDEA may mean one of the following:

- An artifact configuration, i.e. a specification of the output to be generated for a project;
- An actual output generated according to such a specification (configuration).

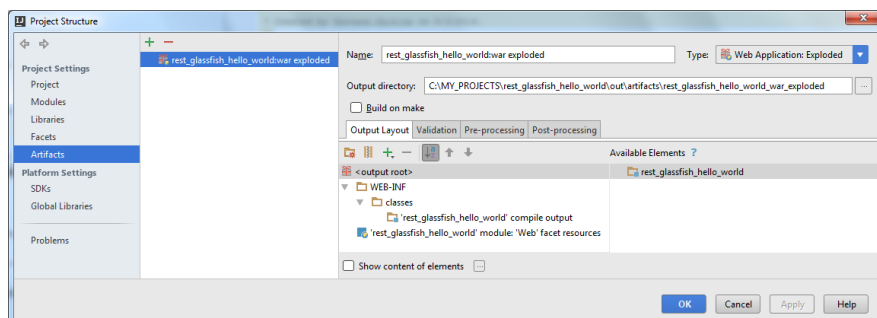
Let's have a look at this configuration.

1. Open the Project Structure dialog by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` or choosing `File | Project Structure` on the main menu.

2. Under Project Settings , select Artifacts .

The available artifact configurations are shown in the central pane under `+` and `-` . Currently there is only one configuration `rest_glassfish_hello_world:war exploded` , it is a decompressed web application archive (WAR), a directory structure that is ready for deployment onto a web server.

3. The artifact settings are shown in the right-hand pane of the dialog:



Learn more about artifacts at [Working with Artifacts](#) and [Artifacts](#) .

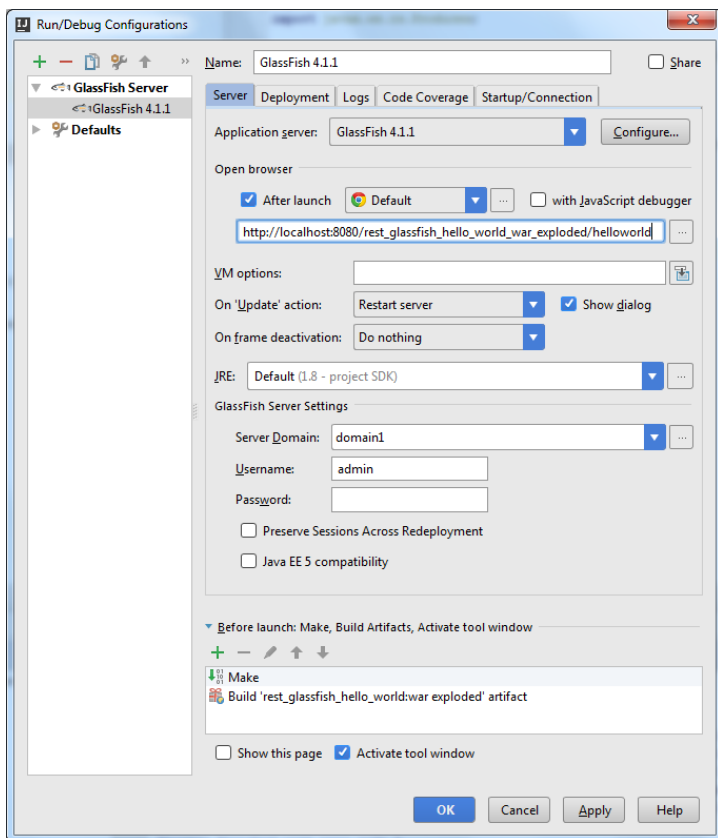
IntelliJ IDEA has already filled in all the mandatory fields, no changes are required from our side, so just click `Cancel` to leave the dialog.



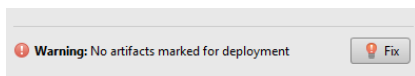
## Exploring and completing the run configuration

In IntelliJ IDEA, any application is launched according to a dedicated **run configuration**. During the project creation, we have specified the **GlassFish Server** as the application server for running our application. Based on this choice and the annotations from the code, IntelliJ IDEA has created a run configuration and filled almost all the mandatory fields.

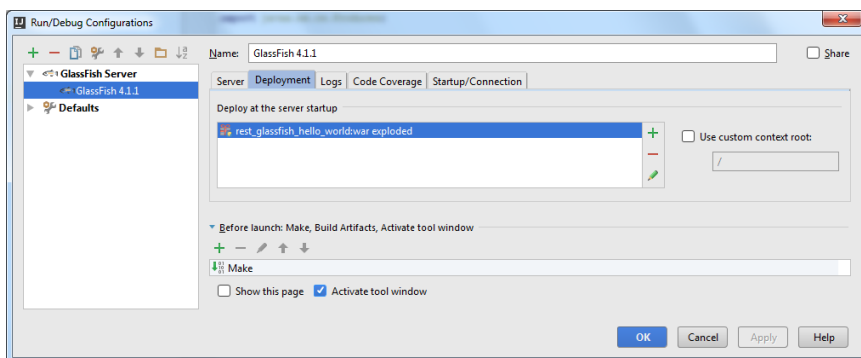
1. Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu.
2. In the Edit Configuration dialog box that opens, expand the GlassFish Server node and click GlassFish 4.1.1. The right-hand pane shows the settings of the automatically generated run configuration.



- The Application Server field shows `GlassFish 4.1.1`, which is the installation of the GlassFish Server that was chosen during the project creation. The Name field also shows `GlassFish 4.1.1`, IntelliJ IDEA has automatically named the generated configuration after the appointed application server.
- In the Open browser area, the After launch checkbox is selected, so the page with the application output will be opened automatically.  
In the text box below, we need to specify the URL address of the page to open. In our example, it is `http://localhost:8080/rest_glassfish_hello_world_war_exploded/helloworld`.
- To have `rest_glassfish_hello_world:war exploded` deployed automatically on launching the run configuration, the artifact has to be marked for deployment. If you have completed the project creation steps successfully, the artifact is marked for deployment automatically. If it is not, IntelliJ IDEA displays a warning **No artifacts marked for deployment** and a Fix button.




When you click Fix, IntelliJ IDEA opens the Deployment tab where the `rest_glassfish_hello_world:war exploded` is added to the Deploy on the server startup list.

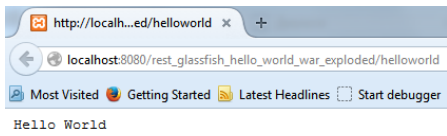


All the other fields are filled in automatically or are optional, so just click OK to save the run configuration.

## Running the application

Click  on the toolbar. After that:

1. IntelliJ IDEA compiles your source code and builds an application artifact.
2. The [Run Tool Window](#) opens. IntelliJ IDEA starts the server and deploys the artifact on it.
3. Finally, your default web browser starts and you see the application output `Hello World` there.



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**Warning!** The following is only valid when Ruby Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- Ruby Plugin
  - [Introduction](#)
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [Changes to the UI](#)
- [Ruby Language Support](#)
- [Rails Framework Support](#)
- [Rake Support](#)
- [Remote Ruby Debug](#)
- [Puppet](#)

## Introduction

Ruby Plugin extends IntelliJ IDEA with the full-scale functionality for Ruby development.

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

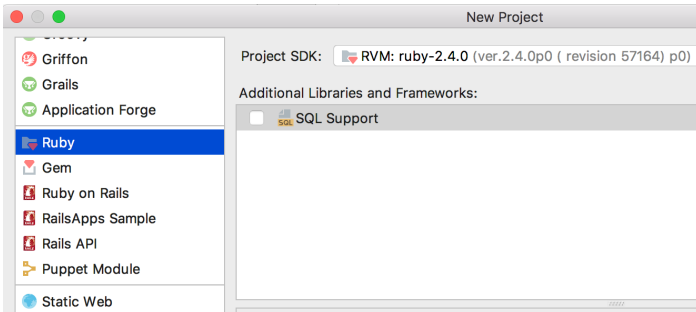
Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

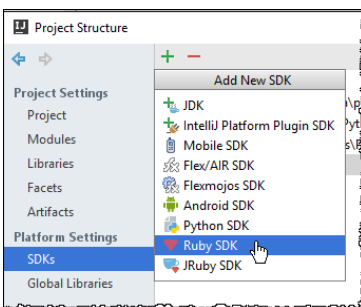
## Changes to the UI

Being installed, the Ruby Plugin introduces the following changes to the IntelliJ IDEA UI:

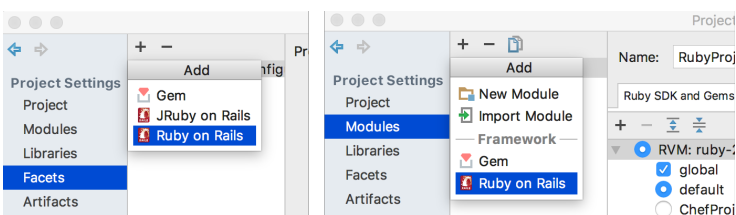
- Ruby module type is added to the [New Project](#) and [New Module](#) wizards.



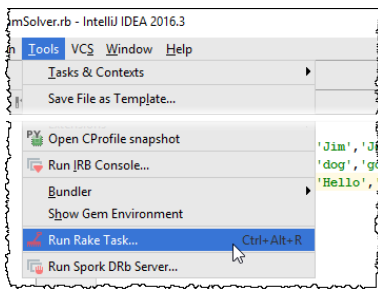
- Ruby SDK can be specified in the Add new SDK popup under the [SDKs](#) node of the [Project Structure](#) dialog.



- Rails is implemented as the facet , which can be attached to a Ruby module, either in the [New Project](#) dialog, or in the [Modules](#) or [Facets](#) pages of the [Project Structure](#) dialog:



- Ruby-related commands are added to the Tools menu:



- Ruby and framework-specific [run/debug configurations](#) , [inspections](#) , [intention actions](#) , and [refactorings](#) .

Besides that, the following changes are made to the Settings/Preferences dialog:

- Ruby code style, colors and fonts, live templates.
- Ruby-related options add to the editor settings (pages [Appearance](#) , [Code Folding](#) and [Smart Keys](#) ).
- Ruby-related options add to the [Stepping](#) page.
- [Syntax and error highlighting](#)

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- Ruby Language Support
  - [Prerequisite](#)
  - [Important notes](#)
  - [Ruby- and Ruby-on-Rails- specific procedures](#)
- [Configuring Ruby SDK](#)
- [Managing JRuby Facet in a Java Module](#)
- [Creating Empty Ruby Project](#)
- [Creating Gem Project](#)
- [Creating Ruby Class](#)
- [Configuring Load Path](#)
- [Ruby Gems Support](#)
- [Ruby Version Managers](#)
- [RuboCop](#)
- [Ruby Tips and Tricks](#)

## Prerequisite

Ruby SDK should be [downloaded and installed](#) on your computer.

For the Windows platform, use the [Ruby Installer and Development Kit](#) .

## Important notes

- IntelliJ IDEA supports the following range of Ruby SDK versions:
  - 1.8.x
  - 1.9.x, with the lambda syntax, local variables semantics, new method parameters declarations, etc.
  - 2.0, with named arguments, Ruby 2.0 debugger, %i/%I syntax parsing, prepend support.
  - 2.1 and 2.2.
  - [2.3](#) with the following features:
    - [ActionCable](#)
    - Code completion, resolve and documentation include new additions to version 2.3, for example, `Array::dig`
    - Safe navigation operator, with the new [Ruby intention actions](#) Replace safe navigation with chained calls conjunction and Replace safe navigation with nested nil checks , and [Ruby code inspection](#) that suggests replacement of chained && checks to safe navigation operator usage.
    - [squiggly HEREDOCs support](#)
- Language level is detected and derived from SDK.
- Depending on your platform, you can use [IronRuby](#) , [MacRuby](#) , [Rubinius](#) , [MRI Ruby](#) , or [JRuby](#) .
- IntelliJ IDEA supports [cygwin](#) as the Ruby interpreter platform.

## Ruby- and Ruby-on-Rails- specific procedures

The following sections contain procedures that pertain to both pure Ruby and Ruby-on-Rails programming.

- [Configuring Ruby SDK](#)
  - [Configuring Available Ruby Interpreters](#)
  - [Choosing Ruby Interpreter for a Project](#)
  - [Configuring Local Ruby Interpreter](#)
  - [Configuring Remote Ruby Interpreter](#)
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  - [Using the Bundler](#)
  - [Resolving References to Missing Gems](#)
  - [Configuring SDK Gemsets](#)
  - [Using RSync for Downloading Remote Gems](#)
  - [Viewing Gem Environment](#)
  - [Viewing Gem Dependency Diagram](#)
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In this section:

- Configuring Ruby SDK
  - [Basics](#)
  - [Configuring Ruby SDK for the selected project](#)
- [Configuring Available Ruby Interpreters](#)
- [Choosing Ruby Interpreter for a Project](#)
- [Configuring Local Ruby Interpreter](#)
- [Configuring Remote Ruby Interpreter](#)

## Basics

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can define several Ruby SDKs. So doing, you can choose the one to be used in your project, from the list of the interpreters available on your machine.

IntelliJ IDEA supports:

- Standard Ruby SDKs
- IronRuby
- MacRuby

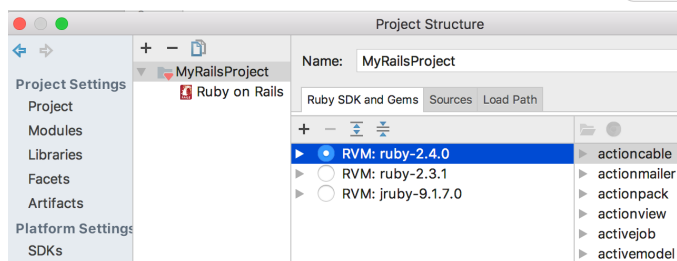
Ruby SDKs can be configured on the following levels:

- Current project : selected Ruby interpreter will be used for the current project.  
Configuring Ruby SDK on this level is described [below](#) .
- New project : selected Ruby interpreter will be used for the new project instead of the default one.  
Refer to the section [Creating Rails-Based Projects](#) for details.

## Configuring Ruby SDK for the selected project

### To configure Ruby SDK for the current project, follow these steps:

1. [Open the Project Structure dialog](#) , and click Gems tab.
2. If all the desired Ruby SDKs are already installed and added to your project, select one from the list of Ruby SDKs. To do that, click the radio button to the left of the desired Ruby SDK, or press `Space` :



If the desired Ruby SDK is missing from the list of available SDKs, click `+` .

3. Apply changes.

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In this section:

- [Overview](#)
- [Viewing the list of available interpreters](#)
- [Configuring the list of available interpreters](#)
- [Removing interpreters from the list](#)


## Overview

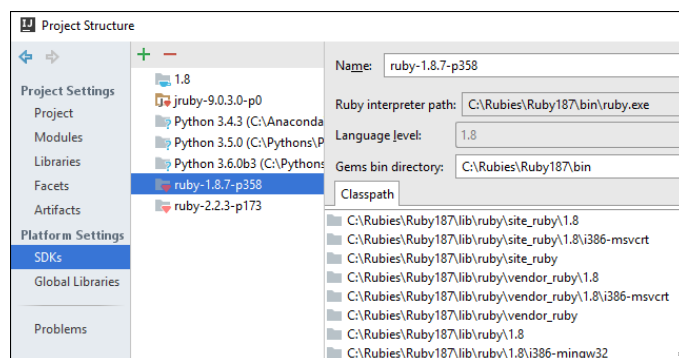
The list of Ruby SDKs, available for the various projects, can include interpreters installed locally or remotely.

The available Ruby interpreters are defined as the global SDKs. The procedure described below supposes that the necessary Ruby interpreters are already installed on your computer.

## Viewing the list of available interpreters

### To view the list of available interpreters

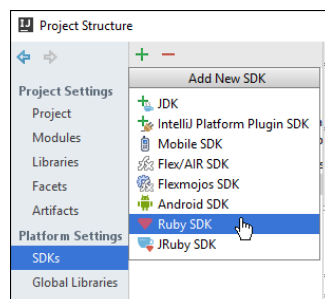
1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose File | Project Structure
  - On the main toolbar, click 
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`
2. Under Platform Settings, click the node SDKs :



## Configuring the list of available interpreters

### To configure the available Ruby interpreters

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the Project Structure dialog box, click SDKs node under the Platform Settings.
3. Click **+**, and then choose Ruby SDK from the Add New SDK pop-up menu.



4. From the Select Interpreter Path popup, select whether you want to add an interpreter from your local computer, or the one located remotely.  
The next step depends on the selected interpreter location. When an interpreter is added, it is included in the list of available interpreters.
5. Repeat steps 1 - 4 to add more Ruby interpreters to the list.

## Removing interpreters from the list

### To remove an interpreter from the list of available interpreters

1. In the list of available interpreters, select the one to be deleted.



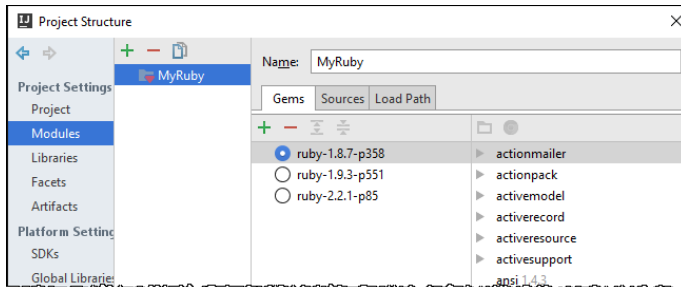


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## Choosing interpreter for a project

1. Open the Project Structure dialog.
2. In the [Project Structure](#) dialog, click the node Modules .
3. Click the module to which a Ruby interpreter should be assigned.
4. Select the desired interpreter and click the radio button to its left, or press `Space` .

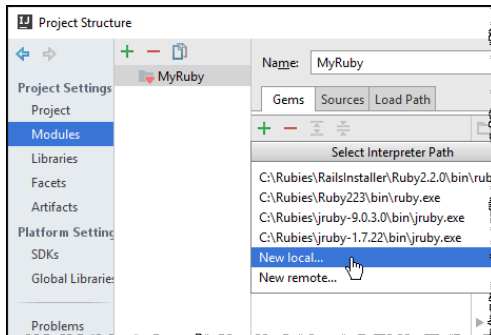


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## To configure a local Ruby interpreter, follow these steps:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the [Project Structure](#) dialog, click the node Modules .
3. In the Gems tab, click **+**, and from the popup menu, choose New local... :



4. In the [Select Ruby Interpreter Path](#) dialog box, click the desired Ruby executable.

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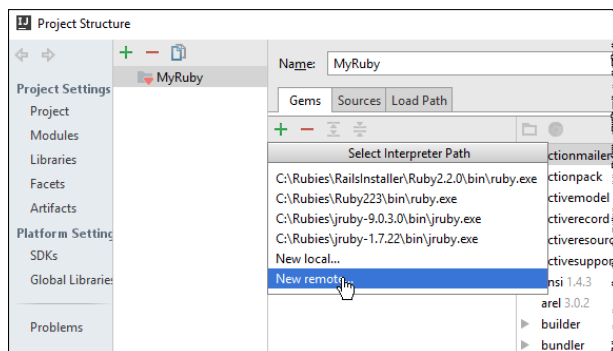
## Prerequisite

Before you start working with remote interpreters, make sure that the SSH Remote Run plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Configuring remote Ruby interpreter

### To configure a remote Ruby interpreter, follow these steps:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. In the [Project Structure](#) dialog, click the Modules node.
3. In the Gems tab, click **+**, and from the popup menu, choose **New remote...**:



4. In the [Configure Remote Ruby Interpreter](#) dialog box, select the desired option (Deployment configuration, SSH Credentials etc.).

## Important notes

- [rbern](#): when configuring a remote interpreter, you have to specify ruby executable located under the directory `versions`, rather than `shims`.
- [RVM Support](#): When adding an rvm-based remote interpreter, it is important to specify the gemset folder instead of the Ruby binary itself:

```
<rvm root>/gems/<gemset>
```

For example, on MacOS/Linux:

```
~/ .rvm/gems/ruby-2.2.2@rails
```

Note that the name of an rvm-based SDK is automatically prepended with the prefix RVM.

- An additional icon appears on the toolbar: . Clicking this icon results in opening the [Edit Project Path Mappings](#) dialog box, where you can add or delete the desired path mappings.

Find the detailed tutorial on configuring a remote SDK [here](#).

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to attach a [JRuby](#) facet to a Java module. This can be required for working with Ruby code, having resolve and code completion.

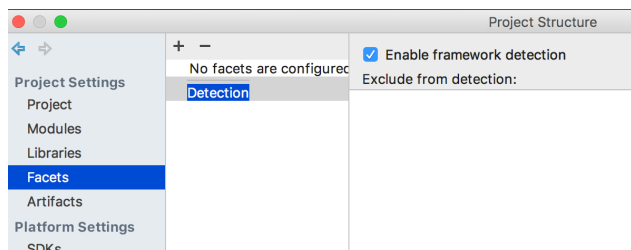
Suppose, you've created a project that contains a Java [module](#) , and you want to attach a facet to it. You must [install JRuby](#) on your computer.

By the way, if you create a module of, say, Ruby type, you may attach any available Ruby SDK.

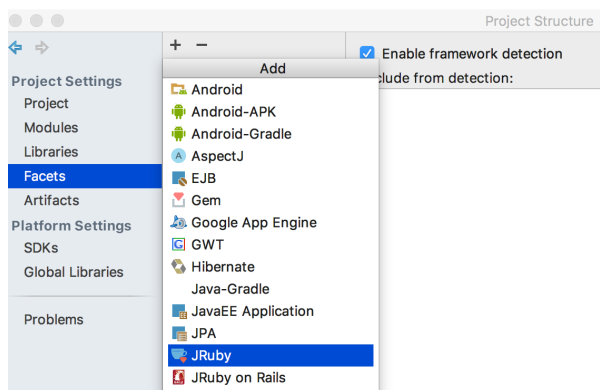
## Adding a JRuby facet

Having installed JRuby (for example, `rvm install jruby` ), follow these steps:

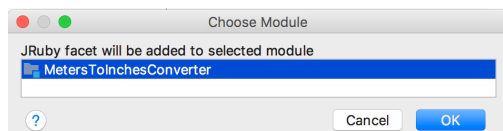
1. Open the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog.
2. In this dialog, select the [Facets](#) page.
3. Click **+**:



4. From the pop-up menu of the possible facets that appears, choose JRuby facet:

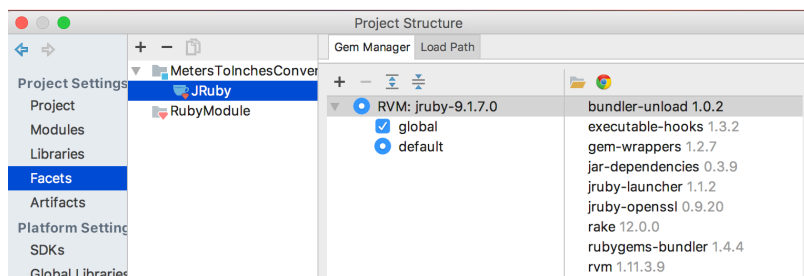


5. If JRuby has been installed previously, IntelliJ IDEA recognizes it and suggests to choose a Java module to which the facet should be added:



Select the desired module.

After that, JRuby facet appears under the module name:



## Deleting a JRuby facet

To delete a JRuby facet, follow these steps:

1. Open the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog.
2. In this dialog, select the [Facets](#) page.
3. Click **-**.

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Empty projects are intended for pure Ruby programming.

## To create an empty project

1. Do one of the following:

- On the main menu, choose File | New | Project .
- On the [Welcome screen](#) , click the link Create New Project .

New Project dialog box opens.

2. In the New Project dialog box, do the following:

- In the Project type section, click the desired project type, in this case, Ruby.
- Specify the project SDK. If the desired SDK is missing in the list, click New .
- Click Next .
- Specify the project name and location.

3. Click Finish .

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Gem projects are intended for developing, building and pushing gems to github.

## To create a Gem project

1. On the main menu, choose File | New | Project , or click New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) . New Project dialog box opens.
2. In the New Project dialog box, do the following:
  - Select **Gem** .
  - Select Ruby interpreter, or accept the suggested one. If the desired Ruby interpreter is missing, click New , and configure the interpreter of your choice.
  - Observe the suggested Bundler version.
  - Click [Minitest](#) or [RSpec](#) radio-buttons as required.

Select or clear the checkboxes below. Refer to the [Bundler documentation](#) for details.

  - Click Next .
  - Specify the project name and location.
3. Click Finish .

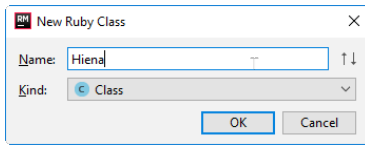
## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to generate Ruby classes. So doing, it's possible to create classes nested in the right modules, and select between a class or a module.

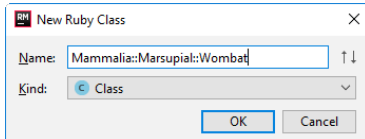
## Generating a Ruby class

This how it's done.

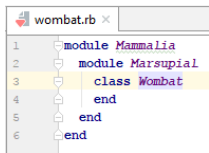
1. In the Project tool window, select the directory where you want a class to be created, and press `Alt+Insert`.
2. From the pop-up menu, choose Ruby Class.
3. In the New Ruby Class dialog box, enter the Ruby class name:



Note that IntelliJ IDEA allows you to create classes prepended by modules. If required, prepend the class name with module name:



IntelliJ IDEA creates a new Ruby class and opens it for editing. If a module name has been specified, it is displayed in the editor:



## Changing type of the created object

To change the kind of an object being created, do the following:

1. Create a Java class, as described [above](#).
2. With the New Ruby Class dialog box opened, press up/down arrow keys to change the type of the created object.

**Tip** Alternatively, click the Kind drop-down list and choose between class and module.



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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Configuring load paths via project structure](#)
- [Configuring load paths via context menu](#)

## Basics

The load path is the path where `require` and `load` statements will look for files. The specified paths will be used in [code completion](#) for `require` and `load`. If the load path is not defined, code completion will suggest only the paths relative to the project root.

A directory that belongs to the load path is marked as the source root directory  in the project view.

## Configuring load paths via project structure

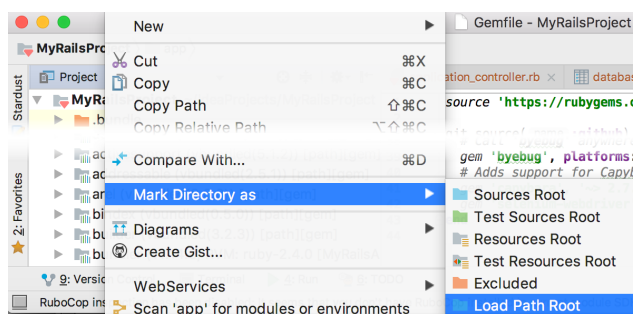
### To define load paths via Load Path page of the project structure

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`), and then click [Load Path](#).
2. Click [+](#).
3. Locate the desired path in the [Select Path](#) dialog box.


## Configuring load paths via context menu

### To define load paths via context menu of the Project tool window

1. Right-click the desired directory in the [Project Tool Window](#).
2. On the context menu, point to Mark Directory As node.
3. Choose Load Path Root.



The directory in question is marked with the source root icon .

To unmark a directory, choose Unmark directory as load path on the context menu. The directory is then denoted with regular folder icon .

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Many types of the Ruby [projects](#) make use of the Ruby gems.

The approach of IntelliJ IDEA to the gems depends on the presence of the bundler .

- If a project uses the [bundler](#) , then all the required gems are taken according to the Gemfile.
- If there is no bundler, IntelliJ IDEA scans all the project files for the calls to Ruby gems, and produces a set of the required gems.

If for some reason you are not happy with the set of gems defined by IntelliJ IDEA, you can create a Gemfile yourself and specify the gems of your choice.

**Tip** Gemfile is automatically generated by Rails version 3.x. In all other cases, if you need the Gemfile, you have to create it yourself.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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In this section:

- Using the Bundler
  - [Basics](#)
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  - [SUDO permission](#)
- [Creating Gemfile](#)
- [Bundling Gems](#)

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA implements the [bundler](#) as a powerful way of handling gem dependencies. The bundler is required to execute an application with the same set of gems it has been created and tested with.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the bundler since version 0.8, but it is recommended to use version 0.9 and higher.

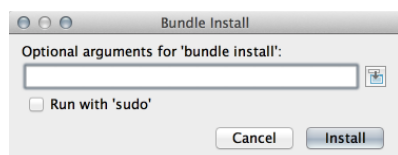
## Prerequisites

To start using the bundler with IntelliJ IDEA, make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- RubyGems version 1.3.7 or higher is installed.
- The [bundler](#) gem is installed.

## SUDO permission

On the UNIX-like computers, if the permissions are required to invoke the Bundler commands in a project, IntelliJ IDEA automatically understands from the command output that running with `sudo` is needed, and suggests to re-run this command with `sudo`.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA helps create Gemfile, when the [bundler](#) gem is installed.

## To create Gemfile

1. On the main menu, point to Tools | Bundler .
2. On the submenu, choose Init . IntelliJ IDEA generates the stub Gemfile in the project root directory. Later you can add more gems if required.

**Note** The Bundler | Init command is only available, when the Gemfile doesn't exist.

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In this section:

- Basics
- Managing gem dependencies with the Bundler version 0.9 or higher
- Managing gem dependencies using the legacy Bundler versions

## Basics

The procedure of bundling gems in IntelliJ IDEA depends on the bundler version you are working with.

In any case, the Bundler displays its output in [Run tool window](#), and creates the necessary infrastructure under the `vendor` directory.

## Managing gem dependencies with the Bundler version 0.9 or higher

To manage gem dependencies using the Bundler version 0.9 or higher, follow these steps:

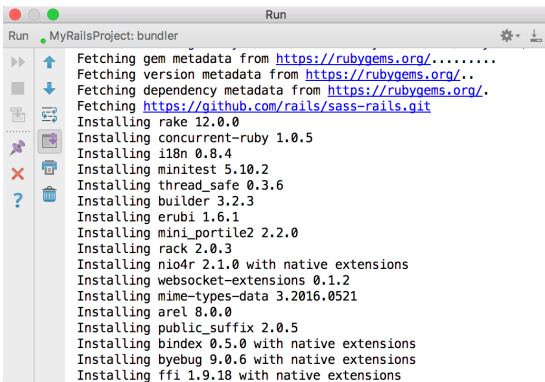
- On the main menu, point to Tools | Bundler - Install .
- In the Bundle Install dialog box, specify the installation options if any, and click OK .

Note the following:

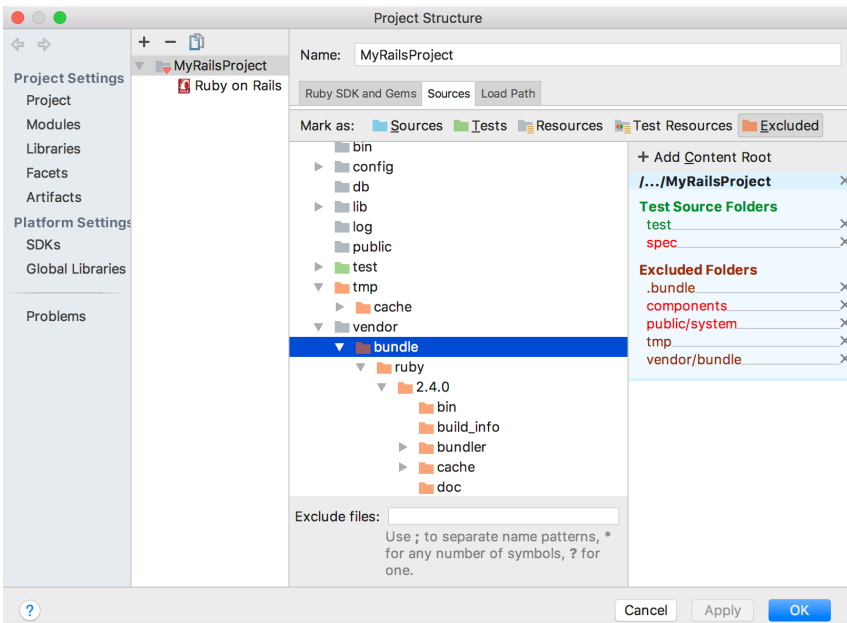
- IntelliJ IDEA understands the gems bundled inside projects.  
If the path is specified in the Bundler - Install command

```
--path vendor/bundle
```

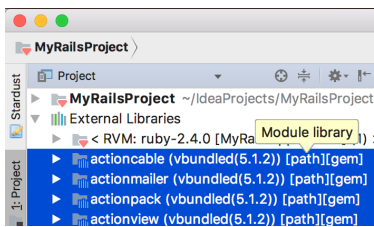
the output looks as follows:



- IntelliJ IDEA adds the directory `.bundle` to the project root.  
This directory is automatically included in the project structure to make the gems parsed.
- The directory `vendor/bundle` is excluded from the project scope to avoid searching inside the gems (unless you specifically ask for it).



- The local gems are added to the node External Libraries :



## Managing gem dependencies using the legacy Bundler versions

To manage gem dependencies using the legacy Bundler versions:

- On the main menu, choose Tools | Bundler - Bundle Gems .

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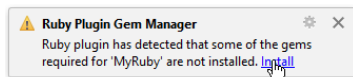
IntelliJ IDEA detects unsatisfied dependencies in the following cases, and helps resolve them:

- In the [Gemfile](#) for the whole project.
- In a particular file. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes unsatisfied dependencies in the absence of Gemfile only.

### To resolve unsatisfied gem dependencies, do one of the following

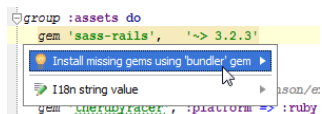
- If IntelliJ IDEA detects unsatisfied dependencies, it displays the notification balloon, suggesting the appropriate action.

Click the hyperlink in the balloon:

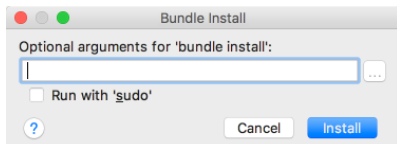


- If in course of editing a Ruby file, IntelliJ IDEA detects that some of the required gems are missing, it displays an [intention action](#) Install missing gem using 'bundler' gem .

Choose the suggested intention action:



The bundler starts in a separate pop-up window:



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In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [List of Ruby SDKs](#)
- [List of gemsets](#)
  - [RVM gemset](#)
    - [Creating RVM gemsets](#)
    - [Creating a dedicated RVM gemset on project creation](#)
    - [Creating RVM gemset in the Setting/Preferences dialog](#)
  - [Rbenv gemset](#)
    - [Creating rbenv gemsets](#)
- [List of gems](#)

## Introduction

**Gemsets** are a convenient way to deal with the different gem environments for your applications. IntelliJ IDEA supports both [RVM](#) and [rbenv](#) gemsets.

**Warning!** Note that `rvm` and `rbenv` gemsets work for macOS and \*NIX platforms only!

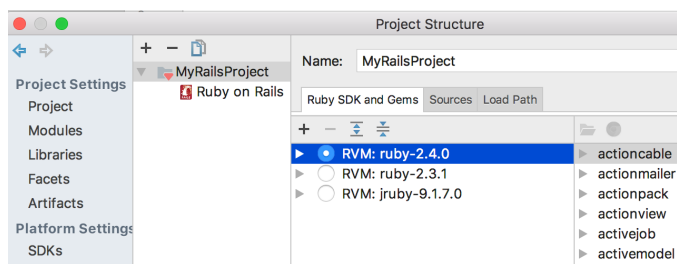
Gemsets are supported for the following types of projects:

- All [Ruby](#) projects types
- All [Rails](#) project types
- [Puppet Module](#)

## List of Ruby SDKs

### To view the list of Ruby SDKs, available to the computer, follow these steps

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S`).
2. Click Modules and choose the desired module with Ruby support.
3. Next, click the Gems tab, and observe the list:



To select an SDK for a project, click the radio button to the left of the desired Ruby SDK, or press `Space`.

Note the following:

- IntelliJ IDEA automatically detects Ruby versions installed.
- Add or remove any local or remote SDKs with the buttons `+` and `-`.
- Expand/collapse buttons `▾` / `▸` are only available for macOS and \*NIX platforms, as the ones having gemsets. For Windows platform, these buttons are disabled.
- [Speed search](#) works for the list SDKs.

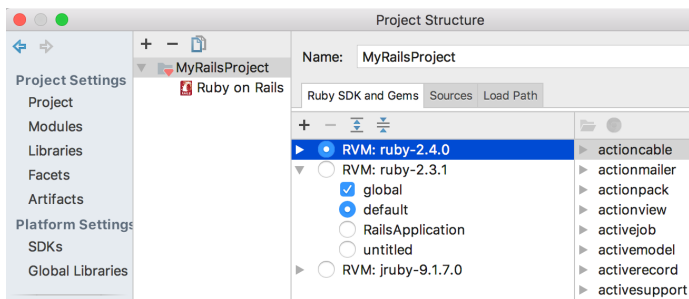
## List of gemsets

For each SDK, open the list of available gemsets.

### To view the list of gemsets for the selected SDK, follow these steps

1. In the list of available SDKs, select the one marked with the icon `▶` to the left:





2. Do one of the following:

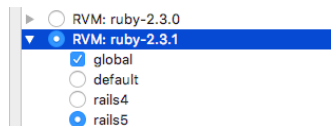
- Press `Enter`.
- Double-click the SDK node.
- Click the button `>`.
- Press right arrow key.

Note that the previous selection of a gemset per Ruby module is preserved. You can quickly return to it by merely selecting the SDK in question.

## RVM gemset

If you haven't specified any [RVM](#) gemset to use with the project yet, then the [default](#) and [global](#) gemsets are selected.

However, one can select any desired gemset by hitting `Space` or clicking the radio button to the left of the gemset name.



It's also possible to decide whether to use the [global gemset](#) (hit `Space`, or select/clear the checkbox). Global gemset (if selected) is used to share gems to all the gemsets within an SDK.

The [default gemset](#), marked with a radio button, is used for any specific interpreter.

## Creating RVM gemsets

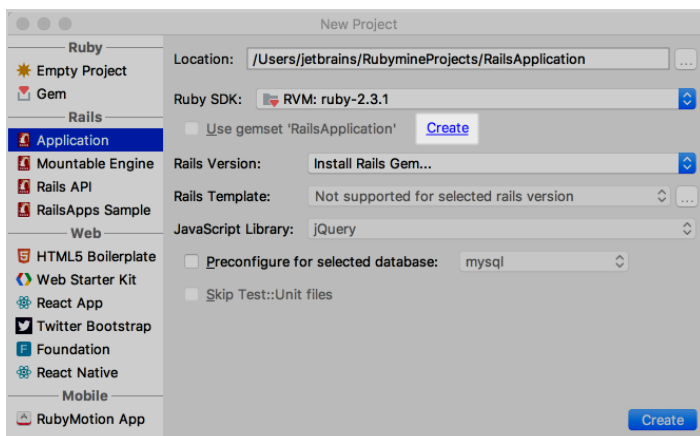
For configuring [RVM](#) gemsets, one should use the files `.ruby-gemset` and `.ruby-version`. Refer to the [rvm documentation](#).

## Creating a dedicated RVM gemset on project creation

### To create a gemset for the new Ruby/Rails project, follow these steps:

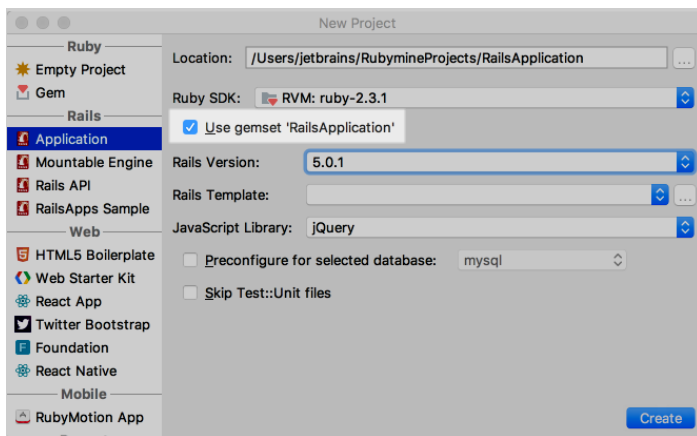
1. Create a new project.

As you type the new project name, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a gemset with the same name:



Click the link `Create` to create the gemset (empty directory under the selected SDK).

Next, select the checkbox `Use gemset <name>` to use the newly created gemset for your project:



If you need to install Rails, note that Rails will be installed in this gemset.

2. Now you are ready to create a new project with the gemset. Click the button Create for that.

## Creating RVM gemset in the Setting/Preferences dialog

**Warning!** Note that `rvm` gemset can be created for macOS and \*NIX platforms only!

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to create an RVM gemset in the Setting/Preferences dialog. This is how it's done.

### To create an RVM gemset

1. Open the Setting/Preferences dialog.
2. In this dialog, do the following:
  - Choose Ruby SDK. If an RVM SDK has been selected for your project, then it is used. If an SDK has not been selected or a non-RVM SDK has been selected (for example, `system`, `chef` or `remote`), then the default SDK is used.
  - Specify the desired gemset name.

The gemset with the specified name appears under the selected SDK.

### Rbenv gemset

For `rbenv`, the `default` gemset means the set of gems installed to the SDK folder, so you cannot unselect it (the checkbox to the left is disabled).

`global` gemset has no special behavior.

`rbenv` enables you to select as many gemsets as required (hit `Space`, or select/clear the checkbox to the left of the desired gemset).

### Creating rbenv gemsets

#### Prerequisite

Before you start working with `rbenv`, make sure that `rbenv-gemsets` plugin is [installed and enabled](#). The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

**Tip** This is a third-party plugin. Download it at [jfrbenv-gemset](#) page.

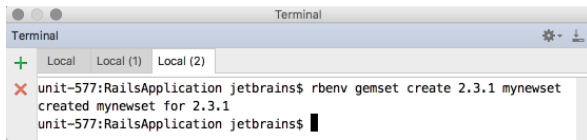
There are the following ways of creating gemsets: using the [commands of the](#) `rbenv-gemsets` plugin, or using the `.rbenv-gemset` [file](#).

### To create a gemset commands of the rbenv-gemsets plugin, follow these steps:

1. [Open](#) the Terminal tool window.
2. Enter command in the format

```
rbenv gemset create <rbenv version number> <gemset name>
```

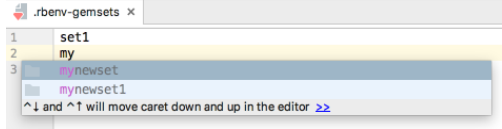
For example:



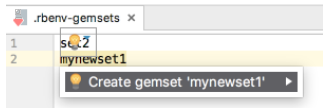
**To create a rbenv gemset in the editor, follow these steps:**

1. [Open for editing](#) the file `.rbenv-gemset` (if the file does not exist, [create it](#)).
2. Type the new gemset name. The following steps depend on the existence of a gemset:

– If the gemset with the entered name exists, the completion is suggested:



– If the gemset with the entered name does not exist, then press `Alt+Enter` and choose the intention action `Create gemset <gemset name>` :



Refer to the [rbenv documentation](#) .

**Tip** It's also possible to use `.ruby-gemset` file for configuring `rbenv` gemsets.

As a result, the created gemset appears in the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog. Note that this gemset is already selected.

**List of gems**

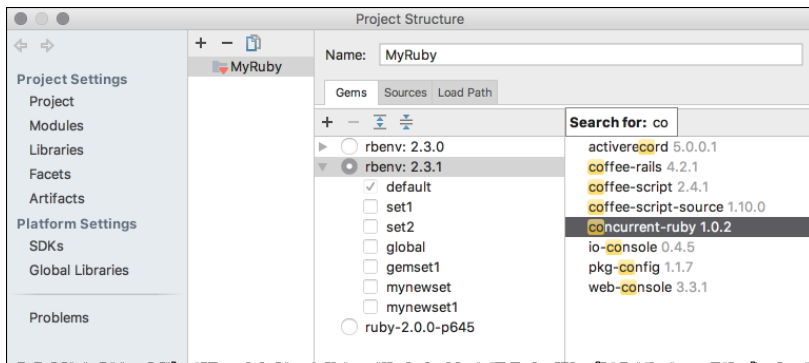
In the Gems tab to the right of the selected Ruby module in the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog, there is the list of gems, available for an SDK or a gemset.

If you select an SDK, you'll see see all the gems available for the current project with that version. So doing, the gems of all gemsets are selected for the SDK in question.

Note the following:

- If an SDK has no gemsets (as on Windows platform), then all the gems installed with the selected SDK are shown in the right-hand pane.
- If an SDK has gemsets (as on macOS or \*NIX platforms), then, when one selects a gemset, the gems for the selected gemset are shown in the right-hand pane. This is valid for both `rvm` and `rbenv` .
- If an SDK has gemsets, and this SDK is selected, then the contents of the right-hand pane depends on the version manager used:
  - `rbenv` : the gems list shows all the gems from all the gemsets. So doing, the gems in the gems list have the note from which gemset they are taken. Same is valid for the External Libraries node in the [Project Tool Window](#) .
  - `rvm` : the gems list shows both the `global` gemset and one gemset selected (by default, this is the `default` gemset). So doing, the gems list bears no marking, as well as the External Libraries node in the [Project Tool Window](#) .

[Speed search](#) also work for the gems: just type a string, and speed search shows the matching entries only:



It's also possible to see the gem path, using the button , and the web page with the gem description, using the button .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Ruby Plugin is installed and enabled!

On this page:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Prerequisite](#)
  - [Windows](#)
  - [macOS](#)
  - [Linux](#)
- [Downloading gems with RSync](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to download the remote gems in case [remote interpreters](#) are configured for the applications.

## Prerequisite

The application `rsync` must be installed on your computer!

## Windows

`rsync` can be used on Windows systems, but is only available through the various ports (such as [Cygwin](#)).

To learn how to run `bash` on Windows, refer to the articles [Run Bash on Ubuntu on Windows](#) and [Announcing Windows 10 Insider Preview](#).

## MacOS

`rsync` is installed by default.

## Linux

```
sudo apt-get -y install rsync
```

## Downloading gems with RSync

No matter whether you use a prepared Deployment configuration or SSH credentials to set up a remote Ruby interpreter configuration, IntelliJ IDEA makes use of `rsync`.

When setting up with SSH credentials, use one of the following values of the field Auth type :

- Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY) (recommended)
- Password : in this case, IntelliJ IDEA emulates Terminal to use it. So doing, the command looks as follows:

```
rsync -zarv user@host:/remote/path /local/path
```

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Ruby Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA helps quickly get information about the current gem environment.

### **To view gem environment information**

- On the main menu, choose Tools | Show Gem Environment.

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IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to visualize gem dependencies, based on the Gemfile information. The gem dependency diagrams are not editable.

If Gemfile is missing, the Show Gem Dependency Diagram/Show Gem Dependency Diagram Popup commands are not available.

## To open the Gem Dependency diagram of a project with a Gemfile

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu of the Project tool window, or the editor, point to Diagrams , and choose Show Diagram or Show Diagram Pop-up .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` , or `Ctrl+Alt+U` .
2. From the pop-up menu, choose Gem Dependency Diagram :

## In the Gem Dependency diagram, you can perform the following operations

- [Select elements](#) .
- [Add or delete notes](#) .
- [Change diagram layout](#) .
- [Change diagram scale](#) .
- [Navigate to source code](#) .
- [Navigate through the gems using the Structure view](#) (`Ctrl+F12` ) .

**Tip** Keeping the `Alt` key pressed invokes the magnifier tool, which will help you have a closer look at the most interesting or problematic areas of your Model dependency diagram.



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Depending on the platform you are working on, you can use one of the Ruby version managers. IntelliJ IDEA provides integration with the version managers, which enables switching between the various available Ruby SDKs right inside the IDE.

In this section:

- [RVM Support](#)
- [Rbenv Support](#)
- [PIK Support](#)

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

On this page:

- [Overview](#)
- [Prerequisites](#)
- [RVM-based remote interpreters](#)
- [File .ruby-gemset](#)

## Overview

`rvm` is intended for \*NIX and macOS !

IntelliJ IDEA supports `rvm` versions up to the latest.

At startup, IntelliJ IDEA scans your `~/rvm` folder or `/usr/local/rvm` folder , and automatically configures SDK's for each Ruby interpreter and gemset pair . The detected interpreters and gemsets are shown in the Modules page of the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog . Thus, a single SDK may appear in the list of available interpreters several times, with the different named gemset, which helps you switch between the independent sandboxes.

IntelliJ IDEA also detects newly installed `rvm` interpreters and gemsets "on-the-fly". On reopening the Project Structure dialog, you will find updates in the Gems tab of the Modules page .

If you have provided `.rvmrc` file for your project, IntelliJ IDEA parses this file on project opening. The Ruby SDK and gemsets, specified in the project `.rvmrc` file, are shown in the in the Gems tab of the Modules page of the Project Structure dialog. If `rvm use` command is commented out, IntelliJ IDEA doesn't change settings.

Any changes made to the project `.rvmrc` file are only applied after project restart.

## Prerequisites

- `rvm` is installed on your computer.
- Ruby interpreters are installed.
- Ruby gemsets are created using the [system console](#) .
- IntelliJ IDEA supports `rvm` Ruby interpreters and gemsets installed in the default `rvm` folder `~/rvm` , or in `/usr/local/rvm` only.

## RVM-based remote interpreters

When adding an rvm-based [remote interpreter](#) , it is important to specify the gem set:

```
~/rvm/gems/<gem set>
```

Note that the name of an rvm-based SDK is automatically prepended with the prefix `RVM` .

## File .ruby-gemset

IntelliJ IDEA provides code insight for the `.ruby-gemset` file:

- Code highlighting
- [Inspections](#)
- [Intention actions and quick fixes](#)

etc.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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In this section:

- [Overview](#)
- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Support for rbenv-gemsets plugin](#)
- [File .rbenv-gemset](#)
- [Important note about remote interpreters](#)

## Overview

`rbenv` is intended for \*NIX and macOS !

IntelliJ IDEA supports `rbenv` versions up to the latest.

At startup, IntelliJ IDEA scans your `~/.rbenv` folder, and automatically configures SDK's for each Ruby interpreter. The detected interpreters are shown in the Modules page of the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog.

IntelliJ IDEA also detects newly installed `rbenv` interpreters "on-the-fly". On reopening the Project Structure dialog, you will find updates in the Gems tab of the Modules page.

## Prerequisites

- `rbenv` is installed on your computer.
- Ruby interpreters are installed.
- IntelliJ IDEA supports `rbenv` Ruby interpreters installed in the default `rbenv` folder `~/.rbenv` only.
- `rbenv` is incompatible with `rvm` ! Any references to `rvm` should be removed before using `rbenv`.

**Tip** As of this writing, IntelliJ IDEA only supports `rbenv` installed in the default location. However, there is a workaround. One can install `rbenv` in a different location using a command like the following:

```
In -s /usr/local/var/rbenv ~/.rbenv
```

See issue [RUBY-16035](#).

## Support for rbenv-gemsets plugin

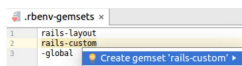
IntelliJ IDEA supports [rbenv-gemsets](#) plugin for \*NIX and macOS.

- The gemsets are shown as the children of `rbenv` SDK. When a gemset is selected, its gems are shown to the right, `rbenv` SDK with gemsets is selected, then all the gems of this SDK and the gemsets are shown.
- IntelliJ IDEA provides libraries for gems from the current gemset list ( by '`rbenv-gemsets`' ) including the default 'global' gemset
- IntelliJ IDEA invokes all commands with the environment of the specified gemsets and selected SDK ( e.g. `$ RBENV_GEMSETS="gemset1 gemset2" RBENV_VERSION="1.9.3-p125" #command` )

## File .rbenv-gemset

IntelliJ IDEA provides code insight for the `.rbenv-gemset` file:

- Code highlighting
- IntelliJ IDEA provides [code completion](#) for the current SDK gemsets in the `.rbenv-gemsets` file.
- IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to create a new gemset using the quick fix Create gemset <gemset name> . Just press `Alt+Enter` on a new name in the `.rbenv-gemsets` file:



**Warning!** The quick fix to create a new gemset is only available, if `rbenv-gemsets` plugin is installed !

etc.

## Important note about remote interpreters

If you are configuring a [remote interpreter](#) using [rbenv](#) version manager, you have to specify ruby executable located under the directory `versions`, rather than `shims`.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

## Prerequisites

- `pik` is installed on your computer.
- Ruby interpreters are installed.
- IntelliJ IDEA supports `pik` Ruby interpreters installed in the default `pik` folder `~/pik` only.

## Overview

`pik` is intended for Windows !

IntelliJ IDEA supports `pik` versions up to 0.3.0pre and 0.2.8.

At startup, IntelliJ IDEA scans your `~/pik` folder , and automatically configures SDK's for each Ruby interpreter . The detected interpreters are shown in the Modules page of the [Project Structure Dialog](#) dialog .

IntelliJ IDEA also detects newly installed `pik` interpreters "on-the-fly". On reopening the Project Structure dialog, you will find updates in the Gems tab of the Modules page. .

All the gems, installed apart from the default gems (that come with Ruby SDK, installed via `pik`) are visible.

## Important note

There is no IntelliJ IDEA's implementation of RuboCop. IntelliJ IDEA only executes the RuboCop installed by the users, reads the output and visualizes it in the editor.

## Prerequisites

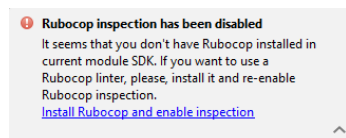
To make use of the [RuboCop](#) , make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- You are working with IntelliJ IDEA version 2017.1 or higher.
- The gem [rubocop](#) is installed.

## Using the RuboCop inspection

The RuboCop inspection is enabled by default. If your project SDK has the `rubocop` gem installed, then you'll immediately see the results of this inspection in the Editor, in the same way as the other [IntelliJ IDEA inspections](#) .

Otherwise, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to install the missing gem to your project's SDK and enable this inspection:



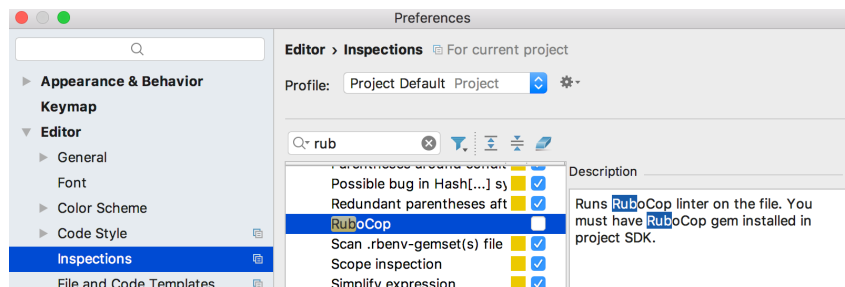
The banner shows only once per project. If you don't want to use RuboCop in your project, just skip this notification.

**Tip** Mapping of RuboCop severities to the IntelliJ IDEA severities is hardcoded the following way:

- Refactor and Convention => Weak Warning
- Warning => Warning
- Error and Fatal => Error

It is impossible to change these severities manually.

To switch off RuboCop inspections, [open Settings/Preferences dialog](#) , open the page [Inspections](#) and then uncheck the inspection RuboCop:



RuboCop runs through the main menu commands `Code | Inspect Code` and `Code | Run Inspection by Name` , which is pretty handy if one wants to find all the code style offenses in an application.

IntelliJ IDEA can autocorrect the entire files using RuboCop, and fix errors by [a cop department](#) . You can discover new options by showing new intention actions ( `Alt+Enter` ).

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

On this page:

- [Fill paragraph](#)
- [Highlight exit points](#)
- [Running the Bundler](#)

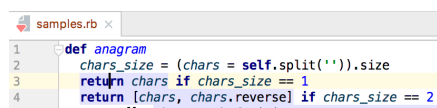
## Fill paragraph

Fill Paragraph action is supported for Ruby comments. This action creates soft wraps in comments. To make use of this action, follow these steps:

1. Place the caret somewhere inside a comment in Ruby class.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Edit | Fill Paragraph
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` , in the pop-up frame, type Fill Paragraph , and then press `Enter` ,

## Highlight exit points

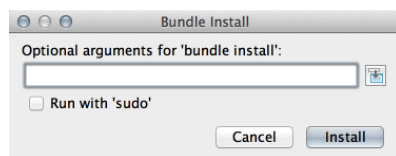
If you place the caret at an exit point of a function, the other exit points are also highlighted:



```
1 def anagram
2   chars_size = (chars = self.split('')).size
3   return chars if chars_size == 1
4   return [chars, chars.reverse] if chars_size == 2
```

## Running the Bundler

On the UNIX-like computers, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to run the [Bundler](#) with the `sudo` privileges, if SDK so requires. For example, Chef DK by default, requires installing gems under `sudo` :



Also, when running commands, IntelliJ IDEA automatically understands from the command output that running with `sudo` is required, and suggests to re-run this command with `sudo` .

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In this section:

- [Prerequisite](#)
- [Important notes](#)
- [Rails support](#)
- [Rails-specific procedures](#)

## Prerequisite

Rails framework should be [downloaded and installed](#) on your computer.

## Important notes

- IntelliJ IDEA supports Rails framework versions from 1.2 to 5
- Rails 3.x requires Ruby 1.8.6 or higher.
- Rails 4 requires Ruby 1.9.x or higher.
- Rails 5 requires Ruby 2.2.2 or higher.

## Rails support

Rails support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Dedicated [project types](#) , where the desired Rails version is defined.
- Special [Rails view](#) to represent the logical structure of a Rails application.
- [Rails generators](#) .
- Means of [navigation between Rails components](#) .
- Possibility to [run Rake tasks](#) .
- Possibility to define [object-relational mappings](#) .
- Analysis of the models and their relationships with [Model Dependency diagram](#) .
- Complete editing assistance (syntax and error highlighting, code completion for Rails application elements and Rake tasks)
- Rails-aware refactorings ([Rename Refactorings](#) , [Extract Partial](#) , etc.).
- [Rails console](#) , where you can execute Rails commands without leaving the IDE.
- [Sprockets](#) are supported.

## Rails-specific procedures

- [Creating Rails-Based Projects](#)
- [Creating Rails Application Elements](#)
- [Creating Controllers and Actions](#)
- [Creating Views from Actions](#)
- [Injecting Ruby Code in View](#)
- [Generating Archives](#)
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- [Running Rails Scripts](#)
- [Running Rails Server](#)
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- [Zeus](#)
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In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Creating Rails-based projects](#)
- [Creating Rails samples](#)

## Basics

In IntelliJ IDEA, one can create several Rails-based project types.

- [Rails applications](#) are intended for productive web development with Ruby on Rails.
- [Rails API](#) projects are intended for building REST APIs with Rails.

**Tip** Rails API projects are only available for Rails 5.0 or higher versions.

- [RailsApp Sample projects](#) are intended for mastering Rails.

## Creating Rails-based projects

### To create a Rails-based project, follow these general steps

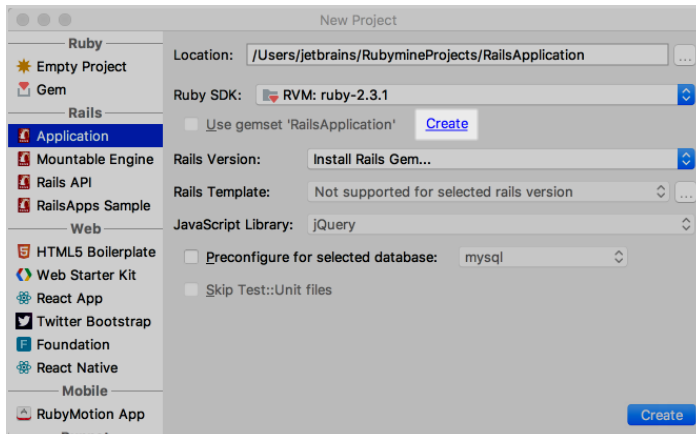
1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose File | New | Project .
  - Click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) .

New Project dialog box opens.

2. In the New Project dialog box, specify the project name and location. In the left-hand pane, select the desired Rails-based project type.

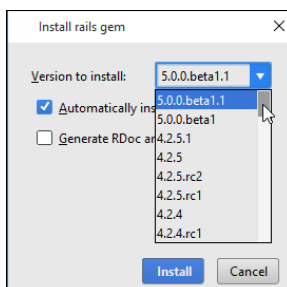
3. Specify the following:


- In the Project SDK drop-down list, select the Ruby SDK you want to use from the list of available Ruby interpreters, installed on your computer.  
If the desired Ruby interpreter is not found in the list, you can specify a new one by clicking Add Ruby SDK , and locating Ruby SDK in the file system.
- If you are working with [RVM](#) , you have an additional settings:




When you specify a name for your project, IntelliJ IDEA automatically suggests a gemset with the same name. Click the link Create to have IntelliJ IDEA install a gemset for your new project. Leave the checkbox selected, so that the gems are put in this gemset when generating your new project.

- In the Rails Version drop-down list, select the desired Rails version from those installed on your machine. If the desired version is missing, choose Install Rails Gem... command from the drop-down list. IntelliJ IDEA downloads the list of gems. Next, you have to choose one from the drop-down list in the Install rails gem dialog box:




- In the field Rails Template , type the fully qualified path to the desired template file, or click the button  , and locate the template file in the file system.

- For the Ruby on Rails application , you can select the JavaScript library to be used to generate the target application.
- For the Ruby on Rails application or Rails API project types, specify which database will be used for your new application.  
By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests using SQLite3. If you want to use a different database, select the Preconfigure for the selected database checkbox, and choose the desired database from the drop-down list.
- For the Ruby on Rails application specify whether IntelliJ IDEA should generate the testing directory structure and template files. To do that, select or clear the checkbox Skip Test:Unit files . If you leave the checkbox cleared, IntelliJ IDEA will produce the `test` folder, marked as a test root  , with all the necessary infrastructure. If you select this checkbox, the testing infrastructure will not be generated.
- For the [RailsApps Sample](#) , project type select the sample type from the list of available types.

When ready, click Finish . The generator executes and displays its output in the console of the Run tool window.

## Creating Rails samples

If you are going to study Rails, choose the option RailsApps Sample . Specify the project location and Ruby SDK, and then choose the exact sample project.

If there are changes to the list of sample projects, click  .

### Notes for macOS and Linux users:

- When choosing the project interpreter, keep in mind that Ruby version may be different from the one provided in the file `.ruby-version` .
- If you choose `rvm` with the a gemset, note that this gemset applies to the file `.ruby-gemset` .

In both cases, IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to revert:



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In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Creating Rails application elements](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA helps populate your Rails applications with the stubs of all the required elements, and provides the following ways of launching the generators:

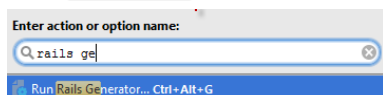
- The standard `Alt+Insert` functionality.
- Tools | Run Rails Generator command on the main menu.
- File | New command on the main menu

Thus IntelliJ IDEA launches the `generate` script with the element name specified as a parameter, and a list of arguments. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA produces the required application elements and places them to the proper locations of the directory structure.

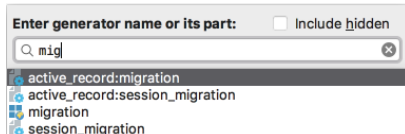
## Creating Rails application elements

### To create a stub of a Rails application element

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Rails Generator .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+A` , start typing `Run Rails generators` and press `Enter` :

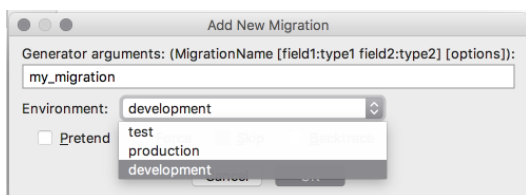


2. In the pop-up frame that opens, start typing the desired generator name, or its part. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching entries only:

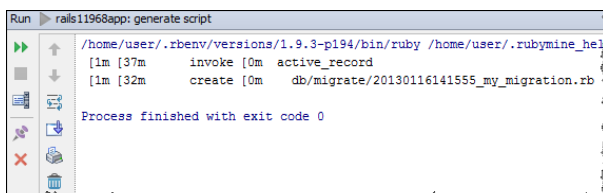


**Tip** If you cannot find the generator you need, reload generators. To do that, just choose [Reload generators list] from the pop-up menu.

3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the name of the new application element, and a list of arguments. Besides that, choose the desired environment:



4. If necessary, select the checkboxes that correspond to the general options of the `generate` script.
5. Click OK . IntelliJ IDEA runs the `generate` script and displays output messages in the dedicated tab of the [Run tool window](#) :



Note that the action of creating Rails application elements can be rolled back. So doing, all the created files will be deleted:

Generation completed  
Generator 'migration' has been successfully completed. [Got it!](#) [Rollback](#)



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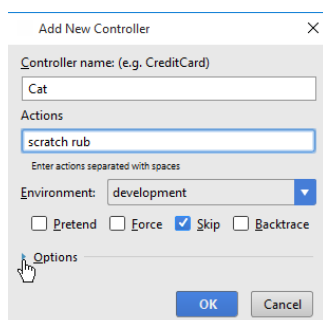
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When creating a controller, use the IntelliJ IDEA approach described in the section [Creating Rails Application Elements](#).

IntelliJ IDEA suggests two ways of defining actions in controllers. First, you can define actions on creating a controller. Alternatively, it is also possible to edit the source code, enjoying the powerful IntelliJ IDEA coding assistance features.

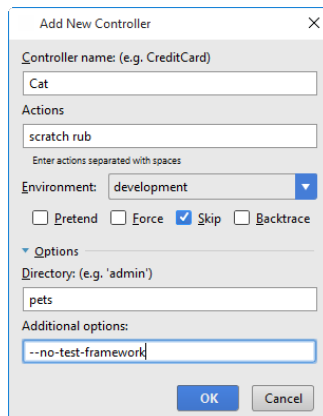
## To create a controller and define actions and options in it, follow these steps

- As described in the section [Creating Rails Application Elements](#), do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Rails Generator.
  - With the editor, or the [Project tool windows](#) having the focus, press `Alt+Insert`, or choose New on the context menu of the Project tool window. Then choose Run Rails Generator.
- In the pop-up window, type `controller`.
- In the Add New Controller dialog box, type the controller name and actions delimited with spaces. Next, click the right arrow  $\blacktriangleright$  to reveal the fields for entering directory and additional options:



The screenshot shows the 'Add New Controller' dialog box. The 'Controller name' field contains 'Cat'. The 'Actions' field contains 'scratch rub'. The 'Environment' dropdown is set to 'development'. The 'Skip' checkbox is checked. The 'Options' section is collapsed.

- In the Options section, specify the target directory and options, and then click OK:



The screenshot shows the 'Add New Controller' dialog box with the 'Options' section expanded. The 'Directory' field contains 'pets'. The 'Additional options' field contains '--no-test-framework'.

Alternatively, [open](#) the desired controller in the editor, type the `def` keyword, then the action name, and press `Enter`. IntelliJ IDEA automatically adds the closing end keyword, and marks the new action with the view icon in the left gutter.

```
def make_a_pest  
end
```

Using private and public modifiers results in hiding or showing view icons in the gutter, and, respectively disabling or enabling [creation of views](#). In the Project tool window, such methods are marked as  $\text{m}$  and  $\text{m}$  icons respectively.

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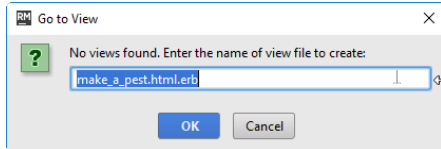
Though a view for a controller is added by default on controller creation, it is also possible to define individual views for each public method of a controller.

## To create a view for a method

1. Open a controller in the editor, and locate the desired method.
2. Click the view icon in the left gutter of the editor:

```
def make_a_pest  
end
```

3. If a view associated with the method exists, it is opened in the editor. If a view doesn't exist, IntelliJ IDEA informs that the corresponding view is not found, and suggests to create a new one:



Specify the name of the view file. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests `.html.erb`. However, you can specify `.haml` file as well. Click OK. The new view file opens in the editor.

4. Edit view contents as required. Note that you can insert Ruby code in view, surrounded with the `<%` and `%>` characters. Refer to the section [Injecting Ruby Code in View](#) for details.

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View files contain markup and islands of Ruby code. Any text in view files will be perceived as Ruby code in the following cases:

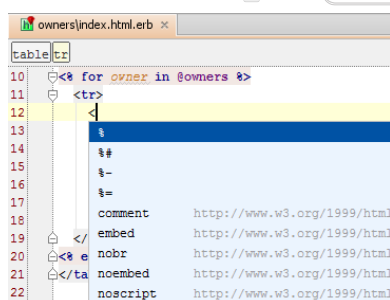
- In \*.html.erb files, if such text is surrounded with `<%` and `%>` characters.
- In \*.html.haml files, if such text follows the equals sign. Besides that, Ruby strings are correctly interpreted if preceded with `==`.

Thus, having inserted the enclosing characters in view, you can type Ruby code, enjoying the Ruby-aware syntax and error highlighting and all sorts of coding assistance:

```
<h1>Cats#foo</h1>
<p>Find me in app/views/cats/foo.html.erb</p>
<div class="cat hunts">
  <% if flash[:notice] %>
    <h4><%= flash[:notice] %></h4>
  <% end %>
</div>
%h1 Cats#foo
%p = 'Find me in app/views/cats/foo.html.haml'
%q = 'Find me in app/views/cats/foo.html.haml'
%div
%class = 'cat hunts'
%p = if flash[:notice]
%h4 = flash[:notice]
```

## To inject Ruby code in a \*.html.erb view, do one of the following

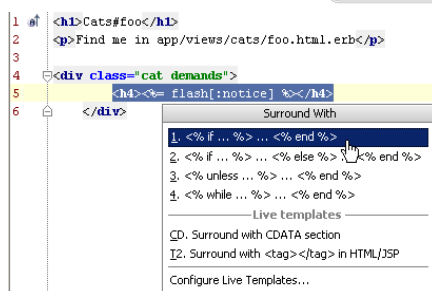
- Type the opening angle bracket `<`, press `Ctrl+Space`, and select `%` from the suggestion list:



IntelliJ IDEA automatically completes the closing characters. So doing, the caret rests in the next editing position within the `<%` and `%>` characters.

- Press `Ctrl+Shift+Period` to insert both opening and closing characters.

- Apply one of the [surround templates](#), using `Ctrl+Alt+T`:



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IntelliJ IDEA integrates with [Warbler](#), providing the possibility to generate `.war` archive of an application. Integration with Warbler requires JRuby.

Upon installing the `warbler` gem, the `warble` command becomes available from the console. Besides that, the Tools | Build WAR command appears on the main menu.

Note that Build WAR file command recognizes the type of the interpreter and gems in project, and suggests to configure the proper versions.

## To generate a web archive

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Build .WAR file .
2. Specify the name of the target archive in the field Output file name .
3. In the Build .WAR file dialog box, select the checkboxes next to the directories and files you want to include in the target archive.
4. Enable or disable the following behavioral options, as required: Executable - if this checkbox is selected, the target archive will be executable.

Precompiled - if this checkbox is selected, the Ruby files will be compiled into `.class` files.

Include gem repository - if this checkbox is selected, the gem repository will be included into the archive.

Turn on invoke/execute tracing, enable full backtrace - if this checkbox is selected, the tracing mode will be enabled.

5. Select one or more files to be included into the `WEB-INF` directory of the web archive, and press the WEB-INF config button.
6. Click OK to generate the archive.

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Generating tests](#)

## Introduction

If for some reason you have a Rails entity without a related test, note that IntelliJ IDEA suggests a way to generate tests for the controllers, mailers, models, and helpers in the [RSpec](#) and [Test:Unit](#) testing frameworks.

## Generating tests

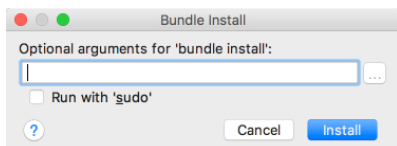
### To generate a test for a Rails entity, follow these general steps

1. In the editor, place the caret at the desired Rails entity.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Test`.
  - On the context menu, choose `Go To | Test`.
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+T`.
3. If the desired test doesn't yet exist, the pop-up `Generate Test` appears. In this window, choose the testing framework:  
If the related testing framework is missing, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to install the missing gem (for example, `rspec-rails`):

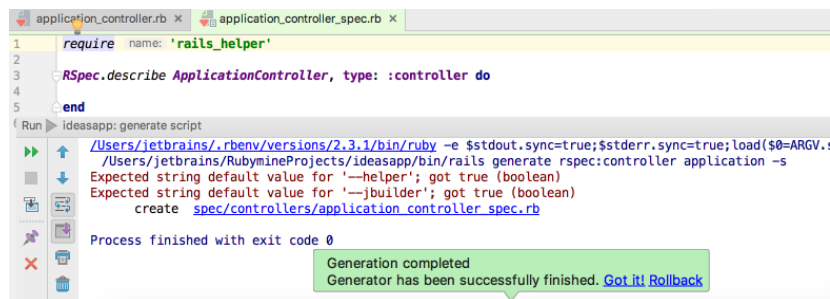


Missing gem  
Gem 'rspec-rails' not found. [Bundle it](#) [Dismiss](#)

4. Click `Bundle it` to add the gem to the Gemfile, and in the `Bundle Install` dialog run the bundler:



The IDE will install the missing gem and generate the test in the specified format in the directory with the Rails entity name (for example, `controllers` or `models`) under the `spec` or `test` directory, depending on the testing framework selected.



You can roll this action back in case something goes wrong.

- Note**
- `Generating missing tests` feature doesn't create helpers. So the test helpers for the generated tests should be created manually.
  - Other new frameworks will be added later. See <https://youtrack.jetbrains.com/issue/RUBY-19144>.

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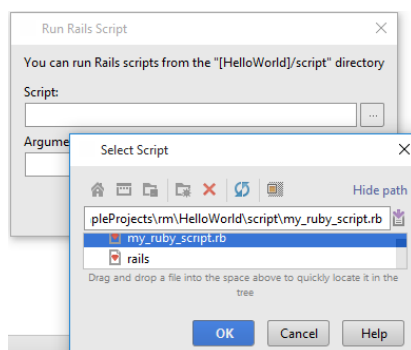
IntelliJ IDEA enables you to execute Rails scripts using a single menu command. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the scripts that reside in the `[<project name>]/script` directory of your Rails application.

Results for each script are displayed in its own Run Rails Script tab of the Run tool window, where you can review the script output, change arguments if necessary, and rerun the script.


## To run a Rails script

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Rails Script . Run Rails Script dialog box is displayed.
2. In the Script field, specify the desired script. If the script resides in the `[<project name>]/script` directory, type its name only. If the script resides in another directory, type its fully qualified name.

Alternatively, click the browse button  (`Shift+Enter`) and select the necessary location in the [dialog that opens](#) . Note that this dialog displays only the contents of the `[<project name>]/script` directory.



3. In the Arguments field, specify the script's arguments, if any. The arguments should be separated with spaces.

Alternatively, open the Edit Arguments dialog box by clicking the editor button , or pressing `Shift+Enter` , and type the list of arguments.

4. Click Run .

## To rerun a Rails script with new arguments

1. In the Run tool window, click the desired Run Rails Script tab.
2. In the toolbar of the Run tool window, click  . Edit Command Line Arguments dialog box is displayed.
3. In the Edit Command Line Arguments dialog box, type the new arguments separated with spaces, and click OK .
4. In the toolbar of the Run tool window, click  , or press `Ctrl+F5` .

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For each Rails application project, IntelliJ IDEA provides default Rails run/debug configurations for the production and development environments.

IntelliJ IDEA supports a number of Rails servers (Mongrel, WEBrick, Phusion Passenger, etc., depending on the specific platform).

Rails server runs in the dedicated tab of the [Run tool window](#), named after the respective run/debug configuration. So doing, the server output is displayed in the Console tab, and the other information is displayed in the Server <environment type> log tab:



```
Run Development: my_app
Console Server development log x
"C:\Program Files (x86)\JetBrains\RubyMine 8.0\bin\runnerw.exe" C:\Rubies\jru
io/console not supported; tty will not be manipulated
=> Booting WEBrick
=> Rails 4.2.5 application starting in development on http://127.0.0.1:3000
=> Run 'rails server -h' for more startup options
=> Ctrl-C to shutdown server
[2015-11-17 17:27:40] INFO WEBrick 1.3.1
[2015-11-17 17:27:40] INFO ruby 1.9.3 (2015-08-20) [java]
[2015-11-17 17:27:40] INFO WEBrick::HTTPServer#start: pid=9588 port=3000
```

## To run a Rails server

1. Press `Shift+Alt+F10`, and choose the desired Rails run/debug configuration type.
2. If necessary, change the run/debug configuration settings. To do that, choose Edit configurations... in the Run popup menu, and choose the desired Rails configuration type. [Rails run/debug configuration](#) dialog box appears.

In this dialog box, modify the desired settings. For example, IntelliJ IDEA suggests WEBrick as the default Rails server. You can select a different server from the list of supported servers.

3. Click the  button on the main toolbar.

**Tip** You can opt to preview results of your Rails application immediately in a browser. For this purpose, [change](#) the selected Rails run/debug configuration to enable launching a built-in browser. To do it, select the Run browser checkbox, and specify the desired IP address.

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[Phusion Passenger](#) (including version 5 with the code name [Raptor](#) ) can be selected as a Rails server in a [Rails run/debug configuration](#) .

## Prerequisite

– The corresponding gem should be installed. If the gem is missing, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to install it.

## Notes and limitations

- [Raptor](#) support is available for macOS and Linux systems.
- IntelliJ IDEA creates an initializer file `config/initializers/rubymine-passenger-debug.rb` .
- Phusion Passenger initializer is used only for Phusion Passenger debugger; execution of Rails applications is not affected.
- Use Phusion Passenger with only those settings that are specified in the console.
- The Phusion Passenger `prespawn` script should load the dynamic content generated by Rails, but not a static page.



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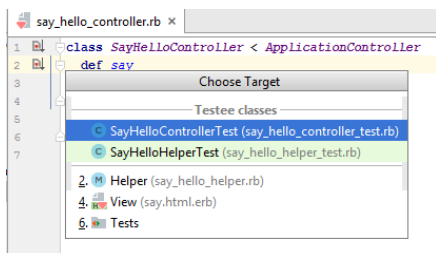
This section describes navigation features that are specific for Rails applications:

- [Navigating Between Rails Components](#)
- [Navigating to Controllers, Views and Actions Using Gutter Icons](#)
- [Navigating to Partial Declarations](#)
- [Navigating with Model Dependency Diagram](#)

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IntelliJ IDEA helps easily navigate between the Rails components: controllers, views, models, helpers and tests, using the `Navigate | Related Symbol` command, which is available from the editor, tool windows, and the Model Dependency diagram:






## To navigate between the Rails components

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the main `Navigate` menu, choose `Related Symbol`.
  - Press `Ctrl+Alt+Home`.
2. Select the desired target from the pop-up menu, or press a mnemonic key, specified to the left of the desired Rails component name.

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In the editor, use the following gutter icons to jump between controllers, views, and actions:

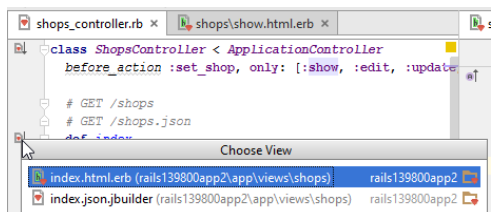
- : This layout is associated with a controller.
- : This layout is associated with an action.
- : This action is associated with a view, or this controller is associated with a partial view.

The target component is opened in the editor tab.

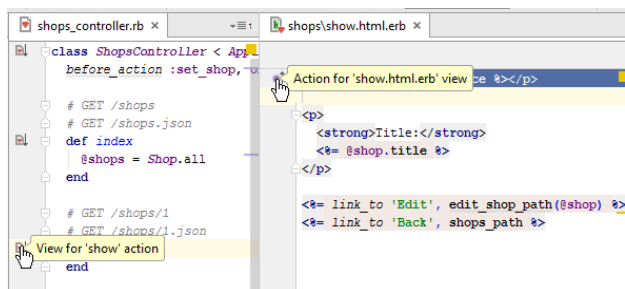
## To navigate between Rails components in the editor

- Open a component in the editor, and click the desired gutter icon. For example, if you want to jump to a view file associated with an action, open the corresponding controller, locate the desired action, and click the gutter icon next to the action definition.

If several different types of views are available (for example, localized views or HAML files), IntelliJ IDEA suggests the list of all available views, from which you can select the one you need:



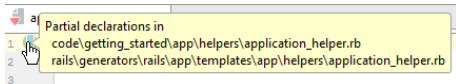
To navigate from a view to the corresponding action, open the view file in the editor, and click the gutter icon:



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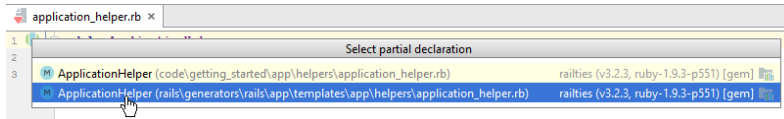
The gutter icon in the editor marks a partial declaration. Pointing to this icon shows quick information about the other parts of the same declaration.



You can navigate to the desired part of the declaration that will be opened in a separate editor tab.

## To navigate to a partial declaration

1. Open the desired component in the editor, and click the gutter icon in the left gutter.
2. In the Select Partial Declaration pop-up menu, choose the desired part of the declaration:



The selected component is opened in a separate editor tab, and gets the focus.

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With IntelliJ IDEA, you can navigate between Model Dependency and the corresponding models and associations.

In this section:

- [Navigating between Model Dependency diagram and the source code](#)
- [Tips and tricks](#)

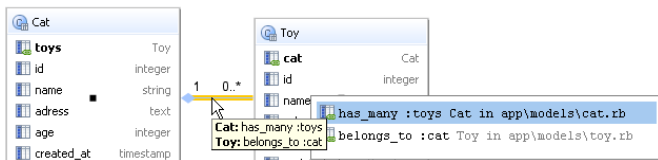
## Navigating between Model Dependency diagram and the source code

### To navigate from a Model Dependency diagram to the source code

1. On the Model Dependency diagram, select the desired node or edge.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Press **F4**
  - On the context menu, choose Jump to Source.
  - Double-click selected node.

### Tips and tricks

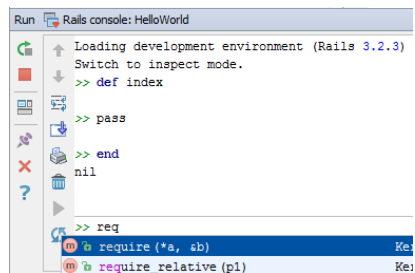
- In a model declaration source code, it is enough to choose Show Model Dependency Diagram on the context menu.
- If you have selected an edge that corresponds to a one-to-many or many-to-many association, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to choose which part of the association should be navigated to:



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If you are used to working in the Rails console, you can do it without leaving IntelliJ IDEA. The console provides syntax highlighting, and commands history. Once started, the Rails console opens in a separate tab in the [Run tool window](#) . Note that you can launch as many Rails consoles as required.



```
Run Rails console: HelloWorld
Loading development environment (Rails 3.2.3)
Switch to inspect mode.
>> def index
>> pass
>> end
nil
>> req
require (*a, sb) Ke:
require_relative (p1) Ke:
```

## To launch the Rails console

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Rails console .
2. In the Select Rails Environment dialog box, select the desired environment from the drop-down list, and click OK .

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated [run/debug configuration for consoles](#) . When a console is launched, it is done via the corresponding temporary run/debug configuration. You can save such configuration as permanent for further use.

– For the techniques of working with the console, refer to the section [Using Consoles](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Ruby Plugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA completely supports ORM in Rails, which includes model and migration generators, and the ability to view models and their relationships over a Rails application in the Model Dependency diagram.

**Warning!** Make sure that the desired database server is installed on your machine and is running in the background.

In this section:

- [Creating Models](#)
- [Viewing Model Dependency Diagram](#)
- [Editing Model Dependency Diagrams](#)
- [Creating Relationship Links Between Models](#)

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In this section:

- [Generators for creating models](#)
- [Creating models](#)

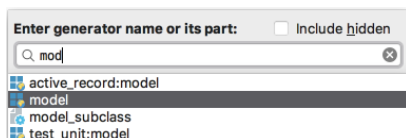
## Generators for creating models

IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to stub out models using the Rails generators:

- The model generator creates a model class that defines a database table, and a migration that defines columns within the table. Besides that, a unit test and a test fixture are created.
- The scaffold generator creates a model class that defines a database table, and a migration that defines columns within the table. Besides that, a controller, forms and the other necessary resources are created.

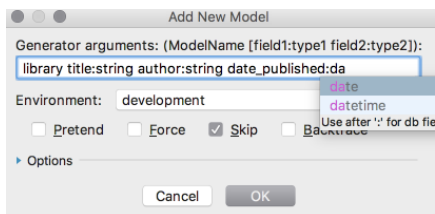
### To create a model

1. Do one of the following:
  - Choose New on the context menu of an editor or Project tool window, or press `Alt+Insert`, and then choose New - Run Rails Generator.
  - Run Rails generator: choose Tools | Run Rails Generator.
  - With a Model Dependency diagram having the focus, choose New - Model on the context menu of the diagram background, or press `Alt+Insert`.
2. In the dialog box that opens, start typing the generator name, for example, `model` or `scaffold`.



Note that for creating models in diagram, only `model` generator is used.

3. Type the name of a model to be created, in singular, and the list of fields and their types. Note that [code completion](#) is available for the field types.



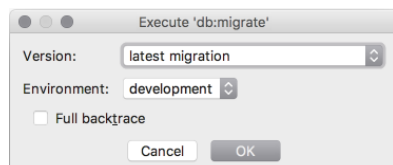
A migration is created.

4. Create columns in the table. To do that, you have to run the migration in one of the following ways:
  - Run migration as a [script with the temporary run configuration](#). Click the migration hyperlink in the console to open the migration file in the editor:



Then press `Ctrl+Shift+F10`. In this case the current migration runs in the `development` environment, or in the one defined in the `environment.rb` file.

- Run migration as a [Rake task](#). For example, you can choose Tools | Run Rake Task on the main menu, and start typing `mig`. Then select `db:migrate` from the suggestion list. In the Execute `db:migrate` dialog box, select the desired migration, and the environment that defines the database to which the migration will be applied.



The results is shown in the Run tool window:



```
Run db:migrate: RubymineProjects
/Users/.rvm/gems/ruby-2.3.1/bin/ruby -e $stdout.sync=true;$stderr.sync=true;load($0=ARGV.shift)
/Users/.rvm/gems/ruby-2.3.1/bin/spring rails db:migrate
== 20161219142747 CreateLibraries: migrating =====
-- create_table(:libraries)
=> 0.0013s
== 20161219142747 CreateLibraries: migrated (0.0013s) =====
Process finished with exit code 0
```

Once a model is created, you can view all the fields declared in this model, in the [Rails view](#) , and navigate from these table column to the corresponding methods.

**Note** A model can be created without fields. In this case, the corresponding table in the target database will contain no columns. You can add fields later using migrations.

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Model dependency diagram enables you to get an overview of the models within your application, and analyze their relationships.

## To open the Model Dependency diagram of a project

1. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu of the Project tool window, or the editor, point to Diagrams , and choose Show Diagram or Show Diagram Pop-up .
  - Press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` , or `Ctrl+Alt+U` .
2. Select the type of diagram from the pop-up window:

**Tip** If you invoke Model Dependency diagram for a specific model, the diagram will open with the model in question centered and having the focus, and zoomed to actual size.

## In the Model Dependency diagram, you can perform the following operations

- [Select elements](#) .
- [Add notes, delete elements](#) .
- [Change diagram layout](#) .
- [Change diagram scale](#) .
- [Navigate to source code](#) .
- [Navigate through the models using the Structure view](#) (`Ctrl+F12` ) .
- [Find usages of the selected node element](#) .
- [Invoke refactoring commands](#) .

**Tip** Keeping the `Alt` key pressed invokes the magnifier tool, which will help you have a closer look at the most interesting or problematic areas of your Model dependency diagram.



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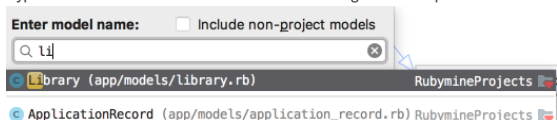
Once a model exists in a IntelliJ IDEA project, it can be shown in a Model Dependency diagram either by [adding](#) , or by [dragging](#) . So doing, all relationship links between models are built automatically.

It is also possible to [remove from view](#) the models that are irrelevant to the current presentation. So doing, no files are physically deleted.

A new model can be created from a Model Dependency diagram, as described in the section [Creating Models](#) .

## To add a model to a Model Dependency diagram

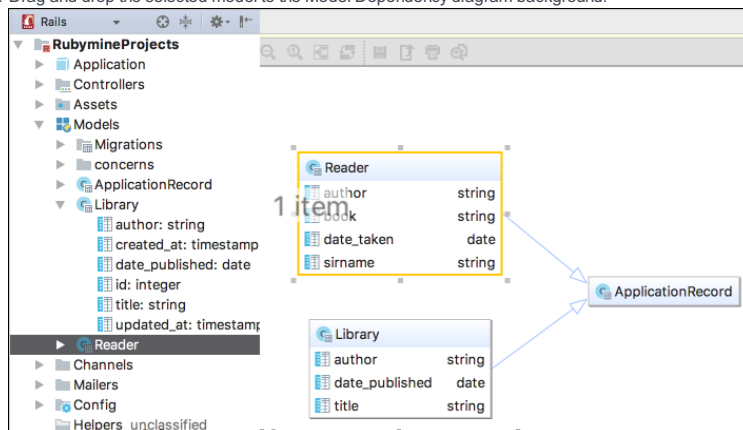
1. Press `Space` .
2. Type the name of the desired model in the dialog box that opens.



3. Select model from the suggestion list, and press `Enter` .

## To drag a model to a Model Dependency diagram

1. Select the desired model in the [Rails view](#) .
2. Drag and drop the selected model to the Model Dependency diagram background.



## To remove elements from view

1. In the diagram, select one or more elements to be deleted.
2. Press `Delete` .

The Model Dependency diagram reflects links between the models, specified in the source code.

## To show relationship links between models, follow these general steps

1. Open for editing the desired model classes. You can do that by choosing a model class in the Rails view, or in the Model Dependency diagram, and pressing **F4**.

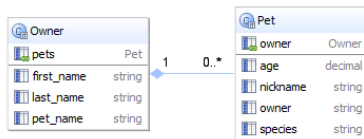
2. In the editor, add relationship statements to the respective classes. For example:

```
class Owner < ActiveRecord::Base
  attr_accessible :first_name, :last_name, :pet_name
  has_many :pets
end

...

class Pet < ActiveRecord::Base
  attr_accessible :age, :nickname, :species, :owner
  belongs_to :owner
end
```

3. Switch to the Model Dependency diagram, and see the relationship links between the models, with edge labels.



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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Executing Rails development tasks sometimes involves overheads, because every time the entire Rails environment should be reloaded. You can avoid it using the [Zeus server](#), which loads the environment only once.

- Zeus
  - [Changes to the UI](#)
  - [Launching Zeus server](#)
  - [Managing Zeus server](#)
- [Debugging Rails Applications under Zeus](#)
- [Debugging Rake Tasks under Zeus](#)
- [Executing Tests on Zeus Server](#)

## Prerequisites

- You are working with macOS or Linux operating system.
- Prior to launching Zeus server, make sure [zeus](#) gem, and the corresponding testing gems (`rspec-rails`, `cucumber`, `cucumber-rails`, etc.) are used in your application.
- It is possible to run Zeus server without adding [zeus](#) gem to Gemfile. It is enough to install the zeus gem to the currently selected sdk/gemset.

## Changes to the UI

- As soon, as [zeus](#) is added to your application, the command Tools | Run Zeus server... appears on the main menu.
  - Default [run/debug configuration for Zeus server](#) is added.
- When Zeus server is launched for the first time, IntelliJ IDEA creates a temporary [run/debug configuration](#). Later you can change this run/debug configuration as required, save it as permanent, and use it to run the server.




### To launch Zeus server

- On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Zeus server... .

The Zeus server starts in a separate tab of the Run tool window.

## Managing Zeus server


Refer to the description of the [Run tool window](#). In particular, use the following buttons:

-  - stop the Zeus server without closing its tab in the Run tool window.
-  - close the Zeus server tab.
-  - rerun Zeus server in the same tab.

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## To debug a Rails application, when using Zeus, follow these general steps

1. Make sure the breakpoints are set in the Rails application script you want to debug.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Zeus Server
  - On the main toolbar, click the run/debug configuration selector, and choose Edit Configurations . Then, in the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) dialog box, create run/debug configuration for Zeus server. Refer to the section [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) for detailed description of the procedure. Note that you must specify `start` in the Commands field to start the server.
3. Launch Zeus in the debug mode. To do that, with the Zeus run/debug configuration selected, click  , or press `Shift+F9` .
4. With the Zeus server running in the debug mode, run the desired Rails application script.

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## To debug a Rake task, when using Zeus, follow these general steps

1. Make sure the breakpoints are set in the Rake task script you want to debug.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Zeus Server
  - On the main toolbar, click the run/debug configuration selector, and choose Edit Configurations . Then, in the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) dialog box, create run/debug configuration for Zeus server. Refer to the section [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) for detailed description of the procedure. Note that you must specify `start` in the Commands field to start the server.
3. Launch Zeus in the debug mode. To do that, with the Zeus run/debug configuration selected, click  , or press `Shift+F9` .
4. With the Zeus server running in the debug mode, run the desired Rake task script.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Tips and tricks](#)

## Basics

Running test suits sometimes involves overheads, because every time a test suit is executed, the whole environment (for example, the entire environment for applications) should be reloaded. You can avoid it using the [Zeus server](#), which loads the environment only once.


With the Zeus server running in the background, you have a choice to execute any testing script [using the Zeus server](#), or locally.

### To run a test script using the Zeus server

1. Make sure that Zeus server is launched using IntelliJ IDEA and is running in the background.
2. [Run](#) a test script, or one of its examples. Note that the option Zeus is automatically selected in the corresponding run configuration. If you want to run this test locally, you have to select the option None .

**Tip** If you are going to run RSpec tests under Zeus server, make sure to use Zeus version 0.13.4.pre2, or higher.

### To debug tests, when using Zeus, follow these general steps

1. Make sure the breakpoints are set in the test script you want to debug.
2. On the main toolbar, click the run/debug configuration selector, and choose Edit Configurations .
3. In the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) dialog box, create run/debug configuration for Zeus server. Refer to the section [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) for detailed description of the procedure.
4. Launch Zeus in the debug mode. To do that, with the Zeus run/debug configuration selected, click , or press `Shift+F9` .
5. With the Zeus server running in the debug mode, run the desired test script.

**Note** Note that if you debug a test script, it will be executed without Zeus server.

## Tips and tricks

- IntelliJ IDEA creates a temporary run/debug configuration for Zeus server. Later you can change this run/debug configuration as required, save it as permanent, and use it to launch the server.
- If both Zeus and Spork DRb servers are running simultaneously, it is Zeus that gets priority.



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Executing Rails development tasks sometimes involves overheads, because every time the entire Rails environment should be reloaded. You can avoid it using the [Spring server](#), which loads the environment only once.

## Prerequisites

- You are working with macOS or Linux operating system.
- Prior to launching Spring server, make sure [spring](#) gem, and the corresponding testing gems ( `rspec-rails`, `cucumber`, `cucumber-rails`, etc.) are used in your application.
- [spring](#) gem is added to the Gemfile.  
Since Rails version 4.1, spring is added to the Gemfile by default.

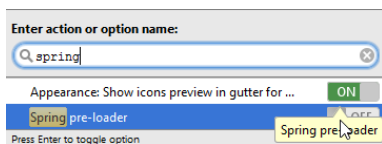
## Changes to the UI

When spring is installed, Spring appears in the list of pre-loaded servers in the default run/debug configurations for [RSpec](#), [Test::Unit/Shoulda/Minitest](#), and [Cucumber](#).

It is important to note that there is no dedicated run/debug configuration for the Spring server. Spring server is launched by default.

## Special notes

- IntelliJ IDEA always uses [Spring server](#), if it is available for [Rails generators](#) and [Rake tasks](#).
- When debugging, the Spring server is turned off.
- Note that if you debug a test script, it will be executed without Spring server
- Use [additional commands](#) for running tests. However, `spring-commands-spinach` is not used.
- It's possible to turn the Spring pre-loader off by clicking `Ctrl+Shift+A`, typing Spring and choosing Spring pre-loader from the suggestion list:



- IntelliJ IDEA runs spring related commands with the custom `SPRING_TMP_PATH={temp_dir}/RMSpring` property. To deal with IntelliJ IDEA `spring`, you should prepend spring server commands with `SPRING_TMP_PATH={temp_dir}/RMSpring`. Exact spring working directory can be found in a log file using the pattern `"Moving Spring to "`.

IntelliJ IDEA tries to stop spring on project closing and on modules gems rebuilding.

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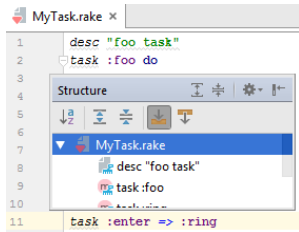
## Prerequisites

- In Rails applications , Rake tasks are recognized when placed in `.rake` files under `lib/tasks` directory, or in Rakefile.
- In plain Ruby applications , Rake tasks are recognized when placed in Rakefile.

## Rake support

Rake support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Syntax and error highlighting.
- Structure view that shows the structure of a Rake task opened in the editor.



- Possibility to [create](#) and [run](#) Rake tasks.
- Available Rake tasks appear in the [Go to Symbol](#) suggestion list.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Sometimes you cannot find the task you need in the list of available Rake tasks. If this is the case, reload Rake tasks.

### **To reload Rake tasks**

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Rake Tasks .
2. In the pop-up menu that opens, choose Reload Rake tasks list .

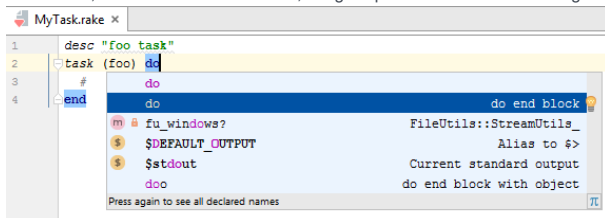
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After IntelliJ IDEA restart, or after reloading Rake tasks, the \*.rake files become available in the [Run Rake Task pop-up](#).

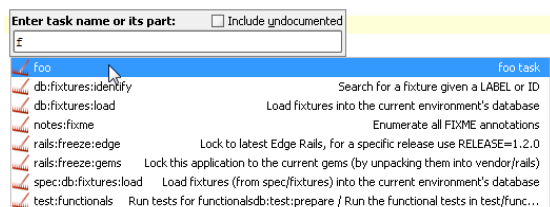
## To create a Rake task

1. Right-click the target directory `lib/tasks` where you want the new Rake script to be added, and choose New | File on the context menu.
2. In the New File dialog box, specify the Rake task name, followed by the `.rake` extension, and click OK.
3. In the editor, create the desired contents, using the powerful IntelliJ IDEA coding assistance:



```
1 desc "foo task"
2 task :foo do
3   #
4   do
5     FileUtils::StreamUtils_
6   end
7 end
8
9 $DEFAULT_OUTPUT Alias to $>
10 $stdout Current standard output
11 doo do end block with object
12
13 Press again to see all declared names
```

After IntelliJ IDEA restart, or after reloading Rake tasks, the new \*.rake files will be included in the list of available Rake tasks.



**Tip** If a Rake task has a description, it is included in the list of available tasks by default.

– If a Rake task description is missing, you can still see it in the list of Rake tasks, if the you select the checkbox [Include undocumented](#) in the [Run Rake Task pop-up](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use Run Rake Task command on the Tools menu, and select the desired task from the list.

## To run a Rake task

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Rake Task .
2. In the pop-up window, start typing the task name, or its part. IntelliJ IDEA shows the list of matching Rake tasks. If you want to see all the available tasks, including those without description, select the checkbox Include undocumented .
3. Select the desired task from the suggestion list, and press `Enter` .
4. In the Execute '<Rake task>' dialog box, specify the script arguments, if any, and select the desired environment from the drop-down list.  
If necessary, enable the `--trace` option by selecting the Full backtrace checkbox. This option is the same as in the Rake run/debug configuration; as soon as this option is set in the run configuration dialog box, it is also set in the Run Rake Task dialog box, and vice versa.

This behavior is common for the majority of Rake tasks. However, the migration tasks behave differently. Instead of the list of arguments, one should specify the migration version. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the latest migration version, while all the other migrations that exist in project, are available in the suggestion list.

For the following migration tasks

- `db:migrate:up`
- `db:migrate:down`

depending on the context where they are invoked, IntelliJ IDEA suggests by default the migration that is currently selected in the Project tool window, or open in the editor. So doing, the editor has the priority: if a certain migration is selected in the Project tool window, and another one is open in the editor, and the editor gets the focus, the default migration version will be the one in the editor .

5. Click OK .

**Tip** Note for macOS users: If [Zeus server](#) is already running, all Rake tasks run by default on Zeus.

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In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Debugging a script or an application remotely](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility of remote debugging for Ruby and Rails applications, using the dedicated [Ruby remote debug configuration](#). So doing, IntelliJ IDEA keeps mapping between the local sources, and the sources on the server side.

Several debug processes can be launched simultaneously. So doing, each remote debug process starts in a separate tab in the Debug tool window, with the name Remote debug for <script name>. You can work with each debugging session as usual.

## Debugging a script or an application remotely

### To debug a script or an application remotely, follow these general steps

1. Start remote debug session.

The common format of the command to be run on the remote host is as follows:

```
rdebug-ide --host 0.0.0.0 --port <port number> --dispatcher-port <port number> -- $COMMAND$
```

You can see this command as a tip in the [Ruby remote run/debug configuration](#) dialog.

Note that there is a difference between a Ruby script and a Rails application. For example, the command for a Ruby script will be:

```
rdebug-ide --host 0.0.0.0 --port 1234 --dispatcher-port 26162 - /home/user/RubymineProjects
```

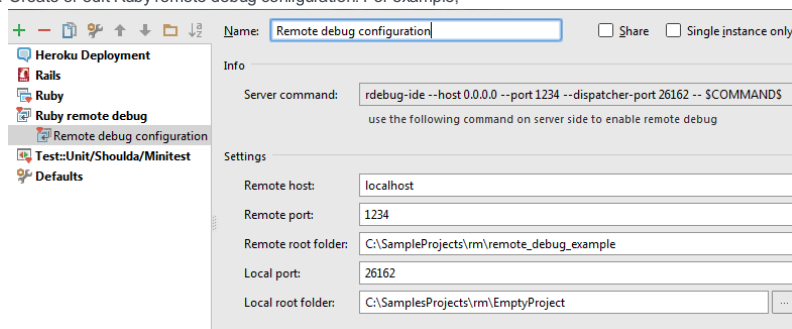
The command for a Rails application will be:


```
rdebug-ide --port 1236 --dispatcher-port 26166 --host 0.0.0.0 - bin/rails s -b 0.0.0.0
```

In both cases port is the port number on the remote host. dispatcher-port is the port number on the local host.

2. Create local copy of the script or application to be debugged, and then set the required breakpoints.

3. Create or edit Ruby remote debug configuration. For example,



4. In IntelliJ IDEA, select the desired Ruby remote debug configuration, open Ruby script or Rails application in the editor, and click  on the main toolbar.

**Tip** Note that a cancel button has been added to the Connecting to debugger progress bar, giving you the way to manually cancel remote debugging session, rather than waiting for a timeout.

See the detailed instructions in the [tutorial](#).

In this section:


- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Puppet support](#)
- [Creating a Puppet module](#)
- [Installing dependencies](#)
  - [Typical workflow](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Puppet, make sure that the Puppet Support plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

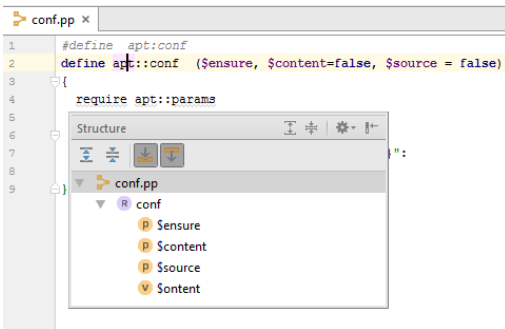
Also, `puppet` gem should be installed on your Ruby SDK.

## Puppet support

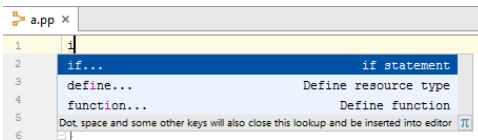
Puppet files are marked with .

Puppet support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

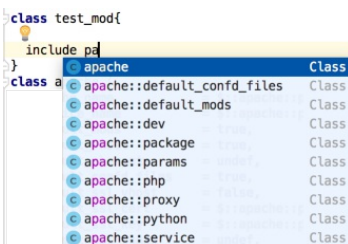
- Compliance with the [Puppet Style Guide](#).
- Syntax and error highlighting.
- Ability to [rename](#) Puppet elements.
- Code completion in `*.pp` files.
- Configuring code style for Puppet files.
- Structure view:



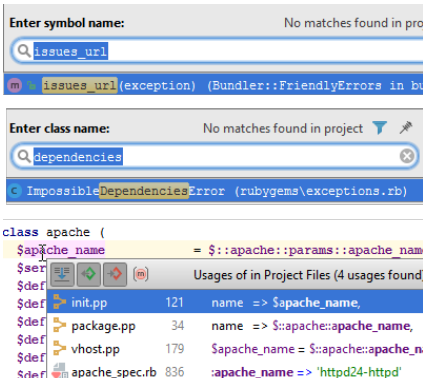
- [Code completion](#) :



Moreover, with the [dependencies installed](#), navigation and completion for each module work in strict accordance with the dependencies. For example, if you are editing a module depending on `puppetlabs-apache`, then you see `apache` in code completion:



- Navigation to a class definition, symbol, class or a usage is available:



- [Future parser](#).

- Support for the [EPP template language](#) .
- IntelliJ IDEA correctly identifies the `.epp` files, recognizes the native EPP syntax and [auto-completes](#) expressions and parameter tags:

```

1  <% | Boolean $firstparam, $secondparam, Enum[Boolean,
2  Boolean Data Type
3  #C Use → to overwrite the current identifier with the chosen variant
4  <% if $firstparam == 1{
5  notice 'foo'
6  }

```

Moreover, IntelliJ IDEA allows you to navigate between a manifest and a template called.

- **Rename** refactoring is available for the variables and parameters in the `.epp` files:

```

1  <% | Boolean $firstparameter, $secondparam, Enum[Boolean, Integer] $thirdparam | %>
2
3  #condition
4  <% if $firstparameter == 1{
5  notice 'foo'
6  }

```

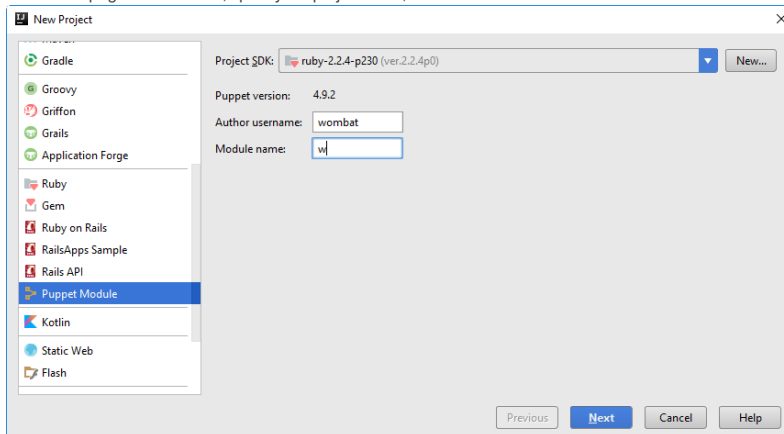
- **Finding usages** is available for template files (`Alt+F7`).

For more information, see the blog post [here](#) .

## Creating a Puppet module

### To create a Puppet Module, follow these steps

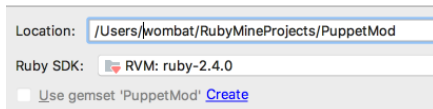
1. On the main menu, choose File | New | Project... . You can also click the Create New Project link on the [Welcome Screen](#) .
2. On the first page of the wizard, specify the project SDK, author's username and module name.



If Puppet gem is not installed, then instead of the Puppet gem version you'll see the suggestion to install the gem:

Puppet version: [Install Puppet gem](#)

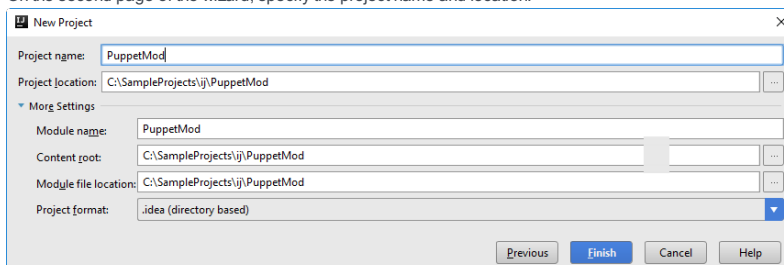
For the macOS and \*NIX users: When choosing project SDK, you can select an RVM gemset from the existing ones, or create a new one:



Refer to the page [Configuring Gemsets](#) for details.

Click Next

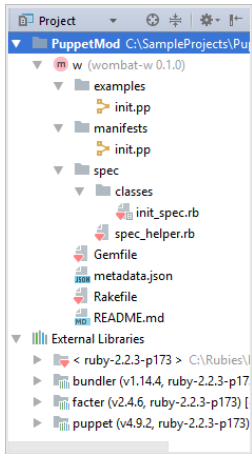
3. On the second page of the wizard, specify the project name and location:





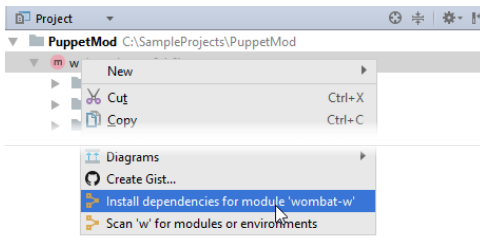
4. When ready, click Finish .

The project is created in the specified location. So doing, the created project features the structure of a Puppet module.  
Refer the [Puppet documentation](#) for details.



## Installing dependencies

There is an action in the Project tool window that enables installing dependencies into a Puppet module:



Puppet modules recognize dependencies from 3 different sources:

1. If the file `.fixtures.yml` exists in a Puppet module, then the dependencies are installed into the directory `spec/fixtures/modules`, no other sources being checked.
2. If a `Puppetfile` exists in a Puppet module, then the dependencies are installed using `librarian-puppet` into `.dependencies` directory. If a `Puppetfile` exists, `librarian-puppet` ignores dependencies specified in `metadata.json`.
3. If a `metadata.json` file exists in a Puppet module, then the dependencies are installed using `librarian-puppet` into `.dependencies` directory.

## Typical workflow

Here's how it works...

### To work with a Puppet project, follow these general steps:

1. Open or [create a Puppet module](#).
2. If installing dependencies from the files `Puppetfile` or `metadata.json`, make sure that the gem `librarian-puppet` is installed. If the gem is not yet installed, IntelliJ IDEA notifies you about the missing gem and suggests to install it:

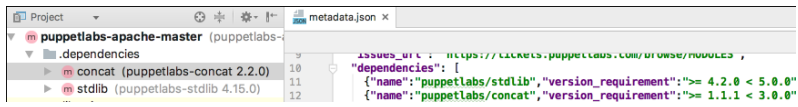
The screenshot shows a notification message in a red box: 'Gem 'librarian-puppet' is not available in SDK 'ruby-2.2.3-p173''. Below the message is a blue link: 'Try to install gem 'librarian-puppet''.

(If the dependencies are installed from `.fixtures.yml` file, this gem is not required, and no notification will be shown.)

IntelliJ IDEA can find all modules/environments in a project automatically, based on dependencies files, and updates the project structure accordingly, if anything has changed. Even if IntelliJ IDEA fails to update your project structure after installing additional modules into the project using the terminal, you can manually rescan the directory for modules or environments by using Scan for modules and environments action on the context menu.

3. Having placed the dependencies in the file `.fixtures.yml`, `Puppetfile` or `metadata.json`, right-click the [Project Tool Window](#), and then choose Install dependencies for module <module name> on the context menu.

So doing, the dependencies are taken from the files `.fixtures.yml`, `Puppetfile` or `metadata.json`, located in the project root. The folder `.dependencies` (in case of creating dependencies from `Puppetfile` or `metadata.json`) or `spec/fixtures/modules/` (in case of creating dependencies from `.fixtures.yml`) is created under the project root, if it didn't exist before.



The screenshot shows a code editor window with a file named 'metadata.json'. The left sidebar displays a project tree for 'puppetlabs-apache-master' with a subfolder '.dependencies' containing 'concat (puppetlabs-concat 2.2.0)' and 'stdlib (puppetlabs-stdlib 4.15.0)'. The main editor area shows the following JSON content:

```
issues_url : https://tickets.puppetlabs.com/browse/modules ,
"dependencies": [
  {"name": "puppetlabs/stdlib", "version_requirement": ">= 4.2.0 < 5.0.0"}
  {"name": "puppetlabs/concat", "version_requirement": ">= 1.1.1 < 3.0.0"}
]
```

If you want to add more dependencies, invoke this command again.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Scala Plugin is installed and enabled!

The [Scala](#) Plugin extends IntelliJ IDEA with the full-scale functionality for Scala development.

The Scala plugin support include the following features:

- Full Scala language support
- [Syntax and error highlighting](#)
- Scala [run/debug configurations](#) , [inspections](#) , [intention actions](#) , and [refactorings](#) .

The Scala plugin also supports the following tools and frameworks:

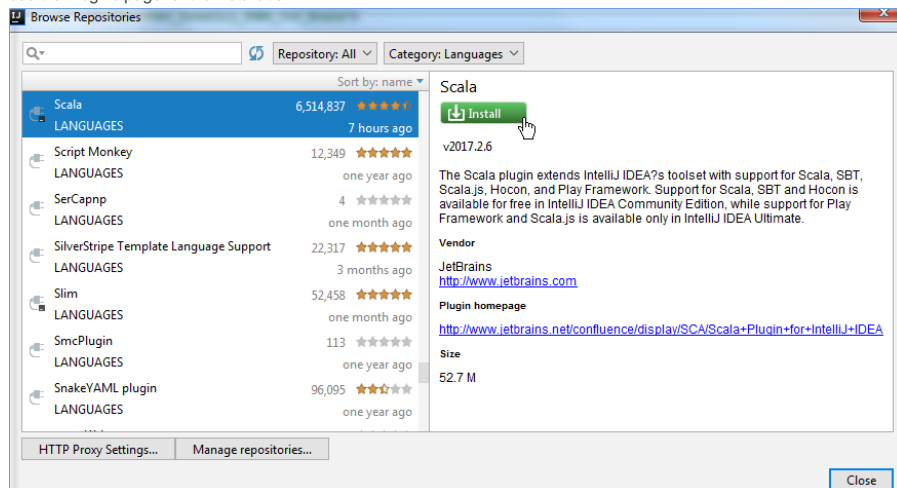
- [SBT](#)
- [SSP](#)
- [HOCON](#)
- [Play 2](#)
- [Dotty](#)

Before you start working with the plugin make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- The Scala SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine. IntelliJ IDEA supports the Scala versions 2.8 and later.
- The Scala plugin is downloaded and enabled in IntelliJ IDEA.

## Install Scala plugin

To start working with Scala in IntelliJ IDEA you need to download and enable the Scala plugin. If you [run IntelliJ IDEA for the first time](#), you can [install the Scala plugin](#) when IntelliJ IDEA suggests you to download featured plugins. Otherwise, you can use the [Plugins page](#) for the installation.



After the installation, IntelliJ IDEA will keep track of the plugin updates and will suggest you to update the plugin when a new version is available. You can also use the Plugin update channel at the *Updates* tab, located in Settings | Languages & Frameworks | Scala to check for Scala nightly, EAP, or release builds.

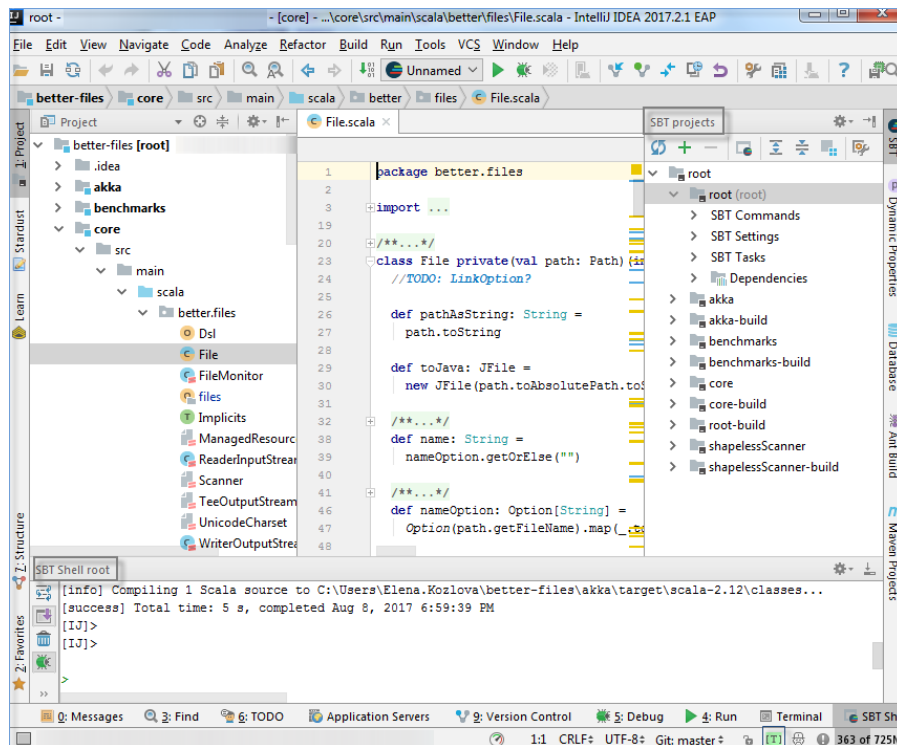
**Tip** To install Scala plugin from the Plugins page do the following:


1. Since you've already [installed and launched IntelliJ IDEA](#), select Configure | Plugins on the [Welcome screen](#). Alternatively, press `Ctrl+Alt+S` to access Settings. In a search field type *plugins* to locate Plugins from options on the left.
2. Click Browse Repositories and search for *Scala*.
3. Select the Scala plugin and click *Install* from the right-hand side of the page.
4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA

Now you can successfully check out from [VCS](#), create, or import Scala projects.

## User interface

The user interface for Scala looks similar to a regular one unless you work with SBT projects, in that case the *SBT projects* tool window and *SBT Shell* become available.



Also IntelliJ IDEA lets you keep track of error analysis based on the Scala type system using the Scala type-aware highlighting. By default, it is enabled and you can see the  icon located at the bottom of the user interface. You can click the icon or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+E` to disable this feature.

The most interesting part of the user interface is the IntelliJ IDEA [Editor](#) since it lets you invoke almost any IDE feature without leaving it, which helps you organize a layout where you have more screen space because auxiliary controls like toolbars and windows are hidden.

Accessing a tool window via its shortcut moves the input focus to it, so you can use all keyboard commands in its context.

When you need to go back to the editor, press `Escape` .

Below is a list of shortcuts that invoke the tool windows you will most often need:

Tool Window	Shortcut
Project	<code>Alt+1</code>
Version Control	<code>Alt+9</code>
Run	<code>Alt+4</code>
Debug	<code>Alt+5</code>
Terminal	<code>Alt+F12</code>
Editor	<code>Escape</code>

The *SBT projects* tool window and *SBT Shell* can be accessed via main menu ( `View | Tool Windows` ) or you can always press `Ctrl+Shift+A` to quickly search for these items.

When you want to focus on the code, try the [Distraction Free Mode](#) . It removes all toolbars, tool windows, and editor tabs. To switch to this mode, on the main menu select `View | Enter Distraction Free Mode` .

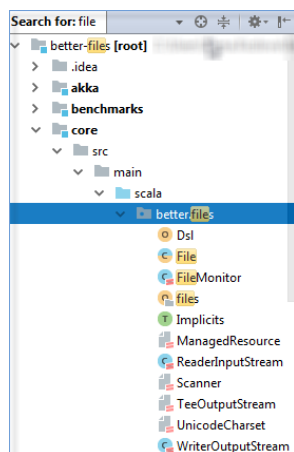
An alternative to the Distraction Free Mode may be hiding all tool windows by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+F12` . You can restore the layout to its default by pressing this shortcut once again.

The [Navigation Bar](#) is a compact alternative to the [Project Tool Window](#) . To access the Navigation Bar, press

`Alt+Home` .



Most components in IntelliJ IDEA (both tool windows and pop-ups) provide [speed search](#) . This feature allows you to filter a list, or navigate to a particular item by using a search query.



**Tip** When you don't know the shortcut for an action, try using the [Find action](#) feature by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+A` . Start typing to find an action by its name, see its shortcut or call it.

For more details, refer to [Guided Tour around the User Interface](#) , [Editor](#) , and [Tool Windows](#) .

## Editor basics

Since in IntelliJ IDEA you can undo refactorings and revert changes from [Local History](#) , it makes no sense to ask you to save your changes every time.

The most useful Editor shortcuts are:

Action	Description
Move the current line of code	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Up</code> <code>Ctrl+Shift+Down</code>
Duplicate a line of code	<code>Ctrl+D</code>
Remove a line of code	<code>Ctrl+Y</code>
Comment or uncomment a line of code	<code>Ctrl+Slash</code>
Comment a block of code	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Slash</code>
Find in the currently opened file	<code>Ctrl+F</code>
Find and replace in the current file	<code>Ctrl+R</code>
Next occurrence	<code>F3</code>
Previous occurrence	<code>Shift+F3</code>
Navigate between opened tabs	<code>Alt+Right</code> <code>Alt+Left</code>

Navigate back/forward	<code>Ctrl+Alt+Left</code> <code>Ctrl+Alt+Right</code>
Expand or collapse a code block in the editor	<code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code> <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>
Generate	<code>Alt+Insert</code>
Surround with	<code>Ctrl+Alt+T</code>
Highlight usages of a symbol	<code>Ctrl+F7</code>

To expand a selection based on grammar, press `Ctrl+W` . To shrink it, press `Ctrl+Shift+W` .

IntelliJ IDEA can select more than one piece of code at a time. You can select next occurrence via `Alt+J` and deselect by pressing `Shift+Alt+J` . You can even select all occurrences at once, by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+J` .

For more details, refer to [Editor](#) .

## Code completion

When you access **Basic Completion** by pressing `Ctrl+Space` , you get basic suggestions for variables, types, methods, expressions, for a parameter name you get type suggestions and so on. When you call **Basic Completion** twice, it shows you more results, including methods from implicit conversions that you can import.

The **Smart Completion** feature is aware of the expected type and data flow, and offers the options relevant to the context. To call **Smart Completion** , press `Ctrl+Shift+Space` . When you call **Smart Completion** twice, it shows you more results, including chains.

**Tip** To overwrite the identifier at the caret, instead of just inserting the suggestion, press `Tab` . This is helpful if you're editing part of an identifier, such as a file name.

To let IntelliJ IDEA complete a statement for you, press `N/A` . **Statement Completion** will automatically add the missing parentheses, brackets, braces and the necessary formatting.

If you want to see the suggested parameters for any method or constructor, press `Ctrl+P` . IntelliJ IDEA shows the parameter info for each overloaded method or constructor, and highlights the best match for the parameters already typed.

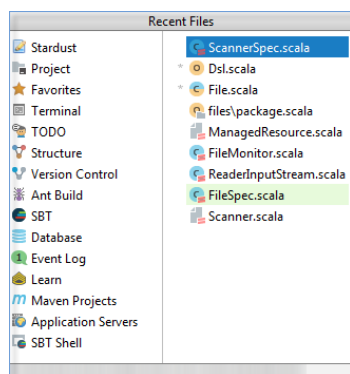
The **Postfix Completion** feature lets you transform an already typed expression to another one, based on the postfix you type after a dot.

For more details, refer to [Auto-Completing Code](#) .

## Navigation

### Recent files

Most of the time you work with a finite set of files, and need to switch between them quickly. A real time-saver here is an action called **Recent Files** invoked by pressing `Ctrl+E` . By default, the focus is on the last accessed file. Note that you can also open any tool window through this action:



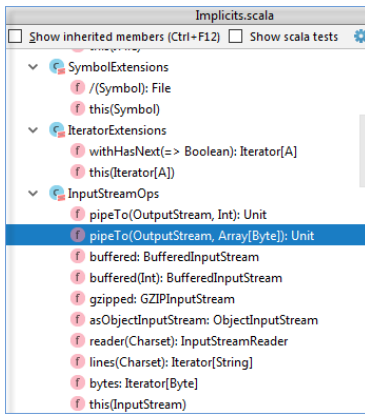
**Navigate to Class** is available by pressing `Ctrl+N` and supports sophisticated expressions, including camel humps, paths, line navigate to, middle name matching, and many more. If you call it twice, it shows you the results out of the project classes.

**Navigate to File** works similarly by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+N` , but is used for files and folders. To navigate to a folder, end your expression with the `Slash` character.

**Navigate to Symbol** is available by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N` and allows you to find a method or a field by its name.

### Structure

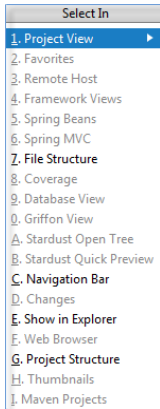
When you are not switching between files, you are most probably navigating within a file. The simplest way to do it is to press `Ctrl+F12` . The pop-up shows you the structure of a file, and allows you to quickly navigate to any of them:



## Select in

If you need to open a file in a particular tool window (or Finder/Explorer), you can do so via the **Select In** action by pressing

**Alt+F1** :



Navigation shortcuts include:

### Action Shortcut

Search everywhere	Double Shift
Navigate to class	Ctrl+N
Navigate to file	Ctrl+Shift+N
Navigate to symbol	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N
Recent files	Ctrl+E
File structure	Ctrl+F12
Select in	Alt+F1
Navigate to declaration	Ctrl+B
Navigate to type hierarchy	Ctrl+H
Show UML pop-up	Ctrl+Alt+U

For more details, refer to [Navigating Through the Source Code](#) .

## Quick pop-ups

**Quick Pop-ups** are helpful for checking additional information related to the symbol at the caret. Below is a list of pop-ups you should know if you want to be more productive:

### Action Shortcut

Type Info	Alt+Equals
Documentation	Ctrl+Q
Quick definition	Ctrl+Shift+I
Show usages	Ctrl+Alt+F7
Show implementation	Ctrl+Alt+B
Implicit conversions	Ctrl+Shift+Q
Implicit parameters	Ctrl+Shift+P

**Tip** Quick Pop-ups are available for symbols in the editor; however, they are also available for items in any other list via the same shortcuts.

## Refactoring basics

IntelliJ IDEA offers a comprehensive set of automated code refactorings that lead to significant productivity gains when used correctly. Firstly, don't bother selecting anything before you apply a refactoring. IntelliJ IDEA is smart enough to figure out what statement you're going to refactor, and only asks for confirmation if several choices are possible.

**Tip** To undo the last refactoring, switch the focus to the [Project Tool Window](#) and press `Ctrl+Z`.

### Action Shortcut

Rename	<code>Shift+F6</code>
Extract variable or type	<code>Ctrl+Alt+V</code>
Extract field	<code>Ctrl+Alt+F</code>
Extract a constant	<code>Ctrl+Alt+C</code>
Extract a method	<code>Ctrl+Alt+M</code>
Extract a parameter	<code>Ctrl+Alt+P</code>
Inline	<code>Ctrl+Alt+N</code>
Copy	<code>F5</code>
Move	<code>F6</code>
Refactor this	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T</code>

For extracting a trait, use main menu ( Refactor | Extract | Trait ).

**Tip** A real time-saver is the ability to extract part of a string expression with the help of the **Extract** refactorings. Just select a string fragment and apply a refactoring to replace all of the selected fragment usages with the introduced constant or variable.

For more details, refer to [Refactoring Source Code](#).

## Finding usages

**Find Usages** helps you quickly find all pieces of code referencing the symbol at the caret (cursor), no matter if the symbol is a class, method, field, parameter, or another statement. Just press `Alt+F7` and get a list of references grouped by usage type, module, and file.

If you want to set custom options for the **Find Usages** algorithm, press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7`, or click the first button on the right panel with search results.

If what you're looking for is plain text, use **Find in Path** by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+F`.

For more details, refer to [Finding Usages](#).

## Inspections

**Inspections** are built-in static code analysis tools that help you find probable bugs, locate dead code, detect performance issues, and improve the overall code structure.

Most inspections not only tell you where a problem is, but also provide quick fixes to deal with it right away. Press

`Alt+Enter` to choose a quick fix.

**Tip** The editor lets you quickly navigate between the highlighted problems via keyboard shortcuts. Press `F2` to go to the next problem, and `Shift+F2` to go to the previous one.

Inspections that are too complex to be run on-the-fly are available when you perform code analysis for the entire project. You can do this in one of the following two ways: by selecting **Analyze | Inspect Code** from the main menu, or by selecting **Analyze | Run Inspection by Name** to run an inspection by its name.

Note that while inspections provide quick-fixes for code that has potential problems, intentions help you apply automatic changes to code that is correct. To get a list of intentions applicable to the code at the caret, press `Alt+Enter`.

For more details, refer to [Code Inspection](#).

## Code style and formatting

IntelliJ IDEA automatically applies a code style you've configured in the [Code Style settings](#) as you edit, and in most cases you don't need to call the **Reformat Code** action explicitly.

Useful formatting shortcuts:

### Action Shortcut

Reformat code	<code>Ctrl+Alt+L</code>
Auto-indent lines	<code>Ctrl+Alt+I</code>
Optimize imports	<code>Ctrl+Alt+O</code>



Desugar Scala code (file)

Ctrl+Alt+D

You can also use the [Scalastyle](#) inspection for checking your Scala code. Simply place `scalastyle_config.xml` in the `<root>/idea` or `<root>/project` directory and inspect your code.

Note that by default, IntelliJ IDEA uses regular spaces for indents instead of tabs. If you have files with lots of indents, you may want to optimize their size by enabling the Use tab character option located in Settings | Editor | Code Style | Scala .

For more details, refer to [Reformatting Source Code](#) .

## Run and debug

Once you've created a [Run/Debug configuration](#) by selecting Run | Edit Configurations from the main menu, you are able to run and debug your Scala code.

For SBT projects you are also able to run and debug your code using SBT shell. Options Use SBT shell for build and import and Enable debugging for SBT shell , located on SBT page in settings, will enable you to do so.

For quick code evaluation, you can use a Scala worksheet that enables you to interactively run your code. Press

Ctrl+Shift+Alt+X

to create a light version of the Scala worksheet and

Ctrl+Alt+W

to run it.

The regular actions for run/debug are as follows:

### Action Shortcut

Run	Shift+F10
Debug	Shift+F9

When in the debug mode, you can [evaluate any expression](#) by using the **Evaluate expression** tool, which is accessed by pressing `Alt+F8` . This tool provides code completion in the same way as in the editor, so it's easy to enter any expression.

Sometimes, you may want to step into a particular method, but not the first one which will be invoked. In this case, use **Smart step into** by pressing `Shift+F7` to choose a particular method.

### Action Shortcut

Toggle breakpoint	Ctrl+F8
Step into	F7
Smart step into	Shift+F7
Step over	F8
Step out	Shift+F8
Resume	F9
Evaluate expression	Alt+F8

If you want to "rewind" while debugging, you can do it via the **Drop Frame** action. This is particularly helpful if you mistakenly stepped too far. This will no revert the global state of your application, but will at least let you revert to a previous stack frame.

**Tip** Any breakpoint can be quickly disabled by clicking on the gutter while holding `Alt` . To change breakpoint details (e.g. conditions), press `Ctrl+Shift+F8` .

For more details, refer to [Running](#) and [Debugging](#) .

## Reloading changes and hot swapping

Sometimes, you need to insert minor changes into your code without shutting down the process. Since the Java VM has a HotSwap feature, IntelliJ IDEA handles these cases automatically when you call Make .

## Application servers


If you need, you can deploy your Scala application to a server.

For more details, refer to [Working with Application Servers](#) .

## Build

When you've imported or created your SBT project, you can edit its `build.sbt` file directly in the editor. In `build.sbt` you can specify compiler options, information about your sub-projects, and also define your tasks and settings. Every time you change the `build.sbt` file, you need to synchronize your changes with the project model in IntelliJ IDEA.

You can select the Use Auto-import option to synchronize the changes made to `build.sbt` automatically. To access this option, select File | Settings | Build, Execution, Deployment | Build Tools | SBT .

For manual synchronization, use the corresponding action on the *SBT projects* tool window toolbar:  .

Note that any SBT task can be attached to be run before a run configuration.

IntelliJ IDEA also lets you use other build tools such as [Gradle](#) or [Maven](#) to build your Scala project.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use different Scala intention actions, convert your code from Java to Scala, and use different Scala templates while working in the IntelliJ IDEA editor.

## Strings in Scala

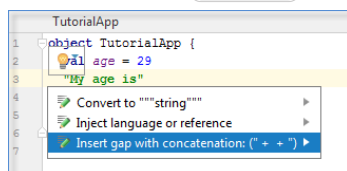
You can add different intentions for strings, perform different actions, and set a different format for multi-line strings.

Check the following examples:

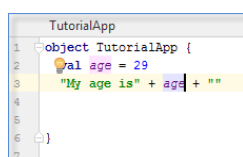
**Note** Use a Scala worksheet to quickly evaluate your results.

– Insert gap with concatenation ("+" +) into a string.

1. Enter a string and press `Alt+Enter`. The list of appropriate intentions opens.

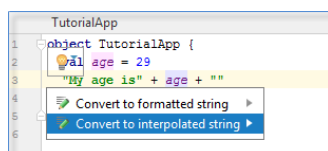


2. Select Insert gap with concatenation ("+" +) and press `Enter`. Now you can insert a value into your string.

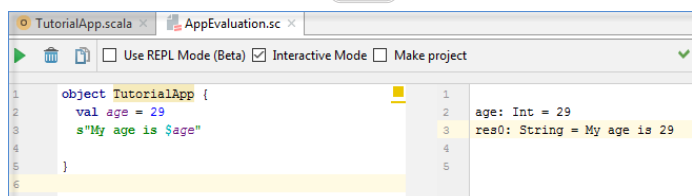


– Invoke the Convert to interpolated string intention.

1. Select a value with concatenation in your string and press `Alt+Enter`. The list of appropriate intentions opens.



2. Select Convert to interpolated string, press `Enter` and view the result.

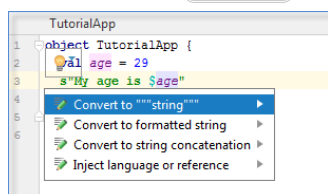


**Note** The Convert to formatted string option will get you basic Java formatted string.

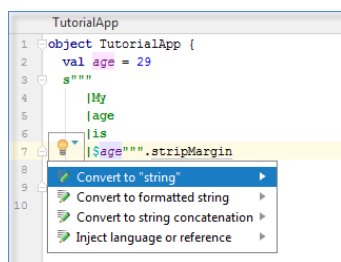
– Convert a string into a multi-line string using the Convert to ""string"" intention and vice versa.

**Note** Converting to multi-line strings removes escaped sequences such as `\\` or `\n`.

1. Enter your string, press `Alt+Enter` and from the drop-down list of intentions, select Convert to ""string"".



2. You also can convert the multi-line string into the regular string. Press `Alt+Enter` to open the drop-down list of intentions. Select Convert to "string" and press `Enter`.



View the result.

```

TutorialApp
1 object TutorialApp {
2   val age = 29
3   s"\nMy \nage \nis \n$age"
4
5 }
6

```

- 3. To enter a multi-line string, simply type triple quotes in your editor. If you press `Enter`, it will automatically invoke the `stripMargin` method. The `stripMargin` method removes the left-hand part of a multi-line string up to a specified delimiter.

```

TutorialApp.scala x AppEvaluation.sc x
Use REPL Mode (Beta) Interactive Mode Make project
TutorialApp
1 object TutorialApp {
2   val age = 29
3   s""
4   |My
5   |age
6   |is $age"".stripMargin
7
8 }
9
age: Int = 29
res0: String =
  My
  age
  is 29

```

The white spaces are also preserved. Check the following example:

```

TutorialApp.scala x AppEvaluation.sc x
Use REPL Mode (Beta) Interactive Mode Make project
TutorialApp
1 object TutorialApp {
2   val age = 29
3   s""
4   | My
5   | age
6   | is $age"".stripMargin
7
8 }
9
age: Int = 29
res0: String =
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  age
  is 29

```

- Add the `.replace("\n", " ")` intention. This intention lets you keep the caret in the correct place on the next line in the multi-line strings regardless of what operating system you have at the moment.

Simply enter a multi-line string, press `Alt+Enter` and select the appropriate intention from the drop-down list.

```

TutorialApp
1 object TutorialApp {
2   val age = 29
3   s""
4   |age
5   |is """".stripMargin + age
6
7 }
8
Add 'replace("\n", " ")
Convert to "string"
Convert to formatted string
Convert to interpolated string
Convert to string concatenation
Inject language or reference
Insert gap with concatenation: (" + + ")
Provide implicit conversion

```

- Use the Inject Language/Reference intention to insert a language or a reference into your multi-line string literals.
- 1. Enter a multi-line string, press `Alt+Enter` and from the drop-down list select Inject Language/Reference .

The list of available languages and references opens.

```

TutorialApp
1 object TutorialApp {
2   val age = 29
3   s""
4   |My
5   |age
6   |is
7   |
8   |
9   |
10 }
11
<Generic SQL> (SQL Files)
AIDL (Android IDL files)
AndroidDataBinding (Android data binding expression)
Angular2HTML (HTML files)
AngularJS (JavaScript files)
Apple JS (JavaScript files)
AspectJ (AspectJ source files)
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CoffeeScript (CoffeeScript Files)
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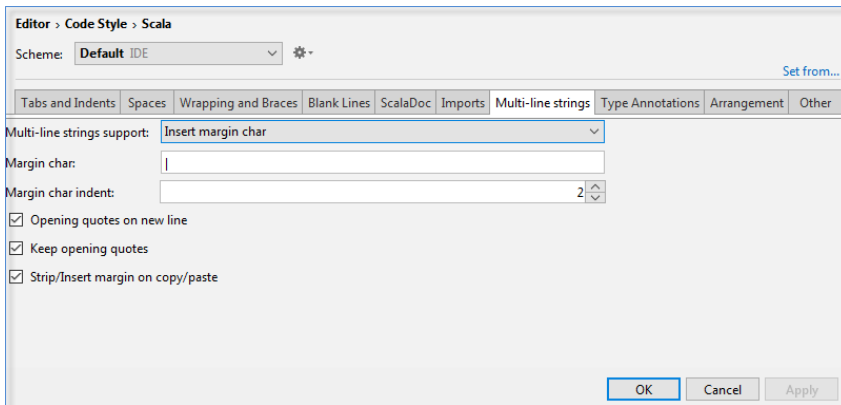
```

- 2. Choose the appropriate one and press `Enter` .

To cancel the language injection, simply choose the Un-Inject Language/Reference intention.

- Use the Multi-line strings tab in Scala settings to set a different format for multi-line strings' options such as `Margin char` indent or disable a multi-line strings support.

1. In the main menu, select File | Setting | Editor | Code Style | Scala .
2. On the Scala page, select the Multi-line strings tab.



3. Edit the settings and click OK .

– Turn simple string into the interpolated one adding a variable reference.

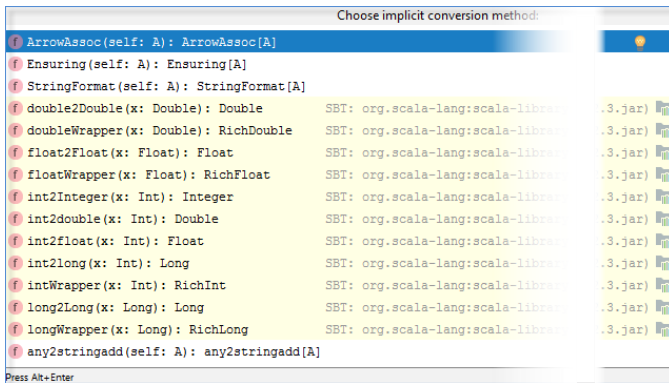
## Implicit conversions

IntelliJ IDEA lets you invoke implicit conversion methods and parameters:

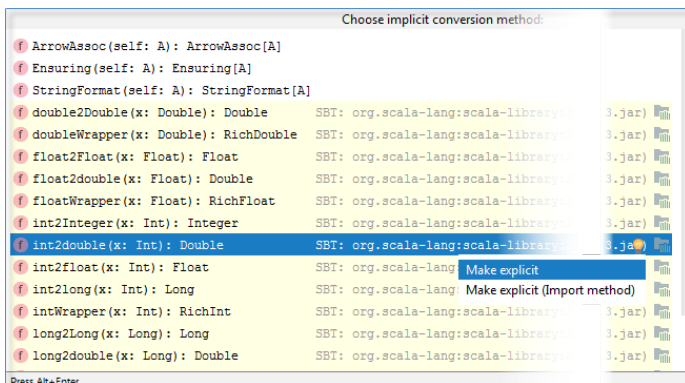
– Implicit conversion methods

1. Select an expression and press `Shift+Ctrl+Q` (`Ctrl+Q` for macOS) to invoke the list of applicable implicit conversions. The list shows the regular scope displayed on the top and the expanded scope that is displayed on the bottom of the list.

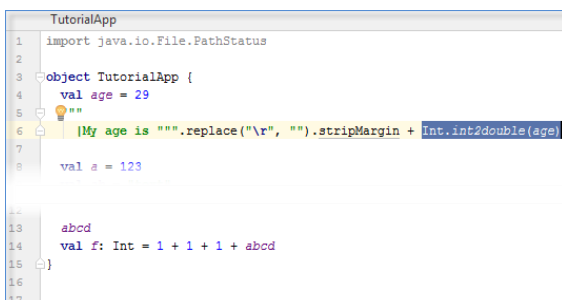
**Note** IntelliJ IDEA highlights an implicit conversion that was used for the selected expression. If IntelliJ IDEA cannot find the implicit conversion or if it finds more than one match then the list of Introduce Variable opens.



2. You can make the implicit conversion method explicit. Press `Alt+Enter` and select Make explicit or Make explicit (Import method) :



3. If you select Make explicit then IntelliJ IDEA returns a method call with the class name. It might be helpful if you need to make sure that the compiler imports a particular implicit conversion method that you originally wanted:



4. If you select Make explicit (Import method) then the method is imported statically and IntelliJ IDEA returns just its call without the class name. Also, the next time you open the list of useful implicit conversions you will see this method in the regular scope:

```

TutorialApp
1 import java.io.File.PathStatus
2
3 import scala.Int.int2double
4
5 object TutorialApp {
6   val age = 29
7   ""
8   |My age is ""\r".replace("\r", "").stripMargin + int2double(age)
9
10  val a = 123
11
12
13
14
15  abcd
16  val f: Int = 1 + 1 + 1 + abcd
17 }

```

– Implicit parameters

1. Place a cursor to the method where implicit conversion was used and press `Ctrl+Shift+P` to invoke implicit parameters. It might be helpful for code analyzing when you want to find out what implicit parameters were passed to the particular call. IntelliJ IDEA also lets you view the recursive implicit parameters.

**Note** IntelliJ IDEA highlights the method call where implicit parameters were used.

```

ImplicitParameters
1 class ImplicitParameters {
2   implicit val s: String = "text"
3   implicit def foo (implicit string: String): Int = 123
4   def goo (implicit i: Int) = i
5   goo
6
7 }

```

Implicit parameters:

- foo()
- s()

2. If IntelliJ IDEA cannot find method calls where implicit parameters were passed, it displays a pop-up message:

```

ImplicitParameters > foo(string: String)
1 class { No implicit parameters }
2 implicit val s: String = "text"
3 implicit def foo (implicit string: String): Int = 123
4 def goo (implicit i: Int) = i
5   goo
6
7 }

```

## Type Info action

IntelliJ IDEA lets you work with type inferences using the Scala **Show Type Info** action:

- To invoke the Show Type Info action in the editor, navigate to the value and press `Alt+Equals` or `N/A` (for Mac OS):

```

ShowTypeInfo
1 object ShowType String {
2   val a = 123
3   val ab = "text"
4   a
5
6   val f: Int = 1 + 1 + 1
7
8 }

```

**Note** If you selected the Show type info on mouse hover after, ms checkbox on the Editor tab in Settings | Languages and Frameworks | Scala, you can simply navigate with the mouse to a value to see its type information.

- You can also see the type information on a value definition. Simply put the caret on a value definition and press

`Alt+Equals` or `N/A` (for Mac OS):

```

ShowTypeInfo
1 object ShowTypeInfo {
2   val a = 123
3   val ab = "text"
4   a
5   Type: Int
6   val f: Int = 1 + 1 + 1
7
8 }

```

**Note** You can use the same shortcuts to see the type information on expressions.

- To add a type annotation, highlight the value, press `Alt+Enter` and from the context menu select Add type annotation to value definition:

```

ShowTypeInfo
1 object ShowTypeInfo {
2   val a = 123
3   val ab = "text"
4   a
5
6   val f: Int = 1 + 1 + 1
7
8 }

```

Context menu:

- ✓ Add type annotation to value definition
- Adjust code style settings

As a result, the type annotation is added:

```

1 object ShowTypeInfo {
2   val a = 123
3   val ab: String = "text"
4   a
5
6   val f: Int = 1 + 1 + 1
7
8 }
9

```

To remove the type annotation, press **Alt+Enter** and select Remove type annotation from value definition .

- You can also use the **Adjust types** action to shorten types with full qualified names. Select the code in question, press **Alt+Enter** and from the context menu, select Adjust types .

```

AdjustTypes > abc(...)
1
2 object ShowTypeInfo {
3   val a = 123
4   val ab: String = "text"
5   a
6
7   val f: Int = 1 + 1 + 1
8 }
9
10 trait AdjustTypes {
11   def abc(s: Predef.String, r: scala.util.Random): scala.collection.mutable.Seq[String]
12 }
13
14

```

In this case the necessary imports are added.

```

AdjustTypes
1 import scala.collection.mutable
2 import scala.util.Random
3
4 object ShowTypeInfo {
5   val a = 123
6   val ab: String = "text"
7   a
8
9   val f: Int = 1 + 1 + 1
10 }
11 trait AdjustTypes {
12   def abc(s: String, r: Random): mutable.Seq[String]
13 }
14

```

## Create from usage

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create new code elements without declaring them first:

1. In the editor, type a name of a new code element and press **Alt+Enter** .
2. From the list of intentions, select the one you need.

```

TutorialApp
1 object TutorialApp {
2   val age = 29
3   """
4   |My age is """.replace("\r", "").stripMargin + age
5
6   val a = 123
7   val ab = "text"
8
9   a
10
11 abcd
12 val
13
14

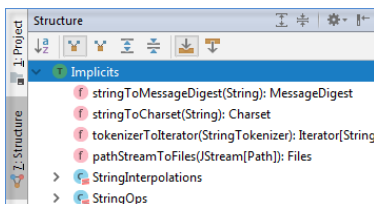
```

Press **Enter** .

## Structure view

IntelliJ IDEA lets you view a structure of your code:

- To open the Structure tool window, press **Alt+7** .



- To navigate from the Structure tool window to the code item in the editor, press **F4** .

To simply highlight the code, press **Ctrl+Enter** .

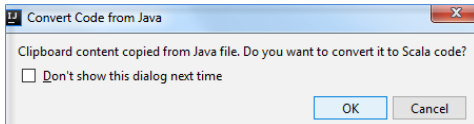
## Java-to-Scala code conversion

IntelliJ IDEA lets you convert Java code into Scala:

1. Copy your Java code (expression, method, class) and paste it into a Scala file.

```
public class Hello {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello World!");
    }
}
```

2. IntelliJ IDEA displays the Convert the code from Java dialog suggesting a conversion.



Click OK .

```
object Hello {
    def main(args: Array[String]): Unit = {
        System.out.println("Hello World!")
    }
}
```

If you do not want to use the copy/paste actions, you can open your Java file in the editor and select Refactor | Convert to Scala or press `Ctrl+Shift+G` .

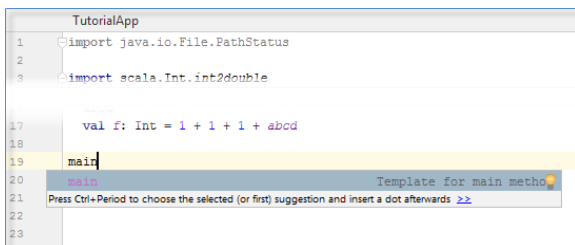
In this case IntelliJ IDEA will create a Scala file with the converted code.

## Scala templates

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use predefined Scala templates:

1. In the editor start entering your code, press `Ctrl+J` .

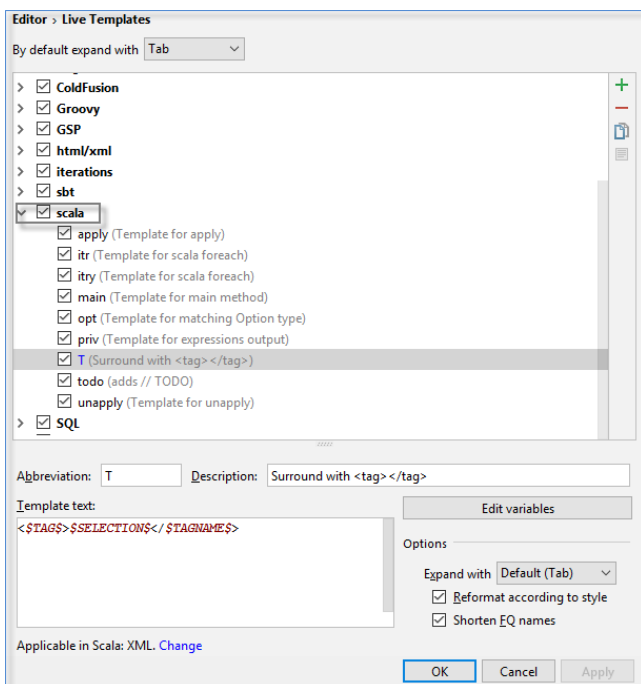
IntelliJ IDEA displays the list of available Live templates for Scala.



2. Select the one you need and press `Enter` .

You can also define a new template or edit the existing one:

1. Select Settings/Preferences | Editor | Live Templates .
2. From options on the right, open the list of Scala templates.



3. If you want to add a new template, click `+` .

If you want to edit the existing template, select the one you need and change the default definitions.




IntelliJ IDEA lets you run, debug and test your Scala applications as you would normally do with any other applications in IntelliJ IDEA. IntelliJ IDEA also lets you run your Scala code with coverage and configure code coverage settings.

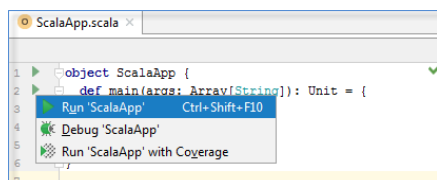
**Tip** To adjust configuration settings when you perform running or debugging processes, use the Run/Debug Configurations dialog. To access the dialog, select Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu.


## Run Scala applications

You can run your Scala code through IntelliJ IDEA, use sbt shell, or use Scala worksheet for a quick code evaluation.

### Run a Scala application via IntelliJ IDEA


1. Create or import a Scala project as you would normally [create or import](#) any other project in IntelliJ IDEA.
2. Open your application in the editor.
3. Press `Shift+F10` to execute the application. Alternatively, in the left gutter of the editor, click the  icon and select Run 'name'.



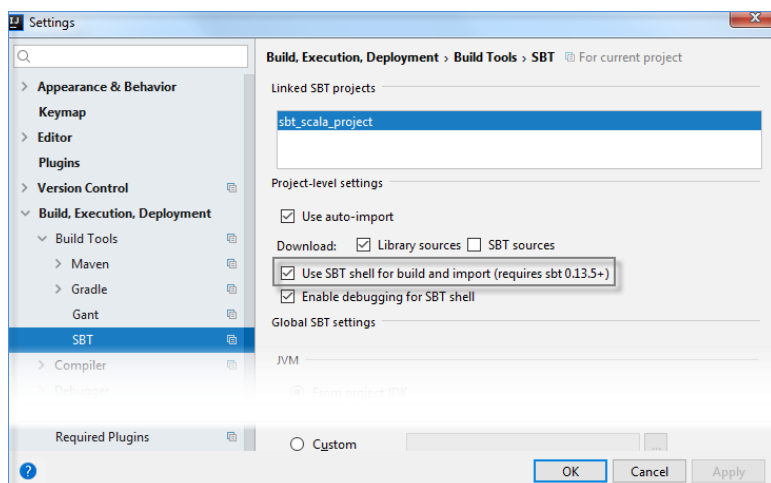
**Tip** You can also click the  icon on the main toolbar to run your application.

### Run a Scala application using the sbt shell


You can run your application using the sbt shell that is a part of any [sbt project](#).

1. Open your sbt project.
2. If you want to delegate your builds and imports to sbt, in the sbt projects tool window, click the  icon to open the sbt settings.

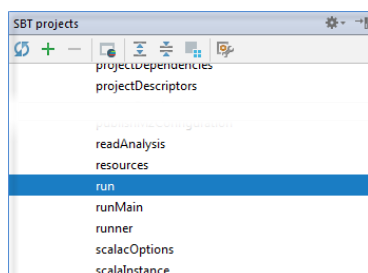
On the sbt settings page, select the Use sbt shell for build and import (required sbt 0.13.5+) option and click OK.



(This option is also available when you create or import an sbt project.)

If you don't want to delegate your builds and imports to sbt, you can still work in the sbt shell () and [run sbt commands](#) directly from it including running your application.

3. In the sbt projects tool window, click sbt Tasks node.
4. In the list that opens, select the run task that will run a main method.



The result of execution is displayed in sbt shell tool window.

```

SBT Shell sbt_scala_project
[info] Running scalaApp
Hello, Scala!
[success] Total time: 0 s, completed Sep 19, 2017 8:50:28 PM
[!]>
[!]> {file:/C:/Users/Elena.Kozlova/sbt_scala_project/}sbt_scala_project/run
[info] Running scalaApp
Hello, Scala!
[success] Total time: 0 s, completed Sep 20, 2017 3:26:40 PM
[!]>

```

## Run Scala code using Scala worksheet

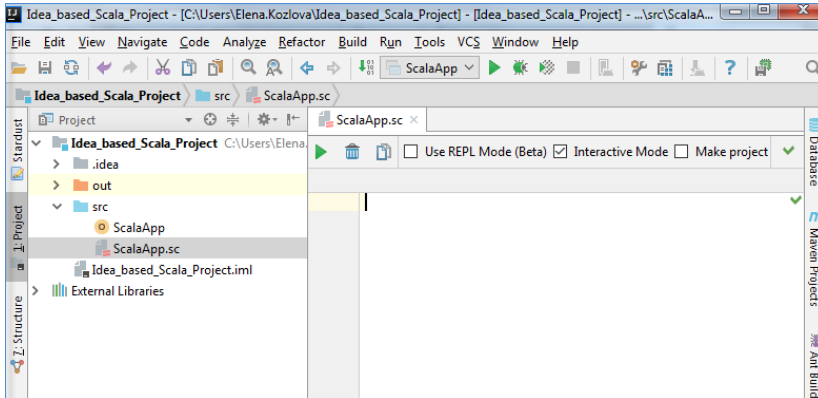
IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a Scala worksheet and use it to evaluate your Scala code results in a special window of the Scala editor.

1. Right-click on your project and select New | Scala Worksheet .

We recommended that you create your worksheet in src directory to simplify an inclusion of the project's classes in the classpath. That might be helpful for testing purposes.

2. In the New Scala Worksheet window type a name of your Scala worksheet and click OK .

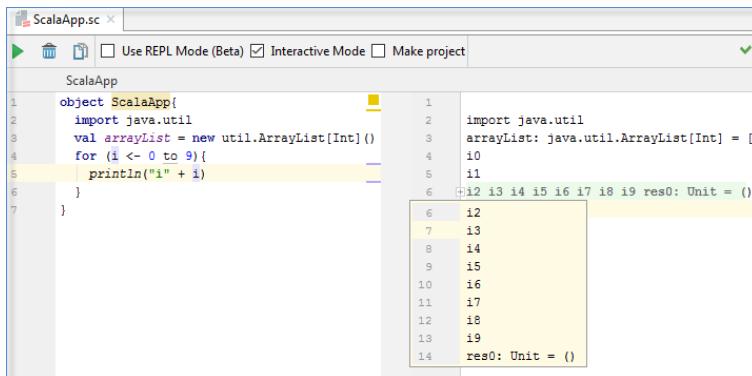
As a result, a file with .sc extension opens.



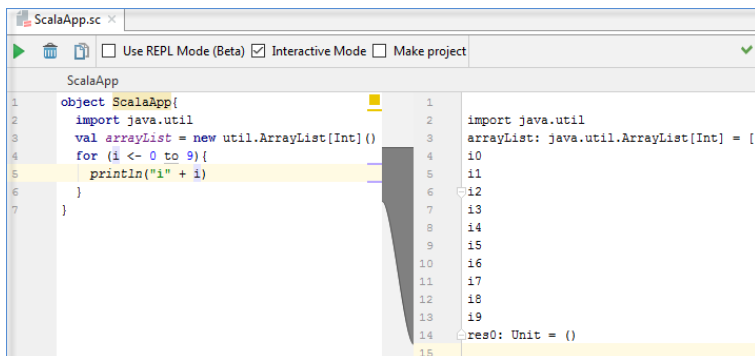
3. Enter your code and press ▶ to see the results. If you select the Interactive Mode checkbox then the code results will be displayed automatically.

4. While working with the .sc file, you can perform the following actions:

- You can clear the Make project checkbox to improve evaluation performance. In this case, the automatic checking of project's changes is disabled. The results appear in the view on the right side of your code.
- You can evaluate a Scala object.



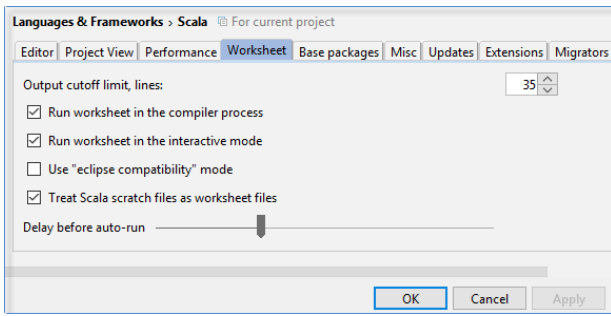
- You can fold the output without affecting your code on the left side and expand only that block of the output that matches a specific statement.





- You can also configure worksheet settings.

1. Select File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | Scala and click Worksheet tab.
2. On the Worksheet tab, you can set the output cutoff limit and configure in what mode you want to run the worksheet.

**Note** If you select the Use "eclipse compatibility" mode checkbox then all the statements inside the object will be included in the worksheet's output.




**Tip** To remove the worksheets results, press  icon.

To copy your code and evaluation results into one file, click  icon.

## Debug Scala code

IntelliJ IDEA lets you debug your code using IntelliJ IDEA debugger or the sbt shell .

### Debug Scala code using IntelliJ IDEA

1. Open your Scala application in the editor.
2. In the left gutter, set your breakpoints for the lines of code you want to debug. For more information on breakpoints, please see the [Using Breakpoints](#) topic.
3. If you need, you can access the Run/Debug configurations (Run | Edit Configurations) and adjust the settings, but usually the default settings are enough to successfully start and complete your debugging session.
4. Press `Shift+F9` . Alternatively, on the main toolbar, click the  icon to start a debugging process.
5. Evaluate the results in the Debug tool window.

For information on how to use options in the Debug tool window, please see [Debug tool window references](#) .

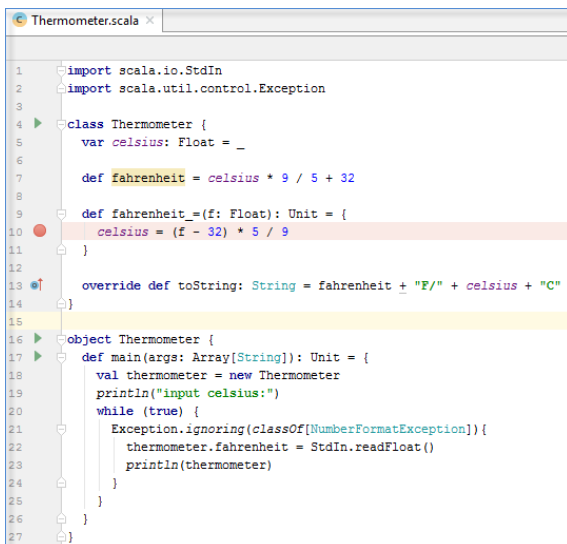
### Debug Scala code using sbt shell

**Note** If you have



```
fork in Test := true
```

set in your sbt project, debugging tests run via the sbt shell will not work.

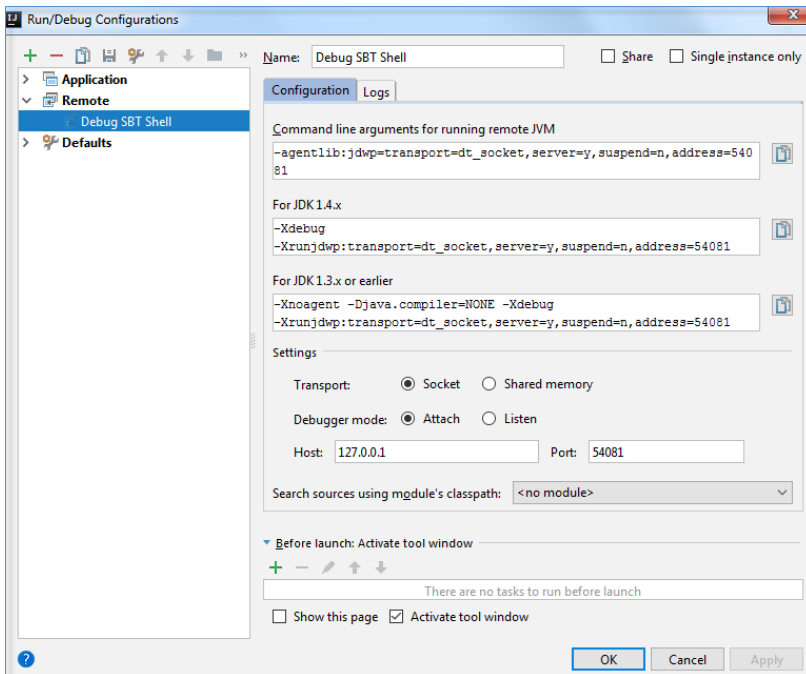
1. Open your sbt project.
2. Open your application in the editor.
3. In the editor, in the left gutter, set your breakpoints for the lines of code you want to debug.



**Note** You cannot debug code defined in actual `.sbt` files, but you can debug code in Scala files that can be invoked from `build.sbt` .

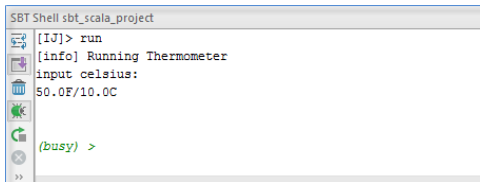
4. In the sbt projects tool window, click the  icon, to start the sbt shell.
5. In the sbt shell tool window, click the  icon to connect to the debugger server and start debugging session.

IntelliJ IDEA also creates a Run/Debug configuration for the debugging session.

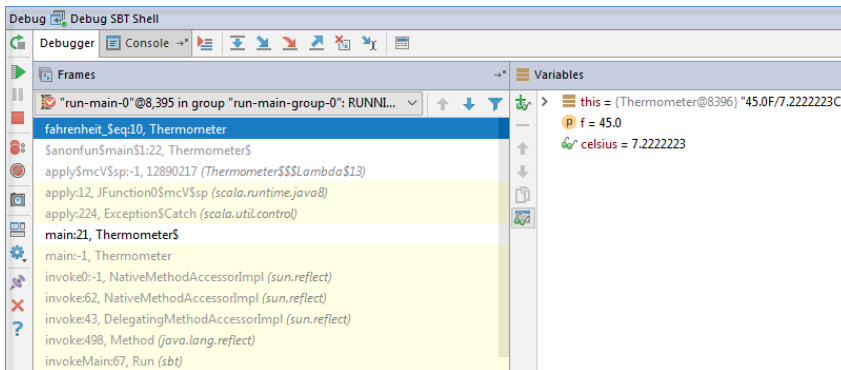


If you need, you can edit the run/debug configuration settings, but the default settings should be enough to successfully debug your code.

#### 6. Run your program.



Evaluate your results in the Debug tool window.



## Test Scala applications

IntelliJ IDEA lets you test your Scala applications using [ScalaTest](#) and [Specs2](#). You can also set and run the test scopes.


### Test Scala applications using Scala Test

#### 1. Open your project.

- If you have an sbt project, open the `build.sbt` file and specify the following dependencies for ScalaTest:

```
libraryDependencies += "org.scalactic" %% "scalactic" % "3.0.1"
```

```
libraryDependencies += "org.scalatest" %% "scalatest" % "3.0.1" % "test"
```

Click  icon in the sbt projects tool window to refresh your project or use the Auto-import option specified in the sbt settings to automatically refresh your project each time you make changes to `build.sbt`.

- If you have a regular Scala project, use the [Project Structure](#) dialog, to configure test libraries.

#### 2. Open a class in the editor, for which you want to create a test and place the cursor within the line containing the class declaration.

#### 3. Press `Ctrl+Shift+T` and select Create New Test.

#### 4. In the dialog that opens, specify your test settings and click OK.

#### 5. Open the test in the editor, press `Ctrl+Shift+F10` or right-click on the test class and from the context menu select Run 'test name'.

#### 6. IntelliJ IDEA creates a run/debug configuration for the test automatically, but if you want to edit settings in your configuration, click Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu.

#### 7. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, on the right-hand side, specify settings for the test suite and click OK.

The configuration has standard options and you can find further details in the [Testing](#) section. However, you can also specify the following Scala-related options:


- You can select the Use sbt shell checkbox to run your test via sbt shell and the Use UI with sbt to display the test results in the same format as for platform test runner.
- You can select the Test kind option to specify what kind of test you want to run. For example, you can select Regular expression and set class and test patterns.

8. On the main toolbar, click the  icon to run the test.

9. Evaluate the results in the Run tool window.

**Tip** You can open the sbt shell, run your tests and evaluate the results from the sbt shell using the `test` command.

**Tip** Alternatively, to create a test suite, right-click on the class and from the context menu select Go to | Test.

**Tip** To create a new run/debug configuration for a test after opening the Run/Debug configurations dialog, click the  in the upper-left corner and from the list that opens select ScalaTest or Specs2 to create either a ScalaTest run configuration or a Specs2 run configuration respectively.

## Test a Scala application using Specs2

The procedure for testing a Scala application using Specs2 is the same as the procedure described in the [Test a Scala application using ScalaTest](#) section except for the following options:

- You need to specify the following dependency for your sbt project:

```
libraryDependencies ++= Seq("org.specs2" %% "specs2-core" % "3.9.5" % "test")
```

For regular Scala projects, use the [Project Structure](#) dialog, to configure the test library.

- The Use UI with sbt option that displays the test results in the same format as for platform test runner is not available.

## Testing scopes in Scala

IntelliJ IDEA lets you test scopes using *ScalaTest* or *Specs2*.

You can run tests inside a scope or test the whole scope in your Scala projects.

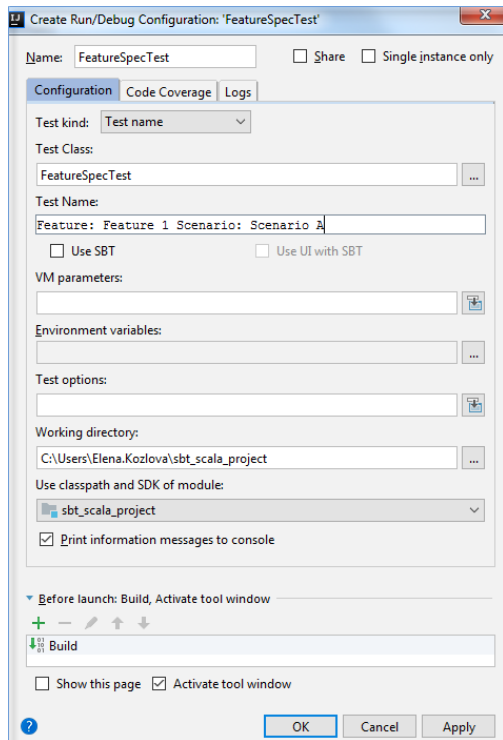
1. Create your code. Check the following example:



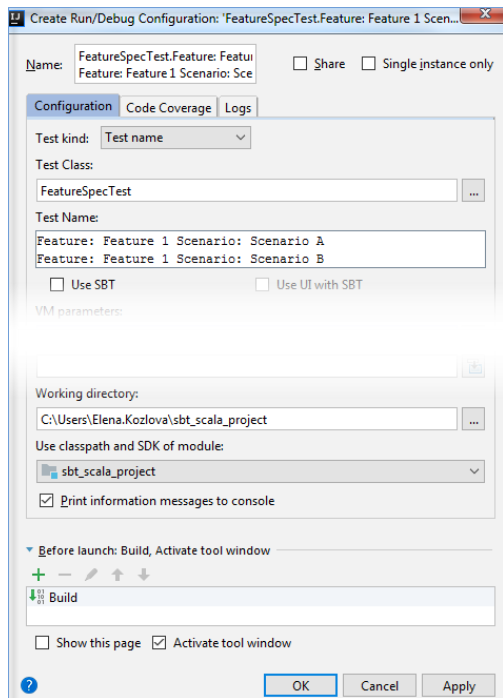
```
1 FeatureSpecTest
2 import org.scalatest.{FeatureSpec, GivenWhenThen}
3 class FeatureSpecTest extends FeatureSpec with GivenWhenThen {
4   feature("Feature 1") {
5     scenario("Scenario A") {
6     }
7     scenario("Scenario B") {
8     }
9   }
10  feature("Feature 2") {
11    scenario("Scenario C") {
12    }
13  }
14  feature("empty") {}
15 }
16
```

2. In the editor, depending on your test scope you can perform the following:

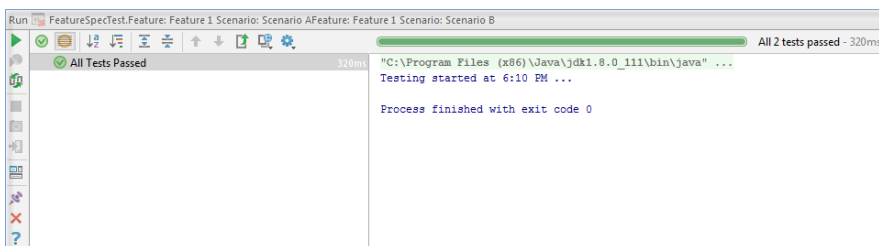
- If you open context menu for one of the tests inside the scope, you can create a run configuration just for the specified test inside that scope.



– If you open a context menu for the whole scope, you can create a run configuration for all tests inside the scope.




3. Run your tests and view the output in the Run tool window.



You can also use the [sbt shell](#) to run scope tests.

## Run Scala tests with coverage

IntelliJ IDEA lets you run your test suite with code coverage.

1. Open your project.
2. Open the test in question in the editor.
3. In the left gutter, click the  icon and select the Run 'name' with Coverage option.

IntelliJ IDEA runs the test and displays the Coverage tool window with code coverage information.

You can also adjust default code coverage settings or code coverage behavior if you need.

If you have already run your test suite, IntelliJ IDEA creates the run/debug configuration automatically. You can open the created run configuration and adjust the settings.

If you want to create a new run configuration for the test suite, do the following:

1. From the main menu, select Run | Edit Configurations .
2. In the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, click the **+** icon from the options on the left.
3. From the list that opens, select the configuration you need.
4. From the options on right, click the Code Coverage tab.
5. Adjust the default settings and click OK .

For more information, please see [Configuring Code Coverage Measurement](#)

You can also adjust code coverage behavior.

1. Press **Ctrl+Alt+S** to open the Settings/Preferences page.
2. From the options on the left, select Build, Execution, Deployment | Coverage .
3. From the options on right, adjust the settings and click OK .

**Tip** Alternatively, you can select Run | Run with Coverage from the main menu, to run your code with coverage.

## Creating an sbt project

Launch the [New Project wizard](#) and follow the steps suggested in the wizard such as:

1. Selecting Scala and sbt .
2. Specifying your project's name, location, JDK along with sbt and Scala versions. (The sbt and Scala versions are fetched automatically.)

## Importing an sbt project

1. Click Import Project on the welcome screen or select File | New | Project from Existing Sources from the main menu.
2. In the dialog that opens, select a directory that contains your sbt project or simply `build.sbt` . Click OK .
3. Follow the steps suggested in the Import Project wizard.

You can use the suggested default settings since they are enough to successfully import your project.

We recommend that you enable the Use sbt shell for build and import (requires sbt 0.13.5+) option when you use code generation or other features that modify the build process in sbt. If your sbt project is not in the IntelliJ IDEA project root directory, we suggest you skip this option.

## Ensuring sbt and Scala versions compatibility

Often you share your project across a team and need to use a specific version of sbt.

You can override the sbt version in your project's `build.properties` file.

1. [Create](#) or [import](#) your sbt project.
2. In the Project tool window, in the source root directory locate the `build.properties` file and open it in the editor.
3. In the editor explicitly specify the version of sbt that you want to use in the project.

```
sbt.version=xxx
```

**Note** Note that newer sbt versions will create the `build.properties` file automatically if it doesn't exist.

4. Refresh your project. (Click the  in the sbt projects tool window.)

**Note** When you try to import an sbt project that contains an old version of sbt, you might get an error. We recommend that you upgrade to sbt versions 1.0 and later which are compatible with the Scala version 2.12 (requires Java 8).

## Managing sbt projects

### Sbt project structure

When you create or import an sbt project, IntelliJ IDEA generates the following sbt structure:

- sbt project (proper build) which defines a project and contains `build.sbt` file, `src` , and `target` directories, modules; anything related to a regular project.
- sbt **build** project which is defined in the `project` subdirectory. It contains additional code that is part of the build definition.
- sbt projects tool window which contains sbt tasks, commands, and settings that you can execute.

For more information on sbt project structure, see the related [sbt documentation](#) .

### Linking an external sbt project

You can link an external sbt project to the sbt project that you already have.

1. Open your `build.sbt` .
2. Specify the following code:

```
val localDep = RootProject(file("/path/to/project"))
```

where `localDep` in this case is a project that is located somewhere on the file system and will be imported as a module.

3. Refresh your project. (Click the  in the sbt projects tool window.)

IntelliJ IDEA displays the added project in the Project tool window as well as in the sbt projects tool window.

### Working with an sbt multi-module project

You can add a sub project or a module that would depend on your main sbt project using the `build.sbt` file.

1. Open `build.sbt` in the editor.
2. Specify, for example:

```
lazy val sampleModule = (project in file("sampleModule"))
```

where "sampleModule" is a sub project that you want to add. You can specify more than one sub project.

3. Refresh your project. (Click the  in the sbt projects tool window.)

IntelliJ IDEA generates a sub project directory with the appropriate information and displays it in both Project and sbt projects tool windows.



If you want the sub projects to automatically update when you change the version of Scala, specify `commonSettings` and `settings` method call for each sub project.

1. Open `build.sbt` .
2. Specify, for example, the following code:

```
lazy val commonSettings = Seq(  
  organization := "com.example",  
  version := "0.1.0-SNAPSHOT",  
  scalaVersion := "2.12.3"  
)  
  
lazy val moduleSample = (project in file("moduleSample"))  
  .settings(  
    commonSettings  
  )
```

The appropriate Scala version is added to the sub project's directory in the Project tool window and also to the sbt projects tool window as a dependency in the sub project.

## Working with dependencies in sbt projects

IntelliJ IDEA lets you use external dependencies in your sbt project.

You can use both managed dependencies and unmanaged dependencies:

- Managed dependencies are the ones that are added through `build.sbt` and managed by sbt.
- The unmanaged dependencies are the ones that you add to the `lib` directory in your project and manage manually.

We recommend that you use `build.sbt` for configuring all of the dependencies to ensure portability of the project.

1. Open `build.sbt` in the editor.
2. Specify your dependency which have the following syntax:

```
libraryDependencies += groupID % artifactID % revision
```

You can also declare several dependencies:

```
libraryDependencies ++= Seq(  
  groupID % artifactID % revision,  
  groupID % otherID % otherRevision  
)
```

You can also configure dependencies externally in the Maven POM file or Ivy configuration file and let sbt use those files.

For more information, please refer to the [sbt Library Management](#) page.

You can let sbt import a library that you would add via `import` statement.

1. Open a `.scala` file in the editor.
2. Specify a library you want to import.
3. Put the cursor on the unresolved package and press `Alt+Enter` .
4. From the list of available intention actions, select Add sbt dependency .


The dependency is added to the `build.sbt` file and downloaded by sbt.

5. Refresh  the sbt project.

**Tip** By default, sbt uses standard Maven2 repository to retrieve dependencies. The repository can locate most libraries when you specify a `libraryDependencies` line in the `build.sbt` file. You don't need to specify the location of the library. However, when a library is not in a standard repository, you can tell sbt where to search by adding a [resolver](#) .

## Working with sbt shell

An sbt shell is the embedded version of `sbt` command that you usually run on the command line. The sbt shell is part of an sbt project so you don't need to perform any additional installation.

- To open the sbt shell, click the  on the toolbar located in the sbt projects tool window.
- To use the sbt shell for build and import procedures, select the Use sbt shell for build and import (requires sbt 0.13.5+) option located in the [sbt settings](#) and perform steps described in the [Run a Scala application using the sbt shell](#) section.

Note that sbt versions 0.13.16.+ / 1.0.3.+ are recommended.

- You can use the sbt shell for debugging as described in the [debugging with sbt shell](#) section.
- You can run your tests from the sbt shell.
  1. Open a run/debug configuration ( `Run | Edit Configurations` ).
  2. Create a [test configuration](#) and select the use sbt option from the available settings.
- You can also run `test` or `test/only` command by entering it in the sbt shell.

## Running sbt tasks



### Running an sbt task via the sbt projects tool window

You can run sbt tasks by selecting the one you need from the sbt projects tool window.

1. In your sbt project, in the sbt projects tool window, click a project or module for which you want to execute a task.
2. In the list that opens, click sbt Tasks directory.
3. From the list that opens, double-click the appropriate task to run. Alternatively, right-click the task and from the context menu, click Run .
4. If you want to perform an action other than execution, right-click the task and from the context menu, click the appropriate action.
5. Check the results in the sbt Shell window.


### Running an sbt task via the sbt shell


You can enter and run your task directly in the sbt Shell .


1. In the sbt projects tool window, click  to launch the sbt shell.
2. In the sbt Shell window, start typing a name of the task you need to run, IntelliJ IDEA supports code completion.
3. Press  .


### Creating a run configuration for an sbt task

You can create a run configuration for an sbt task. For example, you can create a custom task which is not part of the list of tasks located in the sbt projects tool window.


1. On the main menu, select Run | Edit Configurations .
2. In the dialog that opens, click the  icon to open a list of new configurations.
3. In the list that opens, locate and select sbt Task .
4. On the right side of the sbt task configuration page, specify a name of your configuration, tasks that you want to include for this configuration and other related options.


If you need, you can add another configuration or a task to execute before running your configuration. Click the  icon in the Before Launch section and from the list that opens select what you need to execute.

5. Click OK .
6. Run  your configuration and check the results in the Run tool window.

 You execute sbt commands and settings the same way as you would execute [sbt tasks](#) .

### Working with sbt settings

To access sbt settings, click  in the sbt projects tool window. You can use sbt settings for the following notable actions:

- If you want sbt automatically refresh your project every time you make changes to `build.sbt` , select Use auto-import .
- To delegate running builds to sbt, select Use sbt shell for build and import(requires sbt 0.13.5+) .
- To debug your code via the sbt shell, select Enable debugging for sbt shell option that enables a debug button () in the sbt shell tool window. To start the debugging session, simply click this button. For more information on debugging, see [debugging with sbt](#) .
- To change the .ivy cache location in your project or set other [sbt properties](#) , use the VM parameters field.

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## – Creating a project

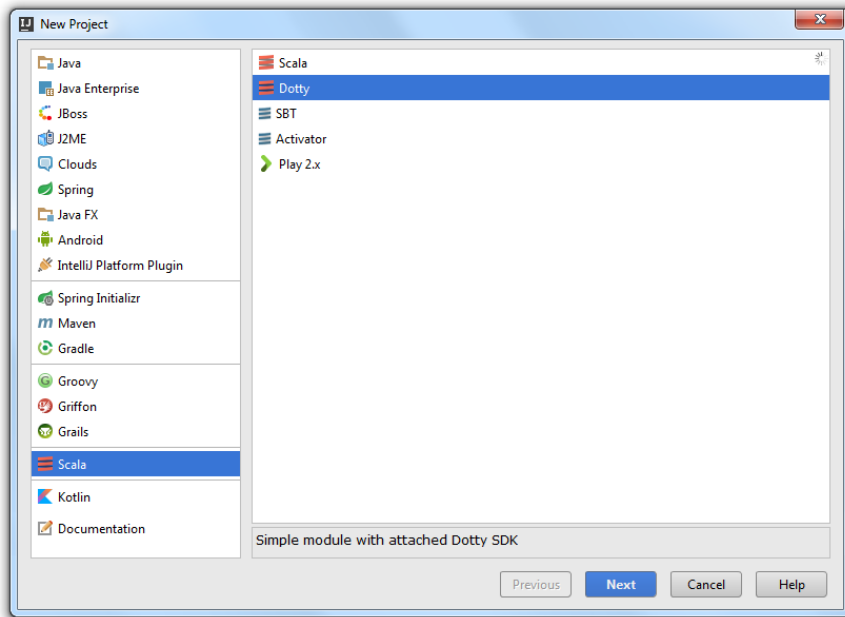
IntelliJ IDEA lets you create a Scala project with the Dotty SDK.

### Creating a project

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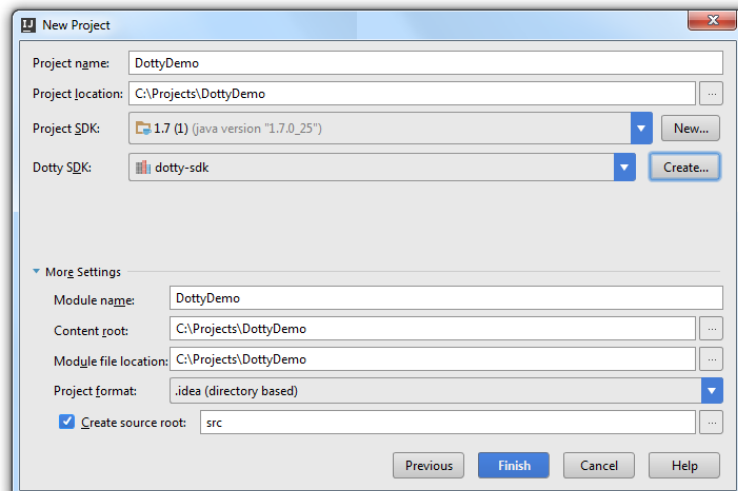
1. If no project is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA, click Create New Project on the Welcome screen. Otherwise, select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the New Project wizard opens.
2. In the left-hand pane, select Scala .
3. In the right-hand pane, select Dotty .

You can also select [Scala](#) for creating a project with the Scala module, [SBT](#) for creating a project with the SBT module, [Play 2.x](#) for creating a project with the Play 2.x framework or [Activator](#) for creating a project with Typesafe Activator templates.

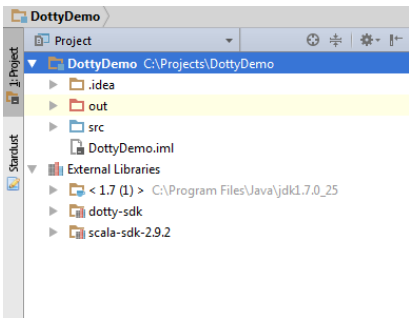


Click Next .

4. On the next page of the wizard, specify your project's information and click Finish .



The IntelliJ IDEA will create a project with the Dotty SDK. For more information on Dotty, please refer to the [Dotty](#) page.



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- [Creating a project](#)
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- [Checking project settings](#)
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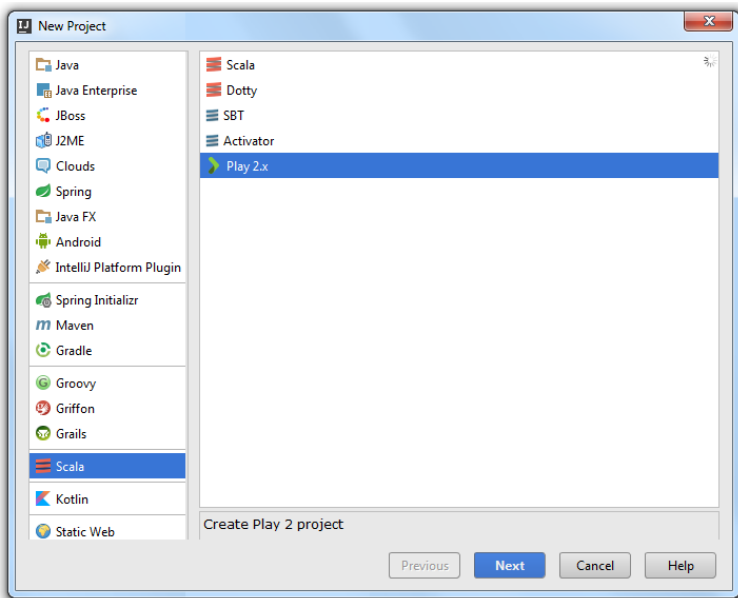
As a result, the New Project wizard opens.

2. In the left-hand pane, select Scala .

Note that for creating a Java project with the Play 2.x framework, you need to select Java .

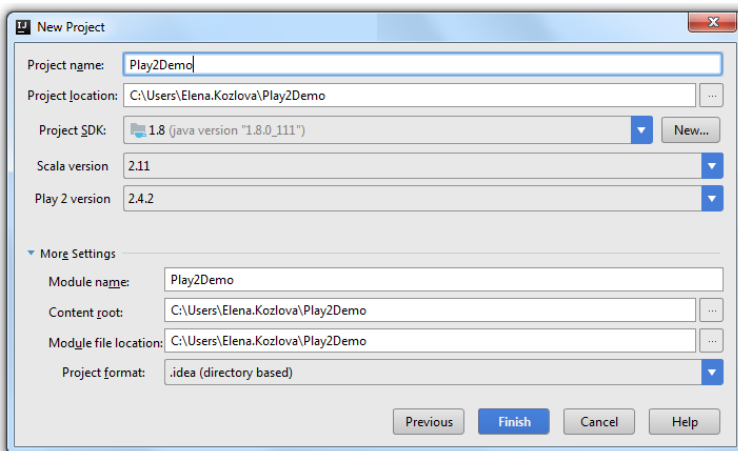
3. In the right-hand pane, select Play 2.x .

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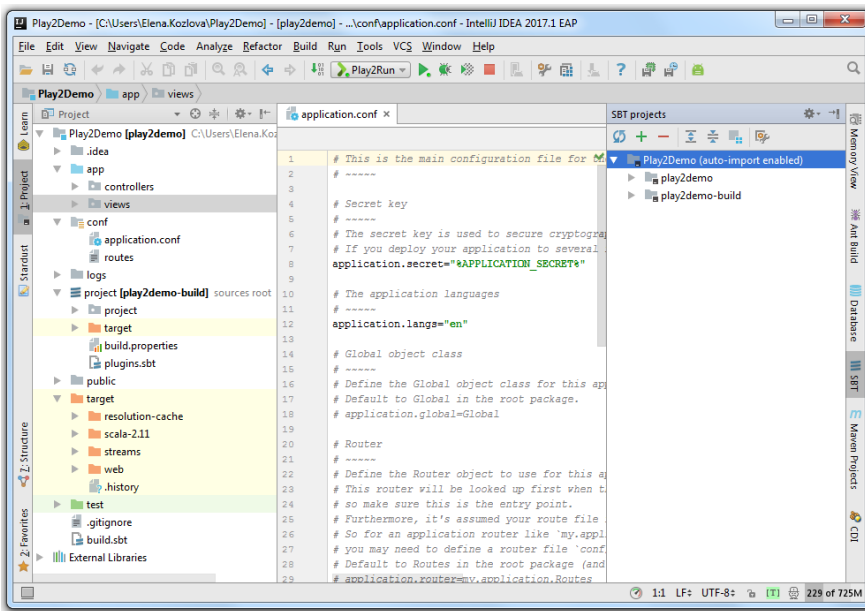


Click Next .

4. On the next page of the wizard, specify project and module location settings.



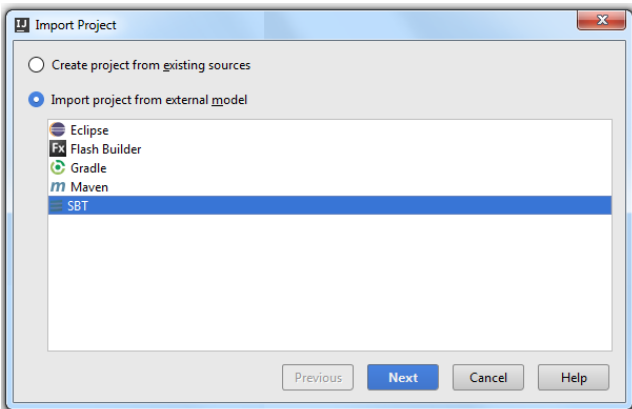
Click Finish . The IDE will create an empty application.



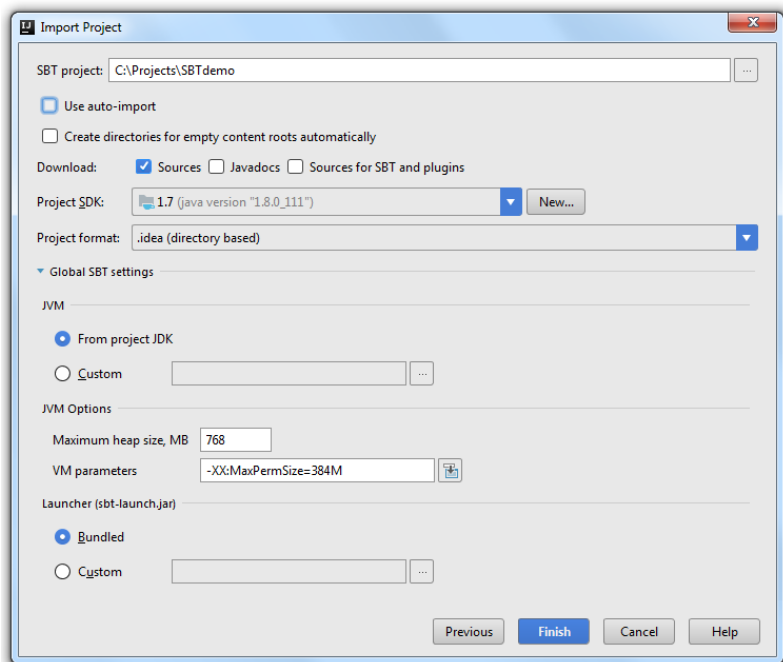
## Importing a Play 2.x project

IntelliJ IDEA lets you import an existing Play 2.x project.


1. On the main menu, select File | New | Project from Existing Sources .
2. In the window that opens, select a file that you want to import and click OK . The Import project wizard opens.
3. On the first page of the wizard, select Import project from external model option and choose SBT project from the list. Click Next .

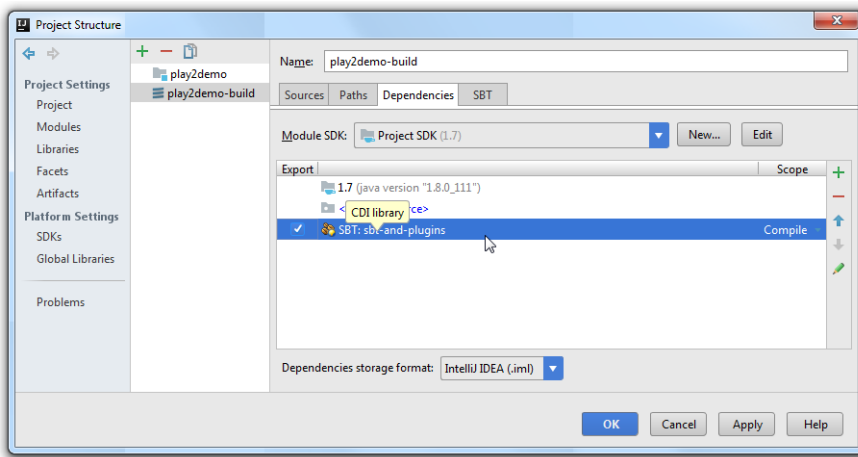


4. On the next page of the wizard, select SBT options and click Finish .

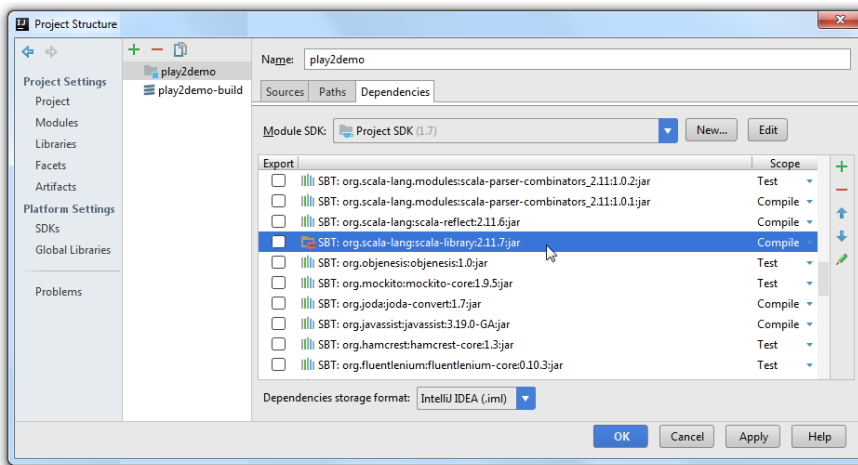


## Checking project settings

1. On the main menu, select File | Project Structure . Alternatively, use  icon on the Toolbar .
2. In the Project Structure dialog, check if module dependencies are resolved without warnings.

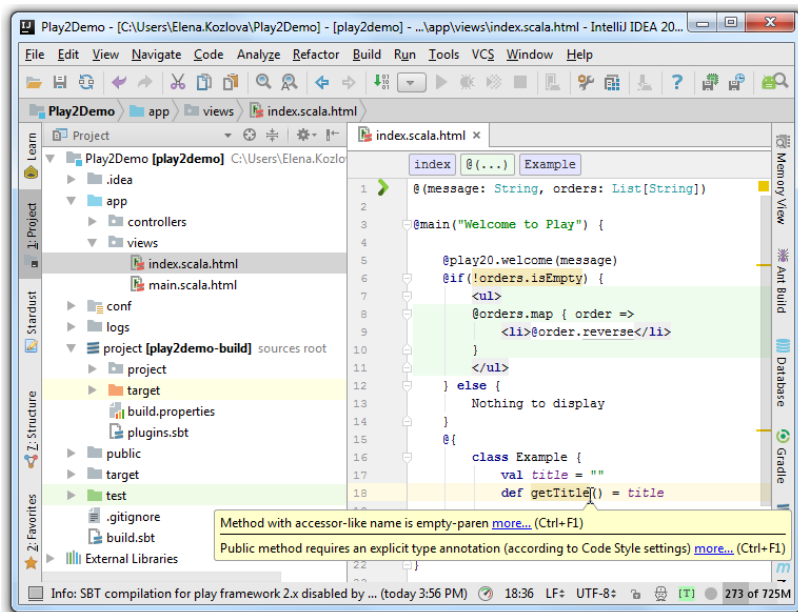


Also, ensure that the Scala compiler library is set.



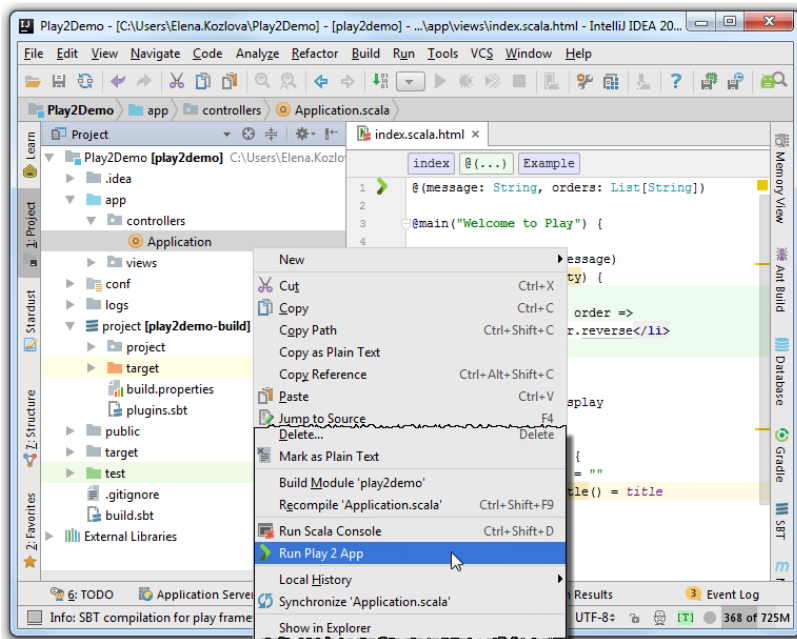
## Using code assistance

When everything is set up, you can use code completion, navigation and on-the-fly code analysis features in your Play files. IntelliJ IDEA also supports code assistance for routes files and code inspections.



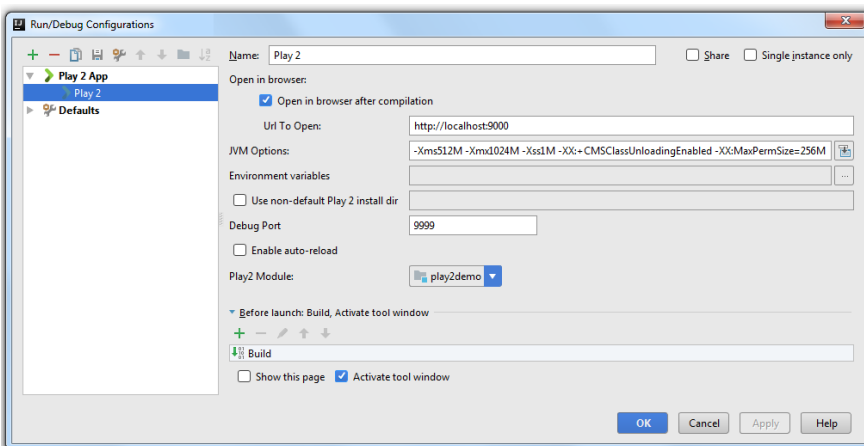
## Running a Play 2.x application

1. In the project tool window, right-click the application.
2. On the context menu, select Run Play 2 App .



## Debugging a Play 2.x application

1. On the main menu, select Run | Debug .
2. From the list that opens, select Edit Configurations .
3. In the dialog that opens, specify settings for debugging or use the default ones and press OK . IntelliJ IDEA will start a debugging session.





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On this page:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Before you start](#)
- [Importing a Scala.js project](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA lets you import or check out from [VCS](#) an existing [Scala.js](#) project. Scala.js compiles Scala code to JavaScript and lets you write your Web application entirely in Scala.

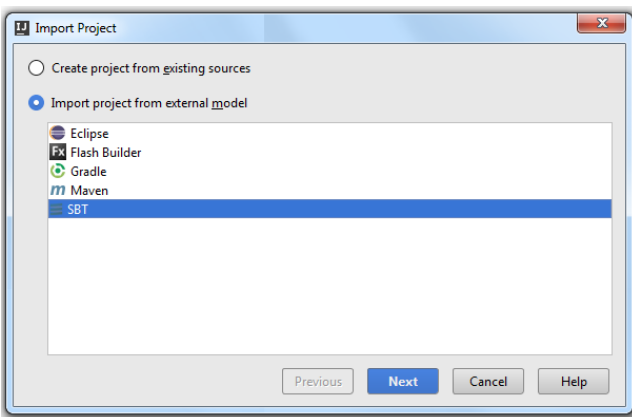
## Before you start

Before you start importing your Scala.js project, make sure that the Scala plugin is [downloaded and enabled](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.

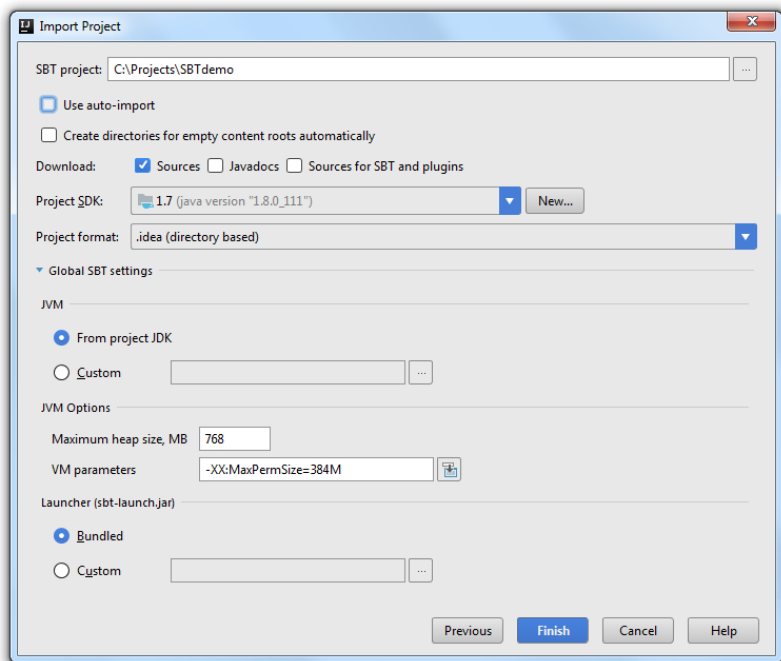
## Importing a Scala.js project

IntelliJ IDEA lets you import an existing Scala.js project.

1. On the main menu select File | New | Project from Existing Sources .
2. In the window that opens, select a file that you want to import and click OK . The Import project wizard opens.
3. On the first page of the wizard, select Import project from external model option and choose SBT project from the list.  
Click Next .



4. On the next page of the wizard, select [SBT options](#) and click Finish .



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## – Creating a project

### Creating a project

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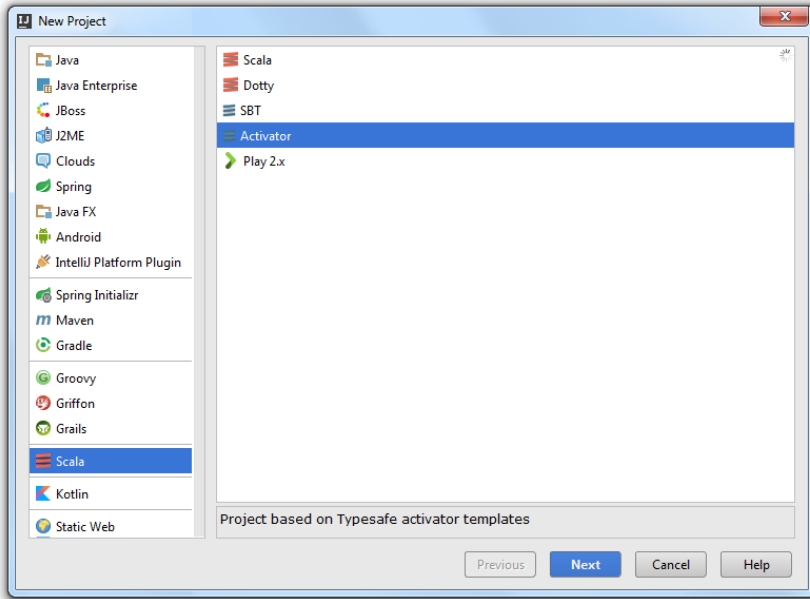
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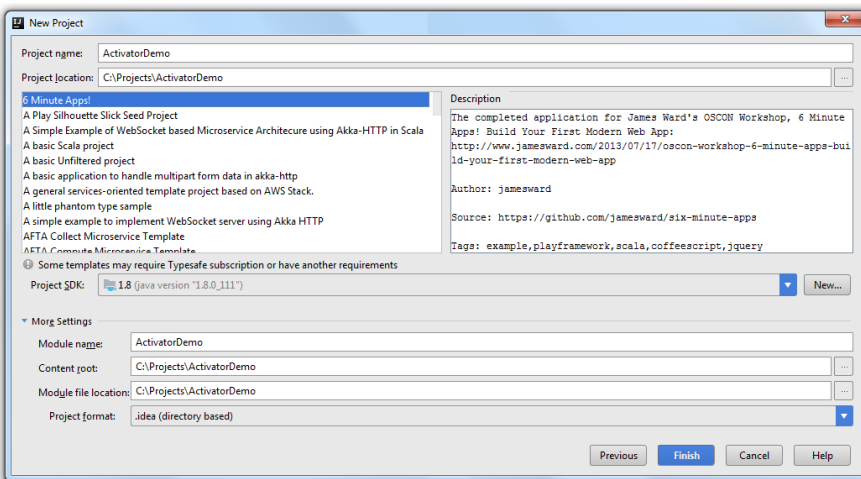
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Click Next .

4. On the next page of the wizard, specify your project's information, select a template application that you want to open and click Finish .





The IntelliJ IDEA will create a project with the selected template application.

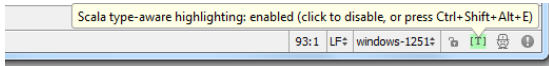
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Scala type-aware highlighting lets you get an error analysis based on the Scala type system before you start the compilation process.


- [Enabling or Disabling Type-Aware Highlighting on the Project Level](#)
- [Enabling or Disabling Type-Aware Highlighting on the File Level](#)
- [Working with Type-Aware Highlighting in Editor](#)
- [Disabling Type-Aware Highlighting Locally](#)

## Enabling or Disabling Type-Aware Highlighting on the Project Level

- Enable or disable the type-aware highlighting for your project by clicking  or  icon on the status bar. You can also use the `(Ctrl+Shift+Alt+E)` shortcut.

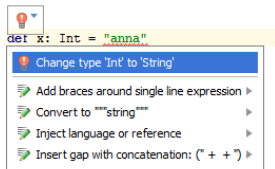


## Enabling or Disabling Type-Aware Highlighting on the File Level

- Open the file and on the status bar click  Hector icon. If you disable Hector, then the type-aware highlighting will also be disabled. Each time you enable or disable the type-aware highlighting, you can see the notification of the status's change in the Event log.

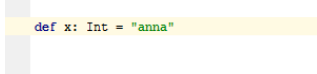
## Working with Type-Aware Highlighting in Editor

- Let's see how it works:



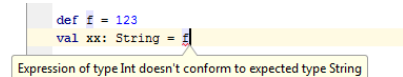
As you can see, the expression is wrong and the value is highlighted.

If the type-aware highlighting is disabled, the error is not highlighted and it might be quite difficult to spot:



- You can also enable the highlighting based on expression type inference.

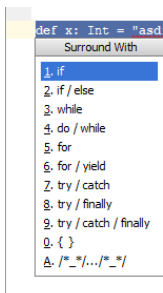
Consider the following example:



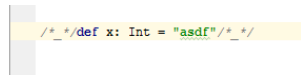
As the pop-up message suggests, the expression type is wrong and is highlighted.

## Disabling Type-Aware Highlighting Locally

- Highlight the code and on the main menu select Code | Surround With .
- When Surround With window opens, select the `/*_*/.../*_*/` option from the list.



After you've selected the appropriate option your code looks like this:



As a result, the error is not highlighted.

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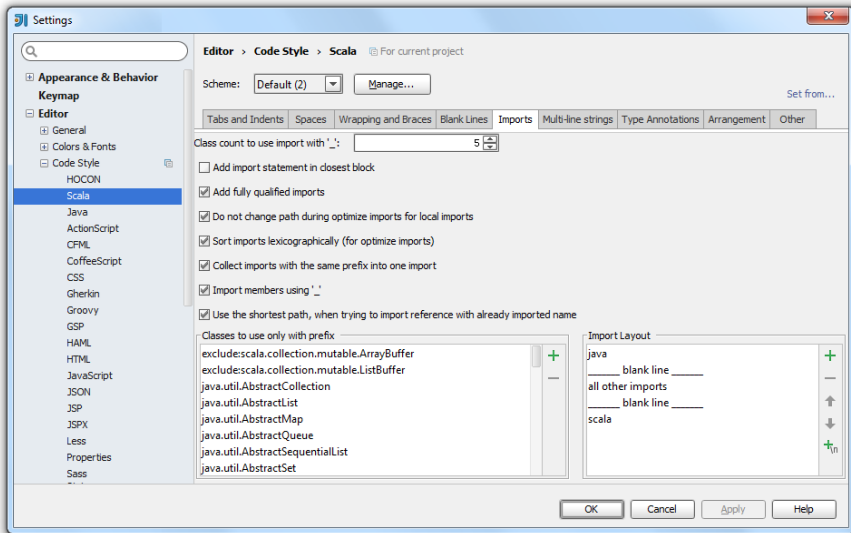
IntelliJ IDEA lets you manage your imports in Scala the same way as it does in other languages. You can configure imports in the Project Settings and in the IDE Settings. You can also optimize your imports and exclude classes from auto-import in the editor.

- [Managing Scala Imports through the Scala Settings](#)
- [Managing Scala Imports through Auto Import Settings](#)
- [Optimizing Imports](#)
- [Excluding Classes from Auto-Import](#)

## Managing Scala Imports through the Scala Settings

You can format your imports using Project Settings.

1. Select File | Settings | Code Style | Scala .
2. On the Scala page, select Imports tab.

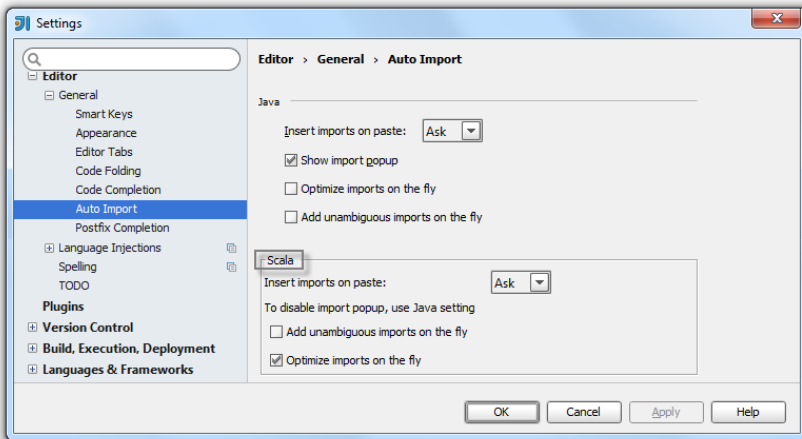


3. In the Imports tab, configure the [Importing settings](#) and press OK .

## Managing Scala Imports through Auto Import Settings

You can configure the behavior of the imports in your workspace through the Auto Import settings.

1. Select File | Settings | Editor | General | Auto Import .



2. On the Auto Import page, in the Scala section, select from the following options:
  - Insert imports on paste - use this drop-down list to define how IntelliJ IDEA will insert imports for pasted blocks of code if they contain references to classes that are not imported into the target class.

You can select from the following options:

- **All** - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add import statements for all classes that are found in the pasted block of code and are not imported in the current class yet.
- **Ask** - if this option is selected, when pasting code blocks, IntelliJ IDEA will open a dialog box, where you can choose the desired imports.
- **None** - select this option to suppress import.

If you skip an import suggested in the **Ask** mode or choose the **None** mode, the non-imported classes will be red-

highlighted and an import pop-up window will appear to help you create import statements using the `Alt+Enter` keyboard shortcut.

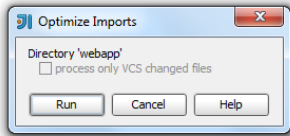
- Optimize imports on the fly - select this checkbox to have the Optimize Imports operation automatically performed for your files.

If you clear this checkbox, you can manually optimize your imports selecting `Code | Optimize Imports`.

- Add unambiguous imports on the fly - select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add imports that can be added without user intervention.

## Optimizing Imports

You can optimize imports on the directory selecting `Code | Optimize Imports` command. In this dialog box, specify from where you want IntelliJ IDEA to remove unused import statements, in order to optimize the import procedure.



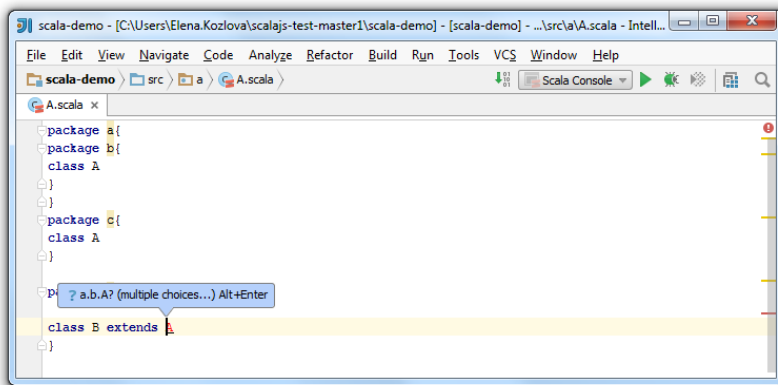
- Process only VCS changed files - if this checkbox is selected, then reformatting will apply only to the files that have been **changed locally**, but not yet checked in to the repository.

This checkbox is only available for the files under version control.

## Excluding Classes from Auto-Import

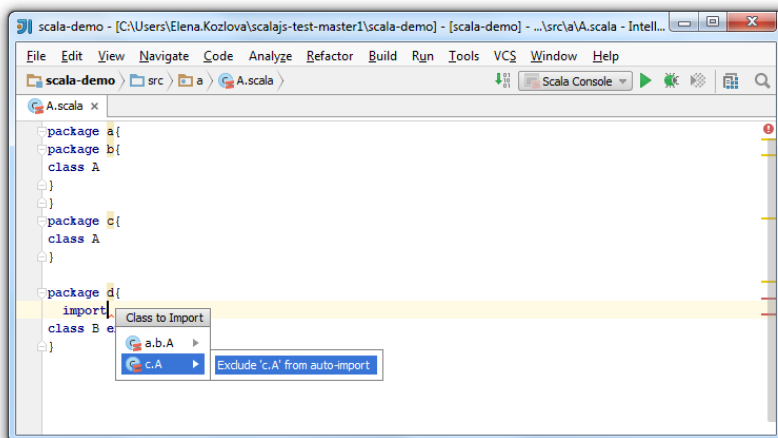
If the list of suggested imports is too wide, you can exclude unnecessary classes on the fly using intention actions.

1. Start typing a name in the editor.

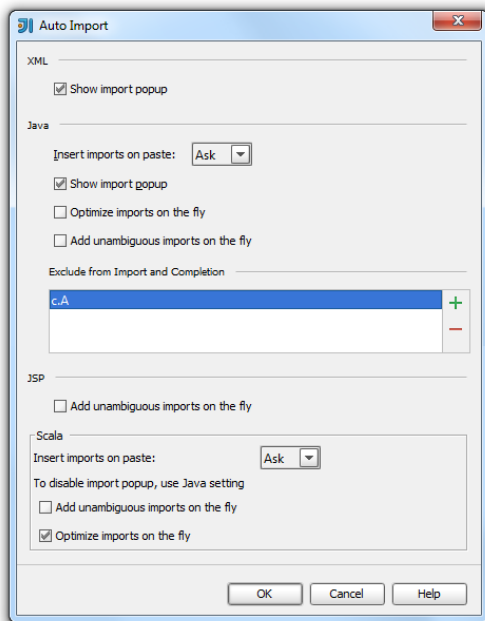


2. In the Class to Import suggestion list, click `Alt + Enter`, and click the right arrow to reveal the nested list of intention actions.

IntelliJ IDEA suggests to exclude specific class or the whole containing package.



3. In the dialog that opens perform necessary changes and click `OK`.



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## Introduction

[Seam](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA enables you to develop, run, debug and deploy applications using the facilities provided by this framework, by means of a dedicated Seam facet. Usually, Seam facet is used in modules in conjunction with the other facets required by the nature of your applications (for example, Web, EJB, JSF, Java EE, or Hibernate). Seam in IntelliJ IDEA make it easy to implement transactional models, Java Persistence API, JSF, and jPDL technologies.

Seam support involves:

- Automatic detection of Seam components.
- Detecting and visualizing Seam component dependencies.
- Possibility to detect and download the missing libraries and archives.
- Seam annotations.
- Injected expression language.
- Coding assistance (code completion, intention actions and quick fixes), which applies to the Seam annotations, components, navigation and pageflow definition files, and to injected expressions.
- Navigation, search and refactoring.

Besides the above mentioned features, IntelliJ IDEA supports business processes and pageflows provided by Seam:

- Possibility to define the page navigation rules, using the text editor, or the Navigations Graph.
- Possibility to define jPDL pageflow, using the text editor, or the Designer.

## Developing applications using Jboss Seam

### To develop an application using Jboss Seam, follow these general steps

1. [Configure Seam support](#) in your module.
2. Set up the required data sources, see [Managing data sources](#) .
3. Populate your application with the necessary classes.
4. [Define the Seam components](#) , using the `components.xml` file and Seam annotations.
5. Annotate the classes, using the other annotations (EJB, persistence etc.)
6. [Define the page navigation rules](#) .
7. [Define the pageflow](#) .

**Tip** In an application with Seam facet, you can:

- In addition to the regular means of [navigation](#) , you can jump [between the parties of a conversation](#) , or [from an observer to an event](#) .
- [Explore Seam components dependencies](#) .

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Seam support requires a thorough approach to the module configuration. It is essential that all the necessary facets are enabled, and the libraries are defined. Thus you will be able to annotate your code, use import assistance, code completion and other productivity features of IntelliJ IDEA.

## To configure Seam support in a module

1. [Add Seam facet to the desired module](#) .
2. If you have not configured libraries for Seam in advance, the facet page displays the list of missing libraries. To resolve the problem, click the Fix button. In the Specify Libraries dialog box, specify whether you would like to use one of the existing libraries, or download the missing archive. You can control the target location where the archive will be placed, the library name, and the level on which the library will be created.
3. Edit the configuration files provided by other facets ( `web.xml` , `ejb-jar.xml` , `faces-config.xml` , hibernate configuration files etc) to include Seam-specific elements.
4. Create the necessary Seam files ( `seam.properties` , `components.xml` , `pages.xml` etc.)



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You can define Seam components in two ways:

- By adding annotations to a class.
- By declaring a component in the `components.xml` file.

A component can be declared both with an annotation, and with an entry in the `components.xml` file. The `components.xml` file is used to specify additional properties of a component.

## To annotate a class as a Seam component

1. Open the desired class for editing.
2. Add the `@Name` Seam annotation:

```
>@Entity  
<@Name("")  
public hotel
```

**Tip** If the corresponding import statements are missing, use the import assistant prompt.

## To create the components.XML file

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the directory where you want to create the `components.xml` file, for example, `WEB-INF` directory, and choose New | Seam components.xml on the context menu.
2. Populate the file as required. Note that Seam-aware coding assistance is available.

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IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to view all Seam facets detected in your project in the [Seam tool window](#) . This view displays the list of all Seam components grouped by modules. The appropriate library components are also included.



For each module with a Seam facet, you can explore its structure using a dedicated dependencies graph. To open this graph, use the Show Seam Components Dependencies command available in the context menu for a module.

The read-only dependencies graph opens on a separate editor tab. You can change the way the graph is shown (zoom in and out, show or hide grid, change the layout, etc.) and perform other, basic operations.

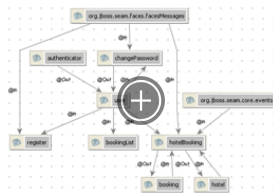
## Viewing Seam components and dependencies

1. To open the [Seam tool window](#) , choose View | Tool Windows | Seam . The modules with a Seam facet are shown.

**Tip** You can navigate from a component to its definition in the Project view by pressing **F4** .

2. Use the toolbar buttons or the keyboard shortcuts to expand (, **Ctrl+NumPad Plus** ) or collapse (, **Ctrl+NumPad -** ) the nodes.

3. To open the dependency diagram for a module, right-click the module of interest and select Show Seam Components Dependencies from the context menu.



4. To view or edit the source code for a component, open the component in the editor. To do that, select the component of interest and press **F4** .  
To open the components which are the "leaves" of the tree (i. e. the ones at the bottom of the hierarchy), you can also use a double click.

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## Introduction

If you have to define views for a whole application, use the global `pages.xml` file. This file contains description of the navigation rules, page actions, and exception handling. For a large application this file can grow too large, and in this case it makes sense to create a number of fine-grained `*.page.xml` files, one file per page. So doing, the global items should be still described in the `pages.xml` file.

IntelliJ IDEA provides [Navigation Graph](#) as an additional tab to the textual source of the xml file. In this view you can explore the page navigation rules in a convenient way.

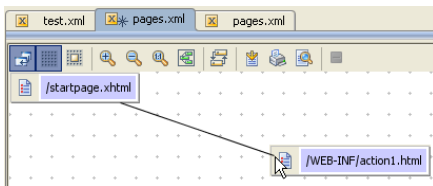
The Navigation Graph tab is only available for the global `pages.xml` file. All the `*.page.xml` files detected in a module are collected and included in the common graph.

It is very important to properly configure the [Web resource directories](#) for a Web facet of your module. In particular, the directories that contain pages to be included in the navigation rules, should be added to the list of Web resources.

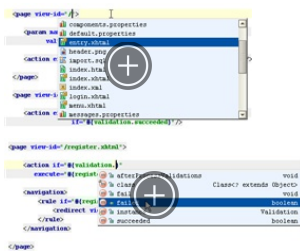
## Creating pages.XML file

### To create pages.XML file

1. In the Project view, right-click the `WEB-INF` directory.
2. On the context menu, choose `New | Seam pages.xml`. Stub `pages.xml` file is created.
3. Populate the file with the necessary pages, and define navigation rules. You can do it in one of the two possible ways:
  - Open the Navigation Graph tab, in the Project view select the desired pages, and drag-and-drop them to the diagram background. Draw links between the nodes.



- Open the Text tab, and type the source code for the navigation rules. Note that code completion is available for the paths to the pages, xml elements and expression language:

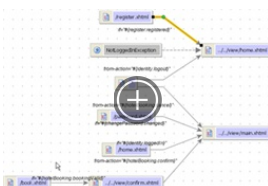


Note that source code of the page navigation file is fully synchronized with the Navigation Graph. Adding or removing a page or a link to/from the Navigation Graph is immediately reflected in the source code.

## Opening page navigation rules file

### To open the page navigation rules file

- In the Project view of the Project tool window, right-click the `pages.xml` file, and choose `Jump to Source`, or just press `F4`.



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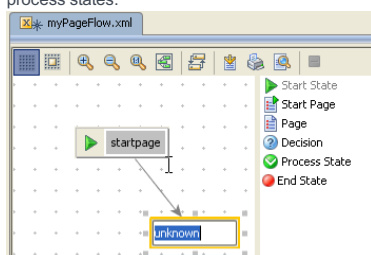
Enabling Seam facet in a module makes it possible to create pageflow definition using jPDL. IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated graphic Designer, completely synchronized with the source code. In the Designer, you can create a stub pageflow, which is immediately reflected in the source code of the pageflow file. To make the pageflow definition usable, you have to additionally edit the source code of the pageflow file.

It is very important to properly configure the [Web resource directories](#) for a Web facet of your module. In particular, the directories that contain pages to be included in the pageflow, should be added to the list of Web resources.

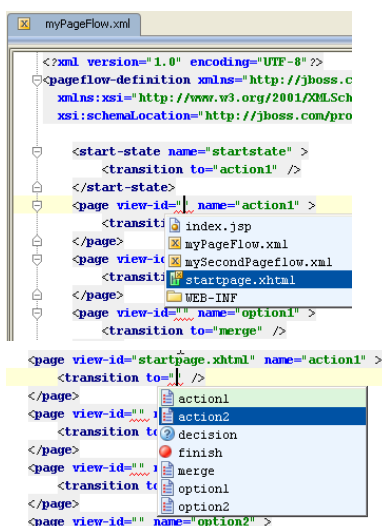
## Creating pageflow definition

### To create a pageflow definition

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the directory where you want to create the pageflow definition file, for example, `WEB-INF` directory, choose `New | Seam pageflow` on the context menu, and specify the file name. IntelliJ IDEA creates pageflow definition stub xml file, and opens it in a separate tab in the editor.
2. Click the Designer tab of the pageflow definition file.
3. Click the desired button in the toolbox of the Designer, and drag it to the Designer area. Add other nodes, and change their names as required. This way you can create start and end state, pages, decisions, and process states.



4. Draw links between nodes.
5. In the Text tab, edit the source code to associate it with specific views, add attributes and subelements (specifying action and decision expressions, transitions names, events, adding subprocesses to process states etc). Note the code completion for the attributes and values:



## Actions, available in the Designer



The following actions are available in the Designer:

- Navigation: you can jump from the visual presentation of a pageflow in the Designer to the underlying source code. To do that, right-click an element, and choose `Jump to Source` on the context menu, or press `F4`.
- Show Usages and Find Usages: select a node, and press `(Ctrl+Alt+F7)` or `(Alt+F7)`.
- Rename refactoring: select a node, press `(Shift+F6)`, and specify the new name in the Rename dialog box. So doing, the corresponding reference in the underlying xml file is also updated. Note that if you rename a node using the in-place editor, its reference in the source code is not changed, and an error is highlighted.
- Deleting nodes and links: when a node or link is deleted from the graph, the corresponding element is deleted from the

underlying xml file.

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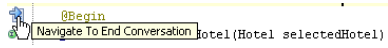
Seam support in IntelliJ IDEA includes support for conversations. The beginning and the end of a conversation are denoted with the `@Begin` and `@End` annotations respectively. In the source code editor, these annotations are marked with the gutter icons:

-  jump to the beginning of a conversation.
-  jump to the end of a conversation.

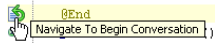
IntelliJ IDEA enables you navigate from the beginning of a conversation to its end, and vice versa.

## To navigate between the beginning and ending points of a conversation

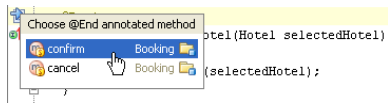
- Click the gutter icon to the left from the `@Begin` annotation:



- Click the gutter icon to the left from the `@End` annotation:



If there are several possible end points of a conversation, you are prompted to select the desired one:

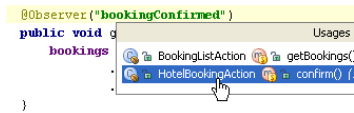


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If a method is marked as an observer of a certain event type, you can jump to a method where this event is raised, using the [Show Usages](#) command.

## To navigate from an observer to an event to be observed

1. In the editor, place the caret at the event type value in the `@Observer` annotation.
2. Press `Ctrl+Alt+F7`, or choose `Edit | Find | Show Usages` on the main menu.
3. From the suggestion list, select the desired destination.



The class containing the method that raises the event in question, is opened in a separate tab, the caret resting at the event type value:

```
events.raiseTransactionSuccessEvent("bookingConfirmed");
```

**Tip** If an event is defined in the `components.xml` file, same kind of navigation is also available for it.

## Configuring Spring facet

**Warning!** Spring support is available in the Ultimate edition only.

To be able to use Spring in your project, you need to have a Spring facet that comprises libraries and UI elements for configuring Spring-specific settings.

IntelliJ IDEA can automatically detect Spring configuration in your code. It will inform you about missing configuration and will suggest necessary actions.

**Tip** If you are creating a brand new project or module, you can use the wizard to select necessary frameworks and libraries.

If for some reason IntelliJ IDEA could not detect configuration files, you can add the facet manually:

1. From the main menu, select File | Project Structure , or press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` .
2. From the left-hand list, select Modules .
3. Select the necessary module and click `+` in the middle section.
4. Select Spring from the list.
5. You might need to set up a library when adding a facet. In this case, click Fix at the bottom of the window next to a warning message.

If you already have a Spring library, you can use it as is, or create a new library using JAR files on your computer. In this case, select the Use library option.

If you do not have a library, select Download .

If the Spring facet is configured correctly, you will see the gutter icons marking each component, bean, etc. To configure the gutter icons, press `Ctrl+Alt+S` and go to Editor | General | Gutter Icons .

## Creating application context

Spring application context is a way of grouping configuration files in IntelliJ IDEA. When you create a context, you let IntelliJ IDEA understand relationships between configuration files included into this context.

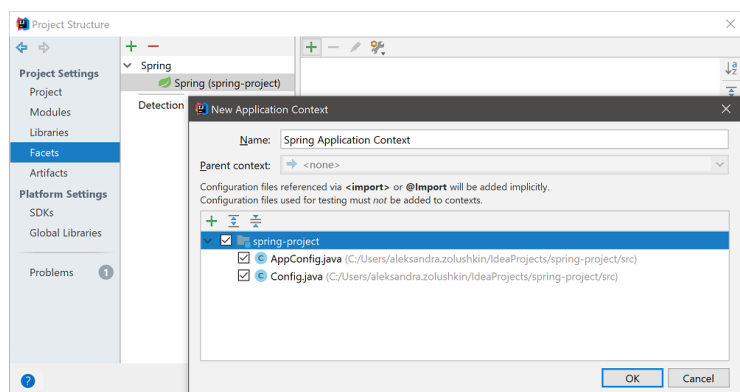
You can create as many application contexts as you need; any configuration file may be included in more than one context.

**Note** In some cases, you will not need to configure a context. For example, Spring MVC web applications have strict rules about their configuration. Spring support in IntelliJ IDEA can deduce them and create an autodetected application context for you, as well as set up the Web facet.

To create an application context:

1. Navigate to File | Project Structure | Facets .
2. Select the necessary Spring facet from the list and click `+` in the right-hand section.
3. In the New Application Context dialog, enter a name, and select files you want to include in the context.

Use the `-` and `↻` options to remove and edit contexts.



## Configuring parent context

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to configure a parent-child relationship between contexts.

Beans from a parent context are visible to beans in child contexts, but not vice versa. This way beans from child contexts can use configuration from the parent context.


For example, Spring MVC applications usually have two contexts. One context belongs to web layer beans, the other context is used for services and repositories. The web layer context will be a child context in this case, as you need to inject services into controllers, not other way around.

**Note** IntelliJ IDEA can configure parent context automatically. For example, if the IDE detects Spring Cloud context, it will make it a parent application context for Spring Boot.



To configure a parent context, use the New Application Context dialog.

The Multiple Context panel shows up on top of the editor for files included into two or more application contexts. You can use this panel to select another active context, for example, if you want to run your application with different configuration, and change highlighting. Click on the context name and select a context from the popup dialog.

To disable the panel, click , and deselect the Show Multiple Context panel checkbox.

## Navigating Spring dependencies

### Viewing Spring dependencies on diagram

The Spring dependencies diagram lets you view and analyze dependencies between beans and dependencies between configuration files in your project.

To build a diagram:

**Warning!** The UML Support plugin must be enabled to work with diagrams.

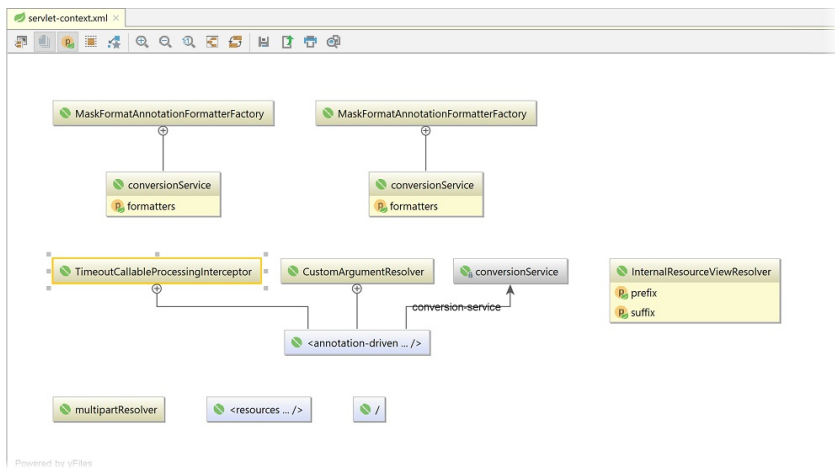
1. In the project structure, right-click a configuration file for which you want to build a diagram.
2. Select Diagrams from the menu.
3. Select Show Diagram Popup ( `Ctrl+Alt+U` ) to open a diagram in a local popup window, or Show Diagram ( `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U` ) to open the diagram in the editor.
4. Select a diagram type. Use the Spring diagram to view beans that were defined in Spring configuration files.

The Spring Model Dependencies diagram is used for viewing relationship between configuration files.

**Tip** Bean names are considered symbols, so you can use the [navigate to symbol](#) option as well.

In Spring MVC you can also use URI request mapping to navigate to symbol. This will get you to the controller method that is mapped to the URI.

Different color edges on the diagram denote different types of connections between components ( import , component scan , etc.). Tooltips on the nodes and the edges can give you details on what each element contributes to the application context.

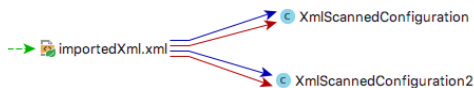


### Using diagrams to detect setup errors

Errors in your Spring configuration can happen at the dependencies level. For example, a circular dependency.

Circular dependencies may be hard to detect as they do not cause any obvious errors. However, some beans will be loaded multiple times possibly resulting in unexpected behaviour.

On diagrams, red arrows mark errors, such as circular dependencies, and allow you to easily spot and remove them from



your Spring configuration.

### Browsing dependencies in Spring tool window

The Spring tool window helps you navigate between Spring components and dependencies. You can view definitions for the Spring beans used in your project, and see how they are related to other beans.

To access the Spring tool window, navigate to View | Tool Windows | Spring .

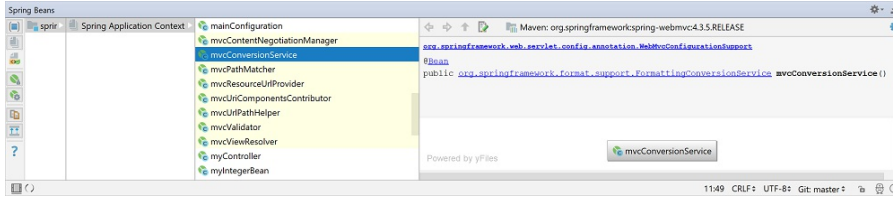
**Note** For Spring MVC , the tool window lets you navigate to request mappings.

If your configuration comprises Spring Data , the Data tab of the tool window will show you the list of repositories, their queries and their projection.

The left part of the window lists all modules in your project.

Click on the necessary module to view application contexts, and then configuration files in these contexts.

For each configuration file, you can view the list of beans. By clicking on a bean, you can view its documentation and diagram showing its relation to other beans.



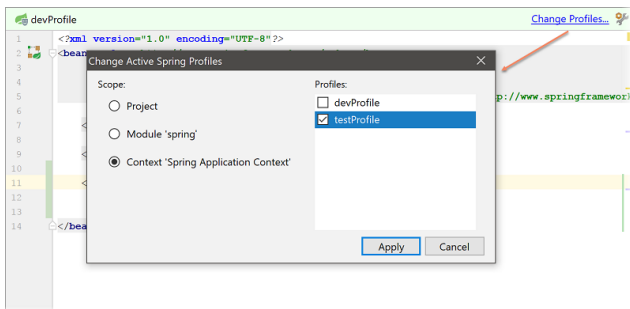
## Changing active profiles

Spring allows you to map specific contexts or beans to different profiles — for example, *test* or *production*. This way, you can activate different profiles in different environments.

If you have defined at least one profile in your project, IntelliJ IDEA will show a special panel on top of the editor. You can use this panel to view the current profile name and to change active profiles:

**Tip** You can also change active profiles in the Spring tool window. Right-click a component and select **Change Active Spring Profiles**.

1. Click **Change Profiles** on the panel.
2. Select a component to which you want to map the profile. This can be either entire project, current module or current context.
3. Select a profile to which you want to map this component.



If you want to hide the panel, click .

it. In the next dialog, deselect the **Show Profiles panel** checkbox.

## Spring Boot

### Getting started with Spring Boot

Spring Initializr is a wizard that allows you to select the necessary configuration when you are creating a project or a module. For example, you can select the necessary building tool, or add Spring Boot starters and dependencies.


To access the wizard, navigate to **File | New | Project or Module**, and select **Spring Initializr**. Follow the steps of the wizard to select technologies and dependencies you want to use.

### Configuring custom configuration files

**Note** Some custom configuration files are configured automatically. For example, profile-specific configuration files with names that match the current naming pattern will be added to the context.

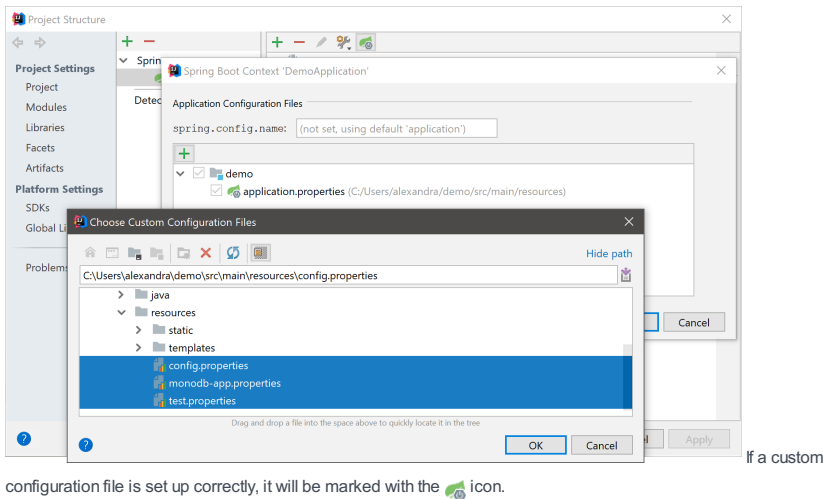
Spring Initializr creates one default configuration file that may not always be sufficient for your purposes. If you do not want to use the default configuration file, or if you want to run your code in different environments, you can use custom configuration files.

To do so, you have to let IntelliJ IDEA know which files are configuration files in your project. This will enable relevant highlighting and coding assistance.

1. Navigate to **File | Project Structure | Facets**.
2. Click  ( **Customize Spring Boot** ) in the toolbar.
3. If you want to use a custom configuration file instead of the default one, type in the name of a new custom configuration file in the search box.

If you want to use multiple configuration files, click  and select files from the project tree.

4. Click **OK** and apply the changes.



## Running and monitoring Spring Boot applications

**Note** The endpoints feature is available in Spring Boot version 1.3 and later.

Spring Boot has built-in features that allow you to get key metrics and monitor the state of your application in production environment by invoking different endpoints, such as health or bean details.

In IntelliJ IDEA, you can view endpoints on the Endpoints tab. This tab appears on the Run dashboard, or in the Run/Debug tool window, when you run an application.

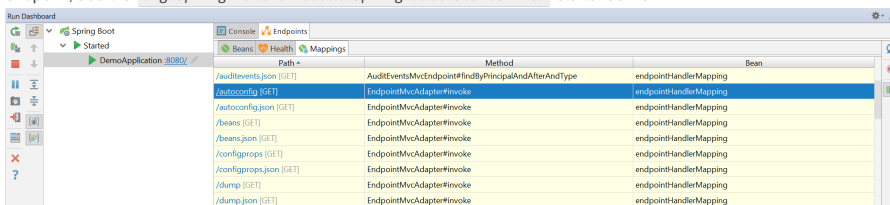
To enable the Run dashboard, open the Run/Debug Configurations dialog, and select Defaults. Under the Run Dashboard Types section, click + and select Spring Boot.

To show or hide the dashboard, go to View | Tool Windows and click Run dashboard.

**Tip** The Run dashboard allows you manage your applications and monitor their state. If any errors are detected at runtime, the dashboard will display information that will help you identify and resolve them.

The Endpoints tab becomes available if the Enable JMX agent checkbox is selected in the Run/Debug Configurations dialog.

Moreover, make sure to add the `org.springframework.boot.spring-boot-starter-actuator` dependency to your module before running your application. This will let IntelliJ IDEA access and display the endpoints. For the mappings endpoint, add the `org.springframework.boot.spring-boot-starter-web` starter as well.



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- [Managing Validators](#)
- [Using the Web Flow Diagram](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA supports the [Struts](#) framework for creating Java EE and Web Applications.

Struts support is enabled through the dedicated Web and Struts facets. The dedicated [facets](#) that contain settings, configuration file paths, and validation rules determine the structure of the module so that IntelliJ IDEA detects how to treat the module contents.

- A Struts facet can be only created as a child of a [Web facet](#) .
- Only one Struts facet is allowed per module.

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following support of the Struts framework:

- Automatic creation of the specific module structure and the Web application deployment descriptor `web.xml` based on the dedicated Web facet.
- Downloading and adding the necessary libraries automatically and creating the Struts application configuration file `struts-config.xml` based on the dedicated [Struts facet](#) .
- Coding assistance, including code completion, syntax and error highlighting, documentation lookup, and refactoring.
- Go to Symbol and support for Actions.
- [Code inspections](#) .
- [Structure tool window](#) with native Struts application structure navigation and Struts actions.
- A [Struts Assistant tool window](#) that provides facilities to [manage Struts elements](#) .

## Developing Web applications with Struts

### To develop a Web application using Struts, follow these general steps

1. [Enable Struts support.](#)
2. [Create and edit the Struts elements and their interaction .](#)
3. [Create and edit tiles.](#)
4. [Create and edit validators.](#)
5. Populate your application with the necessary classes.
6. Deploy and run your application.

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[Struts](#) Data Sources are managed in the Struts configuration file `struts-config.xml` .

IntelliJ IDEA provides a user-friendly visual interface for [creating](#) , [editing](#) , and [removing](#) data sources.

Data source elements are created and removed in the same way as other elements.

Editing a data source includes [editing its properties](#) and [handling its attributes](#) .

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In this section:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Basics](#)
- [Creating a Module with a Struts Facet](#)
- [Adding a Struts Facet to a Module](#)
- [Customizing the Struts Facet](#)

## Before you start

Make sure the **Web** and **Struts1.x** bundled plugins are enabled. The plugins are activated by default. If the plugins are disabled, enable them on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Basics

Integration with **Struts** is enabled through the Web and Struts1.x facets. These **dedicated facets** contain settings, configuration file paths, and validation rules. This information determines the structure of a module so IntelliJ IDEA detects how to treat the module contents.

A Struts1.x facet can be only added as a child of a [Web facet](#). Note that only one Struts1.x facet is allowed in a module.

## Creating a Module with a Struts Facet

When you create a Struts module with the dedicated Web and Struts facets, IntelliJ IDEA configures the module, downloads and adds all the necessary libraries automatically.

1. Do one of the following:

- If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
- If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.

2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use.

3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Web Application checkbox.  
Select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported from the Versions list.

If you want the deployment descriptor `web.xml` file to be created, select the Create web.xml checkbox.

4. Select the Struts checkbox.

5. Select the Struts version from the Version list.

6. You'll need a [library](#) that implements Struts. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files (`.jar`) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the [Ctrl](#) key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected Struts version. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Click Next .

7. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

IntelliJ IDEA configures the new module as follows

- Creates the structure of the module with the Web and WEB-INF nodes.
- Creates a Web application deployment descriptor `web.xml` under the WEB-INF node for versions 2.2 - 2.5.
- Creates a Struts configuration file `struts-config.xml` under in the WEB-INF node.
- Configures an Action servlet in `web.xml` .
- Downloads and installs the libraries that implement Struts.

## Adding a Struts Facet to a Module

When you add a Struts facet to an existing module, IntelliJ IDEA downloads and adds the necessary libraries automatically.

A Struts facet can be added only as a child of a Web facet. If the module has no Web facet, add it first. Also note that only one Struts facet is allowed in a module.

This will change the [configuration of the module](#) .

1. Open the module settings.
2. In the Modules node, right-click the relevant module.
3. To add a Web facet, choose New from the context menu. In the drop-down list of available facets, select Web .
4. Right-click the Web node and select New on its context menu.
5. Select Struts on the context menu of available facets. The right-hand pane displays the [Facet 'Struts'](#) dialog.
6. Customize the Struts facet settings in the [Struts Features](#) and [Validation](#) tabs.
7. If some additional libraries are required, the corresponding warning message displays. Click [Fix](#) . The necessary libraries will be downloaded and added automatically.

## Customizing the Struts Facet

After you have enabled the basic Struts support, IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to add more Struts features by customizing the Struts dedicated facet.

1. Open the settings of the Struts facet from the module in question.
2. The [Struts Features](#) tab shows a list of additional Struts components:
  - [Struts taglib](#)
  - [Struts EHtaglib](#)
  - [Tiles](#)
  - [Validator](#)
  - [Struts-Faces](#)
  - [Scripting](#)
  - [Extras](#)

To enable support of a component from the list, select the checkbox next to it.

3. In the [Validation](#) tab, specify the files to validate and the validation settings:
  - To enable validating the configuration file of a particular component, select the relevant checkbox. IntelliJ IDEA will check whether the selected component can be supported correctly using the available resources and suggest to download the missing libraries, if necessary.  
Validation can be enabled for the configuration files of the following components:
    - Struts
    - Tiles
    - Validator
  - Specify the validation settings:
    - To get informed on errors detected during validation, select the [Report errors as warnings](#) checkbox.
    - To exclude [Struts property keys](#) from validation, select the [Disable property keys validation](#) checkbox.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The structure of a Struts application including numerous [Struts elements and the interaction](#) between them is defined in the Struts configuration file `struts-config.xml`. The Struts configuration file is created automatically when you [enable Struts support](#) for a module.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can edit the `struts-config.xml` in the [Struts Assistant tool window](#), which provides three synchronized views:

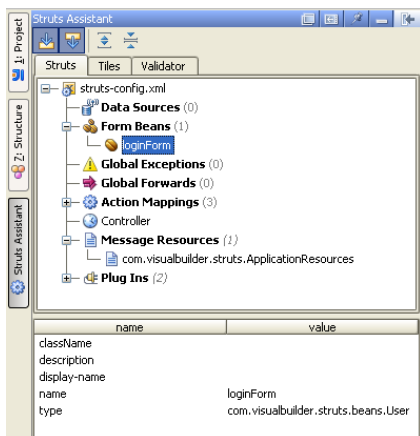
- the [Structure Tree](#)
- the [Properties Table](#)
- the [Struts Web Flow Diagram](#)

To define the structure of a Struts application, [create and edit](#) the necessary Struts elements and specify interaction among them using the [Struts Assistant tool window](#), tab [Struts](#). This dedicated tool window provides three synchronized views:

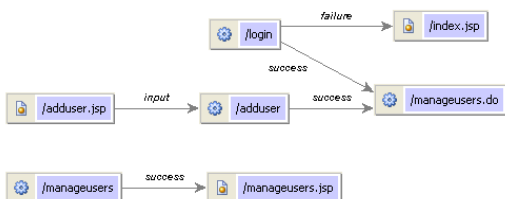
- the [Structure Tree](#) to add, edit, and remove Struts elements.



- the [Properties Table](#) to specify the values of elements and their attributes.



- the [Struts Web Flow Diagram](#) to navigate through the Struts application structure.



IntelliJ IDEA provides the facilities for managing the following Struts elements according to the [common procedure](#):

- [Data Sources](#)
- [Form Beans](#)
- Global Exceptions
- Global Forwards
- [Action Mappings](#)
- [controller](#)  
There can be only one controller element in a Web application.
- [Message Resources](#)
- [Plugins](#)

Managing [tiles](#) and [validators](#) in a friendly interface requires that you enable [support of them](#) first.



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IntelliJ IDEA provides a user-friendly visual interface for managing Struts elements which includes:

- [Creating](#) , [editing](#) , and [removing](#) elements.
- Handling [attributes](#) of elements.
- Specifying and editing elements' [properties and attributes](#) .

The [set of actions and attributes available](#) for a specific element depends on its nature.

## To create an element

All types of elements are created in the same way.

1. Open `struts-config.xml` .
2. Switch to the [Struts Assistant tool window](#) , tab Struts .
3. Right-click the corresponding element type in the Structure Tree and select the Add action from the context menu.
4. Specify the properties of the new element in the Properties Table .

Alternatively, right-click the element in the tree and select Jump to Source or press `F4` . This will bring you to `struts-config.xml` in the text view where you can specify the element's properties manually. IntelliJ IDEA displays a template for specifying the properties that are mandatory for the elements of the specific type.

## To remove an element

All types of elements are removed in the same way.

- Right-click it in the Structure Tree and select the Remove action from the context menu.

## To view or edit an element

1. Select it in the Structure Tree or on the Struts Web Flow Diagram and make the necessary changes in the Properties Table .
2. To add an attribute to the element, right-click the element in the Structure Tree and select Add in the context menu.
3. Specify the properties of the attribute in the Properties Table .
4. To remove an attribute, right-click it in the Structure Tree and select Remove in the context menu

**Warning** When you remove an attribute, its nested properties are removed as well.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

[Tiles](#) is a templating system to create a common look and feel for a Web application.

Tiles are managed through creating, editing, and removing tile definitions, which describe tile attributes and tile elements. Tile definitions are specified in the `tiles-defs.xml` which is created when you enable tiles support.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can edit the `tiles-defs.xml` file in the [Struts Assistant tool window](#), which provides two synchronized views: the [Structure Tree](#) and the [Properties Table](#).

Tiles are removed in the same way as other Struts elements.

Editing a tile includes [editing its properties](#) and [handling its attributes](#): forwards, exceptions, and set properties.

## To create a tile

1. [Enable tiles support](#).
2. Open `tiles-defs.xml`.
3. To add a tile definition, add the `<definition>` element to `tiles-defs.xml` manually.
4. Switch to the [Struts Assistant tool window](#), tab Tiles. A new Definition node appears in the Structure Tree.
5. Specify the attributes of the new tile in the Properties Table.  
Alternatively, right-click the tile in the tree and select Jump to Source or press `F4`. This will bring you to `tiles-defs.xml` where you can specify the tile's attributes manually. IntelliJ IDEA displays a template for specifying the mandatory attributes.

## To remove a tile

- Right-click the tile in the Structure Tree and select Remove Definition from the context menu.

## To edit a tile

1. Select it in the Structure Tree.
2. To edit the attributes of the tile, make the necessary changes in the Properties Table.
3. To manage the [elements of a tile](#), use the Structure Tree and the Properties Table.

The [elements are created, edited, and removed](#) in the same way as common Struts elements.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The [Validator](#) functionality within the Struts framework is intended for validating the data of forms in a Web application.

The Validator functionality uses two `xml` configuration files:

– The `validator-rules.xml` file defines the standard reusable validation routines that make the basis for configuring form-specific validations. The file is created when you enable Struts support and is supplied with a predefined set of commonly used validation rules such as Required , Minimum Length , Maximum length , Date Validation , Email Address validation and others.

The file is closed for editing.

– In the `validation.xml` file, define the validations applied to a particular form bean.

While you edit `validation.xml` , IntelliJ IDEA coordinates the code of the two files and provides you with coding assistance based on the routines defined in `validator-rules.xml` .

## To define the validations to apply to a form

1. Open `validation.xml` .
2. To add a validation definition, add the `<form-validation>` tag manually.
3. Switch to the [Struts Assistant tool window](#) , tab Validator . A new node appears in the Structure Tree .
4. Edit the attributes of the validation definition in the Properties Table .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use the Web Flow Diagram for navigating through Struts configuration file `struts-config.xml` and viewing Struts actions, pages, and other elements and interactions among them. The Diagram is coordinated with the Structure Tree and Properties Table views.

### To see the Web Flow diagram

- Open your Struts configuration file `struts-config.xml` and click Diagram at the bottom of the editor window.

The layout of the diagram is common for all [diagrams](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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- [Preparing to Use Struts 2](#)
- [Managing Struts 2 Elements](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the [Struts 2](#) framework for creating Java EE and Web Applications.

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following support of the Struts 2 framework:

- Automatic creation of the specific module structure and the Web application deployment descriptor `web.xml` based on the dedicated Web facet.
- Downloading and adding the necessary libraries automatically and creating the Struts 2 application configuration file `struts.xml` based on the dedicated [Struts 2 facet](#).
- A [file set manager](#), library validator, and automatic detection of configuration settings.
- Coding assistance, including code completion, syntax and error highlighting, documentation lookup, and refactoring.
- Multiple [code inspections](#) that spot code issues specific for Struts 2.
- Smart navigation across Java, JSP and XML files.
- Support for in-place JavaScript and CSS code.
- Graphic view for the `struts.xml` configuration file.
- Java EE preview for JSP and JSF pages.
- [Structure tool window](#) that provides navigation across the native Struts 2 application structure and displays Struts 2 actions.

## Developing Web applications with Struts 2

### To develop a Web application using Struts 2, follow these general steps

1. Enable support of [Web](#) and [Struts 2](#) development.
2. Create and configure general [Web application elements](#): servlets, filters, and listeners.
3. Create and configure [Struts 2 specific elements](#).
4. Populate your application with the necessary classes.
5. Deploy and run your application.

On this page:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Basics](#)
- [Creating a Module with a Struts 2 Facet](#)
- [Adding a Struts 2 Facet to a Module](#)
- [Defining the Validation File Set](#)
  - [Adding a Validation File Set](#)
  - [Editing a Validation File Set](#)

## Before you start

Make sure the **Web** and **Struts2** bundled plugins are enabled. The plugins are activated by default. If the plugins are disabled, enable them on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Basics

Integration with **Struts 2** is enabled through the Web and Struts 2 facets. These dedicated facets contain settings, configuration file paths, and validation rules. This information determines the structure of a module so IntelliJ IDEA detects how to treat the module contents.

A Struts 2 facet can be only added as a child of a [Web facet](#). Note that only one Struts 2 facet is allowed in a module.

## Creating a Module with a Struts 2 Facet

When you create a Struts 2 module with the dedicated Web and Struts 2 facets, IntelliJ IDEA configures the module, downloads and adds all the necessary libraries automatically.

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project . As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module . As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use.
3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Web Application checkbox. Select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported from the Versions list.

If you want the deployment descriptor `web.xml` file to be created, select the Create web.xml checkbox.

4. Select the Struts 2 checkbox.
5. You'll need a [library](#) that implements Struts 2. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)
  - Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
  - Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Struts 2. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .) Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
  - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Click Next .

6. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) . Click Finish .

IntelliJ IDEA configures the new module as follows:

- Creates a web node with a web application descriptor `web.xml` .
- Creates a Struts 2 configuration file `struts.xml` and adds it to the src node.
- Adds the required Struts 2 libraries.

## Adding a Struts 2 Facet to a Module

When you add a Struts 2 facet to an existing module, IntelliJ IDEA downloads and adds the necessary libraries automatically.

A Struts 2 facet can be added only as a child of a Web facet. If the module has no Web facet, add it first. Also note that only one Struts 2 facet in a module is allowed.

This will change the [configuration of the module](#) .


1. Open the module settings.
2. In the Modules node, right-click the relevant module.
3. To add a Web facet, choose New from the context menu. In the drop-down list of available facets, select Web .
4. Right-click the Web Facet node and select New on its context menu.
5. Select Struts 2 on the context menu of available facets. The right-hand pane displays the [Facet Struts 2](#) dialog.
6. In the [File Sets](#) tab, [specify the configuration files to validate](#) .
7. If some additional libraries are required, the corresponding warning message displays. Click Fix . The necessary libraries will be downloaded and added automatically.

The created Struts 2 configuration file `struts.xml` is located in the src node.



## Defining the Validation File Set

After you have enabled the Struts 2 support, IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to define the validation list by [adding](#) , [editing](#) , and [removing file sets](#) .

## Adding a Validation File Set

1. Open the [Struts 2 Facet page](#) .
2. Switch to the [File Sets](#) tab.
3. Click  ( `Alt+Insert` ). The [Edit File Set dialog](#) opens showing the module tree.
4. In the File Set Name field, specify the name of the new file set.
5. To add a file to the set, select the checkbox next to its name.
6. To add a file that is not displayed in the tree, click Locate and select the the required files in the [Select Path dialog](#) .

## Editing a Validation File Set

1. Select the file set on the File Sets tab and click  ( `Enter` ). The Edit File Set dialog opens.
2. To add files to the file set, select the checkboxes next the required files and click OK .
3. To remove a file, select the file and click  ( `Alt+Delete` ).

To remove a validation file set, select it on the File Sets tab and click  ( `Alt+Delete` ).

[Struts 2 elements](#) like actions, results, and interceptors as well as interaction between them is defined in the `<package>` section of the `struts.xml` configuration file. The file is created automatically when you [enable Struts 2 support](#) for a module.

IntelliJ IDEA provides you with a friendly interface for editing `struts.xml` both in the text view and in [diagram](#) .

### To switch between the views

- Open `struts.xml` in the project view and click Graph in the bottom of the window.

### To create a Struts 2 application element

1. Switch to the [Project Tool Window](#) and select Project in the View as drop-down list.
2. Right-click the `struts.xml` node and select New in the context menu. Then select the relevant element type. The New... dialog box opens.
3. Specify the element data and click OK . A new element is created and displayed in the project tree. The corresponding source code is generated in the `struts.xml` .

### To remove a Struts application element, do one of the following

- In the [Project Tool Window](#) , select the element in the project tree. Then select Delete in the context menu.
- Switch to the `struts.xml` and make the necessary changes manually.



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IntelliJ IDEA's [GUI Designer](#) enables you to [create graphical user interfaces \(GUI\)](#) for your applications, using Swing library components. The tool helps you speed up the most frequently needed tasks: creating dialogs and groups of controls to be used in a top-level container such as a JFrame. When you design a form with the GUI Designer, you create a pane rather than a frame.

Dialogs and groups of controls created with the GUI Designer, can coexist in the application with the components that you create directly with Java code.

In this part:

- [GUI Designer Files](#) .
- [Bound Class](#) .
- [GUI Designer Output Options](#) .

Using the GUI Designer is subject to the following limitations:

- GUI Designer does not support modeling of non-Swing components.
- The GUI Designer does not create a main frame for an application, nor does it create menus.

At design time, GUI information is stored in special files with a `.form` extension. These files are XML files that conform to a special schema. You can put the `.form` files into any version control system. A form can be associated with a [Java source file](#).

The GUI Designer suggests two ways of producing GUI forms: you can either create them [from scratch](#), or capture [snapshots](#) of the existing dialogs and create GUI Designer Forms from the snapshots. It doesn't matter if the dialogs were hand coded or made with another UI design tool - just capture them from the running application using the Form Snapshot feature.

A snapshot is not related to its original implementation. When you take a snapshot, you thus give up the source code used to produce the form.

**Warning!** IntelliJ IDEA does not provide the means to open the XML source of the `.form` files in the text editor, and you should not modify these files manually as text.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA automatically creates a Java class at the same time it creates a new GUI form. The new form automatically binds to the new class via the bind to class property. When components are added to the design form, a field for each component is automatically inserted into the source file of the Form's class (with some exceptions such as JPanels and JLabels which don't automatically get field names when placed on a Form). The field name appears in the relevant component's field name property, thereby binding the component to code in the class. It only remains to augment the generated code with whatever additional code is needed to implement behaviors and functionality of the form.

 Automatic binding of a component to a field is stipulated by the [Create binding field automatically](#) property of a component in the Palette.

You can opt to create a new form without a bound class. In this case you will have to [explicitly bind a form to the source code](#)

IntelliJ IDEA's GUI Designer provides two options for the output:

- Runtime classes that are generated when you compile the project to which they pertain. In this case, the intermediate step of Java source code is bypassed. Optionally, the compiled classes can be written to the compiler output directory configured for the project.
- Java source code . In that case, all code for the UI components is generated to the class to which each form is bound.

Refer to the [GUI Designer dialog](#) for the detailed description of options.

You can customize the GUI Designer's component Palette, adding groups to organize your own custom UI components and/or components from one or more third-party libraries. You can also edit the contents of any existing Palette groups to add or remove components.

### **To customize your Palette, perform the following general steps**

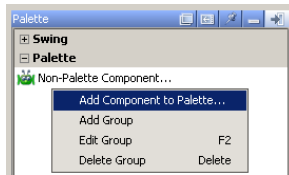
1. Install the desired archives of UI components in a location accessible to your computer. One of the possible locations is the `lib` folder of your IntelliJ IDEA installation.
2. [Open the Project Settings dialog](#) .
3. [Configure the archives of UI components](#) .
4. In the GUI Designer Palette, [create groups](#) and [add UI classes or forms](#) .

Adding new elements to the Palette enables you to reuse components from the libraries, or already created GUI forms that exist in your project.

For visual identification of the new components, you can use icons. Icons should not be larger than 18 x 18 pixels. If no icon is provided for a component, the Palette will default to the icon of the ancestor class if the component is derived from a Java UI class, or a default icon.

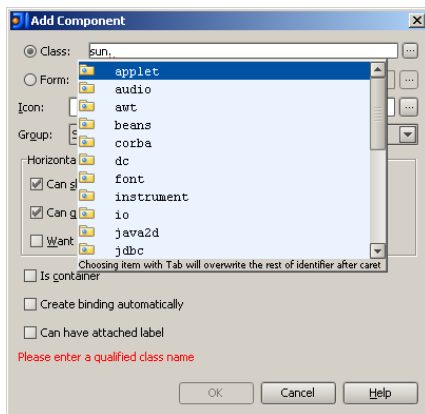
## To add a new component to the Palette

1. Right-click the target group, and choose Add Component to Palette . The **Add Component dialog** opens.

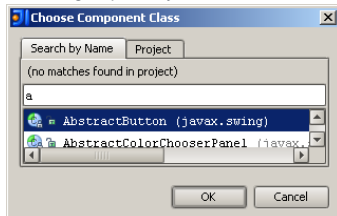


**Tip** To change an existing component, select one in the Palette, and choose Edit Component command on the context menu.

2. Click Class radio-button to add a component from a class library, or Form to add an existing GUI form.



3. Specify the fully qualified name of the component class or form, or click the ellipsis button next to the selected field, and choose the desired component class or form file in the Choose Component Class or Choose Form File dialog respectively.



**Note** If you are adding a form to the palette, make sure that the top-level component of the form is bound to a field: the field name property in the **Inspector** should not be void.

4. Optionally specify an icon for the component. Enter the fully qualified name of the icon file, or click the Browse button next to the Icon field, and choose the desired icon in the Choose Icon File dialog.
5. In the Horizontal / Vertical size policies section, define how the component should [behave when its parent container is being resized](#) .
6. Set the options [Is container](#) , [Create binding automatically](#) , and [Can have attached label](#) .
7. Click OK to add the component to the target group.

You can use UI beans from the custom libraries accessible to the module in which you want to use the components. You have to decide whether to specify each library as a single-entry, global or project level. If you will use a UI library in multiple projects, add it to the global libraries. If you have UI classes that will be used in a single project only, add the library to the project libraries for the relevant project.

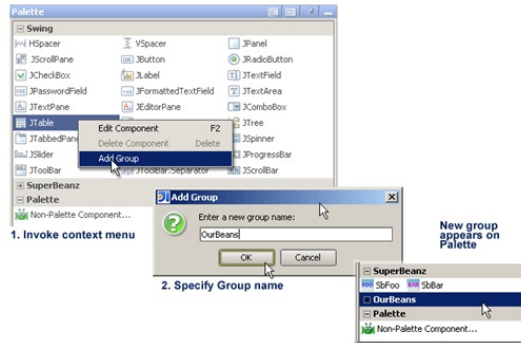


The GUI Designer's Palette tool window can contain groups which can be used as a means of organizing GUI components. Each Group can contain one or more GUI components, and can optionally display a custom icon for each component.

Initially, there are 2 default groups: Swing that contains the default `javax.swing` components, and Palette that contains one default node: Non-Palette Component. You can create other Groups for components from your libraries of GUI components and forms.

## To create a new Group

1. Right-click anywhere in the Palette tool window and choose Add Group on the context menu.
2. In the Add Group dialog, type a name for the new Group.
3. Click OK. A new group with the specified name adds to the Palette.



The process of designing a graphical user interface involves the following typical steps:

- [Creating a new form or dialog](#)
- [Placing and arranging components in the form](#)
- [Defining properties of the components](#)
- [Binding components to the source code](#)
- [Making forms functional](#)
- [Localizing forms](#)
- [Previewing Forms](#)

**Tip** You might want to review [basic concepts](#) , and take a [brief tour of the tool](#) , if you have not already done so.

If you have not created a [bound class](#) by default, when creating a new form, you do it explicitly, as described below.

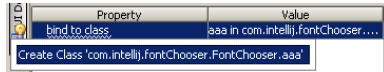
There are two basic ways you can approach explicit binding depending on your situation:

- Bind a form to an [existing class](#) , and its components to the fields of this class.
- Bind a form and its components to a [class and fields that don't yet exist](#) .

When all components are cleared, or the Form node is selected in the Component Treeview, the form's properties the Inspector displays properties of the form.

## To bind a GUI form to a not-yet-existing class

1. Select the desired form in the Form Workspace or in the Components Treeview.
2. In the bind to class field, type the fully qualified name of the new class. Intention action icon appears suggesting to create the specified class.
3. Click the intention action icon, or press `Alt+Enter`. The desired class is created in the specified location.



When all components are cleared, or the Form node is selected in the Component Treeview, the form's properties the Inspector displays properties of the form.

### **To bind a GUI form to an existing class**

1. Select the desired form in the Form Workspace or in the Components Treeview.
2. Do one of the following:
  - In the bind to class field, type the fully qualified name of the bound class.
  - Click the Browse button and choose a class in the Choose Class to Bind dialog box.

When you create a [button group](#) in a form that is bound to source code, no field for the group is created. If you need to reference the group in code, you will have to explicitly bind the group to a field.

### To bind a button group to a field

1. Select the button group in the Component Treeview. The group's properties appear in the Inspector pane.
2. Make sure the value in the Name property is the name you want for the new field in the source code.
3. Check the Bind to field checkbox to generate the field declaration in the source file bound to the parent GUI form.

**Tip** You can remove the field binding by clearing the Bind to field checkbox. This removes the field in the source code file.

GUI Designer equips the developers with the possibility to create GUI forms with the desired layout and bound class, and dialogs. A form can be created as only a form file, or together with a UI class. A dialog framework consists of a class defining basic components and methods, and a GUI form with components bound to the fields of the UI class.

**Tip** As mentioned in the [GUI Designer concepts](#), GUI forms in IntelliJ IDEA are not Java classes. They are special XML files stored in your project with a `.form` extension.

Prior to creating GUI forms and dialogs, select a package where the forms will be stored. You might need to create a package first. It is recommended to store the forms and dialogs in the same package as the classes that implement their functionality.

## Creating a New GUI Form or Dialog

### To create a new GUI form

1. On the main menu, choose File | New .
2. On the pop-up menu, choose GUI Form .
3. Specify the name of the new form, and select the layout manager.
4. Check the option Create bound class , and specify the bound class name.
5. Click OK .

### To create a new dialog

1. On the main menu, choose File | New .
2. On the pop-up menu, choose Dialog .
3. Specify the name of the new dialog.
4. Specify the following options:
  - Generate `main()` method that creates and shows dialog.
  - Generate OK handler.
  - Generate Cancel handler.
5. Click OK .

## Creating a form from a File Template

You can save any form as a File Template, and thus preserve commonly needed dialogs or panes of controls for later reuse. For detailed information about creating and using File Templates, refer to the sections:

– [Creating and Editing File Templates](#)

### To create a File Template from a GUI form

1. Create a GUI form or open it in the GUI Designer.
2. On the Main menu, choose Tools | Save File as Template . The [File Templates dialog](#) displays the source code of the form. The extension of the new template is `.form`
3. Specify the template name, and click OK .

### To create a new GUI form from a File Template

1. In the Project tool window, right-click the package where you want to create the new form.
2. On the context menu choose New . The submenu contains items for all defined File Templates, including GUI forms.
3. Select the desired GUI form template on the context menu, and give it a name when prompted.

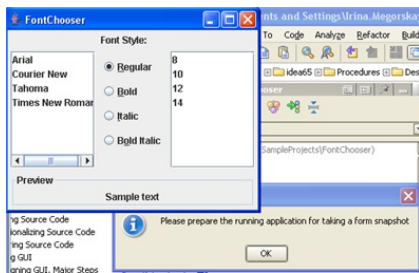
## Creating Snapshots

The Snapshot feature enables you to convert GUI forms created by some other means into IntelliJ IDEA GUI Designer Forms. All you need to do is run your application and save a part of the running application's component tree as a GUI Designer form. From then on, you can use the GUI Designer to extend or modify the form.

You can work with the layout and code in the GUI Designer just as you do with Forms originally created with the GUI Designer.

### To take a Snapshot of an existing dialog

1. Open the module that contains source code for the dialog you want to capture.
2. Select the [Application Run Configuration](#) , make sure that the option Enable capturing form snapshots is checked, and [run the application](#) .
3. In the running application, perform whatever interaction is necessary to open the dialog you want to capture.
4. In the Project tool window, right-click the target package and choose New | Form Snapshot on the context menu. If the application is not yet running, IntelliJ IDEA prompts you to run it, and then prepare the application for taking snapshot:



The Create Form Snapshot dialog box appears.

5. In the IntelliJ IDEA's Create Form Snapshot dialog, select the top-level component to be included in the snapshot, enter the form name, and click Create Snapshot button. The new form created this way is not bound to any class. You have to [bind](#) it to a class yourself.



**Note** If the selected node is not a valid container for a component, the Create Snapshot button is disabled.

## Opening Existing GUI Forms

Open form files the same way you open source code or text files for editing. Locate the file in the appropriate navigation view, select it, and do one of the following:

- Double-click.
- Choose Jump to Source on the context menu.
- Press **F4** .

Each form opens in a separate tab in the same space occupied by the Editor for source code files. You can have source code/text files and form files open simultaneously.



The GUI Designer extends [I18N Support](#) to the GUI forms, and enables you to find components that contain hardcoded strings and transfer these strings to properties files. Having produced the various locales, you can change them at design time and preview how the localized forms will look like.

In this section, you can find general recommendations for applying i18n support to GUI forms:

- [General localization procedure](#)
- [Suppressing I18nize Hard-Coded String quick fix](#)
- [Changing design-time locale](#)

## General Localization Procedure

### To localize your GUI forms, perform the following major steps

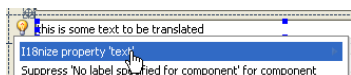
1. Make sure that Hard-Coded Strings inspection is activated. Refer to the section [Recognizing Hard-Coded String Literals](#) for details. If the inspection is activated, the appropriate tool tips for components display in the UI Designer tool window, and quick fix i18nize property<name> is displayed in the Form Workspace and UI Designer tool window.

2. Create properties files for each locale you want to provide for the GUI, and a default properties file without a postfix.

For example, for a dialog developed in English and localized to German and French, you might create the following properties files:

1. `Subscription.properties`
2. `Subscription_de.properties`
3. `Subscription_fr.properties`

3. Go through the form, and select each component that contains hardcoded strings. Click the quick fix icon, or press `Alt+Enter` to show the list of available intention actions, and select i18nize property <name> , as shown on the following image:



4. In the [I18nize Hard Coded String Literal](#) dialog box, extract hard-coded string literals to the specified properties files. Refer to the section [Extracting Hard-Coded String Literals](#) for details.

5. Edit the extracted strings in the resource bundle. Refer to the section [Editing Resource Bundle](#) for details.

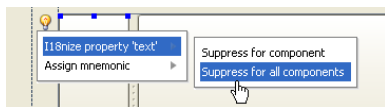
## Suppressing I18nize Hard-Coded String Quick Fix

### To suppress i18nize quick fix

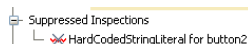
1. Select a component that contains hardcoded text property.

2. Click the quick fix icon, or press `Alt+Enter` to show the list of available intention actions.

3. Hover the mouse cursor over the i18nize property <name> quick fix, and click the right arrow icon `»` (or press right arrow key) to reveal the submenu, as shown on the following image:



4. Click the option Suppress for component or Suppress for all components . The list suppressed inspections appears in the GUI Designer tool window:



**Tip** To cancel suppression, select the desired inspection under the Suppressed Inspections node, and press `Delete` key.

## Changing Design-Time Locale

### To change locale at design time

1. With the GUI Designer tab having the focus, click the Change Local combo box `<default>` on the main toolbar.

2. Select the desired locale from the drop-down list.

**Note** It is assumed that you are familiar with UI programming in Java. This section covers just the basics you need to add functionality to the forms you build with the GUI Designer.

In this section:

- [Creating and Disposing of a Form's Runtime Frame](#)
- [Creating Form Initialization Code](#)
- [Creating Listeners](#)
- [Generating Accessor Methods for Fields Bound to Data](#)

To make your form work, you have to provide a runtime frame for it. The main() method for GUI forms takes care of creation and disposal of such frame.

## To create a main() method for a form

1. Open for editing the bound class of a form where you want to create the main() method.
2. Press `Alt+Insert` .
3. On the pop-up menu, click Form main() . The following method is added to the source code:

```
public static void
main(String[] args) {
    JFrame frame =
new
    JFrame("
<class name>
");
    frame.setContentPane(
new
    <class name>().
contentPane
);
    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.
EXIT_ON_CLOSE
);
    frame.pack();
    frame.setVisible(
true
);
}
```

When you finish [building a GUI Designer form](#) , at a minimum you should have a class that is bound to the form, and component type fields in the class bound to the various form components.

If the binary class files are specified as the output option, all runtime initialization code is generated in the class file. If your form has a bound class, you will not see the automatically generated initialization code there. In case you have selected Java source code as the output option, the bound class of your form will contain automatically generated `$$$setupUI$$$()` method.

**Warning!** Do not edit manually the GUI Initializer source code! At any compilation, IntelliJ IDEA automatically generates new code in this section, and all your changes will be lost.

Sometimes you might need to provide initialization code of your own. For example, you want a GUI component to be instantiated by a non-default constructor with certain parameters. In this case, IntelliJ IDEA will not generate instantiation of the component, and it is your responsibility to provide the call to constructor in the `createUIComponents()` method. Otherwise, a Null Pointer Exception will be reported. Follow the general technique described below.

## To create custom GUI initializer source code for a certain component, follow this general procedure

1. Select the desired component.
2. In the Inspector, check the option Custom Create .
3. With the component selected, press `F4` , or choose Jump to Source on the context menu.
4. In the text editor, locate the method `createUIComponents()` , and type the desired source code. The code in this method will not be removed on compilation.

## Example

For example, you would like to provide non-default constructors for the radio buttons 1 and 2, and have GUI Designer create a default constructor for the radio button 3:

```
...

//For the radio buttons 1 and 2, option Custom Create is set to true.

//You write custom constructors for these components

//in the method createUIComponents()

private
    JRadioButton
    radioButton1
;

private
    JRadioButton
    radioButton2
;

//For the radio button 3 the default constructor is generated automatically

//in the method $$$setupUI$$$(). The component properties

//specified in the GUI Designer

//are generated as calls to the set* methods in $$$setupUI$$$().

private
    JRadioButton
    radioButton3
;
...

private void
```

```
createUIComponents() {
```

```
radioButton1
```

```
=
```

```
new
```

```
JRadioButton(  
"Custom text 1"
```

```
);
```

```
radioButton2
```

```
=
```

```
new
```

```
JRadioButton(  
"Custom text 2"
```

```
);
```

```
}
```

```
...
```

```
private void
```

```
$$$setUpUI$$$() {
```

```
    createUIComponents();
```

```
    ...
```

```
radioButton3
```

```
=
```

```
new
```

```
JRadioButton();
```


```
radioButton3
```

```
.setText(  
"RadioButton"
```

```
);
```

```
...
```

```
}
```

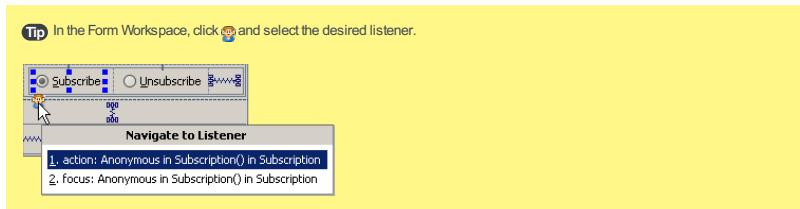
GUI Designer enables you to create listeners for components. The components that have listeners, are marked with a special icon  that shows up when such component is selected. From the components in the Form Workspace and in the Components tree view, you can quickly navigate to the respective source code.

## To create a listener

1. Select component in the Form Workspace, or in the Components tree view.
2. On the context menu, choose Create Listener , or press `Ctrl+O` .
3. From the Create Listener pop-up menu, select the desired listener type.
4. In the Select Method to Override dialog box, select the desired method. Optionally, specify whether you want the JavaDoc comment for this method to be copied to the target file, and press OK . The stub method that overrides the specified method, is added to the bound class.
5. If you would like to modify the body of the stub method, edit the Overridden Method Body file template:  
In the [File Templates dialog](#) , open the Code tab, and edit the template as required.

## To navigate from a component to listener

1. Select component in the Form Workspace, or in the Components tree view.
2. On the context menu, choose Go to Listener .
3. In the Navigate to Listener pop-up menu, click the desired listener, or press `Ctrl+Alt+B` .



If you have fields in the UI class that you want bound to some data in a JavaBean class, IntelliJ IDEA provides a special [Data Binding Wizard](#). This wizard helps generate `getData` and `setData` methods for the fields in a UI class that are bound to components in a GUI form. You can create data binding to an existing bean class, or create a new bean class on the fly using the wizard.

For example, suppose you have some `JTextField` components on a GUI form that are bound to fields in a UI class, and you want the value of their text properties bound to some data in a JavaBean class. Instead of editing the UI class, creating `getData` and `setData` methods for the fields, being careful to specify the fully qualified name of the correct bean class and importing the required package, just use the Data Binding Wizard.


**Note** The GUI form must be bound to a class, and the GUI components must be bound to some fields in the class before running the Data Binding Wizard.

When you finish the wizard, the specified accessor methods are written to the form's class according to the options you specified in the wizard. Import statements are generated in the class as necessary.

Once components have been bound to data, you can invoke the Data Binding Wizard again, in which case you are presented with options to either remove the data binding, or bind to a different bean. If you choose the latter option, the wizard enables you to select or create the bean class for the data binding. The source code of the UI class (including imports) is modified according to your choices and specifications.


**Tip** If you look at the code and discover you made a mistake, you can use `Undo` to revert the code to its former state.

## To bind a component to data

1. Make sure that your form contains components that are eligible for data binding.
2. On the context menu of the form, choose `Data Binding Wizard`, or click  on the GUI Designer toolbar.
3. On the first page of the wizard, specify whether to bind to data from a new bean or an existing bean, specify the class for the option you choose, and click `Next`.
4. The second page lists the form components that are eligible for data binding, and that have been bound to a field in the form's UI class. For each component name, click the `Bean Property` field to the right, and specify the bean property that you want as the data source/target for the component.
5. Click `Finish` to complete the data binding operation.

This part explains how to place and lay out components on forms in the GUI Designer.

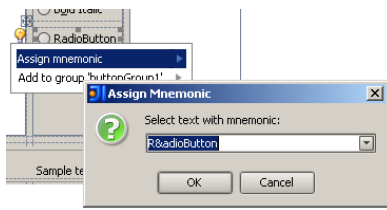
When you create a new GUI form, a top-level JPanel is automatically placed in the [Form Workspace](#) ready to receive the additional components that will make up the GUI you want to build. The pane's Layout Manager property is set to the default layout manager configured in the [GUI Designer Options](#) .

- The valid target areas where you can place a component, depend on the selected layout.
- [Undo and Redo](#) work for add, copy, move and delete operations in the GUI Designer.
- Use  to cancel any placement operation.



You can specify a mnemonic character for action controls by placing an ampersand (&) character in front of the desired mnemonic character in the text property. At runtime, the mnemonic character is underlined.

For components that can take mnemonics, there is an Intention Action Assign mnemonic that intelligently keeps track of already used mnemonics in the form and suggests a mnemonic for the current component based on what characters are already used.



## To delete one or more components

1. Select one or more components in the [Form Workspace](#) or in the [Components Treeview](#) .

2. Press  .

IntelliJ IDEA's GUI Designer provides several ways to create new instances of the same component on a form without returning to the Component Palette.

### To add multiple instances of a component from the Palette to a form

1. Click the desired component in the [Palette](#) .
2. Keeping the `Ctrl` button pressed, click the target locations in the form.
3. Release the `Ctrl` button when ready.

### To create a new instance of a component in a new location

1. [Select one or more components](#) in the [Form Workspace](#) or in the [Components Treeview](#) .
2. Keeping the `Ctrl` button depressed, drag the selected component to the new locations.
3. Click each target location to create a new instance of the component.
4. Release the `Ctrl` button when ready.

### To clone a component

1. Select the desired component on a form.
2. Press `Ctrl+D` .

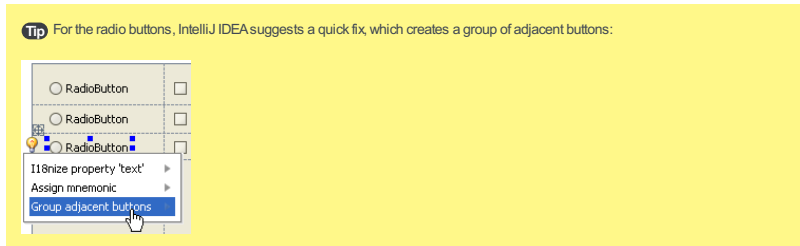
IntelliJ IDEA smartly detects components that are candidates for grouping together (for example, radio buttons). The first time you create a group, a button Groups node is added to the Component Treeview. A child node is added for each button group you add to the form.

Grouped buttons are visually indicated on the design form, when one of the buttons is selected in the Form Workspace or in the Components tree view, or when the whole button group is selected in the Button Groups node of the Components treeview:



## To create a group of components

1. In the Form Workspace, select the components to be joined into a group.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Group buttons .
3. In the Group Buttons dialog box, specify the name of the new button group, and click OK .



## To remove grouping

Do one of the following:

- On the design form, select any component in a group, right click, and choose Ungroup Buttons .
- In the Component Treeview, right-click the relevant button group under Button Groups node, and choose Ungroup .

Suppose you have created a JTextField component that contains some text, colors, font properties etc., and find out that you need a JFormattedTextField component with the same properties. This is when morphing comes to help.

Morphing enables you to transform selected component into a new one, while preserving all common properties.

### **To create a new component on the base of an existing one, preserving the common properties**

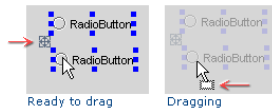
1. Select the desired component in the [Form Workspace](#) or in the [Components Treeview](#) .
2. On the context menu, choose Morph Component .
3. In the Choose Component to Morph Into pop-up menu, click the target component type.

Components can be repositioned on a form however you wish. The results of any move depend on the setting of the Layout Manager property of the target container.

This section describes how to move components using [drag-and-drop operation](#) , or using [navigation keys](#) on your keyboard.

## To move one or more components

1. [Select one or more components](#) in a [Form Workspace](#) .
2. A *drag handle* appears near the selected components indicating that you can drag to a new position on the form. (It is not necessary to point to the handle itself... hover anywhere over the selected components.)
3. Drag and drop the selection to the target container, or to the target area within the same container. The valid drop locations are highlighted with blue borders.



**Tip** You can also move components using the [Components Treeview](#) .

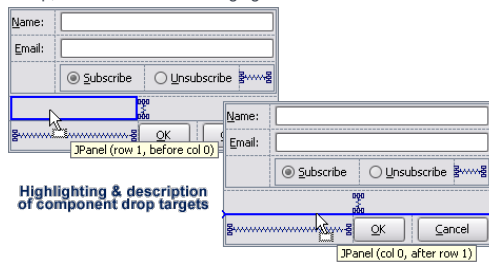
## To move a component using keyboard

1. Select the desired component on the form.
2. Press `Ctrl+Arrow` .

Use the Components Palette to populate your forms with the Swing GUI components.

## To place a component from the Palette on a form

1. Click the desired component in the [Palette tool window](#) .
2. Move your pointer over the form workspace. Valid drop location in a container highlights when the component placement pointer hovers above it, the pointer changes its shape, and the drop target is described briefly in a tooltip, as shown in the following figure:



3. Click on the form workspace at the desired valid location to place the component.
4. Check the option `Is container` , if you want the new component to be able to accommodate nested components.
5. Check the option `Create binding automatically` , if you want to generate a field for the component in the bound class.
6. Click `OK` .

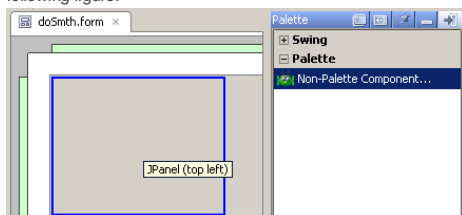
In addition to the GUI components from the Component Palette, you can use GUI components and forms not registered on the Palette, but available via your project's paths configuration.

A non-palette component can be associated with a GUI form, or with a class derived from `JComponent`. Such class should be available in your project, or in the libraries. The class should be compiled, and should have a default constructor, because GUI Designer instantiates objects by calling their default constructors.

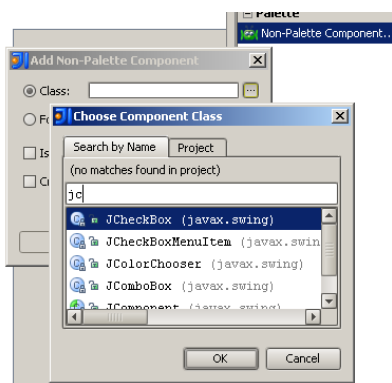
If a class does not have a default constructor, but instead has a constructor with parameters, the [Custom Create](#) property of this component is set to `true`, and `createUIComponents()` method is added to the source code, where you have to [provide the form initialization](#).

## To place non-Palette components on a GUI form

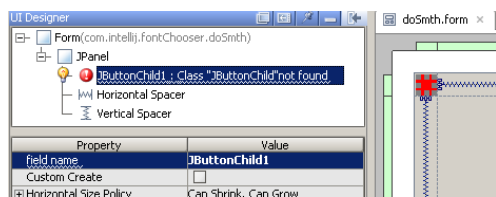
1. In the default Palette group, click the Non-Palette Component node.
2. Move your pointer over the form workspace. Valid drop location highlights when the placement pointer hovers above it, the pointer changes its shape, and the drop target is described briefly in a tooltip, as shown in the following figure:



3. Click on the form workspace at the desired location to place the component.
4. In the Add Non-Palette Component dialog box, click the Class or Form radio button, and specify the name of the class or form in the text field. Alternatively, click the corresponding ellipsis button, or press `Shift+Enter`.
5. If you have selected Class option, locate the desired class, using Search by Name tab, or Project tab:



If IntelliJ IDEA cannot locate the compiled class with the specified name and the default constructor, the component is red highlighted in the form, which means that it will not show at runtime:



Compile the class `Ctrl+Shift+F9` and press Reload Custom Components button on the toolbar .

6. If you have selected Form option, locate the desired form, using Search by Name tab, or Project tab. The form should be bound to a class.
7. Check the option `Is container`, if you want the new component to be able to accommodate nested components. In this case, the component will acquire certain properties that are specific for containers.
8. Check the option `Create binding automatically`, if you want to generate a field for the component in the bound class.
9. Click `OK`.



## To select one or more components

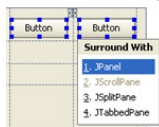
To select a single component, just click it. To select multiple components, do one of the following:

- In the [Components Treeview](#) , or in the [Form Workspace](#) , use `Shift+Click` to select multiple contiguous components, or `Ctrl+Click` for multiple non-contiguous components.
- Use arrow keys to move selection to the adjacent component.
- Use `Shift+Arrow keys` to select multiple contiguous components.
- Use `N/A` and `N/A` to expand or shrink selection within a container.

The **Surround With** feature is available in the GUI Designer, as well as in the editor. In the GUI Designer, you can wrap a container of your choice around one or more components, and remove wrapping.

### To wrap a container around components

1. Select one or more components in the Form Workspace, or in the Components tree view.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose Surround with , or press `Ctrl+Alt+T` .
3. In the Surround With popup menu, click the desired container, or press the corresponding numeric key.

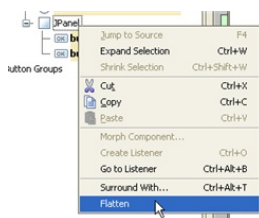


When reasonable, IntelliJ IDEA smartly suggests to wrap a component into a container. This is done with the help of intention action. For example, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to wrap a JList into a JScrollPane:



### To unwrap components from the surrounding container

1. Right-click container node in the Components tree view.
2. On the context menu, choose Flatten .



Whenever you select a component or an entire form in the Form Workspace, or in the Components tree view, the respective properties display in the Inspector. For the properties of different types (text, Boolean, color, etc.) the Inspector provides different editors. Besides editing in the [Inspector](#), you can edit text properties using the in-place editor.

Find the detailed description of properties in the section [Component Properties](#)

Property	Value
<b>field name</b>	<b>nameTextField</b>
Custom Create	<input type="checkbox"/>
Horizontal Size Policy	Can Grow, Want Grow
Vertical Size Policy	Fixed
Horizontal Align	Fill
Vertical Align	Center
Indent	0
Minimum Size	[-1, -1]
Preferred Size	[150, -1]
Maximum Size	[-1, -1]
Client Properties	
alignmentX	0.5
alignmentY	0.5
background	<input type="checkbox"/> [255,255,255]
columns	0
editable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
enabled	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
font	<default>
foreground	<input type="checkbox"/> [0,0,0]
horizontalAlignment	Leading
text	
tooltipText	

GUI Designer properties

Swing properties

Show expert properties

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Restore Default Value

To select a property in the Inspector, just click the respective property name. To activate the editor for the selected property, click the Value column. If the property requires choosing the value, the ellipsis button is revealed. Click this button to invoke one of the available property editors, or click `Shift+Enter`.

Use the following editors to modify properties in the Inspector:

- Text field : Type a value.
- Pick list : Pick a value from a drop-down list of valid choices.
- Checkbox : Set value for Boolean type properties.
- Dialog : Presents the Browse button  that opens the relevant dialog box: Edit Text, Select Color, Choose Icon File etc.

For text properties, refer to [editing text property procedure](#).

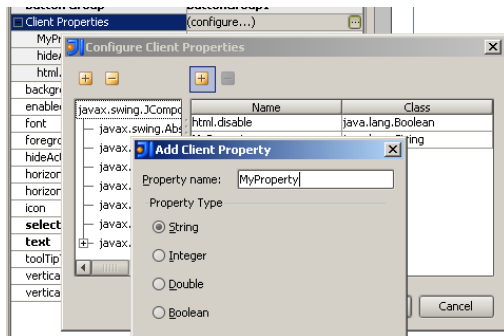
You can configure custom properties for the components of a GUI form. These are the properties listed under the Client Properties node of the [Inspector](#). This section describes how to manage custom properties of the GUI components.

## To configure a Client Property

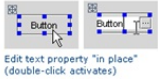
1. Select a component in a GUI form.
2. In the [Inspector](#), click the Value column of Client Properties node to reveal the ellipsis button.
3. Click the ellipsis button in the edit field. The Configure Client Properties dialog is opened.
4. In the left-hand pane, select the class for which you want to change a Client Properties. If the class is not present in the list, click the **+** button above the list of classes and specify the name of the desired class.
5. With the class selected in the left pane, click the **+** button on the right pane. The Add Client Property dialog appears.

**Tip** To delete a client property of a component, click **-** button.

6. Enter a name for the property in the Property name field using Java naming conventions.
7. Select the option that corresponds to the new property's type and click OK.



After placing the component on the form workspace, the in-place editor for the Text property activates automatically.



To activate the in-place editor later, select the desired component and double-click it, or press **F2**. Finally, you can select a component and just start typing - in this case, the existing text will be lost.

If you need to enter a lengthy text, or take a value from a resource bundle, refer to the following procedure.

## To edit a text property

1. Click the ellipsis button. In the Edit Text dialog box, specify whether you want to edit the text as a string or resource bundle.
2. If you have selected the String option, type the desired text in the Value field, and proceed to the step 4.
3. If you have selected the Resource bundle option, specify the name of the desired [resource bundle](#), key and value.
  - Click ellipsis button next to the Bundle name field, or press **Shift+Enter**. In the Choose Properties File dialog box, find the desired resource bundle in the project tree view, or click the Search by Name tab, type the search string and select resource bundle from the suggestion list.
  - Click ellipsis button next to the Key field, or press **Shift+Enter**. In the Choose Property Key dialog box, select the desired key from the list.

Type value in the Value field.

4. If you want to enable [i18n support](#) for the property, make sure that the option Value does not need internationalization is cleared. In this case, intention action `i18nize property text` is suggested for this component. If the option is selected, the intention action is suppressed.
5. Click OK.


**Tip** When you invoke the in-place editor for a `JList` or a `JComboBox`, an editor dialog box is opened, enabling you to type the elements of the list.

The GUI Designer provides a Preview function that enables you to see how the form will look at runtime. When the form runs in Preview mode, you can click buttons, checkboxes, enter text, etc. just as at run time. Of course, there is no functionality at this point.


The Form Preview window enables you to change look and feel of the form, resize it, and exit the preview mode.

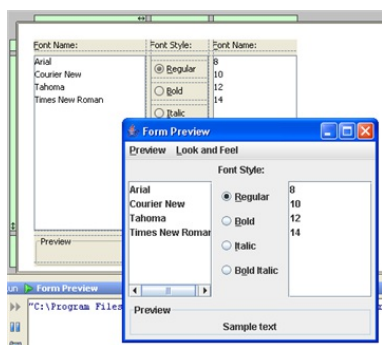
**Note** Form Preview shows only the properties specified by the GUI Designer in the `$$$setupUI$$$` method.

### To preview a GUI form, do one of the following

- Right-click a form, and choose Preview on the context menu.
- With the form having the focus, click preview button  on the main toolbar.

### To exit the preview mode, do one of the following

- On the main menu of the Preview Form window, choose Preview | Exit .
- Click  on the toolbar of the Preview Form window.



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## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with the Tapestry plugin that provides native support for developing Web applications based on the [Tapestry](#) framework. The plugin is by default enabled. If not, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

IntelliJ IDEA allows you to quickly setup a running Tapestry project and provides several types of assistance in developing Web applications.

## Using Tapestry in IntelliJ IDEA

### **To use Tapestry in developing a Web application, perform these general steps**

1. [Enable Tapestry support](#) .
2. [Create Tapestry-specific items](#) : pages, components, and mixins.
3. [Examine the structure of your application](#) in the Tapestry-specific terms.
4. [Edit the generated Tapestry templates](#) .

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You can enable Tapestry support when creating a [project](#) or [module](#) , or for an existing module.

- [Enabling Tapestry support when creating a project or module](#)
- [Enabling Tapestry support for an existing module](#)

## Enabling Tapestry support when creating a project or module

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java Enterprise . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) to be used and select the Java EE version to be supported.
3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Tapestry checkbox.
4. You'll need a [library](#) that implements Tapestry. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
  - Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Tapestry. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
  - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Click Next .
5. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .  
Click Finish .

6. Specify the [application filter](#) name and [root package](#) in the dialog that opens.

As a result, the Tapestry implementation library is added to [module dependencies](#) and a Tapestry [facet](#) is created.

## Enabling Tapestry support for an existing module

1. Open the Project tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the module of interest and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the [Add Frameworks Support dialog](#) that opens, select the Tapestry checkbox.
4. You'll need a [library](#) that implements Tapestry. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
  - Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Tapestry. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
  - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.



Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

5. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.

6. Specify the [application filter](#) name and [root package](#) in the dialog that opens.

As a result, the Tapestry implementation library is added to [module dependencies](#) and a Tapestry [facet](#) is created.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Tapestry items can be created only within the `components`, `pages`, or `mixins` dedicated packages. These packages, in their turn, should be located under the application root package.

In this topic:

- [Enabling creation of Tapestry items](#)
- [Creating a Tapestry page](#)
- [Creating a component](#)
- [Creating a mixin](#)

## To enable creation of Tapestry items in a module

1. Open the [Project](#) tool window.
2. Switch to the [Project](#) or [Package view](#) by doing one of the following:
  - Select the necessary view from the list in the left-hand part of the title bar.
  - If the views are represented by tabs, click the corresponding tab.
3. Select the application root package, and choose [New | Package](#) on the context menu.
4. In the New Package dialog box, that opens, specify the name of the dedicated package depending on the type of items to be created under it.
  - pages for Tapestry [pages](#).
  - components for Tapestry [components](#).
  - mixins for Tapestry [component mixins](#).

## To create a Tapestry page

A Tapestry page normally consists of an HTML template that implements the page appearance and a Java class that implements the page functionality and behaviour. The HTML file has the same name as the Java file and the `.tml` extension. IntelliJ IDEA generates two stubs, with the `.tml` file containing the `<header>`  
`</header>` and `<body></body>` sections.

1. Open the [Project](#) tool window.
2. Switch to the [Tapestry](#) view by choosing the Tapestry item from the list in the left-hand part of the title bar or clicking the Tapestry tab.
3. Right-click the pages node and choose [New | Tapestry | Page](#) on the context menu.
4. In the New Tapestry Page dialog box, that opens, specify the page name and the parent folders to store the generated class and template sources in.  
IntelliJ IDEA remembers the last selected directories and will automatically show them in the corresponding drop-down lists next time you create a page.
5. Customize the page generation, if necessary:
  - If you already have a page with the specified name and you want IntelliJ IDEA to overwrite it, select the [Replace existing files](#) checkbox.
  - To have only a Java class stub generated, select the [Do not create template](#) checkbox.

## To create a new component

A Tapestry component normally consists of an HTML template that implements the appearance of a piece of a page and a Java class that implements the behavior and functionality of this item. The HTML file has the same name as the Java file and the `.tml` extension. IntelliJ IDEA generates two stubs, with the `.tml` file containing a `<div></div>` section.

1. Open the [Project](#) tool window.
2. Switch to the [Tapestry](#) view by choosing the Tapestry item from the list in the left-hand part of the title bar or clicking the Tapestry tab.
3. Right-click the components node and choose [New | Tapestry | Component](#) on the context menu.
4. In the New Tapestry Component dialog box, that opens, specify the component name and the parent folders to store the generated class and template sources in.  
IntelliJ IDEA remembers the last selected directories and will automatically show them in the corresponding drop-down lists next time you create a component.
5. Customize the component generation, if necessary:
  - If you already have a component with the specified name and you want IntelliJ IDEA to overwrite it, select the [Replace existing files](#) checkbox.
  - To have only a Java class stub generated, select the [Do not create template](#) checkbox.

## To create a new mixin

1. Open the [Project](#) tool window.
2. Switch to the **Tapestry** view by choosing the Tapestry item from the list in the left-hand part of the title bar or clicking the Tapestry tab.
3. Right-click the mixins node and choose New | Tapestry | Mixin on the context menu.
4. In the New Tapestry Mixin dialog box, that opens, specify the mixin name and the parent folders to store the generated class in.  
IntelliJ IDEA remembers the last selected directory and will automatically show them in the drop-down list next time you create a mixin.
5. Customize the mixin generation, if necessary:
  - If you already have a mixin with the specified name and you want IntelliJ IDEA to overwrite it, select the Replace existing files checkbox.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This tool window shows contextualized information about some Tapestry element.

## Documentation

This tab shows the documentation of a Tapestry component, page or mixin.

The documentation (where applicable) is composed of:

- General description
- List of required parameters (with their name, prefix, default value and description)
- List of optional parameters (with their name, prefix, default value and description)
- List of artifacts
- Examples
- Notes



When the element selected is not a Tapestry component, page, or mixin, the documentation is composed of:

- List of Tapestry Applications
- List of Core Library components, pages and mixins

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Loomy adds some additional features to the default HTML editor to allow faster and safer creation of Tapestry templates.

This section covers the following features:

- [Syntax Highlighting](#)
- [Error Detection](#)
- [Auto-Completion](#)
- [Navigation](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

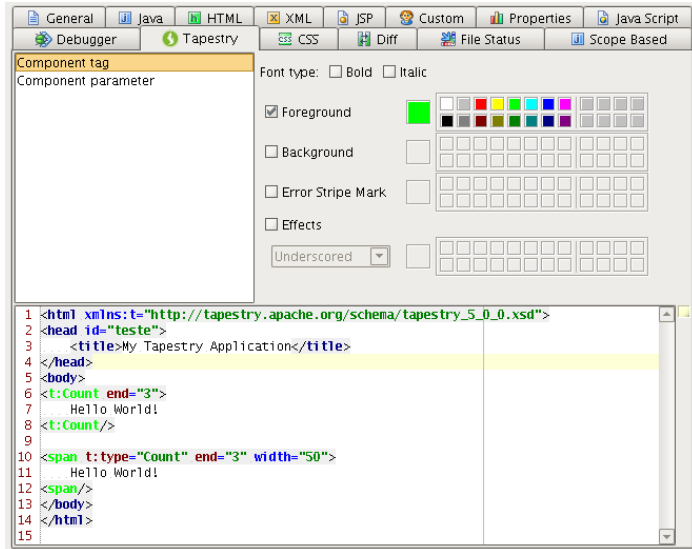
Special syntax highlighting in Tapestry templates in order to make template visual interpretation much easier.

The section covers the following features:

- [Configuration](#)
- [Component Tags Highlighting](#)

## Configuration

To configure the syntax highlighting feature you have to go to Colors & Fonts settings. In the Tapestry tab you can then choose the syntax coloring scheme that you prefer.



## Component Tags Highlighting

You can configure the plugin to highlight every Tapestry specific tag and tag parameter in your template. If you do, you will be able to easily identify in your template what are normal tags and Tapestry tags.

```
<body>
<h1>Start Page</h1>

<p> This is the start page for this application, a good place to start your modifications.
Just to prove this is live: </p>

<p> The current time is: ${currentTime}. </p>

<p>
[<a t:type="PageLink" page="Home" name="homeLink">home</a>]
[<t:pageLink page="Home" name="homeLink">refresh</t:pageLink>]
</p>
</body>
</html>
```

**Tip** If you get an inspection reporting invalid tag attributes then it's because you have an inspection that checks if your using anyHTML tag parameter that your not supposed to. When using Tapestry you will have to use special tag parameters so if you don't want to get this warning just turn off the "HTML tags and attributes conventions" inspection that you can find under "HTML Inspection".

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

There are several errors that are only found when the application is running. With Loomy it's possible to detect many of these errors without losing the time to run the application.

The plugin can detect the following errors:

Invalid component references

```
[<a t:type="pageLink" t:page="Home" href="">refresh</a>]
```

Invalid component name

Missing required parameters

```
[<a t:type="pageLink" href="">refresh</a>]
```

Missing required parameter "page"

Invalid page names

```
[<a t:type="pageLink" t:page="Home2" href="">refresh</a>]
```

Invalid page name

Invalid property

```
[<a t:type="TextField" t:value="Property1" translate=""></a>]
```

Invalid property

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Auto-completion makes template editing much faster. Loomy extends this feature introducing lot's of Tapestry specific completions.

This section covers the following features:

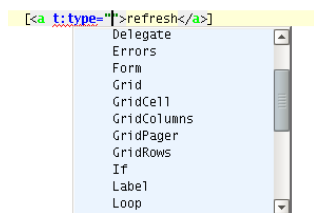
- [Component Tags Auto-Completion](#)
- [Component Parameters Auto-Completion](#)
- [Parameters Values Auto-completion](#)

## Component Tags Auto-Completion

When editing your template you can take advantage of the auto-completion feature to help you insert a component using both types of possible annotations for that:

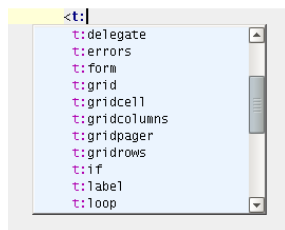
- Invisible Instrumentation

Just use the auto-completion feature on the `t:type` attribute value.



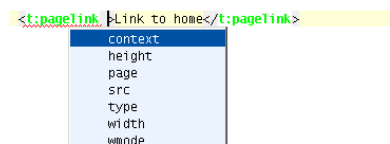
- Component Tag

Just use the auto-completion feature on the tag name where you want to insert the component.



## Component Parameters Auto-Completion

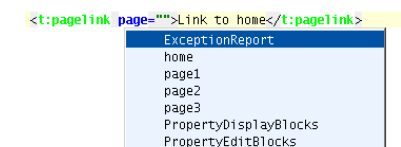
Component tags have additional parameters that don't conform to the HTML standard and so the default auto-completion won't help you. This plugin extends the auto-completion feature adding the Tapestry component parameters to the list of possible tag parameters.



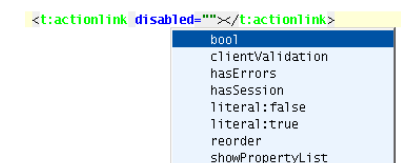
## Parameters Values Auto-completion

Auto-completion of property binding is available so you can save lot's of time navigating from template to class.

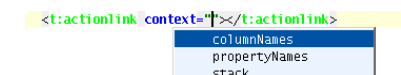
- Page parameter of the PageLink component



- Boolean parameters



- Simple properties







This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Loomy allows easy navigation between several elements in your template are the related content.

You can navigate:

- [Between a template and the corresponding class.](#)
- [From a tag to the corresponding component class.](#)
- [From a property value to the associated method.](#)
- [To the component documentation.](#)

## Between template and class

Probably the most used navigation. Loomy provides an action (`Ctrl+Shift+G` by default) that allows you to navigate from a template to it's corresponding class and vice-versa.

## from tag to component class

This navigation allows you to navigate from a component tag in your template to that component class. Just press

`Ctrl+Click` on the tag itself.

## from property value to associated method

If you have bound a component parameter with a property you can now just press `Ctrl+Click` on the parameter value in your template and you will navigate to the method that corresponds to the given property.

## to component documentation

This navigation allows you to navigate from a component tag in your template to that component documentation displayed in the Tapestry ToolWindow. This action is associated by default to the key `Shift+Ctrl+D`, so just use when the cursor is on a component tag and you'll see it's documentation.

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In this [view](#), you can browse your Tapestry application not in terms of classes and templates but in terms of pages, components, services, etc.

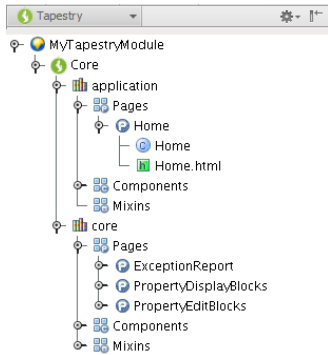
This section covers the following features:

- [Drag-and-drop](#)
- [Safe Delete](#)

## General Description





This view is available to every project that has at least one web module with Tapestry support. It can be accessed like any other project view from the View as selection box.


The view lets you browse your Tapestry modules in a tree structure that shows you all Tapestry elements like pages and components.

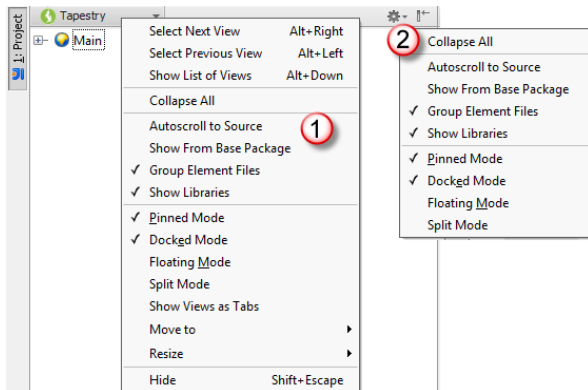


## Structured View of the Application

Each element in the Tapestry View has a different icon so that it's easy to identify the type of element:

<b>Library</b> 	<b>A Tapestry library.</b> By default you will have two library nodes, one for your application and the other of the provided core library.
<b>Page</b> 	<b>A Tapestry page.</b> You can navigate to the page class or template from here.
<b>Component</b> 	<b>A Tapestry component.</b> You can navigate to the component class or template from here.
<b>Mixin</b> 	<b>A Tapestry mixin.</b> You can navigate to the mixin class from here.

The [title bar context menu](#) (1) provides additional functionality that will also help each user customize its look&feel. Some options are also available from the list that opens when you click the  button (2).



Below is a description of menu items that are specific for Tapestry.

### ItemDescription

Show From Base Package	Only Show Content From the Application Base Package
Group Element Files	Group Element Files Like it's Class and Template in a Parent Node.

Show Libraries

Show/Hide Tapestry Libraries.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In order to increase development speed and prevent errors the plugin allows you to use drag&drop operations to generate simple code but that would otherwise be more error prone and take time from the task at hand.

This section covers the following features:

- [Drag&Drop Components](#)
- [Drag&Drop Pages](#)
- [Drag&Drop Mixins](#)

## Drag&Drop Components

Drop in Page or Component Template

This drop operation will result in a reference to the dropped component being inserted at the drop point with all required attributes set.

Drop in Page or Component Class

This drop operation will result in the declaration of an embedded component in the target class.

```
@Component
private ActionLink _actionLink;
```

## Drag&Drop Pages

Drop in Page or Component Template

This drop operation will result in a page link to the dropped page being inserted at the drop point.

```
<t:pageLink page="Home">Link to Home</t:pageLink>
```

Drop in Page, Component or Mixin Class

This drop operation will result in the injection of the dropped page in the target class.

```
@InjectPage
private Home _home;
```

## Drag&Drop Mixins

Drop in Component Class

This drop operation will result in the declaration of the usage of an implementation mixin.

```
@Mixin
private MyMixin _myMixin;
```

**Tip** You will only be able to use the drag&drop feature if a valid drop target is in the currently open editor.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

If you execute the delete action from the Tapestry View you'll see that Loomy will actually figure out what Tapestry elements you're trying to delete and it will aggregate all it's file into this operation. So if for example you try to delete a page, Loomy will delete the page class, template and it's resource bundle.

IntelliJ IDEA will then look for usages of all the resulting files and you'll be able to, as usual, go through with the operation or cancel it.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

On this page:

- [Basics](#)
- [Associating template data languages with files and folders](#)
- [Creating an extension pattern for a template data language](#)
- [Using code completion](#)
- [Fixing unresolved references](#)

## Basics

IntelliJ IDEA lets you develop templates in [Velocity](#) and [FreeMarker](#) template languages (VTL and FTL).

Coding assistance for VTL and FTL is available for files whose file name extensions match the extension patterns associated with the Velocity Template and FreeMarker Template file types. By default, those are `*.ftl`, `*.vm` and `*.vsl` for Velocity and `*.ftl` for FreeMarker.

To get coding assistance also for the languages in which the static part of the template is written (those are referred to as *template data languages*), you should do one of the following:

- Associate the template data languages with files and folders in your project. In this way you specify where in your project you need coding assistance for the corresponding template data languages.
- Add your own extension pattern for the Velocity Template or FreeMarker Template file type and associate that extension pattern with the necessary template data language.

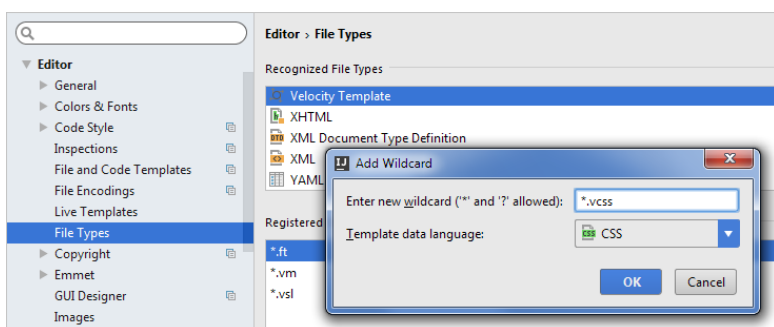
## Associating template data languages with files and folders

1. [Open the Settings / Preferences dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. Go to the Template Data Languages page: Languages and Frameworks | Template Data Languages.
3. Click the Template data language cell to the right of the project, or the corresponding directory or file, and select the language.
4. Click OK in the Settings / Preferences dialog.

Individual template files can be assigned a template data language right in the editor. There is the Change template data language to context menu command for that.

## Creating an extension pattern for a template data language

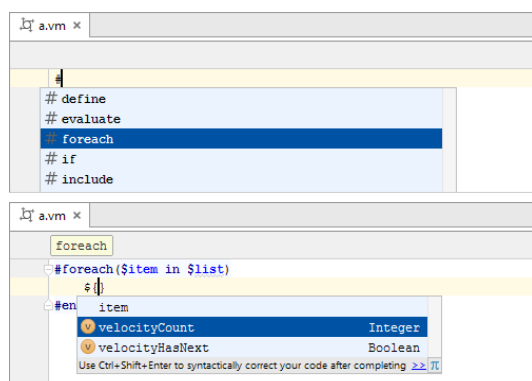
1. [Open the Settings / Preferences dialog](#) (e.g. `Ctrl+Alt+S`).
2. Go to the File Types page: Editor | File Types.
3. Under Recognized File Types, select FreeMarker Template or Velocity Template.
4. In the Registered Patterns section, click `+`.
5. In the Add Wildcard dialog that opens, specify the file name extension pattern and select the language.



6. Click OK in the Settings / Preferences dialog.

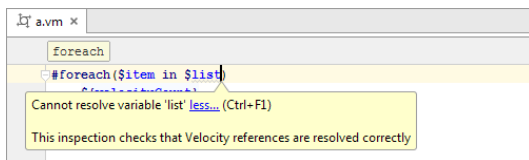
## Using code completion

IntelliJ IDEA provides [code completion](#) for the template language elements such as directives, variables, built-ins, etc.

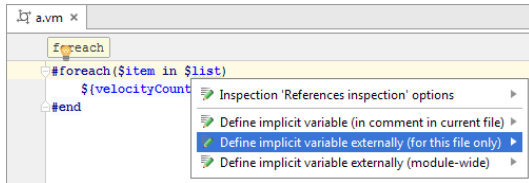


## Fixing unresolved references

IntelliJ IDEA provides [inspections](#) for detecting unresolved references.



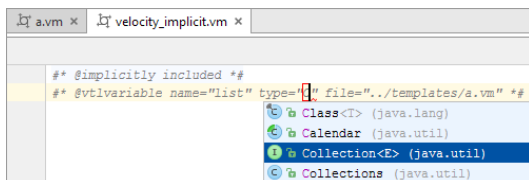
The unresolved references can be fixed by means of [intention actions](#). You can select to add a comment in the same file, or to create a separate file with comments. (Comments in such cases are used to provide missing info about the references.)



In the latter case, a file with the default name `velocity_implicit.vm` or `freemarker_implicit.ftl` is created. The file starts with the comment

```
## @implicitly included ##
```

To define reference types, code completion is available.



At a later time, you can rename the file, or move it to a different location within the source root, and the reference definitions will not be lost.



## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA enables usage of the following testing frameworks:

- [JUnit](#)
- [TestNG](#)
- [GroovyJUnit](#)
  
- [FlexUnit](#)
- [MXUnit](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PHP Plugin is installed and enabled!

- [PHPUnit](#)

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

- [Python unittests](#)
- [py.test](#)
- [Python nosetests](#)
- [Python doctests](#)
- [Tox](#) .
- [TwistedTrial](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

- BDD frameworks:
  - [Behave](#) .
  - [Lettuce](#) .
  - [Cucumber](#) .

Refer to the section [BDD Testing Framework](#) for details.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Ruby Plugin is installed and enabled!

- [Test::Unit](#) is intended for unit testing and comes bundled with Ruby.
- [Shoulda](#) is intended for unit testing, and becomes available in Ruby projects on attaching the `shoulda` gem. So doing, the Shoulda tests are added on to the Test::Unit framework.
- [RSpec](#) . This testing tool supports [BDD](#) . RSpec becomes available in Ruby projects on attaching the `rspec` gem. For the Rails applications, `rspec-rails` gem is also required.
- MiniTest becomes available on attaching the [minitest-reporters](#) gem. The minitests are added to the Test::Unit framework.
- [Cucumber](#) . This testing tool supports [BDD](#) , and enables using features and scenarios written in a human-readable language, either English or any other language specified in the `# language:` comment. Cucumber becomes available in project upon installing and activating the `cucumber` gem.

## Testing frameworks support

For each of the supported testing frameworks, IntelliJ IDEA provides:

- [Code completion](#) , aware of the specific testing framework.
- [Run/debug configurations](#) .
- Ability to [create tests](#) .
- Ability to [navigate between tests and test subjects](#) .
- Ability to run tests from within the IDE , and view test results in the test runner UI . The test results are shown on the [Test Runner tab](#) of the [Run tool window](#) .
- Ability to run all tests or features in a directory, specific test classes, test cases or features, individual test methods or examples.
- Code inspections.

Refer to the section [Testing](#) for the detailed description of the common testing procedures.

For framework-specific usage guidelines, refer to:

- [Testing ActionScript and Flex Applications](#) (FlexUnit)
- [Testing PHP Applications](#) (PHPUnit)
- [Testing JavaScript](#)
- [Creating TestNG Test Classes](#)
- [Cucumber](#)

To create a TestNG test class, you can use the [Create Test intention action](#) .

You can also create a new class for your TestNG test and then add the necessary code to that class. This way of creating a TestNG class is described on this page.

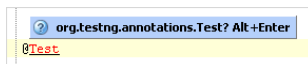
## Creating a TestNG test class

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , right click the directory where you want to create a new test class.
2. Select New | Java Class from the context menu.
3. In the Create New Class dialog, specify the class name and click OK .
4. In the editor, write the code for your test class. Use the TestNG annotations where necessary. For example, you may want to annotate the whole class or individual methods:

```
@Test()
public class testetsng {
    @DataProvider
    public Object[][] data() {
        return new String[][] {new String[] {"data1"}, new String[] {"data2"}};
    }

    @Test(dataProvider = "data")
    public void test(String d) {
        Assert.assertEquals("First Line>\nSecond Line", "Third Line\nFourth Line");
    }
}
```

If the annotation you add lacks the import statement, the corresponding intention action will suggest you to create one:



**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with tox, make sure that Python plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Python SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

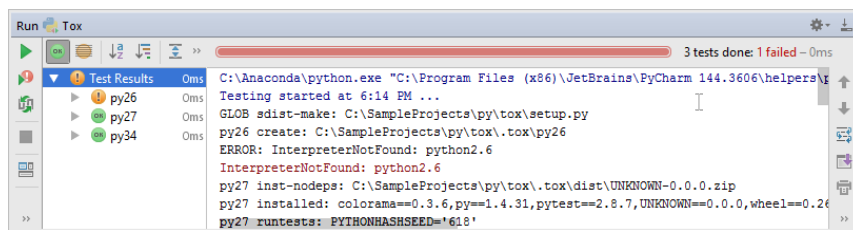
- [Python](#)
- [Django](#)

## Using Tox integration

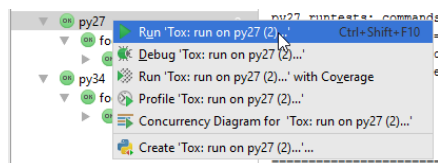
To make use of the Tox integration, follow these steps:

1. [Create a project](#) and the required files.
2. Right-click the file `tox.ini` and choose Run . So doing, the dedicated [Tox run/debug configuration](#) is launched.

The results show up in the [test runner tab of the Run tool window](#) :



Right-click any test result in the Test Runner to execute Tox in a particular environment:



**Tip** The test tree view shows only those runners that IntelliJ IDEA is aware of. If IntelliJ IDEA doesn't understand the test runner, then the interpreter name only is written.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Using the supported testing frameworks requires the respective gems to be installed and activated in your project. Without the required gems, the corresponding context menu commands and code completion will not be available.

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

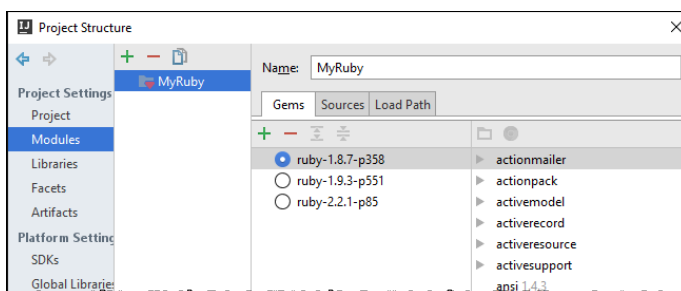
Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## Installing gems for testing

### To install Ruby gems for testing, follow these steps:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ), and click the node Modules .
2. Choose the desired Ruby module.
3. In the Gems tab, view the list of installed gems.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

This section describes how to use Test::Unit and the Test::Unit-based framework, both in the plain Ruby projects, and in Rails applications. In this section:

- Test::Unit and Related Frameworks
  - [Prerequisites](#)
- [Test::Unit Special Notes](#)
- [Collecting Code Coverage with Rake Task](#)
- [Shoulda](#)
- [Minitest](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

[Test::Unit](#) comes bundled with Ruby 1.8.x, and in general requires no additional tuning. If you are working in IntelliJ IDEA with Rails 3.x, or with Rails 2.3.x and without the `test-unit` gem, you can use this framework "out-of-the-box".

However, there are certain situations when IntelliJ IDEA will be unable to plug the test runner UI to the test engine:

- [Ruby 1.9.x with a limited version of Test::Unit](#)
- [Rails 2.3.x and test-unit gem](#)

## Ruby 1.9.x with a limited version of Test::Unit

Use the complete version, which is distributed by means of the `test-unit` gem. If this gem is missing, the test results will be shown in the console, and the test runner UI will only show the error message "No tests were found".

If you want the test runner UI show the tree view of test results, include `test-unit` gem in your Gemfile.

## Rails 2.3.x and test-unit gem

The problem affects all Test::Unit-based testing frameworks. To fix this problem, you have to manually enable the Test::Unit custom reporter, as described below.

### To enable Test::Unit custom reporter for your test

1. Open for editing the `config/environment.rb` file, and disable `test-unit` gem autoload. To do that, modify the `environment.rb` as follows:

```
Rails::Initializer.run do |config|
  ...
  config.gem 'test-unit', :lib => false
  ...
end
```

2. Open for editing the `test_helper.rb` file, and enable the IntelliJ IDEA formatter manually. To do that, modify the source code as shown below.

It is important to enable it after `environment.rb` has been required, but before the `require 'test/unit'` call.

```
# test/test_helper.rb
ENV["RAILS_ENV"] = "test"
require File.expand_path(File.dirname(__FILE__) + "../config/environment")

# RubyMine
if ENV["RUBYMINE_TESTUNIT_REPORTER"]
  $:.unshift(ENV["RUBYMINE_TESTUNIT_REPORTER"])
  $!.uniq!
end

require 'test_help' # !!! test_helper script loads 'test/unit'
...
```

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

If a test is launched via a Rake task, it is the user's responsibility to provide code coverage measurement.

## To enable rcov for Test::Unit run/debug configuration

It is supposed that you have a special Rake task that collects code coverage information via rcov.

1. Open for editing your `*.rake` file, and add the following code:

```
require 'rcov/rcovtask'

ovTask.new do |t|
  s << "test"
  t_files = FileList ['test/**/*.rb']
  base = true
```

2. Create run/debug configuration for the task 'rcov' and run it with coverage.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA helps you write Shoulda tests on attaching the `shoulda` gem.

IntelliJ IDEA provides Shoulda-specific code completion, if one of the following conditions is observed:

- The Bundler is used.
- For Rails 2.\*, Shoulda is specified in `environment.rb`
- For the Ruby projects, `require 'shoulda'` is mandatory.

Refer to [Shoulda installation](#) page to learn about using Shoulda in Rails applications.

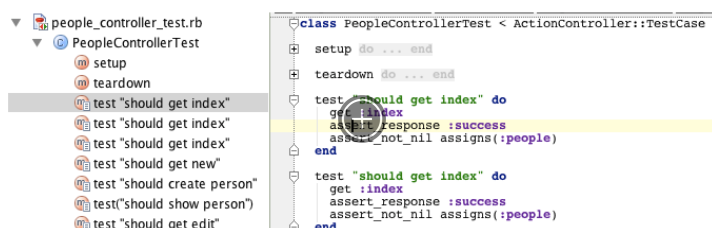
Having enabled Shoulda support in your project, you can:

- Use Shoulda-aware code completion for the contexts and should blocks:



- Run and debug Shoulda tests using the [Test:Unit run/debug configuration](#), or a user-defined [Rake task](#). In both cases, IntelliJ IDEA will run tests in the test runner UI. So doing, you can launch test cases, should blocks, or all test cases in a directory.

- View Shoulda tests in the File Structure view:



- In the Rails applications, view Shoulda tests in the Test:Unit/Shoulda node of the [Rails view](#):



## To enable Shoulda support, follow these general steps

1. Install `shoulda` gem to your project.
2. Mark as test roots the directories with the Shoulda tests.

## Example

Consider creating a Shoulda test in a Ruby project. Note that you can also create a plain Ruby script. In this case, make sure that its name ends with `_test.rb`.

In an empty Ruby project, add the following statements to the Test:Unit test cases with Shoulda tests:



```
require
```

```
"test/unit"
```

```
require
```

```
"rubygems"
```

```
gem
```

```
"shoulda"
```

```
require
```

```
"shoulda"
```

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

On this page:

- [Overview](#)
- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Important note](#)
- [Naming](#)

## Overview

IntelliJ IDEA helps you write tests using the MiniTest testing framework. MiniTest comes bundled with Ruby 1.9.x, but we suggest to use [minitest](#), as a more up-to-date version.

## Prerequisites

Before you start, make sure that:

- [minitest](#) is downloaded and installed on your computer.  
IntelliJ IDEA supports `minitest` versions higher than 3.1.0
- [minitest-reporters](#), version 0.5.0 or higher, is downloaded and installed on your computer. This gem is required for integration with IntelliJ IDEA test runner.  
For `minitest` `>= 5.0.0`, `minitest-reporters` gem is not required.
- For Windows, [win32Console](#), version '1.3.0' is downloaded and installed.
- The gems should be properly attached to your project. For example, if you use the [Bundler](#) for managing gems, the required gems should be added to the `Gemfile` of your project.  
For example, the `Gemfile` can contain the following code:

```
group :test do
  if RUBY_PLATFORM =~ /(win32|w32)/
    gem "win32console", '1.3.0'
  end
  gem "minitest"
  gem 'minitest-reporters', '>= 0.5.0'
  gem 'cucumber-rails'
end
```

- Depending on the version of `minitest-reporters` gem, one of the following code fragments is added to your tests (if you are working with a Rails application, it is better accomplished with `test/test-helper.rb` file):
  - Version 0.8.0 and higher

```
require 'minitest/reporters'

MiniTest::Reporters.use!
```

- Older versions

```
require 'minitest/reporters'

MiniTest::Unit.runner = MiniTest::SuiteRunner.new
if ENV["RM_INFO"] || ENV["TEAMCITY_VERSION"]
  MiniTest::Unit.runner.reporters << MiniTest::Reporters::RubyMineReporter.new
elsif ENV['TM_PID']
  MiniTest::Unit.runner.reporters << MiniTest::Reporters::RubyMateReporter.new
else
  MiniTest::Unit.runner.reporters << MiniTest::Reporters::ProgressReporter.new
end
```

The above code enables specific results reporter, which depends on the environment where tests have been launched: IntelliJ IDEA, TeamCity CI server, or TextMate text editor/ terminal. This approach is helpful, when you work in a mixed team that uses different IDEs, or text editors.

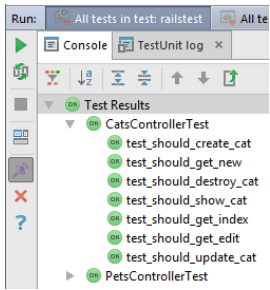
It is important to execute this code at the test initialization, before running the tests.

## Important note

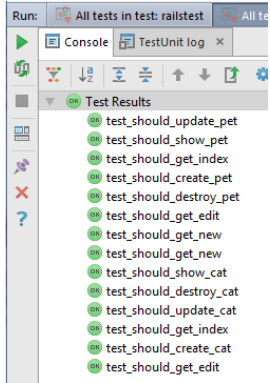
**Tip** You can jump to a test body directly from the test tree, using the context menu command Jump to Test

As mentioned before, `minitest-reporters` gem is required for integration with IntelliJ IDEA for `minitest` version lower than 5.0.0.

However, this gem is still essential for the higher versions of `minitest`, if you want to see the test results in a tree view:



rather than as plain list:



## Naming

It's important that the names of the `minitest` files match the following patterns:

```
*_test`.rb  
test_`*.rb
```

The test case classes should have suffix `Test` :

```
FooTest < AcceptanceTest
```

This limitation is not related to `MiniTest` , but rather is imposed by IntelliJ IDEA's code insight.

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

IntelliJ IDEA supports RSpec up to version 3.0.x. This section describes how to use RSpec in plain Ruby projects, and in Rails applications:

- RSpec
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [RSpec 2.x Note](#)
  - [Zeus Note](#)
- [Using RSpec in Ruby Projects](#)
- [Using RSpec in Rails Applications](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## RSpec 2.x Note

For RSpec 2.x , special configuration is required for the coverage options. The Rake task that launches RSpec 2.x tests with the code coverage enabled, need `RCOV_OPTS` environment variable, and should be modified as shown below:

```
# rspec 2.x
require "rake"
require "rspec/core/rake_task"

desc "Run all specs with rcov"
RSpec::Core::RakeTask.new("test_cov") do |t|
  t.rcov = true
  t.rcov_opts = ENV["RCOV_OPTS"]
end
```

## Zeus Note

If you are going to [run RSpec tests under Zeus server](#) , make sure to use Zeus version 0.13.4.pre2, or higher.

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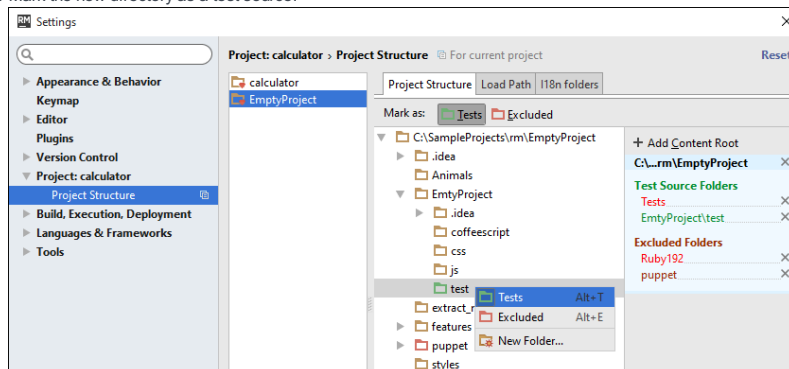
Though IntelliJ IDEA provides RSpec test template by default, the complete RSpec support only becomes available, when `rspec` gem is attached to your Ruby project. IntelliJ IDEA's RSpec support, in particular, includes:

- The possibility to run and debug individual examples.
- Use RSpec-specific code completion:



## To enable RSpec support in a Ruby project, perform these general steps:

1. Create a directory, for example, `test`, that will be used for testing purposes.
2. Mark the new directory as a test source.



3. Make sure that `rspec` gem is added to your project.
  4. In the directory you've created for testing, generate test templates.
  5. Run or debug your spec.
- If you are using the bundler, make sure that in the [RSpec run/debug configuration](#) the checkbox Run the script in context of the bundle is selected.

Note that you can execute all tests in a folder, specific test script, or individual examples in a script.

- To execute all tests in a folder, in the Project tool window right-click the folder that contains specs, and choose Run: All specs in <folder name> on the context menu.
- To execute a test script, right-click the spec in the Project tool window, or open this spec in the editor and right-click somewhere outside individual examples. Then choose Run <spec name> . on the context menu.
- To execute an individual example, open the desired spec in the editor, right-click the example to be executed, and choose Run <Spec name><example name> .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Using RSpec in Rails application requires `rspec-rails` gem to be added to your project. So doing the dependent `rspec` gem is added to the project automatically. When the `rspec-rails` gem is added, the corresponding generator `rspec:install` appears in the list of available generators.

IntelliJ IDEA supports `rspec-rails` gem version 2.12.0 and higher.

When RSpec support is enabled in a Rails application, IntelliJ IDEA provides:

- Generation of RSpec testing infrastructure.
- RSpec-specific code completion:



- [Usage of Zeus server](#) .
- [RSpec run/debug configuration](#)

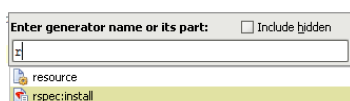
Depending on your particular version of Rails, different workflows are possible. If you are using Rails 3.0 and higher, it is recommended to use the [bundler](#) and specify `rspec-rails` gem in the Gemfile. Thus, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following workflow:

## To use RSpec, follow these general steps

1. Make sure that the required gems are installed.
2. In the Gemfile, add the following line:

```
gem 'rspec-rails'
```

3. Generate the RSpec testing infrastructure. To do that, press `Alt+Insert` , choose Run Rails Generator on the pop-up menu, start typing the `rspec` generator name, and choose `rspec:install` from the list:



In the Setup RSpec Support dialog box, specify the generator options. The respective script is executed, and displays its output in the console tab of the Run tool window.

4. Generate the test templates same way as the other [Rails application elements](#).
5. Run or debug your spec.  
If you are using the bundler, make sure that in the [RSpec run/debug configuration](#) the checkbox Run the script in context of the bundle is selected.

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**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Basics](#)
- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Managing Spork DRb server](#)
- [Tips and tricks](#)

## Basics

Running test suits sometimes involves overheads, because every time a test suit is executed, the whole environment (for example, the entire environment for applications) should be reloaded. You can avoid it using the [Spork DRb server](#), which loads the environment only once.

With the Spork DRb server running in the background, you have a choice to execute any testing script [using the Spork DRb server](#), or locally.

## Prerequisites

- Prior to launching Spork DRb server, make sure [spork](#) gem, and the corresponding testing gems (`rspec-rails`, `cucumber`, `cucumber-rails`, etc.) are used in your application.
- [spork](#) gem is added to the Gemfile.

Before you start working with , make sure that plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

### To launch Spork DRb server


1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Run Spork DRb server... .
2. In the Spork DRb Launch Options dialog box, select the desired testing framework, and click Run .  
If you are going to use `spork` for the first time in your project, launch the action with the Perform bootstrap checkbox selected. Thus Spork will patch the testing scripts.

The Spork DRb server starts in a separate tab of the Run tool window.

### To run a test script using the Spork DRb server

1. Make sure that Spork DRb server is launched using IntelliJ IDEA and is running in the background.
2. **Run** a test script, or one of its examples. Note that the option Spork DRb is automatically selected in the corresponding run configuration. If you want to run this test locally, you have to select the option None .




### To debug tests, when using Spork DRb, follow these general steps

1. Make sure the breakpoints are set in the test script you want to debug.
2. On the main toolbar, click the run/debug configuration selector, and choose Edit Configurations .
3. In the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) dialog box, create run/debug configuration for Spork DRb server.  
Refer to the section [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) for detailed description of the procedure.
4. Launch Spork DRb in the debug mode. To do that, with the Spork DRb run/debug configuration selected, click , or press `Shift+F9` .
5. With the Spork DRb server running in the debug mode, run the desired test script.

**Note** Note that if you debug a test script, it will be executed without Spork DRb server.

## Managing Spork DRb server

Refer to the description of the [Run tool window](#) . In particular, use the following buttons:

-  - stop the Spork DRb server without closing its tab in the Run tool window.
-  - close the Spork DRb server tab.
-  - rerun Spork DRb server in the same tab.

## Tips and tricks

- IntelliJ IDEA creates a temporary run/debug configuration for Spork DRb server. Later you can change this run/debug configuration as required, save it as permanent, and use it to launch the server.
- If you are using [TeamCity](#), avoid overhead by adding the following statement into `Spork.preload` :

```
require
```

```
'teamcity/spec/runner/formatter/teamcity/formatter'
```

- Spork DRb server doesn't work with Ruby 2.0.
- If both Zeus and Spork DRb servers are running simultaneously, it is Zeus that gets priority.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Ruby Plugin is installed and enabled!

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

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Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

In this section:

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## Basics


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With the Zeus server running in the background, you have a choice to execute any testing script [using the Zeus server](#) , or locally.

### To run a test script using the Zeus server

1. Make sure that Zeus server is launched using IntelliJ IDEA and is running in the background.
2. [Run](#) a test script, or one of its examples. Note that the option Zeus is automatically selected in the corresponding run configuration. If you want to run this test locally, you have to select the option None .

### To debug tests, when using Zeus, follow these general steps

1. Make sure the breakpoints are set in the test script you want to debug.
2. On the main toolbar, click the run/debug configuration selector, and choose Edit Configurations .
3. In the [Run/Debug Configurations Dialog](#) dialog box, create run/debug configuration for Zeus server. Refer to the section [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) for detailed description of the procedure.
4. Launch Zeus in the debug mode. To do that, with the Zeus run/debug configuration selected, click  , or press `Shift+F9` .
5. With the Zeus server running in the debug mode, run the desired test script.

**Note** Note that if you debug a test script, it will be executed without Zeus server.

## Tips and tricks

- IntelliJ IDEA creates a temporary run/debug configuration for Zeus server. Later you can change this run/debug configuration as required, save it as permanent, and use it to launch the server.
- If both Zeus and Spork DRb servers are running simultaneously, it is Zeus that gets priority.
- If you are going to run RSpec tests under Zeus server, make sure to use Zeus version 0.13.4.pre2, or higher.

## Overview

[Behavior-driven development](#) , or BDD , makes it possible to write tests in a human-readable language.

## Running a feature file

IntelliJ IDEA provides the ability to run a specific feature file, or all feature files in a folder, which is specified in the corresponding run/debug configurations for [Cucumber](#) , [Cucumber for Java](#) , .

The procedure of running tests is the same as for the other testing frameworks:

1. Open the desired feature file in the editor, or select it in the Project tool window.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Right-click the selected file or folder, and choose Run <feature file name> on the context menu of the selection.
  - [Create run/debug configuration](#) for one of the BDD frameworks , and specify the desired file or folder there.

## Renaming steps

When renaming Gherkin steps, mind the following limitations:

- Step definitions should not contain regular expressions
- Step names should contain alphanumeric characters only.
- A step definition should be only one in various frameworks.
- There should be a "one-to-one" mapping between a step and a step definition.

Refer to the section [Renaming](#) for details.

[Cucumber](#) supports [BDD](#) , and enables using features and scenarios written in a human-readable language.

In this section:

- [Cucumber](#)
  - [Prerequisites](#)
  - [Cucumber support](#)
- [Enabling Cucumber Support in Project](#)
- [Creating .feature Files](#)
- [Creating Examples Table in Scenario Outline](#)
- [Creating Step Definition](#)
- [Navigating from .feature File to Step Definition](#)
- [Supporting Regular Expressions in Step Definitions](#)
- [Running Cucumber Tests](#)

## Prerequisites

Cucumber becomes available in IntelliJ IDEA, provided that the following prerequisites are met:

- Cucumber for Java:

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Cucumber for Java Plugin is installed and enabled!

- Cucumber for Java bundled plugin is enabled.
- `cucumber-java` version 1.xx is specified as a dependency.

- Cucumber for Groovy:

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Cucumber for Groovy Plugin is installed and enabled!

- Cucumber for Groovy bundled plugin is enabled.
- `cucumber-groovy` version 1.xx is specified as a dependency.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

- `cucumber` gem (for Ruby projects), or `cucumber` and `cucumber-rails` (for Rails applications) is [installed and activated](#).

## Cucumber support

IntelliJ IDEA supports:

- Cucumber for Java, Cucumber for Groovy

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.


**Warning!** The following is only valid when Cucumber.js and Gherkin plugins are installed and enabled!

- [Cucumber.js](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

- [Cucumber](#) both in plain Ruby projects, and in Rails applications.

Cucumber feature files are marked with  icon.

Cucumber support includes:

- Syntax and error highlighting.
- Quick fix to [create step definitions](#) .
- [Navigation between step definitions and steps](#) .
- Ability to describe steps in English or any other language specified in the `# language:` comment.
- Run/debug configurations: [Cucumber](#) , [Cucumber for Java](#), [Cucumber.js](#) .
- Ability to run all features in a directory, a feature, or a single step within a feature.

## Prerequisite

Make sure that Cucumber for Java and/or Cucumber for Groovy bundled plugins are enabled. The choice of plugin depends on the type of step definitions to be generated.

## Two ways of creating Cucumber dependencies

Cucumber dependencies can be defined in two different ways:

- Using Maven dependencies
- Using libraries

## Using Maven dependencies

### To enable Cucumber in a Maven project, follow these general steps



1. Create a project [from scratch](#) , and select module type Maven . Alternatively, just [add a Maven module](#) .  
Do not create a Maven module from archetype!
2. Open for editing `pom.xml` file of the new project or module.
3. In the `pom.xml` , create and expand the section `dependencies` , and add the following code:

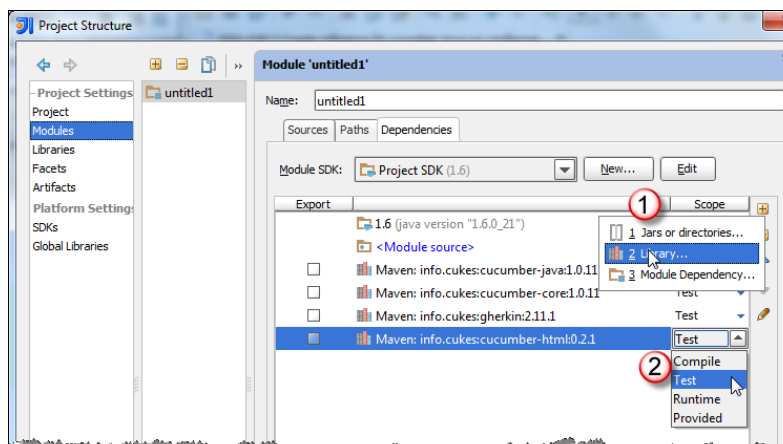
```
<dependency>
<groupId>info.cukes</groupId>
<artifactId>cucumber-java</artifactId>
<scope>test</scope>
<version>1.0.11</version>
</dependency>
<dependency>
<groupId>info.cukes</groupId>
<artifactId>cucumber-jvm</artifactId>
<version>1.0.11</version>
<type>pom</type>
</dependency>
```

4. Run the phase `package` to include all dependencies.

## Using libraries

### To enable Cucumber support via libraries, follow these general steps

1. In a project where Cucumber tests should be created, click  . [Project Structure](#) dialog box opens.
2. In the [Modules page](#) , click [Dependencies](#) tab, and add the required Maven dependencies:
  1. Click  , and choose Libraries from the submenu.  
If the libraries already exists locally, then in the Choose Libraries dialog box, select the desired version of the library `cucumber-java` (for Java) or `cucumber-groovy` (for groovy), and click the button Add Selected .  
  
If the library does not yet exist locally, click New Library , and select library type From Maven . Then, in the Download Library from Maven Repository dialog box, specify the Maven coordinates (if known), or a keyword, select the target for downloading, and click OK .  
  
Configure the new library as required (for example, attach documentation URL or sources).
2. In the Scopes column, click the arrow to reveal the drop-down list, and select Tests .



3. Apply changes and close the [Project Structure](#) dialog box.

## Prerequisite

Cucumber for Java should be downloaded and installed on your computer!

Once Cucumber for Java support is [enabled](#) , you can create feature files .

## Creating feature files

### To create a feature file

1. In the Project tool window, right-click a directory, where feature files should be created.
2. On the context menu of the target directory, choose New | File , and in the New File dialog box, type `<name>.feature` .
3. In the feature file, type your scenario. Since there are no step definitions, the steps will be highlighted as unresolved.
4. [Create step definitions](#) .

## Introduction

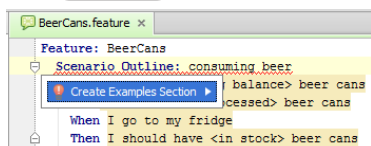
IntelliJ IDEA provides support for scenario outlines, enabling you to describe multiple scenarios by means of templates with placeholders. This support includes:

- Code completion (`Ctrl+Space`) for keywords.
- Syntax highlighting for keywords, placeholders, and attributes.
- Code inspection to detect missing examples, and a quick fix for generating Examples table stub.

## Creating Examples table

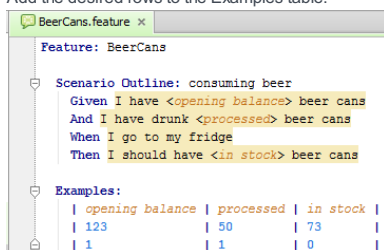
### To create Examples table for a scenario outline, follow these general steps

1. Having created a feature file, type the desired scenario outline. Use angle brackets to enclose placeholders. Note that initially the placeholders are not syntactically highlighted. If the steps are not defined, [create step definitions](#). Since the Examples section is missing, IntelliJ IDEA marks Scenario Outline name as an error.
2. Press `Alt+Enter` to show the suggested intention action, and press `Enter` :



The header row of the Examples table is created; so doing, the placeholders are highlighted both in the table header, and in the scenario outline steps.

3. Add the desired rows to the Examples table:

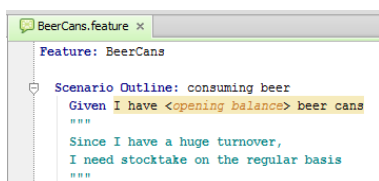


As you add rows, the columns in the Examples section are aligned automatically.

Note highlighting of the placeholders, and the values in the Examples table, which will be substituted on running examples.

## Tips and tricks

- If a colon is missing after the keyword Examples, it is recognized and marked as a syntax error, and a quick fix suggests to create colon.
- You can add textual notes to the steps of a scenario outline. Such notes should be enclosed in triple quotes; in this case, IntelliJ IDEA perceives the text inside as a string, and displays it when running the scenario step:



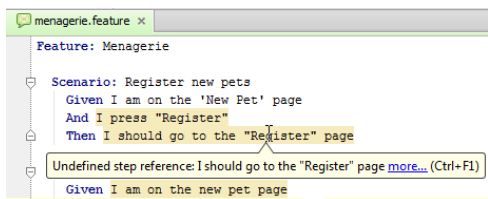
## Overview

If a `.feature` file refers to a non-existent step, IntelliJ IDEA's code inspection recognizes and highlights such step, and provides an intention action that helps create missing step definition.

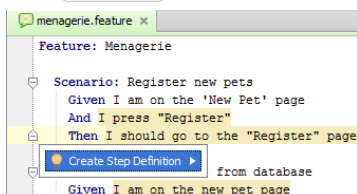
## Creating step definition

### To create a missing step definition

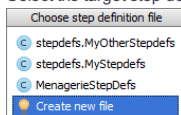
1. While editing the `.feature` file, type a reference to a step definition. IntelliJ IDEA highlights step as undefined, and gives detailed information at the tooltip:



2. Press `Alt+Enter` to show the Create Step Definition intention action:



3. Select the target step definition file from the pop-up list:



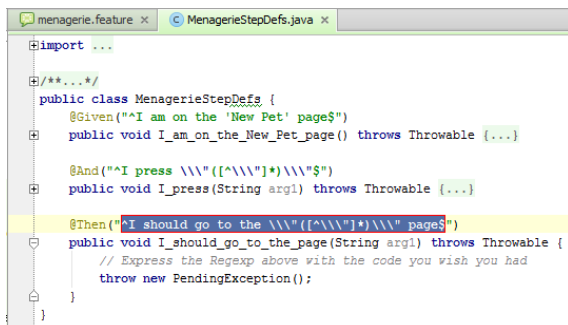
You can either select one of the existing step definition files from the suggestion list, or create a new one.

If you opt to create a new step definition file, specify its name, type (Java or Groovy), and the parent directory.

IntelliJ IDEA creates a step definition stub in the specified location.

4. In the selected step definition file that opens in the editor, enter the desired code.

Note that the editor turns into the template editing mode and displays the first input field highlighted with the red frame.



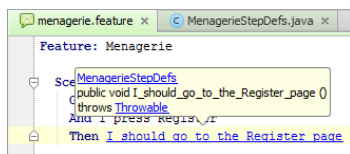
Type step definition in this frame and press `Enter` or `Tab` to complete input and pass to the next input field, where you have to enter your source code. After completing input, the caret moves to the end of the suggested step definition, and the editor returns to the regular mode of operation.

## Tips and tricks

- While typing, use code completion `Ctrl+Space` after keywords. Note that you can narrow down the suggestion list by typing characters contained anywhere within a description. On top of the suggestion list there will be the variants that contain specified characters as prefixes, followed by the variants with the arbitrary occurrences of characters:
- You can find usages of a step definition. To do that, place the caret at the desired definition, and press `Alt+F7`. Refer to the section [Finding Usages in Project](#) for details.
- IntelliJ IDEA keeps an eye on the uniqueness of the step definitions. Step definitions with the same names are highlighted.

## To navigate from a .feature file to step definition

1. Open the desired `.feature` file in the editor.
2. Do one of the following:
  - Keeping the `Ctrl` button pressed, hover your mouse pointer over a step. The step turns to a hyperlink, and its reference information is displayed at the tooltip:



Click the hyperlink. The step definition file opens in the editor, with the caret resting at the desired step definition.

- On the main menu, choose `Navigate | Declaration`.
- Press `Ctrl+B`.

**Warning!** You cannot navigate to a step definition file, if it resides outside a package under the test root.



IntelliJ IDEA supports regular expressions of Java flavor. As such, it uses the Java's `re` module.

When editing source code in a step definition file, note that it is possible to specify data in a step definition as constants, or as regular expressions.

To make IntelliJ IDEA perceive the entered code as a regular expression, ensure the following line is added to the source code of a step definition:

```
use_step_matcher("re")
```

So doing, the expressions used in step definitions are perceived as regular expressions:

```
use_step_matcher("re")
@when("I have (?P<number>[0-9]+) pets")
def step_impl(context, number):
    """ """
    pass
```

If the matcher is not used, then the expressions in quotes are perceived as strings:

```
# use_step_matcher("re")
@given("I have (?P<amount>[0-9]+) dollars")
```

The Cucumber feature files [are run same way](#) as the other executables, with certain run/debug configuration settings.

Prior to running a test, you have to set up run/debug configuration for a particular feature file or scenario, or for the whole bunch of features within a directory. Creating a run/debug configuration is described in the section [Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

**Warning!** Do not forget to specify the package where [step definitions](#) are stored. To do that, in the Glue field of the [Edit Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box, specify the name of the package in question, or click the browse button to locate it on project.

However, there is always the possibility to run Cucumber tests with the default settings, which is described below.

Results of tests execution are displayed in the [Test Runner](#) tab of the [Run tool window](#) .

### **To run all feature files in a directory**

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , right-click the directory where the feature files are stored.
2. On the context menu of the directory, choose Run all features in <directory name> .

### **To run a feature**

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , right-click the desired feature file, or open it in the editor.
2. On the context menu of the feature file, choose Run Feature <name> .

### **To run a scenario**

1. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , right-click the desired feature file, or open it in the editor.
2. On the context menu of the desired scenario, point to Run, and then choose Run Scenario <name> .

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## Prerequisites

Before you start working with TextMate, make sure that TextMate bundle support plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also, make sure that the TextMate bundles are **downloaded** to your computer.

## TextMate support

TextMate files are marked with  .

TextMate support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Possibility to [import bundles](#) .
- Possibility to establish mappings between the color schemes of IntelliJ IDEA and TextMate.
- [Syntax and error highlighting](#) .
- Code completion in `*.markdown` files.

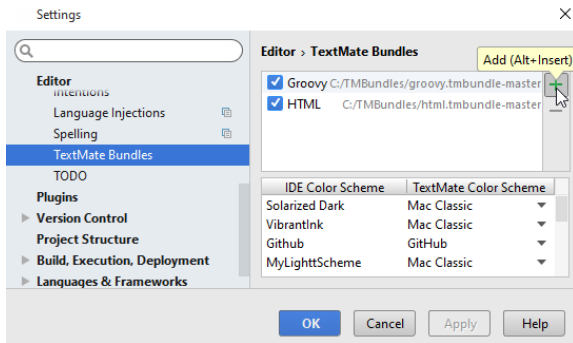
TextMate bundles become available to IntelliJ IDEA when they are **downloaded** to your computer.

## To import a TextMate bundle, follow these general steps

1. Make sure that TextMate bundles you want to import to IntelliJ IDEA, are already downloaded. For example, you can find the desired TextMate bundles on [GitHub](#).

**Note** It is important to note that IntelliJ IDEA cannot read the binary bundles. Use only bundle sources instead. You can find them on [GitHub](#).

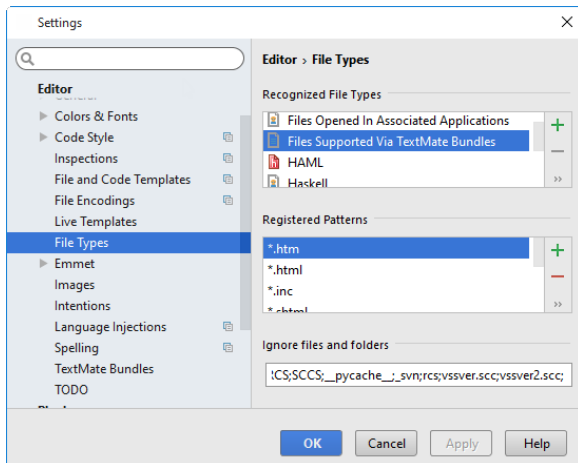
2. Open **Settings/Preferences dialog**, and click **TextMate Bundles**.
3. In the **TextMate Bundles** page, click **+**:



4. In the **Select Path** dialog box that opens, locate the desired bundle in the file system, and click **OK**. Repeat this step as required.
5. Apply changes.
6. If necessary, add the desired file type to the to the imported TM bundle.  
For example, if you want Ruby files with `.rb` extension to be supported by the IntelliJ IDEA's TextMate integration, you have to open for editing the file `Ruby.tmbundle\Syntaxes\Ruby.plist`, locate the section `fileTypes`, and under `array` add `rb`.

Then restart IntelliJ IDEA.

7. Just to make sure that the desired file type will be opened via the TextMate bundles, open **File Types** page of the **Settings/Preferences dialog**, among the recognized file types find **Files supported via TextMate bundles**, and see the list of extensions:



1. [Create a file](#) with the extension `*.markdown` .

**Note** A file with the extension `*.markdown` should be associated with the type Files supported via TextMate Bundles , as described in the section [Creating and Registering File Types](#) .

2. [Open](#) file for editing, and enter the desired text. The lines are highlighted according to the imported bundles.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports the [Thymeleaf](#) latest release version.

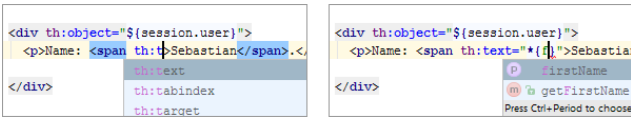
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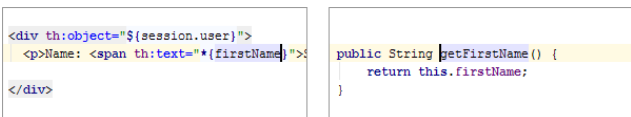
## Overview of Thymeleaf support

Thymeleaf support in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

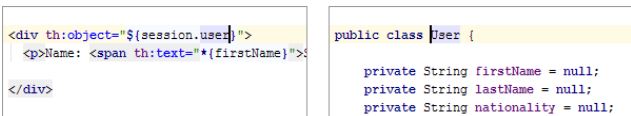
- [Code completion](#) for expressions and `th:*` attributes.



- The [Navigate to Declaration](#) feature ( `Navigate | Declaration` or `Ctrl+B` ) that lets you jump from a reference in a template to the corresponding getter method, message in a `.properties` file or other appropriate code fragment.

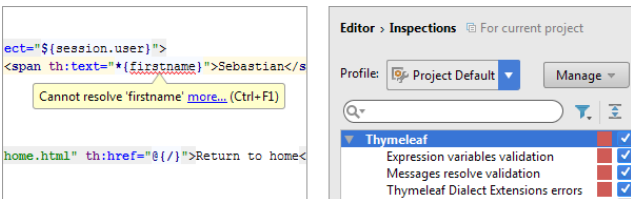


- The [Navigate to Type Declaration](#) feature ( `Navigate | Type Declaration` or `Ctrl+Shift+B` ) for switching to corresponding type definitions.



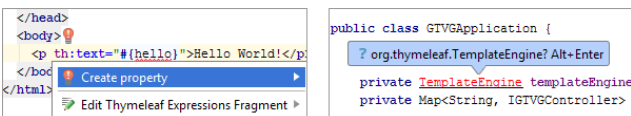
- The [Rename refactoring](#) ( `Refactor | Rename` or `Shift+F6` ) for referenced properties (and getter methods), iteration and status variables, etc.

- [Code inspections](#) that find unresolved references and errors in expression syntax.

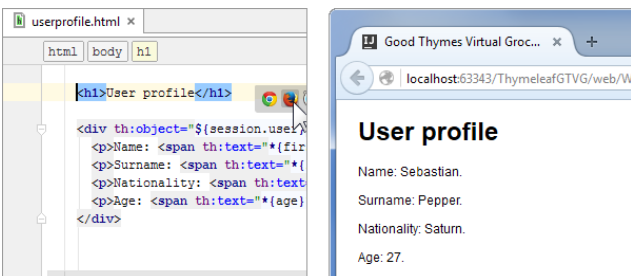


- Various [Find](#) functions e.g. [Find Usages](#) ( `Edit | Find | Find Usages` or `Alt+F7` ).

- [Intention actions](#) such as [Create property](#) for unresolved message references or [Import class](#) for adding the `import` statements for `org.thymeleaf.*` classes.



- [Preview](#) in a web browser for your prototypes (the static part of your templates) that can be accessed right from the editor.



## Enabling the Thymeleaf plugin

To be able to use the Thymeleaf support in IntelliJ IDEA, make sure that the Thymeleaf [plugin](#) is enabled. (This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)

See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Thymeleaf support for projects and modules

You can add Thymeleaf support when creating a [project](#) or [module](#) , or for an existing project or module. In all such cases, IntelliJ IDEA downloads the Thymeleaf library files (you can select which of the library files are necessary and which aren't) and adds them to the [dependencies](#) of the corresponding module.

You can also create a "Thymeleaf project" by opening an appropriate `pom.xml` file. In that case, the dependencies in your project will be managed by Maven. For more info, see [Maven](#) .

## Adding Thymeleaf support when creating a project or module

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use.
3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the Thymeleaf checkbox.  
In the lower part of the page, click Configure and select the library files that you want to download in the [dialog that opens](#) .
4. You may also want to enable web app development support by selecting the Web Application checkbox. (For more info, see e.g. [Enabling Web Application Support](#) .)  
Click Next .
5. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .  
Click Finish .

## Adding Thymeleaf support for an existing project or module

1. Open the Project tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the project or the module folder and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the [Add Frameworks Support dialog](#) that opens, select the Thymeleaf checkbox.
4. In the right-hand part of the dialog, click Configure and select the library files that you want to download in the [dialog that opens](#) .
5. You may also want to enable web app development support by selecting the Web Application checkbox. (For more info, see e.g. [Enabling Web Application Support](#) .)
6. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Plugins

To be able to use [Apache Tiles 3](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA, make sure that the following [plugins](#) are enabled:

- Struts 1.x
- Struts 2 (if you want to use the [OGNL](#) support).

(These plugins are bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)

See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Libraries

To get the [library](#) files for your Tiles 3 development, use the [Apache Tiles Downloads page](#) .

Don't forget to add your libraries to the [dependencies](#) of corresponding [modules](#) .


## Overview of Tiles 3 support

Tiles 3 support in IntelliJ IDEA includes code completion, and syntax and error highlighting for:

- Tiles definition files
- Expression languages (EL): Unified EL and Object-Graph Navigation Language (OGNL)
- Tiles - JSP support tag library



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA supports developing and running [TypeScript](#) source code. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes `*.ts` files and provides full range of coding assistance for editing them without any additional steps from your side. TypeScript files are marked with the  icon.

### Before you start

1. Make sure the **JavaScript Support** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Make sure the **Node.js** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

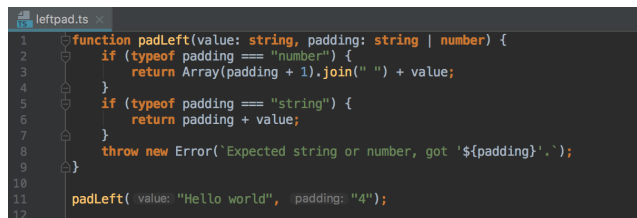
## TypeScript-aware coding assistance

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion, error and syntax highlighting, code verification and compilation mainly based on the data from the [TypeScript Language Service](#) .

- [Code completion](#) for keywords, labels, variables, parameters, and functions.
- Error and syntax highlighting.
- Code [formatting](#) and [folding](#) .
- Numerous code [inspections](#) and [quick-fixes](#) .
- On-the-fly code verification and compilation into JavaScript.

## Parameter hints

**Parameter hints** show the names of parameters in methods and functions to make your code easier to read. By default parameter hints are shown only for values that are literals or function expressions but not for named objects.



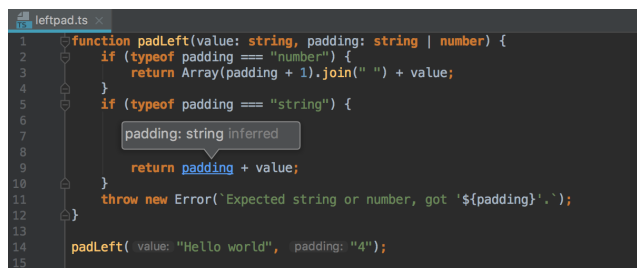
```
1 function padLeft(value: string, padding: string | number) {
2   if (typeof padding === "number") {
3     return Array(padding + 1).join(" ") + value;
4   }
5   if (typeof padding === "string") {
6     return padding + value;
7   }
8   throw new Error(`Expected string or number, got '${padding}'.`);
9 }
10
11 padLeft( value: "Hello world", padding: "4");
12
```

To show parameter hints for all arguments

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog box ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ), choose General under Editor , then choose Appearance . The [Appearance page](#) opens.
2. Click Configure next to the Show parameter name hint checkbox (the checkbox is selected by default).
3. In the Configure Parameter Name Hints dialog that opens, select the Show name for all arguments checkbox in the Options area.

## Inferred type information

To see the [inferred type](#) of an object, hold [⌘](#) on macOS or [Ctrl](#) on Windows and Linux and hover the mouse pointer over it:



```
1 function padLeft(value: string, padding: string | number) {
2   if (typeof padding === "number") {
3     return Array(padding + 1).join(" ") + value;
4   }
5   if (typeof padding === "string") {
6     padding: string inferred
7     return padding + value;
8   }
9   throw new Error(`Expected string or number, got '${padding}'.`);
10 }
11
12 padLeft( value: "Hello world", padding: "4");
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```

## TypeScript code verification and compilation into JavaScript

**Tip** By default, integration with the [TypeScript Language Service](#) is turned on.

**Tip** The default compilation scope is entire project. To change this default settings, choose the relevant scope from the Compile scope list on the [TypeScript page](#).

IntelliJ IDEA verifies TypeScript code mainly based on the data from the [TypeScript Language Service](#) which also compiles TypeScript into JavaScript. All the detected syntax and compilation errors are reported in the Errors and Compile errors tabs of the [TypeScript Tool Window](#) . For each error, IntelliJ IDEA provides a brief description and information about the number of the line where it occurred.


The Console tab shows the log of the [TypeScript Language Service](#) since the tool window was opened.

To configure integration with the TypeScript Language Service

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click TypeScript under Languages and Frameworks . The [TypeScript page](#) opens.
2. Select the Use TypeScript Service checkbox.
3. Use the controls below to configure the behaviour of the TypeScript compiler and enable or disable integration with the [Angular language service](#) .
4. In the Options field, specify the command line options to be passed to the TypeScript Language Service when the `tsconfig.json` file is not found. See the list of acceptable options at [TSC arguments](#) . Note that the `-w` or `--watch` ( [Watch input files](#) ) option is irrelevant.


To monitor syntax errors

Open the TypeScript tool window ( View | Tool Windows | TypeScript ) and switch to the Errors tab. The tab lists the discrepancies in the code detected by the TypeScript Language Service. The list is updated dynamically as you change your code.

- By default, the list contains only the errors from the file in the active editor tab and the full path to this file is displayed at the top. To show the errors across the entire project, press the Show project errors toggle button  on the toolbar. The tab shows error messages grouped by files in which they were detected.
- To navigate to the code in question, select the corresponding error message and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.

To monitor compilation errors

Open the TypeScript tool window ( View | Tool Windows | TypeScript ) and switch to the Compile errors tab. The tab lists the errors that occurred during compilation.

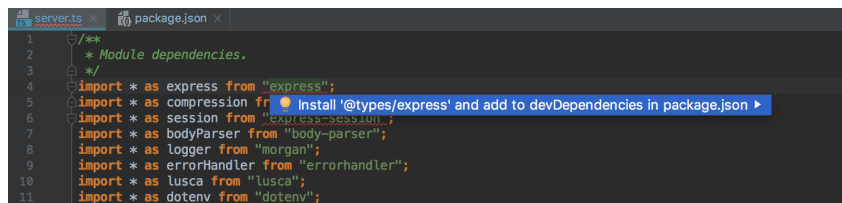
- By default, the list is updated dynamically as you edit your code. To change this setting, clear the Recompile on changes checkbox on the [TypeScript](#) page.
- By default, the list contains only the errors from the file in the active editor tab. To view the compilation errors across the entire compilation scope, click  on the toolbar and choose Compile All from the list. The error messages are shown grouped by files in which they were detected.
- To navigate to the code in question, select the corresponding error message and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.

## Using JavaScript libraries in TypeScript

When working with JavaScript libraries in TypeScript, you need to [install type declarations](#) for them. IntelliJ IDEA reminds you to install them via `npm` and updates your `package.json` file accordingly.

To install the type declarations

1. Position the cursor at the warning and press `Alt+Enter` .
2. Select the suggestion and press `Enter` .



```
1  /**
2  * Module dependencies.
3  */
4  import * as express from "express";
5  import * as compression from "compression";
6  import * as session from "session";
7  import * as bodyParser from "body-parser";
8  import * as logger from "morgan";
9  import * as errorHandler from "errorhandler";
10 import * as lusca from "lusca";
11 import * as dotenv from "dotenv";
```

## Common and TypeScript-specific refactoring

**Tip** See also [Refactoring JavaScript](#).

- Common refactoring procedures, such as `rename/move` , etc. See [Rename Refactorings](#) and [Move Refactorings](#) for details.
- TypeScript-specific refactoring procedures, such as `change signature` , `extract parameter` , `extract variable` . See for details.

## Code generation

- Generating code stubs based on [file templates](#) during file creation.
- Ability to create [line and block comments](#) ( `Ctrl+Slash` / `Ctrl+Shift+Slash` ).
- Generating `import` statements for modules, classes, and any other symbols that can be exported and called as a type. See [Importing TypeScript Symbols](#) .
- Configuring automatic insertion or skipping the `public` access modifier in generated code.

Learn more from [Generating Code](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

[Refactoring](#) means updating the structure of the source code without changing the behaviour of the application. Refactoring helps you keep your code solid, [dry](#), and easy to maintain.

## Move refactorings

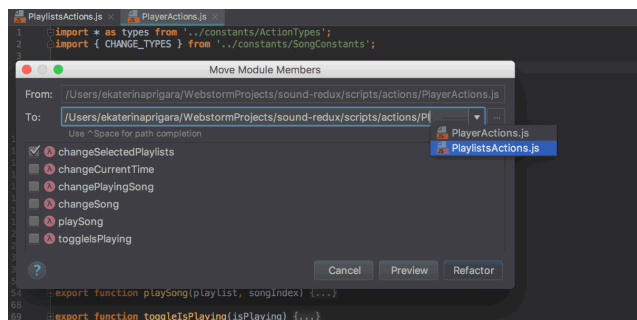
Besides [moving files and folders](#), IntelliJ IDEA lets you move TypeScript top-level symbols. The **Move Symbol Refactoring** works for classes, functions, and variables in ES6 modules.

To move a class, a function, or a variable

1. Select the symbol to move.
2. Press **F6** or choose Refactor | Move on the main menu or on the context menu of the selection.
3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the destination file.

**Tip** Alternatively, choose Refactor | Refactor This or press **Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T**, then choose Move from the list.

In the example below, the function `changeSelectedPlaylists` is moved from the `PlayerActions.js` file to the `PlaylistsActions.js` file. Note that an import statement for the types that `changeSelectedPlaylists` requires is added to `PlaylistsActions.js`. Also all the imports of `changeSelectedPlaylists` in the other files are updated.



## Pull Class Members Up refactoring

The **Pull Class Members Up** refactoring moves class methods upwards in the class hierarchy – from the current class to a superclass or to the interface which it implements.

Suppose you have a class `AccountingDepartment` that extends an abstract class `Department` and implements an interface `ReportingDepartment`.

```
abstract class Department {
  constructor(public name: string) {
  }
  printName(): void {
    console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
  }
}

interface ReportingDepartment {
  generateReports(): void
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department implements ReportingDepartment {
  constructor() {
    super("Accounting and Auditing");
  }
  printMeeting(): void {
    console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10 a.m");
  }
  generateReports(): void {
    console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
  }
}
```

### Example 1: Moving a class method to a superclass

In this example, the `printMeeting()` method is moved from `AccountingDepartment` to `Department`.

```

abstract class Department {
    constructor(public name: string) {
    }
    printName(): void {
        console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
    }
    printMeeting(): void {
        console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10 a.m");
    }
}

interface ReportingDepartment {
    generateReports(): void
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department implements ReportingDepartment {
    constructor() {
        super("Accounting and Auditing");
    }
    generateReports(): void {
        console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
    }
}

```

### Example 2: Moving a class method to the interface

In this example, the `PrintMeeting()` method is copied from the `AccountingDepartment` class to the `ReportingDepartment` interface.

```

abstract class Department {
    constructor(public name: string) {
    }
    printName(): void {
        console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
    }
}

interface ReportingDepartment {
    generateReports(): void
    printMeeting(): void
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department implements ReportingDepartment {
    constructor() {
        super("Accounting and Auditing");
    }
    printMeeting(): void {
        console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10 a.m");
    }
    generateReports(): void {
        console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
    }
}

```

### To move the methods of a class to a superclass or the interface

1. Place the cursor anywhere inside the class from which you want to pull the members up.
2. Choose Refactor | Pull Members Up on the main menu or on the context menu. The Pull Members Up dialog opens.
3. From the drop-down list, choose the superclass or the interface where you want to move the methods.
4. To pull a method up, select the checkbox next to it in the Members to be pulled up list. If applicable, select the Make

abstract checkbox next to the method to move.

## Rename refactorings

Besides [Renaming files and folders](#) , which is available in the context of any language, you can also rename classes, functions, variables, and parameters. IntelliJ IDEA changes the name of the symbol in its declaration and by default all its usages in the current project.

### To rename a function, a class, or a variable

1. In the editor, select the symbol to rename and press `Shift+F6` or choose Refactor | Rename on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. In the [Rename dialog](#) that opens, type the new name of the symbol.
3. Optionally:
  - Select the Search in comments and strings and Search for text occurrences checkboxes to rename the usages of the function or the class in comments, string literals, documentation, HTML, and other files included in the project.
  - Select the Search JavaScript References checkbox to rename the usages of the function or the class in generated JavaScript code.
4. If necessary, [preview and apply the changes](#) .

### To rename a parameter

1. Select the parameter in the editor and press `Shift+F6` or choose Refactor | Rename on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. In the text box with red canvas around the selected parameter, type the new parameter name.
3. Press `Enter` to run the refactoring.

## Extract refactorings

IntelliJ IDEA provides various **Extract** refactorings to introduce parameters, variables, constants, fields, methods, and functions. To run any of these refactorings, select the expression to refactor and choose Refactor | Extract | <target> . You can select an entire expression or place the cursor anywhere inside it and IntelliJ IDEA will help you with the selection.

### Extract Parameter

Use the **Extract Parameter** refactoring to replace an expression in the calls of a function with a parameter. IntelliJ IDEA will update the declaration and the calls of the function accordingly. The default value of the new parameter can be initialized inside the function body or passed through function calls.

Suppose you have a piece of code with a hardcoded `"Hello, "` in the function `greeter()` .

```
function greeter(firstName : String, lastName : String) {  
    return "Hello, " + firstName + " " + lastName;  
}  
  
document.body.innerHTML = greeter("Jane","User");
```

With the Extract Parameter refactoring, you can replace this hardcoded `"Hello, "` with a `greeting` parameter. The new `greeting` parameter can be extracted as **optional** or as **required** .

#### Example 1: Extracting an optional parameter

A new parameter `greeting` is extracted as an optional parameter. The new parameter is added to the definition of `greeter()` using the function default parameter syntax. The call of `greeter()` is not changed.

```
function greeter(firstName : String, lastName : String, greeting = "Hello, ") {  
    return greeting + firstName + " " + lastName;  
}  
  
document.body.innerHTML = greeter("Jane","User");
```

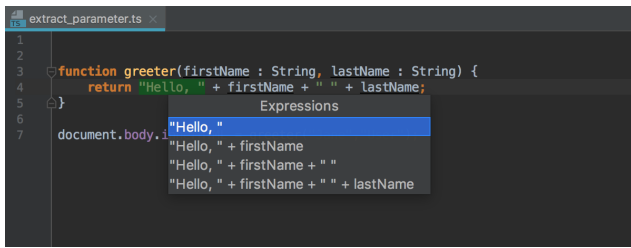
#### Example 2: Extracting a required parameter

In this example, a new parameter `greeting` is extracted as a required parameter. So the corresponding function call (`document.body.innerHTML = greeter(user);`) is changed accordingly.

```
function greeter(firstName : String, lastName : String, greeting: string) {  
    return greeting + firstName + " " + lastName;  
}  
  
document.body.innerHTML = greeter("Jane", "User", "Hello, ");
```

### To extract a parameter

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the expression that you want to convert into a parameter and press `Ctrl+Alt+P` or choose Refactor | Extract | Parameter on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. If several expressions are detected in the current cursor location, select the required one in the Expressions list.



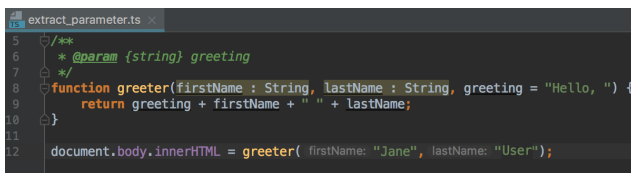
3. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, choose Replace this occurrence only or Replace all occurrences in the Multiple occurrences found pop-up menu. Finally, the pop-up window for configuring the refactoring appears.



4. Select the Generate JSDoc to have a JSDoc comment block generated. This may be helpful if you need to specify a custom default parameter value. Learn more from the [JSDoc Official website](#).
5. Choose where the new parameter will be initialized and specify its default value, if applicable:
  - If the Optional parameter checkbox is selected, the parameter will be initialized with the default value in the function body.
  - If the Optional parameter checkbox is cleared, the default parameter value will be passed through the existing function calls. All the function calls will change according to the new function signature and a parameter initialization will be added to the function body.

Initially, IntelliJ IDEA accepts the expression where the refactoring is invoked as the default value. In most cases you do not need to change it. If it is still necessary, specify another default value in the JSDoc comment in the format `@param <parameter name> - <default value>`.

6. Accept one of the suggested parameter names by double-clicking it in the pop-up list or specify a custom name in the text box with red canvas. Press `Enter` when ready.



### Choosing the refactoring mode

You can extract a parameter right in the editor (in the in-place mode) [as described above](#) or use the Extract Parameter dialog. These two approaches are rather similar, the difference is as follows:

- [Previewing the results of the refactoring](#).

In the dialog box, you can click Preview and examine the expected changes in the dedicated tab of the Find tool window. In the in-place mode, this functionality is not available.

- [Specifying the default parameter value](#).

In the dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the default parameter value in the Value field where you can accept the suggestion or specify another value. In the in-place mode, IntelliJ IDEA treats the expression where the refactoring is invoked as the default parameter value. To specify another value, you have to use a JSDoc comment block.

### Extract Variable

Use the **Extract Variable** refactoring to replace an expression with a [function-scoped variable \(var\)](#), a [block-scoped variable \(let\)](#), or a [block-scoped constant \(const\)](#). This refactoring makes your source code easier to read and maintain. It also helps you avoid using hardcoded constants without any explanations about their values or purposes.

```
function Multiplication(a : number, b : number) {
  let d = (a + b) * (a + b);
  return d;
}

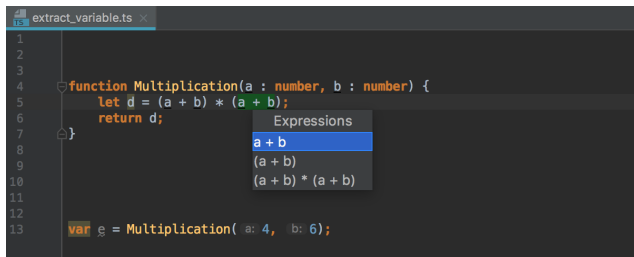
var e = Multiplication(4, 6);
```

```
function Multiplication(a : number, b : number) {
  let c = a + b;
  let d = (c) * (c);
  return d;
}

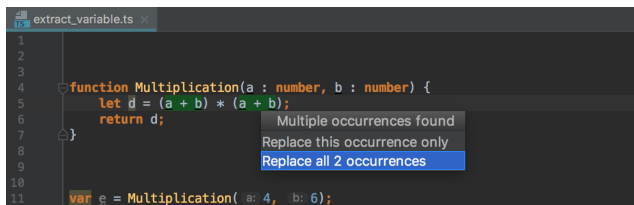
var e = Multiplication(4, 6);
```

1. In the editor, select the expression to convert into a variable and press `Ctrl+Alt+V` or choose Refactor | Extract | Variable on the context menu or on the main menu.

2. If several expressions are detected in the current cursor location, select the required one in the Expressions list.



3. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, choose Replace this occurrence only or Replace all occurrences in the Multiple occurrences found pop-up menu.



Finally, the pop-up window for configuring the refactoring appears.

4. In the pop-up menu, choose the statement to use in the declaration of the new variable:

- Choose var to introduce a [function-scoped variable](#) . This variable can be declared in the enclosing function or outside any function.
- Choose let to introduce a [block-scoped variable](#) .
- Choose const to introduce a [block-scoped constant](#) .



5. Accept one of the suggested variable names by double-clicking it in the pop-up list or specify a custom name in the text box. Press `Enter` when ready.

### Choosing the refactoring mode

You can extract a variable right in the editor (in the in-place mode) [as described above](#) or use the Extract Variable dialog . By default, IntelliJ IDEA runs the Extract Variable refactoring in the in-place mode. To use the Extract Variable dialog box, open the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`) and click Editor | General . On the [General page](#) that opens, clear the Enable in-place mode checkbox in the Refactorings area.

### Extract Field

The **Extract Field** refactoring declares a new field and initializes it with the selected expression. The original expression is replaced with the usage of the field.

Suppose you have the following code:

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(public height: number, public width: number) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    get area() {
        return this.calcArea();
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

In all the three examples below, the same field, `_calcArea` is extracted. The examples illustrate three different ways to initialize the extracted field.

Example 1: The extracted field `_calcArea` is initialized in the enclosing method `get Area()`

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(public height: number, public width: number) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    private _calcArea: number;

    get area() {
        this._calcArea = this.calcArea();
        return this._calcArea;
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

Example 2: The extracted field `_calcArea` is initialized in its declaration

```

class Rectangle {
    constructor(public height: number, public width: number) {
        this.height = height;
        this.width = width;
    }

    private _calcArea = this.calcArea();

    get area() {
        return this._calcArea;
    }

    calcArea() {
        return this.height * this.width;
    }
}

```

Example 3: The extracted field `_calcArea` is initialized in the constructor of the class



```

class Rectangle {
  constructor(public height: number, public width: number) {
    this._calcArea = this.calcArea();
    this.height = height;
    this.width = width;
  }

  private _calcArea: number;

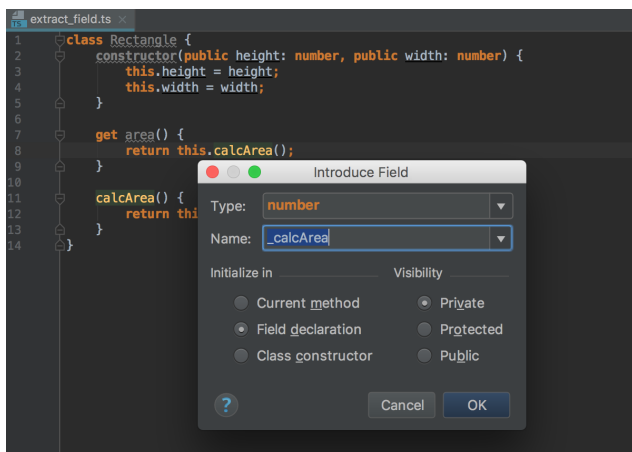
  get area() {
    return this._calcArea;
  }

  calcArea() {
    return this.height * this.width;
  }
}

```

### To extract a field

1. In the editor, select the expression to convert into a field and press `Ctrl+Alt+F` or choose Refactor | Extract | Field on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. In the [Extract Field Dialog](#) that opens:
  - Specify the field name and [type](#).
  - Choose where the new field will be initialized, the available options are:
    - Current method, see [Example 1](#).
    - Field declaration, see [Example 2](#).
    - Class constructor, see [Example 3](#).
  - Choose the field visibility, the available options are Public, Private, and Protected. Learn about field visibility modifiers from the [TypeScript Official website](#).



## Extract Method

**Tip** The selected code fragment does not necessarily have to be a set of statements. It may also be an expression used somewhere in the code.

The **Extract Method** refactoring lets you create a named method or function with the extracted code. When the **Extract Method** refactoring is invoked, IntelliJ IDEA detects the variables that are the input for the selected code fragment and the variable that is the output for it. The detected output variable is used as the return value for the extracted method or function.

### Example 1: Extracting a global method from an expression inside another method

In this example, a globally scoped method `NewMethod()` is extracted from the `let c = a + b;` expression. The parameters for the extracted method are retrieved from the `let c = a + b;` expression.

#### Example 1.1: A function declaration is generated

```

function MyFunction(a : number, b : number) {
  let c = a + b;
  let d = c * c;
  return d;
}

```

```

function NewMethod(a: number, b: number) {
  let c = a + b;
  return c;
}

function MyFunction(a : number, b : number) {
  let c = NewMethod(a, b);
  let d = c * c;
  return d;
}

```

### Example 1.2: The extracted function is declared inside an expression

```
function MyFunction(a : number, b : number) {
  let c = a + b;
  let d = c * c;
  return d;
}

let NewMethod = function (a : number, b : number) {
  let c = a + b;
  return c;
};

function MyFunction(a : number, b : number) {
  let c = NewMethod(a, b);
  let d = c * c;
  return d;
}
```

### Example 2: Extracting a method with declaration inside the enclosing method

In this example, a method `NewMethod()` is extracted from the `let c = a + b;` expression. The destination scope `function MyFunction` is chosen.

```
function MyFunction(a : number, b : number) {
  let c = a + b;
  let d = c * c;
  return d;
}

function MyFunction(a : number, b : number) {
  let NewMethod = function () {
    let c = a + b;
    return c;
  };
  let c = NewMethod();
  let d = c * c;
  return d;
}
```

### Example 3: Extracting a method from an expression outside any method

A method `NewMethod()` is extracted from the `var e = MyFunction(4, 6);` expression that is outside any method. The extracted method is globally scoped.

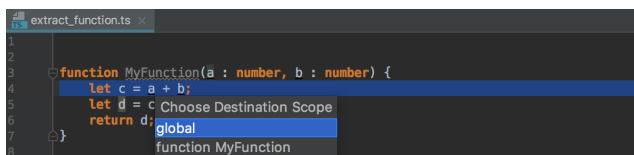
```
var e = MyFunction(4, 6);

let NewMethod = function () {
  var e = MyFunction(4, 6);
};

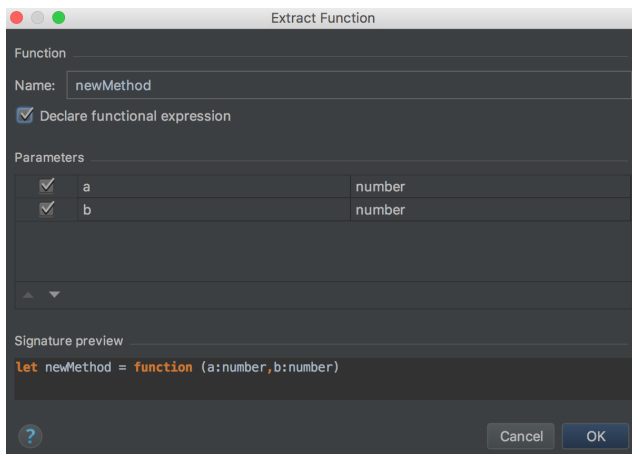
NewMethod();
```

### To extract a function

1. In the editor, select a code fragment to convert into a function and press `Ctrl+Alt+M` or choose Refactor | Extract | Method on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. If the selected expression is inside another function, choose the destination scope from the pop-up list:



- If you choose global, the extracted function will be declared outside any function, see [Example 1](#) above.
  - To declare the extracted function inside the current enclosing function, choose function <current enclosing function name>, see [Example 2](#) above.
3. In the [Extract Function](#) dialog box that opens, specify the name of the new function.
  4. Choose how the function will be declared. By default, the Declare functional expression checkbox is cleared and IntelliJ IDEA generates a [function declaration](#), see [Example 1.1](#) above.  
  
[To declare the extracted function inside an expression](#), select the Declare functional expression checkbox, see [Example 1.2](#) above.
  5. When extracting a [globally scoped function](#), configure the set of variables to be passed as parameters. By default, all the variables from the specified scope are listed in the Parameters area.
    - To have a variable included in the parameter set, select the checkbox next to it.
    - To change the order of parameters, use the Move Up and Move Down buttons.



6. In the Signature preview read-only area, check the declaration of the new function.

## Extract Type Alias

Use this refactoring to convert a type declaration expression into a [type alias](#) and replace all the occurrences of this expressions with this alias.

```
function createSquare(config): {color: string; area: number} {
  let newSquare = {color: "white", area: 100};
  if (config.color) {...}
  if (config.width) {...}
  return newSquare;
}

let mySquare = createSquare( config: {color: "black"});
```

Suppose you have the following fragment of code with a `{ z : number }` type declaration:

```
function returnsObj(): { x : number, y : { z : number } } {
  return null
}

function anotherObjectReturned(): {x : number, y : {z : number} } {
  return null
}
```

In the example below, a type alias `MyNewAlias` is extracted from the `{ z : number }` type declaration:

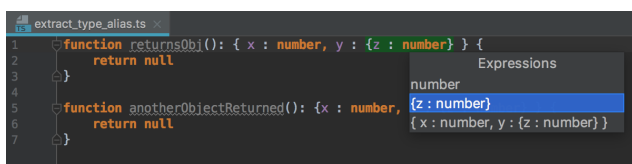
```
type MyNewAlias = { z : number };

function returnsObj(): { x : number, y : MyNewAlias } {
  return null
}

function anotherObjectReturned(): { x : number, y : MyNewAlias } {
  return null
}
```

### To extract a type alias

1. In the editor, place the cursor within the expression that you want to replace with a type alias and choose Refactor | Extract | Type Alias on the context menu or on the main menu.
2. If several expressions are detected in the current cursor location, select the required one in the Expressions list.



3. If more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found, choose Replace this occurrence only or Replace all occurrences in the Multiple occurrences found pop-up menu.

```

1 function returnsObj(): { x : number, y : { z : number } } {
2   return null
3 }
4
5 function anotherObjectReturned(): { x : number,
6   return null
7 }

```

4. In the text box, type the name of the type alias and press `Enter` when ready.

```

1 type MyNewAlias = { z : number };
2
3 function returnsObj(): { x : number, y: MyNewAlias } {
4   return null
5 }
6
7 function anotherObjectReturned(): { x : number, y: MyNewAlias } {
8   return null
9 }

```

## Extract Superclass

The **Extract Superclass** refactoring creates a new abstract class based on the members of the current class. The created abstract class is extended automatically.

Suppose you have a class `AccountingDepartment` and you expect that the `printName()` method from it will be re-used.

```

class AccountingDepartment {
  name: string;
  printName(): void {
    console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
  }
  printMeeting(): void {
    console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10 a.m.");
  }
  generateReports(): void {
    console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
  }
}

```

You can extract a superclass `Department` and include the `printName` and the `Name` field in it.

```

class Department {
  name: string;

  printName(): void {
    console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
  }
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department {
  printMeeting(): void {
    console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10 a.m.");
  }
  generateReports(): void {
    console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
  }
}

```

### To extract a superclass

1. Place the cursor anywhere inside the class from which you want to extract a superclass.
2. Choose Refactor | Extract | Superclass on the main menu or on the context menu. The Extract Superclass dialog opens.
3. Specify the name of the new superclass and select the checkboxes next to the class members you want to include in it.
4. In the Destination file field, specify the location of the file where the new class will be. By default, the field shows the path to the current file where the refactoring was invoked.
5. Choose Extract Superclass . IntelliJ IDEA creates a new class and marks the source class with `extends` .

To create a superclass and replace the references to the source class with references to the superclass in parameters of methods, choose Extract superclass and use it where possible . IntelliJ IDEA shows the proposed changes in the Refactoring Preview pane of the Find tool window.

## Extract Interface

The Extract Interface refactoring creates a new interface based on the members of the current class. The created interface will be implemented automatically.

Suppose you have a class `AccountingDepartment` and you expect that the `generateReports()` method from it will have other implementations.

```

abstract class Department {
    constructor(public name: string) {
    }
    printName(): void {
        console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
    }
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department {
    constructor() {
        super("Accounting and Auditing");
    }
    printMeeting(): void {
        console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10 a.m");
    }
    generateReports(): void {
        console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
    }
}

```

You can extract a `DepartmentInterface` interface and include the `generateReports()` in it.

```

abstract class Department {
    constructor(public name: string) {
    }
    printName(): void {
        console.log("Department name: " + this.name);
    }
}

interface DepartmentInterface {
    generateReports(): void;
}

class AccountingDepartment extends Department implements DepartmentInterface {
    constructor() {
        super("Accounting and Auditing");
    }
    printMeeting(): void {
        console.log("The Accounting Department meets each Monday at 10 a.m");
    }
    generateReports(): void {
        console.log("Generating accounting reports...");
    }
}

```

#### To extract an interface

1. Place the cursor anywhere inside the class from which you want to extract an interface.
2. Choose Refactor | Extract | Interface on the main menu or on the context menu. The Extract Interface dialog opens.
3. Specify the name of the new interface and select the checkboxes next to the class members you want to include in it.
4. In the Destination file field, specify the location of the file where the new interface will be. By default, the field shows the path to the current file where the refactoring was invoked.
5. Choose Extract Interface . IntelliJ IDEA creates a new interface and marks the source class as its implementation.

To create an interface and replace the references to the source class with references to the interface in parameters of methods, choose Extract interface and use it where possible . IntelliJ IDEA shows the proposed changes in the Refactoring Preview pane of the Find tool window. Note that if an instance references a method or a field that is not defined in the interface, IntelliJ IDEA will not suggest replacing it.

## Inline refactorings

Inline refactorings are opposite to [Extract refactorings](#) .

### Example 1: Inline Variable

The **Inline Variable** refactoring replaces a redundant usage of a variable or a constant with its initializer. This type of refactoring is available only for block-scoped and function-scoped variables.

```
function Multiplication(a : number, b : number) {
  let c = a + b;
  let d = (c) * (c);
  return d;
}
```

```
function Multiplication(a : number, b : number) {
  let d = ((a + b)) * ((a + b));
  return d;
}
```

The **Inline Method / Inline Function** refactoring results in placing the body of a method or a function into the body of its caller(s); the method/function itself is deleted.

In the example below, the body of `Sum()` is placed in the body of `Multiplication()`.

```
function Sum(a: number, b: number) {
  return a + b;
}

function Multiplication(a: number, b: number) {
  let d = Sum(a, b) * Sum(a, b);
  return d;
}

var e = Multiplication(4, 6);
```

```
function Multiplication(a : number, b : number) {
  let d = (a + b) * (a + b);
  return d;
}

var e = Multiplication(4, 6);
```

To run an **Inline** refactoring:

1. In the editor, place the cursor at the symbol to be inlined and press `Ctrl+Alt+N` or choose Refactor | Inline on the context menu or on the main menu.

## Change Signature refactoring

**Tip** You can also add a parameter using the [Extract Parameter](#) refactoring.

**Tip** To perform the refactoring right away, click Refactor.

**Tip** Configuring the visibility is applicable only to functions defined within classes.

**Tip** If necessary, [propagate the new parameter](#) to the functions that call the current function.

Use the **Change Signature** refactoring to change the name of a function, its visibility, and return type, to add, remove, reorder, and rename parameters, and to propagate new parameters through the hierarchy of calls.

In the example below, the function `eat()` is renamed to `feed()` and a new `boolean` parameter `isMammal` is introduced.

```
class Animal {
  constructor(age: number, name: string){
  }

  eat(food: string[]): void {
  }
}

let Max = new Animal(23, 'Max');
Max.eat(['Apple', 'Parsley']);
let Daisy = new Animal(12, 'Daisy');
Daisy.eat(['Pork', 'Fish']);
```

```
class Animal {
  constructor(age: number, name: string){
  }

  feed(food: string[], isMammal: boolean = true): void {
  }
}

let Max = new Animal(23, 'Max');
Max.feed(['Apple', 'Parsley'], false);
let Daisy = new Animal(12, 'Daisy');
Daisy.feed(['Pork', 'Fish'], false);
```

To invoke **Change Signature**

In the editor, place the cursor within the name of the function to refactor and press `Ctrl+F6` or choose Refactor | Change Signature on the context menu or on the main menu. The **Change Signature dialog** opens.

To rename a function

In the Change Signature dialog (`Ctrl+F6`), edit the Name field.

To change the return type of a function

In the Return type field, specify the type of the value that the function returns. If the field is empty, the return type is treated as `void`. Learn more about the return type from the [TypeScript Official website](#).

To change the visibility of a function

From the Visibility drop-down list, choose a [function modifier](#), the available options are [public \(default\)](#), [private](#), and [protected](#),

### To manage the function parameters

In the Change Signature dialog ( `Ctrl+F6` ), use the table of parameters and the buttons to the right of it:

- To add a parameter, click `+` ( `Alt+Insert` ) and specify the name of the new parameter and its type. Specify the default value of the parameter or the value to be passed through function calls.
- To remove a parameter, click any of the cells in the corresponding row and click `-` ( `Alt+Delete` ).
- To reorder the parameters, so required parameters are listed before optional ones, use `↑` ( `Alt+Up` ) and `↓` ( `Alt+Down` ). Learn more about required and optional parameters from the [TypeScript Official website](#) .
- To rename a parameter, edit the Name field.

### To propagate a parameter along the hierarchy of calls

1. In the Change Signature dialog ( `Ctrl+F6` ), select the parameter and click `⌵`. The Select Methods to Propagate New Parameters dialog opens. The left-hand pane shows the hierarchy of function calls. When you select a function, the right-hand pane shows its code and the code of the function it calls in the Caller Method and Callee Method fields respectively.
2. In the left-hand pane, select the checkboxes next to the functions where you want to propagate the parameter and click OK .

### To preview the changes and complete the refactoring

1. In the Change Signature dialog ( `Ctrl+F6` ), click Preview .
2. In the Refactoring Preview tab of the [Find tool window](#) , [view the expected changes](#) , make the necessary adjustments, and click Do Refactor when ready.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Introduction

TypeScript code is not processed by browsers that work with JavaScript code. Therefore to be executed, TypeScript code has to be translated into JavaScript. This operation is referred to as **compilation** and the tools that perform it are called **compilers**.

## Running a file with injected TypeScript from IntelliJ IDEA

Note that no run configuration is required for launching applications with injected TypeScript from IntelliJ IDEA.

1. [Compile the TypeScript code into Javascript](#).
2. In the editor, open the HTML file with the TypeScript reference. This HTML file does not necessarily have to be the one that implements the starting page of the application.
3. Do one of the following:
  - Choose View | Open in Browser on the main menu or press `Alt+F2`. Then select the desired browser from the pop-up menu.
  - Hover your mouse pointer over the code to show the browser icons bar:  Click the icon that indicates the desired browser.



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## Introduction

Before debugging, you need to compile your code into JavaScript.

IntelliJ IDEA needs [source maps](#) to recognize breakpoints you set in the TypeScript code. To have source maps generated during compilation, open the `tsconfig.json` file and make sure the `sourceMap` property is set to `true`.

Before you start, configure the built-in debugger as described in [Configuring JavaScript Debugger](#). To use the **Live Edit** functionality that shows the changes in your HTML and CSS in the browser on the fly, install the [JetBrains IDE Support](#) Chrome extension. Find more about that in [Live Edit in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript](#).

## Debugging client-side TypeScript


Most often, you may want to debug a client-side application running on an external development web server, e.g. powered by Node.js.

1. [Configure and set breakpoints](#) in the TypeScript code.
2. Compile the TypeScript code into JavaScript.
3. Run the application in the **development mode**. Often you need to run `npm start` for that. When the development server is ready, copy the URL address at which the application is running in the browser - you will need to specify this URL address in the run/debug configuration.
4. Create a debug configuration of the type **JavaScript Debug**:

Choose Run | Edit Configuration on the main menu, click **+** on the toolbar and select JavaScript Debug from the pop-up list.

5. In the **Run/Debug Configuration: JavaScript Debug** dialog box that opens, specify the URL address at which the application is running.

This URL can be copied from the address bar of your browser as described in Step 3 above. Click OK to save the configuration settings.

6. Choose the newly created configuration in the Select run/debug configuration drop-down list on the toolbar and click the Debug toolbar button . The URL address specified in the run configuration opens in the chosen browser and the **Debug tool window** appears.
7. In the Debug tool window, proceed as usual: [step through the program](#), [stop and resume](#) the program execution, [examine it when suspended](#), [view actual HTML DOM](#), etc.

If your TypeScript code is running on the built-in IntelliJ IDEA server, you can also debug it same ways as when [debugging JavaScript running on the built-in server](#).

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IntelliJ IDEA provides facilities to run TypeScript-specific code quality inspections through integration with the **TSLint** code verification tool. This tool registers itself as an IntelliJ IDEA code inspection: it checks TypeScript code for most common mistakes and discrepancies without running the application. When the tool is activated, it launches automatically on the edited **TypeScript** file. Discrepancies are highlighted and reported in pop-up information windows, a pop-up window appears when you hover the mouse pointer over a stripe in the Validation sidebar. You can also press `Alt+Enter` to examine errors and apply suggested quick fixes. Learn more about inspections and intention actions at [Code Inspection](#) and [Intention Actions](#).

## Before you start

1. Download and install the [Node.js runtime environment](#) and configure it as a Node.js interpreter as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).
2. Install and enable the **NodeJS** repository plugin as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Installing TSLint

Open the IntelliJ IDEA built-in Terminal (View | Tool Windows | Terminal or `Alt+F12`) and type `npm install tslint typescript --save-dev`. See [TSLint](#) for more information.

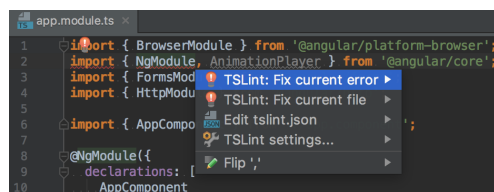
## Activating and configuring the TSLint tool

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), choose TypeScript under Languages and Frameworks, then choose TSLint. The **TSLint** page opens.
2. Select the Enable checkbox. After that all the controls in the page become available.
3. Specify the location of the **Node.js** executable file and the path to the **TSLint** package.
4. In the Configuration File area, appoint the configuration to use. By default, IntelliJ IDEA first looks for a `tslint.json` configuration file. IntelliJ IDEA starts the search from the folder where the file to be checked is stored, then searches in the parent folder, and so on until reaches the project root. If no `tslint.json` file is found, **TSLint** uses its default embedded configuration file. Accordingly, you have to define the configuration to apply either in a `tslint.json` configuration file, or in a custom **JSON** configuration file, or rely on the default embedded configuration.
  - To have IntelliJ IDEA look for a `tslint.json` file, choose the Search for tslint.json option. If no `tslint.json` file is found, the default embedded configuration file will be used.
  - To use a custom file, choose the Configuration File option and specify the location for the file in the Path field. Choose the path from the drop-down list, or type it manually, or click the `...` button and select the relevant file from the dialog box that opens.
5. If necessary, in the Additional Rules Directory field, specify the location of the files with additional code verification rules. These rules will be applied after the rules from `tslint.json` or the above specified custom configuration file and accordingly will override them.

## TSLint quick-fixes

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can fix some of the issues reported by **TSLint** automatically.

- To fix a specific error, place the cursor at the highlighted code, press `Alt+Enter`, and then choose TSLint: fix current error from the pop-up menu.
- To fix all the issues detected in the file, choose TSLint: fix current file.



```
app.module.ts
1 import { BrowserModule } from '@angular/platform-browser';
2 import { NgModule, AnimationPlayer } from '@angular/core';
3 import { FormsMod
4 import { HttpModu
5
6 import { AppCompo
7
8 @NgModule({
9   declarations: [
10     AppComponent
```

The screenshot shows a code editor with a TypeScript file named 'app.module.ts'. The code includes imports for 'BrowserModule', 'NgModule', 'AnimationPlayer', 'FormsMod', and 'HttpModu'. A TSLint error is highlighted on line 3, and a context menu is open over it, showing options like 'TSLint: Fix current error', 'TSLint: Fix current file', 'Edit tslint.json', 'TSLint settings...', and 'Flip ''

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[Getting Started with Vaadin](#)

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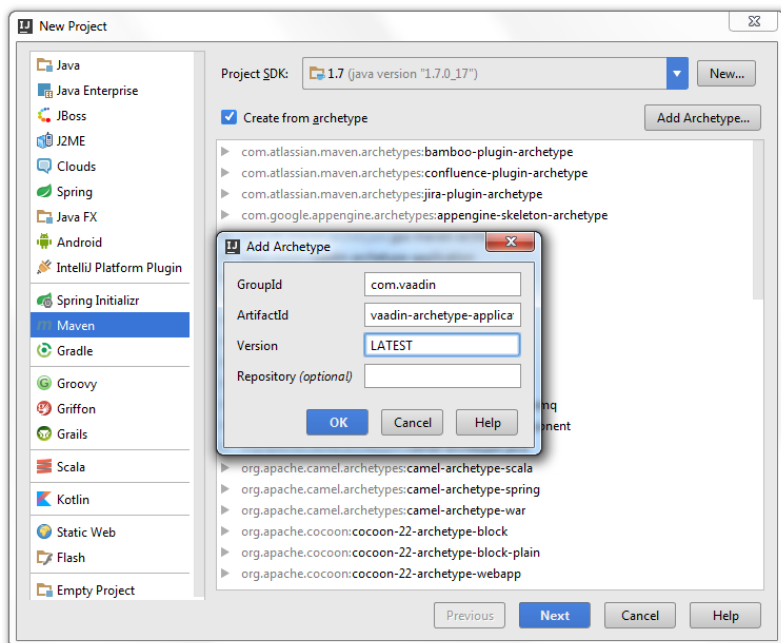
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IntelliJ IDEA lets you create and manage a Maven project with Vaadin archetype.

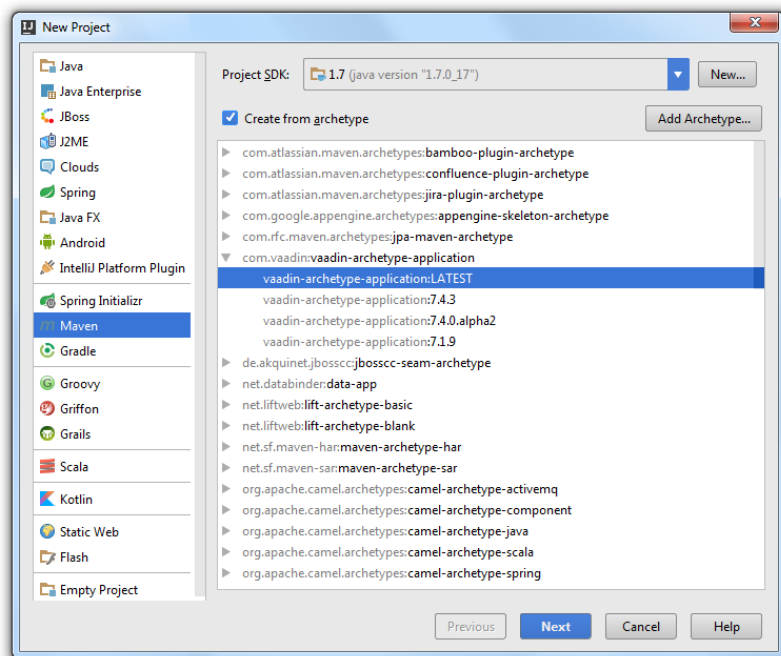
- [Creating Maven project with Vaadin archetype](#)
- [Import an external Vaadin project with Maven](#)
- [Configure run/debug settings and run application](#)

## Creating Maven project with Vaadin archetype

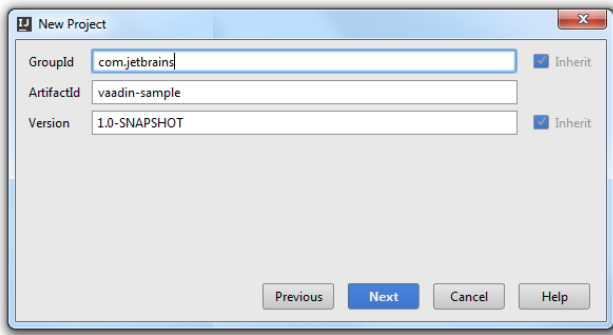
1. Open Project Wizard, under Maven , select Create from archetype checkbox and click Add archetype .
2. In the dialog that opens, enter maven GroupId, ArtifactId and Version.



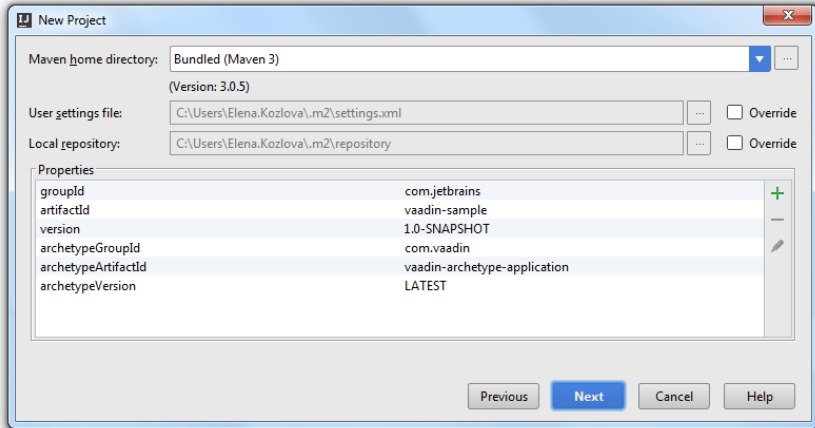
3. After you click OK , the Vaadin archetype is added to the list of available archetypes. Click Next .



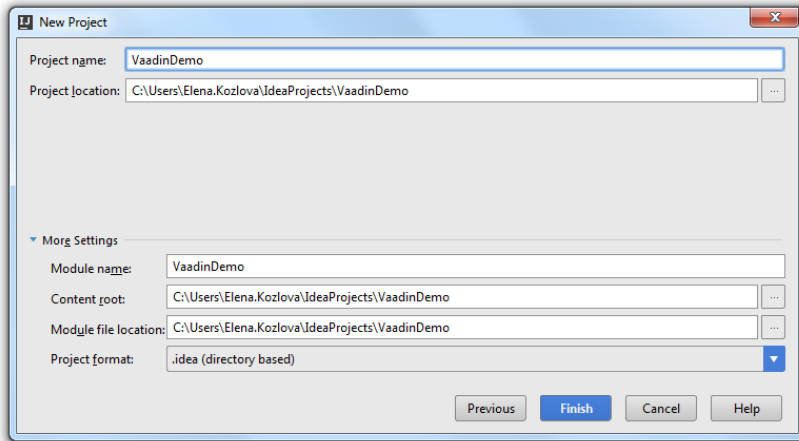
4. On the next page of the wizard, enter maven information for your project and click Next .



5. On the next page of the wizard, enter maven settings for your project and click Next .



6. On the next page of the wizard, enter your project's information and click Finish .

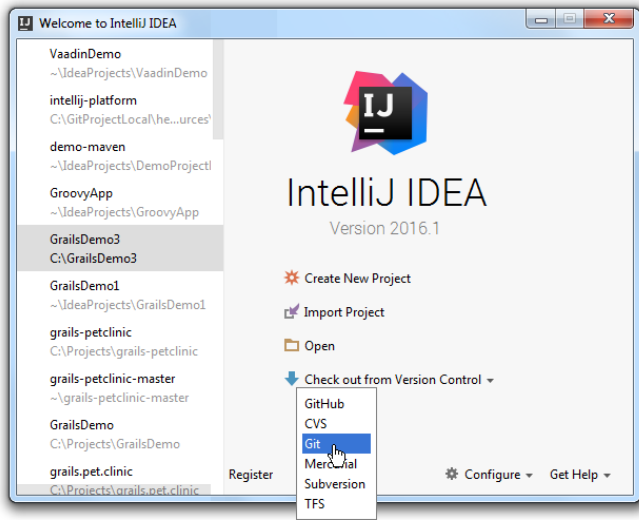


IntelliJ IDEA creates a maven project with pom.xml. IntelliJ IDEA also recognizes that this is a Web application and creates a webapp in your source directory.

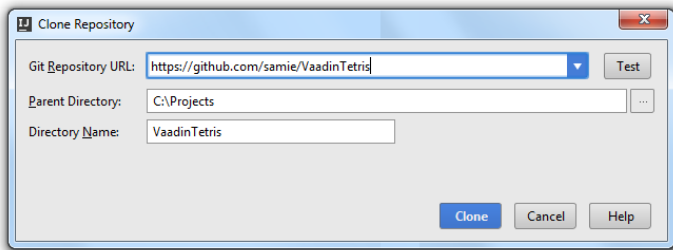
## Import an external Vaadin project with Maven

You can import external Vaadin project using VCS and check out your project from, for example, Git. In this case IntelliJ IDEA automatically converts your project structure, detects necessary frameworks and downloads appropriate dependencies.

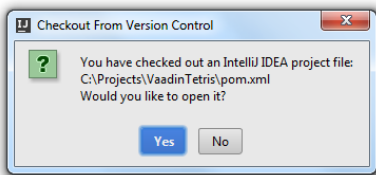
1. In the Project Wizard, click Check out from Version Control and from the drop-down list, select Git .



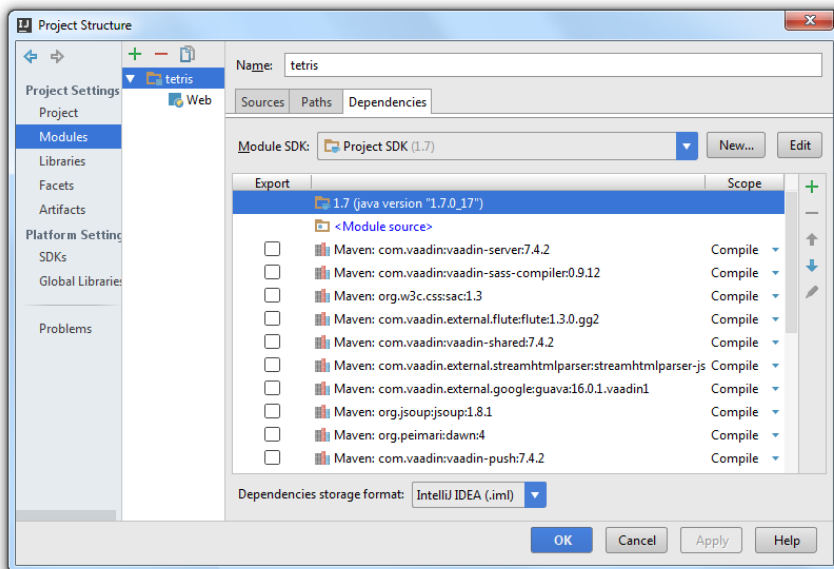
2. Specify Git Repository from which you want to clone your project, a Parent Directory location and the name of the parent directory. Click Clone .



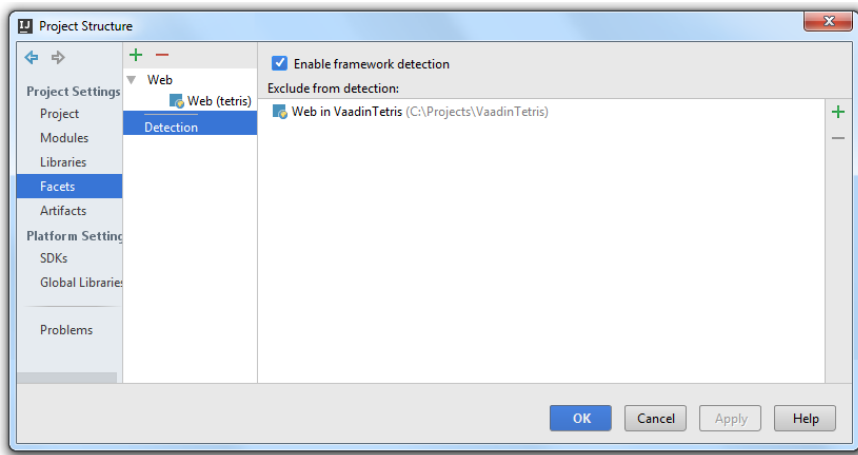
IntelliJ IDEA copies git project to your local directory, recognizes POM file, meaning it recognizes that this is a Maven project with Vaadin framework and imports the project with all the necessary configurations.



3. Check project structure to make sure that all necessary dependencies are downloaded.



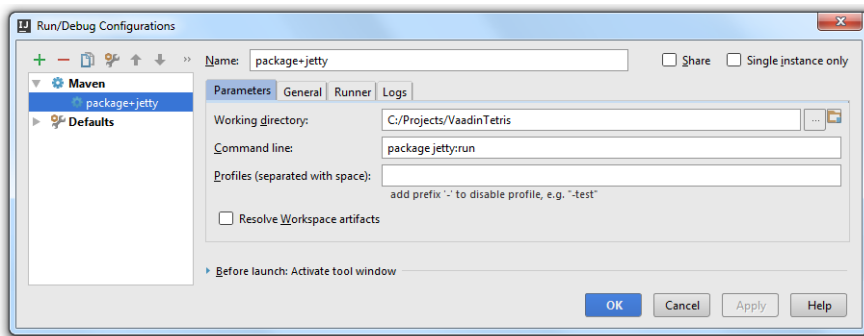
The frameworks are configured automatically, so you can exclude the detected ones.



## Configure run/debug settings and run application

IntelliJ IDEA lets you quickly configure Run/Debug settings for your project.

1. On the main menu, select Run | Edit Configurations .
2. Click **+** to add a new configuration from the list, specify the appropriate parameters for your configuration and press OK .



3. On the main menu press **R** to run the application.

You can view the output in the default browser <http://localhost:8080/> .

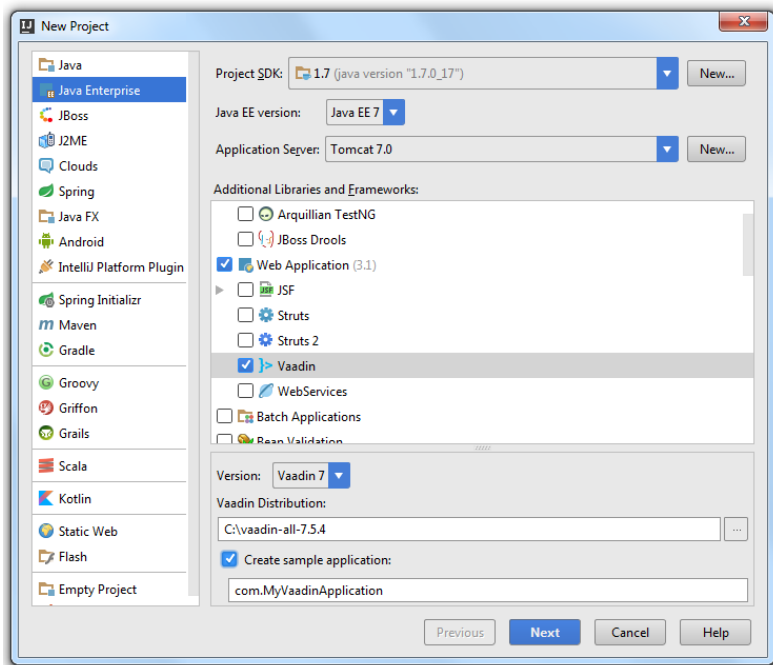
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IntelliJ IDEA lets you create and manage projects using [Vaadin framework](#) that optimizes your Web application development. Note that before you start creating your project you need to make sure that [Vaadin SDK](#) is downloaded on your computer and Vaadin plugin is [enabled](#) in IntelliJ IDEA.

- [Creating Vaadin project with Project Wizard](#)
- [Running Vaadin application](#)
- [Debugging Vaadin application](#)

## Creating Vaadin project with Project Wizard

1. Open Project Wizard, under Java Enterprise select Vaadin framework.



2. Specify the following settings:

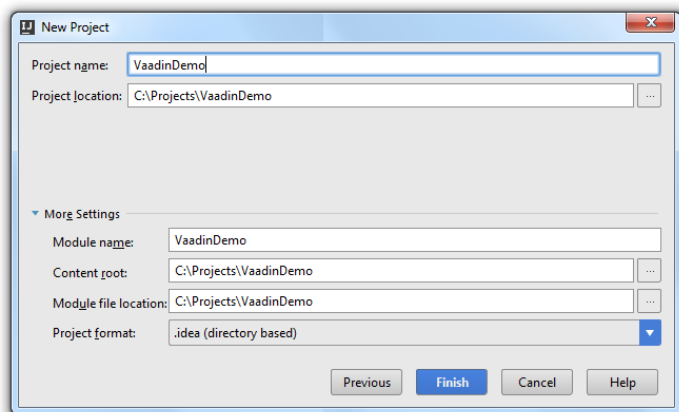
- Project SDK - specify your project SDK.
- JavaEE version - specify the version of JavaEE or use the default option.
- Application Server - specify the application server or use the default server. IntelliJ IDEA creates a run configuration for your Vaadin application.
- Version - for IntelliJ IDEA 13 and later, you can choose either Vaadin 6 or 7 version.
- Vaadin distribution - enter the location of Vaadin installation on your machine.

If Vaadin is not installed, then the warning message with the appropriate link appears. Click the link, download "All-in-One Archive" ZIP file and unpack it to the desired location.

- Create sample application - select this checkbox to either enter the name of the sample application or use the default name.

3. Click Next .

4. Specify your project information and click Finish .



IntelliJ IDEA creates a project with Web application and all necessary configurations.

## Running Vaadin application



Since the application server is specified you can run your application and view the output in the default browser

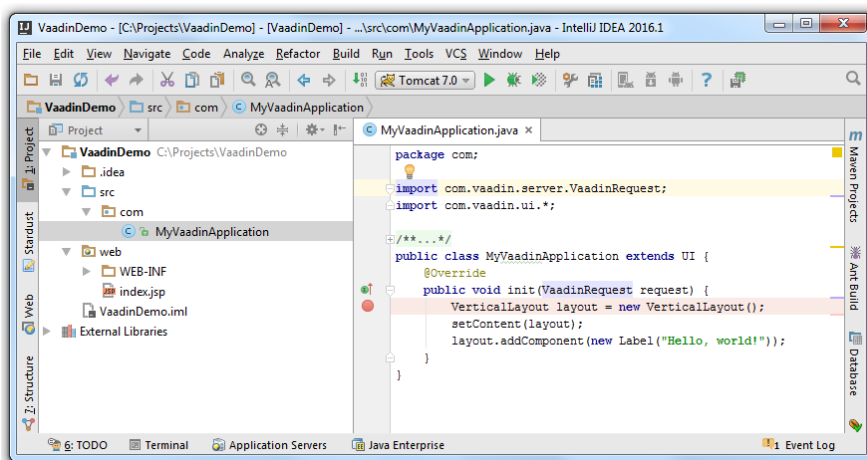
<http://localhost:8080/> .

## Debugging Vaadin application

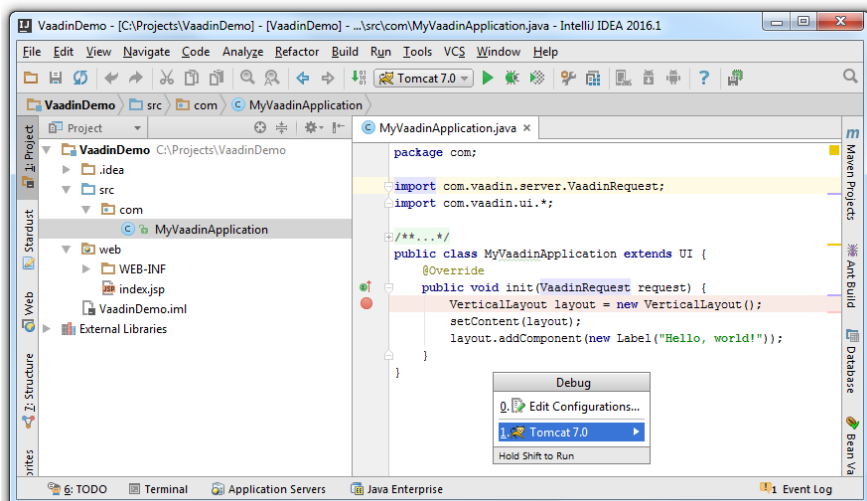
IntelliJ IDEA lets you easily start a debugging session for your project.

Let's choose one of the debugging actions, for example, **Toggle Line Breakpoint** .

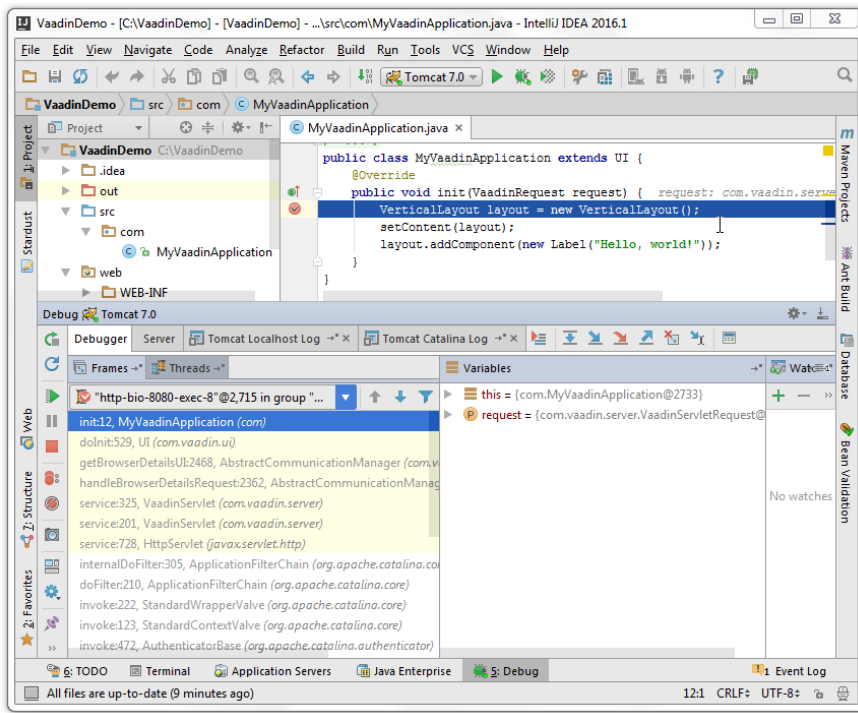
1. Place the caret on the desired line of the source code. Press **Ctrl+F8** or from the main menu select **Run | Toggle Line Breakpoint** .



2. Press **Shift+Alt+F9** to start a debugging session.



3. View results in the Debugger console.



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**Warning!** The following is only valid when Vagrant Plugin is installed and enabled!

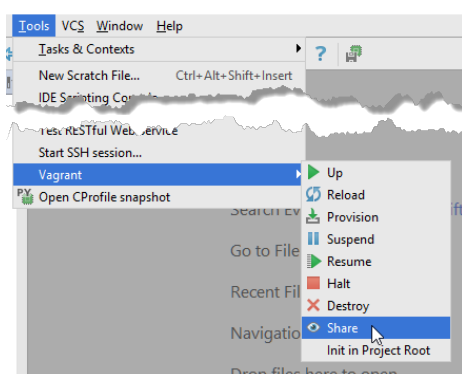
Integration with [Vagrant](#) helps you create reproducible development environments defined by [VagrantFile](#) configuration files. To have the same environment set up on the machines of all the team members you only need to put the [VagrantFile](#) under your team version control. Any team member can set up the required environment by running the `vagrant up` command with the relevant [VagrantFile](#). Vagrant support in IntelliJ IDEA is provided through the [Vagrant](#) plugin.

Integration with Vagrant in IntelliJ IDEA lets you:

- [Create new virtual boxes, and delete](#) the unnecessary ones.
- [Initialize Vagrant boxes](#), and execute other Vagrant commands without leaving the IDE.
- Choose the desired virtual box when performing the [vagrant up](#) command (Multiple Vagrant configuration).

Vagrant support in IntelliJ IDEA brings the following changes to the UI:

- A [Vagrant page](#) is added to the Settings dialog.
- A Vagrant node is added to the Tools menu. The node contains the commands that correspond to the standard Vagrant actions.



## Prerequisites

Install and enable the Vagrant plugin as described in the sections [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Besides that, make sure that the following prerequisites are met (outside of IntelliJ IDEA):

- [Oracle's VirtualBox](#) is installed on your computer.
- [Vagrant](#) is installed on your computer, and all the necessary infrastructure is created.
- The parent folders of the following executable files are added to the system `PATH` variable:
  - `vagrant.bat` or `vagrant` from your Vagrant installation. This should be done automatically by the installer.
  - `VBoxManage.exe` or `VBoxManage` from your Oracle's VirtualBox installation.
- The required virtual boxes are created.

## Basics

In the context of IntelliJ IDEA, the following terms are used to denote Vagrant-specific notions:

- A [Vagrant box](#) in the IntelliJ IDEA user interface or [Vagrant base box](#) in the current documentation is a [box](#) in the native Vagrant terminology. It denotes a pure image, a skeleton, on the base of which a specific environment is customized, provisioned, and deployed on your machine.
- An [instance](#) is a [virtual machine](#). In other words, it is a specific environment customized, provisioned, and deployed on your machine on the base of a [Vagrant base box](#) and in accordance with a [VagrantFile](#). In other similar products and documentation, an [instance](#) can be referred to as [virtual machine](#).
- An [instance folder](#) is the folder where the relevant [VagrantFile](#) is stored after initialization and where IntelliJ IDEA will look for it. By default, it is the project root folder.

## Preparing to work with Vagrant

1. In the Settings/Preferences dialog (`Ctrl+Alt+S`), click Vagrant under Tools. The [Vagrant page](#) page opens.
2. Specify the [Vagrant](#) executable file. Because the parent folder of the executable file has been already added to the system `PATH` variable, type just the name of the executable.
3. In the Instance Folder field, specify the fully qualified path to the directory where the [VagrantFile](#) is initialized and stored. A [VagrantFile](#) is a configuration file that defines the [instance \(virtual machine\)](#) you need. The file contains the virtual IP address, port mappings, and the memory size to assign. The file can specify which folders are shared and which third-party software should be installed. According to the [VagrantFile](#) your [instance \(virtual machine\)](#) is configured, provisioned against the relevant [Vagrant base box](#), and deployed on your computer. A [VagrantFile](#) is created through the `vagrant init` command.

When creation of an [instance \(virtual machine\)](#) is invoked either through the `vagrant up` command or through the Tools | Vagrant | Up menu option, IntelliJ IDEA looks for the [VagrantFile](#) in the directory specified in the Instance folder field.

For more information, see <http://docs.vagrantup.com/v2/vagrantfile/>.

You can create a `VagrantFile` in any directory and appoint it as **instance folder**. If the field is empty, IntelliJ IDEA will treat the **project root** as the **instance folder** and look for a `VagrantFile` in it.

- In the Vagrant Boxes area, configure a list of the predefined **Vagrant base boxes** available in IntelliJ IDEA. Each item presents a **Vagrant base box** on which Vagrant configures and launches its **instances (virtual machines)**. The entries of this list correspond to the output of the command `vagrant box list`.
  - To download a new **base box**, click the Add button **+**. In the dialog box that opens, specify the URL address to access the **base box** and the name to refer to it in IntelliJ IDEA. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the URL to the **lucid32** box. This command corresponds to `vagrant box add <name> <URL>`. As a result, the specified **base box** is downloaded to your machine.
  - To remove a **base box**, select it in the list and click the Remove button **-**. The **base box** and the nested files are physically deleted from the disk. This command corresponds to `vagrant box remove <name>`.

## Initializing the Vagrantfile

A `VagrantFile` is a configuration file that defines the **instance (virtual machine)** you need. The file contains the virtual IP address, port mappings, and the memory size to assign. The file can specify which folders are shared and which third-party software should be installed. According to the `VagrantFile` your **instance (virtual machine)** is configured, provisioned against the relevant **Vagrant base box**, and deployed on your computer. A `VagrantFile` is created through the `vagrant init` command.

You can initialize the `Vagrantfile` in any folder, just keep in mind that this folder should be specified as the **instance folder** on the Vagrant page of the Settings dialog box. Otherwise IntelliJ IDEA will be unable to find the relevant `VagrantFile` during the **instance (virtual machine)** creation.

To initialize the `VagrantFile`, do one of the following:

### To initialize the Vagrantfile

- To have the `Vagrantfile` created in the project root, choose Tools | Vagrant | Init on Project Root on the main menu and select the target project root from the pop-up list that opens. The output of the `init` command is displayed in the Run tool window.
- To have the `Vagrantfile` created in a specific folder, open the embedded Terminal (View | Tool Windows | Terminal) and then type the following commands at the prompt:

```
cd <directory to initialize the VagrantFile in>
vagrant init <base box name> <base box url>
```

Once the `VagrantFile` initialization is successfully completed, you are ready to import the **base box**, provision and deploy it according to the `VagrantFile`, thus creating your own **instance (virtual machine)**.

## Creating and launching an instance (virtual machine)

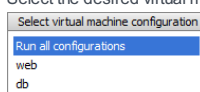
Creating an **instance (virtual machine)** means importing and provisioning a **base box** according to the `VagrantFile` located in the **instance folder**.

### To create an instance, follow these steps:

- Do one of the following:
  - To have the instance created in the project root, choose Tools | Vagrant | Up.
  - Open the embedded Terminal (View | Tool Windows | Terminal) and then type the following commands at the command prompt:

```
cd <instance folder>
vagrant up
```

- Select the desired virtual machine configuration from the suggestion list:



## Stopping, suspending, resuming, reloading, and destroying an instance (virtual machine)

### To reload an instance

- If you have made some changes to the `VagrantFile` and want a running virtual machine updated in accordance to them, choose Tools | Vagrant | Reload on the main menu or run the following command in the embedded Terminal:

```
vagrant reload
```

For details, see <http://docs.vagrantup.com/v2/cli/reload.html>.

## To suspend an instance

- To temporarily stop the operating system on a running virtual machine ( **guest machine** ) and save the exact state of the environment as it is at this moment so it can be resumed exactly from this point, choose Tools | Vagrant | Suspend on the main menu or run the following command in the embedded Terminal :

```
vagrant suspend
```

For details, see <http://docs.vagrantup.com/v2/cli/suspend.html>.

## To resume an instance

- To resume a previously suspended operating system on a virtual machine ( **guest machine** ) and have it run from the state saved at the suspension moment, choose Tools | Vagrant | Resume on the main menu or run the following command in the embedded Terminal :

```
vagrant resume
```

For details, see <http://docs.vagrantup.com/v2/cli/resume.html>.

## To shut an instance down

- To shut down the operating system on a virtual machine ( **guest machine** ), choose Tools | Vagrant | Halt on the main menu or run the following command in the embedded Terminal :

```
vagrant halt
```

For details, see <http://docs.vagrantup.com/v2/cli/halt.html>.

- To shut down the operating system on a virtual machine ( **guest machine** ), stop the virtual machine itself, and remove the resources provisioned on it during the creation ( `vagrant up` ), choose Tools | Vagrant | Destroy on the main menu or run the following command in the embedded Terminal :

```
vagrant destroy
```

For details, see <http://docs.vagrantup.com/v2/cli/destroy.html>.

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On this page:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Creating a Vagrant box](#)
- [Deleting a Vagrant box](#)

## Introduction

It is possible to work with multiple virtual boxes, created in Vagrant. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can [add new boxes](#) without leaving the IDE.

The unnecessary boxes can be easily [deleted](#) .

## Creating a Vagrant box

1. [Open the Settings dialog box](#) .
2. Under the Project Settings , click [Vagrant](#) .
3. Click [+](#) button, located next to the Vagrant Boxes table.
4. In the Add Vagrant Box dialog box, specify the name of the new box, and its URL. Then click OK .  
The new box is added to the list of available boxes.

## Deleting a Vagrant box

1. In the [Vagrant](#) page of the project settings, under the Vagrant Boxes table, select the box to be deleted.
2. Click [-](#) , and confirm deletion.

The selected box is removed from the list.

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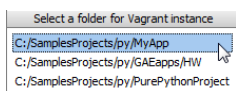
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## Basics

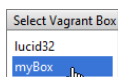
IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to execute the `init` procedure on a project root. After performing `init` on a project root, the Vagrant configuration file named `Vagrantfile` is created there. This file can be used for [creating a remote interpreter](#).

### Initializing a virtual box

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Vagrant | Init in Project Root.
2. In the Select Vagrant Folder pop-up menu, select the project root to be used:



3. Since it is possible to have multiple virtual boxes, specify the particular box you want to work with:



The `vagrant init` command is launched, and shows its output messages in the Run tool window.

If the Vagrant executable is not specified in the [Vagrant](#) page, you can still initialize a Vagrant box. However, in this situation, IntelliJ IDEA pops up a file browser, enabling you to select Vagrant executable.

### Activating a virtual box

Once `init` is successfully completed, you are ready to perform the `vagrant up` command and import to the root the box used at initialization.

To activate a virtual box by executing the `vagrant up` command, choose Tools | Vagrant | Up on the main menu. The `vagrant up` command is launched, and shows its output messages in the Run tool window.

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- Web Applications
  - [Introduction](#)
  - [Developing Web applications](#)
- [Enabling Web Application Support](#)
- [Populating Web Module](#)
- [Configuring Web Application Deployment](#)

## Introduction

The term Web application is usually applied to a hierarchical set of folders with HTML, JSP, JavaScript, etc. files and resources, that represent the user interface, and Java classes that implement the application functionality. These folders are arranged according to the standard specified for the server where the application is deployed and executed. To ensure successful deployment and accessibility of your Web application, you need to set up its structure in accordance with the target server standard already at the development stage.

Next, most likely you will need to configure Web application elements, set initialization parameters, and define interaction with EJB, WebServices, etc. You will need various libraries to configure these components and relations and an application descriptor that contains definitions of these components, settings, and constraints.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have the basic application structure automatically set up according to the required standard and get extensive coding assistance at all the stages of Web application development.

## Developing Web applications

### **To develop a Web application in IntelliJ IDEA, perform the following general steps:**

1. [Enable Web application development support](#) to get the necessary libraries, the basic folder hierarchy, and the application descriptor.
2. [Populate the Web module](#) : create the required Java classes, configure servlets, filters, listeners, and references.
3. [Configure the required static Web content resources](#) .
4. [Configure Web application deployment](#) .
5. Deploy and run the application.



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This topic discusses the features that become available when you turn on the Web Application option.

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Overview of the features](#)
- [Turning on the Web Application option](#)
- [Managing deployment descriptors, web resource directories and Java web source roots](#)
- [Managing application artifacts](#)

## Prerequisites

For the Web Application option and associated features to be available:

- You should be using the ULTIMATE Edition of IntelliJ IDEA. (The corresponding functionality is not available in the Community Edition.)
- The Java EE: EJB, JPA, Servlets [plugin](#) must be enabled. (This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)

## Overview of the features

When you turn on the Web Application option, IntelliJ IDEA:

- Creates a web resource directory `web` with `index.jsp` intended as a starting page of your app and, optionally, a web app [deployment descriptor](#) `WEB-INF/web.xml`.
- Creates a [Web facet](#) that lets you manage your deployment descriptors, web resource directories and your Java web [source roots](#).
- Creates an Exploded [WAR artifact](#) configuration.
- Makes the [Web tool window](#) available.

If you turn on the Web Application option when creating a project or module and specify an application server, IntelliJ IDEA also creates a [run/debug configuration for that server](#).

## Turning on the Web Application option

You can turn on the Web Application option:

- When creating a project or module ( `File | New | Project` or `File | New | Module` ). On the first page of the New Project or the New Module wizard, select Java Enterprise , and then select the Web Application checkbox under Additional Libraries and Frameworks .
- For an existing module. In the Project tool window ( `View | Tool Windows | Project` ), right-click the module folder and select `Add Framework Support` . Then select the Web Application checkbox in the dialog that opens.

## Managing deployment descriptors, web resource directories and Java web source roots

You can manage your web app [deployment descriptors](#) , web resource directories and Java web [source roots](#) in the Project Structure dialog:

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. In the leftmost pane, select Modules or Facets .
3. In the pane to the right, select Web or Web (<ModuleName> ) .
4. On the page that opens in the right-hand part of the dialog:
  - Deployment Descriptors. Form the list of deployment descriptors for your web app.

Web Resource Directories. Specify the directories that contain your web app resources such as web pages, images, etc.

Source Roots. Select the source roots that contain your web application Java classes (servlets, filters, managed beans, etc.).

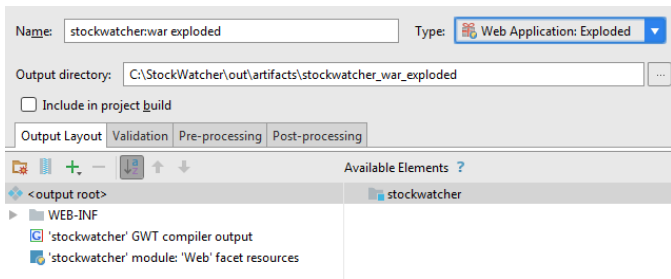
For more info, see [Web facet page](#) .

## Managing application artifacts

To deploy your application to a server, you need an application [artifact](#) . For Java web applications, IntelliJ IDEA provides the following artifact formats:

- Web Application: Exploded. This is a decompressed Web application archive ([WAR](#) ), a directory structure that is ready for deployment onto a web server.
- Web Application: Archive. This is, obviously, a WAR file.

To manage your artifact configurations, use the Project Structure dialog ( `File | Project Structure | Artifacts` ).



See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

After you [enable Web development support](#) in a module, IntelliJ IDEA sets up the basic module structure as follows:

- Creates a `web` folder with the `index.jsp` stub file. By default, the `web` folder will be the root of your application after deployment and the `index.jsp` file will be its home page.
- Creates a `WEB-INF` subfolder that contains the `web.xml` descriptor with an `Action` servlet configured.
- Creates an `src` folder if you specified so when creating your project.

**To populate the Web module, perform the following general steps:**

- Below the `src` folder, create the Java class files that implement the functionality of your application.
- [Configure the static Web content resources](#) that represent the user interface.
- [Configure the application elements](#) .
- [Specify the assembly descriptor references](#) .

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Configuring static Web resources involves:

1. [Specifying location of the static Web contents on the server](#) .

After deployment, all the static content resources that implement the user interface should be located below the [Web application root directory](#) . By default, IntelliJ IDEA maps the target Web application root directory to the `web` folder which is created after you [enable Web development support](#) . The default application home page is mapped to the `index.jsp` stub file which is also created automatically.

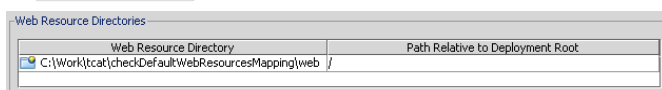
You can arrange your static content resources in a module in two ways:

- Store the required resources and directories below the `<project root>\web` folder. After deployment, the entire folder hierarchy of these resources will be copied to the server below the application root.
- Store the required resources locally wherever you may find suitable and [map them to folders](#) on the server.

2. [Including static Web contents in the artifact to be deployed](#) .

## To configure static Web content resources

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Click Modules on the left-hand pane and expand the desired module.
3. Click the Web facet. The right-hand pane of the dialog box displays all the available settings.
4. In the Web Resource Directories area, manage the list of mappings between the local folders with resources you need and the target directories on the server to deploy the resources to. The default mapping between the `<project root>\web` folder and the application root directory is already on the list:



- To configure a mapping, click the New button. In the [Web Resource Directory Path](#) dialog box that opens specify the desired local folder and the target location relative to the application root folder. By default, IntelliJ IDEA maps the `<project root>\web` folder to the root folder of the application after deployment. For example, if you type a forward slash `/` , the files from the Web resource directory will be copied into the deployment root directory.



- To edit a mapping, select it in the list, click the Edit button, and update the mapping in the [Web Resource Directory Path](#) dialog box that opens.
- To discard a mapping, select in the list and click the Remove button.

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The elements and deployment settings of a Web application are defined in the Web module deployment descriptor `web.xml`, which is created automatically when you [enable Web application support](#) for a module.

For the sake of consistency with the User Interface, the module deployment descriptors are also referred to as Assembly Descriptors .

You can use the editor and edit the source code using the IntelliJ IDEA coding assistance.

Web modules are populated with elements similarly, according to the [common basic procedure](#) . For element-specific details, refer to the relevant topics in this part:

- [Creating and Deleting Web Application Elements - General Steps](#)
- [Servlets](#)
- [Listeners](#)

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This topic describes general procedures for elements in a Web module.

### **To add an element to a Web module**

1. Open the [Web](#) tool window by choosing View | Tool Windows | Web . The tool window displays all the modules with Web facets.
2. Right-click the desired Web module node and choose New | Servlet/Filter/Listener on the context menu.
3. In the New Servlet/Filter/Listener dialog box that opens, type the name of the element.
4. Specify the package where the element will be created.
5. Specify the class that implements the element.
6. Click OK . A new class is created and opened in the editor.
7. Proceed as described in the relevant element-specific topic.

### **To remove an element from a Web application**

1. In the [Web](#) tool window, select the element to be removed.
2. On the context menu, choose Delete and click Yes in the confirmation dialog box.

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[Servlets](#) as a part of a Web application are created and configured through the `<servlet>` and `<servlet-name>` elements in the `web.xml` Web Application deployment descriptor.

In this part:

- [Defining the Servlet Element](#)
- [Specifying the Servlet Initialization Parameters](#)
- [Specifying the Servlet Name and the Target Package](#)

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On this page:

- [Introduction](#)
- [General steps](#)
- [Defining a servlet](#)
- [Removing a servlet](#)

## Introduction

The Servlet element defines the name of the servlet and specifies the compiled class that implements it. Alternatively, instead of specifying a servlet class, you can specify a JSP.

The Servlet element also contains definitions of [initialization attributes](#) .

IntelliJ IDEA provides the facilities to [configure](#) , [remove](#) , and edit Servlet elements using the IntelliJ IDEA editor.

Note that you can map URL pattern that associates the servlet with the set of URLs that call the servlet using annotations in the editor.

## General steps

Defining the Servlet element includes:

- [Specifying](#) the servlet name and the name of the package where the servlet will be created.
- [Customizing](#) the initialization process by specifying the initialization attributes of the servlet.


## Defining a servlet

### To define a servlet

1. Configure a [new servlet](#) .
2. Click OK in the [New Servlet](#) dialog box. The new servlet is added to the list in the Servlets Configured pane.
3. Specify the servlet [initialization parameters](#) .

## Removing a servlet

### To remove a servlet

- Select the servlet in the Servlets Configured pane and click  or select Remove in the context menu.






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You can customize the servlet initialization by specifying initialization parameters of the servlet. This allows the servlet to perform various one-time activities by overriding the `init` method of the Servlet interface. An initialization attribute is defined through the Name and Value parameters. In the Web application deployment descriptor `web.xml`, these parameters are presented as `<param-name>` and `<param-value>` elements.

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## To define the servlet name and the target package where the servlet will be created

1. Open the [New Servlet](#) dialog box from the [Project Tool Window](#) .
2. In the <servlet-name> text box, specify the root part of the new servlet name.
3. In the Package text box, specify the name of the target package where the new servlet will be generated. If necessary, use the  button. The [Choose Servlet Package](#) dialog box opens.
4. Select the relevant package or create a new one by clicking  . Click OK. You return to the New Servlet dialog box.
5. In the Servlet Class text box, type the name of the class that implements the new servlet. If necessary, use the  button. The Choose Servlet Class dialog box opens.
6. Select the relevant class and click OK . You return to the New Servlet dialog box.
7. Click OK .

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A listener receives notifications on any events related to the Web application, such as deployment/undeployment of the Web application, activation/deactivation of an HTTP session, as well as on adding, removing, and replacing attributes of the application/session.

Listeners, as a part of a Web application, are configured in the Web module deployment descriptor `web.xml`.

## To define a listener element

1. [Configure a new listener](#).
2. Switch to the Text view and specify the necessary settings in the Web application deployment descriptor.

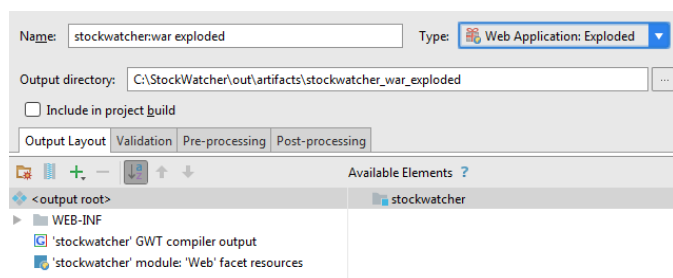
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Assembly descriptor references define interaction of Web applications with EJB, WebServices, etc. The assembly descriptor references are specified in the deployment descriptor file `web.xml`.

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A Web application can be deployed to the server as an exploded directory where files and folders are presented in the file system as separate items or as a Web archive ( `WAR` file) which contains all the required files. Therefore you need to configure the layout of your project output so it can be deployed to the server in one of these forms. In IntelliJ IDEA, the layout of a project output is defined through [artifacts](#) .

When you [enable Web development](#) in a module, IntelliJ IDEA configures an [artifact](#) of the type exploded with the following basic structure:



You can [use this pre-defined artifact](#) , possibly with necessary customization, or [configure a new artifact](#) .

Configuring an artifact to deploy involves:

1. Specifying the [artifact type, name, and output directory](#) .
2. [Adding static Web content resources](#) .

The suggested deployment configuration procedure reflects the basic workflow which can be flexibly customized depending on your preferences and the requirements to a specific Web application.

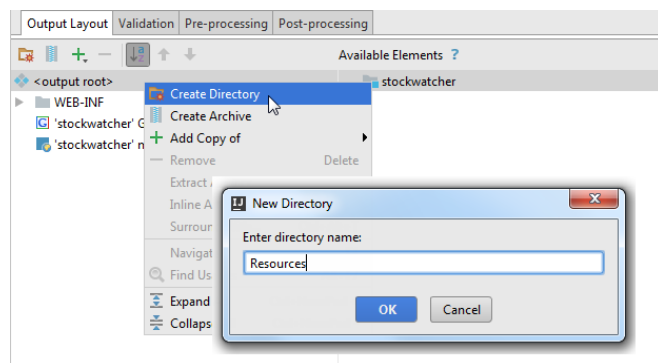
## To configure the basic artifact settings

1. Open the Project Structure dialog (e.g. `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S` ).
2. Click Artifacts to open the [Artifacts page](#) .
3. Do one of the following:
  - To use a pre-defined exploded directory artifact, select the `<module name>:war:exploded` artifact from the list on the left-hand pane. If necessary, change the name and output directory of the artifact in the corresponding fields on the right-hand pane.
  - To create a new artifact, click the New toolbar button `+` on the left-hand pane and choose the artifact type from the New drop-down list.
  - To have the application deployed as a directory, choose `Web Application: Exploded` .
  - To have the application deployed in the packed form, choose `Web Application: Archive` .

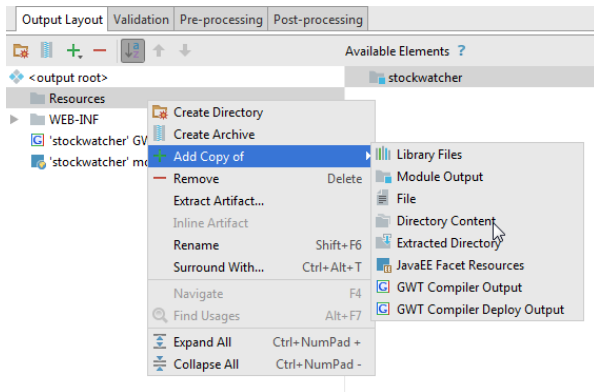
On the right-hand pane, specify the [general settings of the artifact](#) , such as name and output directory, in the corresponding fields.

## To add static Web content resources

1. Open the desired artifact and switch to the right-hand pane, the Output Layout tab.
2. With the select the output root node selected, choose the Create Directory item on the context menu or click the Create Directory toolbar button `+` . In the dialog that opens specify the name of the new folder, for example Resources :



3. With the new folder selected, choose the Add Copy of item on the context menu or click the Add Copy of toolbar button `+` .
4. On the context menu, choose the Directory Content item on the context menu. In the [dialog that opens](#) , choose the directory where the required Web content resources are stored.



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IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [webpack](#) module bundler. This support improves coding assistance in JavaScript files by taking into account [webpack module resolution](#) and [resolve aliases](#) . For webpack version 2 and higher, IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion and quick documentation look-up for options in webpack configuration files.

## Before you start

1. Download, install, and configure [Node.js](#) .
2. Make sure the [NodeJS](#) plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Configuring webpack in IntelliJ IDEA

1. Make sure webpack is added to package.json

Webpack should be listed in the `dependencies` or `devDependencies` object of `package.json` .

If webpack is missing, install it

Open the built-in IntelliJ IDEA Terminal ( `Alt+F12` ) and type `npm install --save-dev webpack` at the command prompt.

For details, see [Getting Started on the webpack Official website](#) .

2. Create a webpack configuration file

Create a configuration file in the project root or elsewhere ( `New | JavaScript file` ). Learn more on the [webpack Official website](#) .

3. Specify the webpack configuration file to use

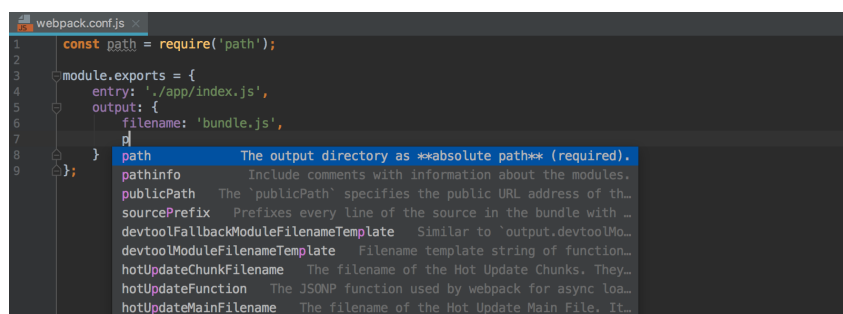
By default, IntelliJ IDEA analyses the webpack configuration file in the root of the project. To use another webpack configuration file, specify the path to it on the Webpack page ( `File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Webpack for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Webpack for macOS` ).

**Tip** Based on the analysis of a webpack configuration file, IntelliJ IDEA understands the webpack configuration and provides coding assistance in JavaScript files, see [Resolving modules](#) below.

## Editing a webpack configuration file

For webpack version 2 and higher, IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion and documentation look-up in the configuration object of `webpack.config.js` . Code completion is provided on the fly. To view documentation for a symbol, press

`Ctrl+Q` .



```
webpack.config.js
1  const path = require('path');
2
3  module.exports = {
4    entry: './app/index.js',
5    output: {
6      filename: 'bundle.js',
7      path: ''
8    }
9  };
10
```

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA provides coding assistance in a webpack configuration file only if its name contains the `webpack` character string and webpack is listed in `package.json` .

## Resolving modules

When you open a project or edit your `webpack.config.js` , IntelliJ IDEA analyses the configuration in the background and, based on the received information, properly understands the project [resolve roots](#) and [resolve aliases](#) . Thanks to this understanding of the project configuration, IntelliJ IDEA provides more precise code completion for imports and exported symbols in JavaScript files. As a result, everything works fine without any steps from your side.

The image below illustrates module resolution in a project where `react-color` is an alias for the path `./src/index.js` . IntelliJ IDEA properly resolves the import from `react-color` , provides navigation to it and completion for the exported symbols:

```
webpack.config.js
35 resolve: {
36   alias: {
37     'react-color': path.resolve(__dirname, './src/index.js'),
38     'react': path.resolve(__dirname, './node_modules/react'),
39     'remarkable': path.resolve(__dirname, './modules/remarkable'),
40     'highlight.js': path.resolve(__dirname, './modules/highlight.js'),
41     'tinycolor2': path.resolve(__dirname, './modules/tinycolor2'),
42   },
  },
  module.exports > module > loaders

Button.js
1 'use strict'
2 //Users/ekaterinaprigara/WebstormProjects/react-color/src/index.js
3 import React from 'react'
4 import { ChromePicker } from 'react-color'
5
6 class ButtonExample extends React.Component {
7   state = {
```

## Debugging applications that use webpack

You can debug applications that use webpack same way as you debug any JavaScript client-side application, see [Debugging React apps created with Create React App](#) and [Debugging Angular apps created with Angular CLI](#).



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In this section:

- Web Service Clients
  - [Introduction](#)
  - [Developing Web services client applications](#)
- [Enabling Web Service Client Development Support](#)
- [Monitoring SOAP Messages](#)
- [Generating Call to Web Service](#)
- [Generating Client-Side XML-Java Binding](#)

## Introduction

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can develop the client side for Web services of the following most common types:

- GlassFish/JAXWS2.X RI/Netro 1.X/JWSDP2.0 for developing JAX-WS Web services clients.
- Apache Axis for developing Apache Axis Web services clients.
- JAX-RS for developing RESTful Web Services clients.

You can also enable and manually configure support of the following [additional WS engines](#) :

- [Apache Axis2](#)
- <https://jax-rpc.dev.java.net/>
- [XFire 1.X /CXF](#)
- [JBossWS](#)
- [WebSphere 6.X](#)

## Developing Web services client applications

### **To develop a Web services client application, follow these general steps:**

1. [Create a Java module](#) and [enable support](#) of the desired Web services client in it.
2. [Generate the client-side XML-Java binding](#) .
3. Modify the generated code to have the client properly initialized.
4. To enable data exchange with the Web service, do one of the following:
  - Declare the variables that will contain the request to the service and the service response.
  - Have IntelliJ IDEA [generate the Web service invocation](#) .
5. Populate the module with the necessary classes and methods to implement the user's interface.
6. Run the application.

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To develop a Web service client in IntelliJ IDEA, the corresponding module must be relevantly configured and supplied with all the required libraries. This section describes the most common ways to meet these requirements.

**To enable Web service client development support, do one of the following:**

- [Use the dedicated facet](#). This fast and efficient approach is available for most frequently used WS engines. IntelliJ IDEA will download the predefined WS engine implementation version.
- Enable support of an [extra WS engine](#) for which the dedicated facet functionality is not provided. This approach is also applicable when you need to use a specific WS engine implementation version.
- [Add the relevant libraries](#) to an existing module manually.

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This approach is applicable if you are going to develop the client side for a Web service of one of the following types:

- GlassFish/JAXWS2.X RI/Netro 1.X/JWSDP2.0 .
- Apache Axis .
- RESTful Web Service .

IntelliJ IDEA creates the relevant Web services client module structure and identifies all the necessary libraries automatically through the dedicated Web Services Client [facet](#) . Besides, IntelliJ IDEA either locates the previously downloaded required libraries or suggests to download them to the location of your choice.

A Web Services Client facet can be added to the module directly without a parent Web facet.

## To enable Web Service Client development support through a dedicated facet, do one of the following

- [Create a Java module](#) with the dedicated Web Services Client facet. Besides setting up the relevant module structure and providing all the necessary libraries automatically, IntelliJ IDEA will create a sample package with a `HelloWorldClient` class, which you can use as an example or populate it as necessary to develop your application.
- [Add the dedicated facet](#) to an existing module.

In either case, IntelliJ IDEA will download the predefined WS engine implementation version.

## To create a module for a Web service client application

1. Do one of the following:

- If you are going to create a new project: click Create New Project on the [Welcome screen](#) or select File | New | Project .  
As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
- If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select File | New | Module .  
As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.

2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select Java . In the right-hand part of the page, specify the [JDK](#) that you are going to use.

3. Under Additional Libraries and Frameworks , select the WebServices Client checkbox.

4. Select the desired WS engine implementation from the Version list.

5. You'll need a [library](#) that implements the selected WS engine. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the WS engine implementation. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Click Next .

6. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#) .

Click Finish .

## To add the dedicated facets to an existing module

1. Open the Project tool window (e.g. View | Tool Windows | Project ).
2. Right-click the module of interest and select Add Framework Support .
3. In the left-hand pane of the [Add Frameworks Support dialog](#) that opens, select the WebServices Client checkbox.

4. If you want sample client code to be generated, select the corresponding checkbox.
5. Select the desired WS engine implementation from the Version list.
6. You'll need a [library](#) that implements the selected WS engine. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).

Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
  - Download. Select this option to download the WS engine implementation. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
  - Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.
7. Click OK in the Add Frameworks Support dialog.

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This approach is applicable if the necessary libraries have been previously downloaded.

### To add the necessary libraries to an existing module

1. Open the Module Settings dialog box.
2. With the desired module selected, click the Dependencies tab.
3. Click the Add button again, then select Single-Entry Module Library from the context menu. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the `javaee.jar` library and the required Web service-specific libraries.
  1. The location of the `javaee.jar` library is defined during the installation of IntelliJ IDEA.
  2. The location of the Web-service specific libraries is defined during their download.
4. Click OK when ready.

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Besides most common WS engines, support of which is enabled through dedicated facets, with IntelliJ IDEA you can also use the following ones:

- [Apache Axis2](#)
- [XFire 1.X /CXF](#)
- [JBossWS](#)
- [WebSphere 6.X](#)

Moreover, you can use any desired WS engine implementation version instead of restricting yourself to the predefined one.

### **To enable support of an extra WS engine or a specific implementation version**

1. Download the desired WS engine implementation.
2. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)), click Tools | Web Services in the left pane and specify the path to external web service engines, server name and port, etc. (for details, see [Web Services](#)).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

While testing the client side of an Apache Axis Web service, it may be helpful to view related SOAP messages which provide procedure details.

**Warning!** Make sure the target Web service application is running.

### To enable monitoring SOAP messages

1. On the main menu, choose Tools | Web Services | Axis | Monitor SOAP Messages .
2. In the [Monitor SOAP Messages](#) dialog box that opens specify the Web context of the target application and the port to listen to.

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IntelliJ IDEA provides coding assistance in developing client calls to Web services, both [strictly typed and loosely typed](#) . Coding assistance for [calls to strongly typed](#) Web services is Web service interface- and data type- specific and is based on the [XML-Java binding generated](#) from the WSDL descriptor.

IntelliJ IDEA will also help you generate [calls to loosely typed](#) Apache Axis or XFire Web services. In this case, the basic Web service client coding assistance is provided through the dedicated [facet](#) .

## To have a call to a strongly typed Web service generated

1. Open the client code in the editor and position the cursor where the call should be generated.
2. Choose Tools | WebServices | WebServices Client Code on the main menu or WebServices | WebServices Client Code on the context menu.
3. From the context menu that opens select the relevant option depending on the type of the target Web service. The available options are:
  - Generate WS Call for Axis
  - Generate WS Call for Axis2
  - Generate WS Call for JAX-WS RI/GlassFish/JWSDP
  - Generate WS Call for XFire
  - Generate WS Call for JAXRPC
  - Generate WS Call for WebSphere
4. Complete the generated invocation code stub by providing the relevant data in the template input fields, using [suggestion lists](#) and intention actions, where applicable. The active input field is highlighted with a red frame. The contents of the suggestion lists are determined by the Java classes generated from the WSDL descriptor.

## To have a call to a loosely typed Web service generated

1. Open the client code in the editor and position the cursor where the call should be generated.
2. Choose Tools | WebServices | WebServices Client Code on the main menu or WebServices | WebServices Client Code on the context menu.
3. From the context menu that opens select the relevant option depending on the type of the target Web service. The available options are:
  - Generate WS Untyped Call for Axis
  - Generate WS Untyped Call for XFire
4. Complete the generated invocation code stub by providing the relevant data in the template input fields, using [suggestion lists](#) and intention actions, where applicable. The active input field is highlighted with a red frame. The contents of the suggestion lists are determined by the libraries provided through the dedicated [facet](#) .



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To develop well-formed and valid requests from your client to the target Web service, you need to know the available methods of the Web service, the data types it uses, the interface to the service, the acceptable format of requests, the format of generated responses, etc. All this data is presented in the [WSDL descriptor](#) of the target Web service.

IntelliJ IDEA can generate the necessary client-side XML-Java bindings based on the desired WSDL descriptor, thus providing you with efficient coding assistance in developing client requests. You only need to specify the URL address of the WSDL descriptor, IntelliJ IDEA will retrieve the necessary data and generate Java classes.

Java code generation is configured in the [Generate Java Code from Wsdl or Wadl](#) dialog box, that primarily opens upon enabling the Web service client development support.

## To configure generation of the client-side XML-Java binding

1. Open the [Generate Java Code from Wsdl or Wadl](#) dialog box by doing one of the following:
  - Create a module and [enable support](#) of the Web Services client in it.
  - At any time during the development, select the desired client module in the Project view and choose WebServices | Generate Java Code from Wsdl or Wadl on the context menu.
2. In the Web Service WSDL URL field, specify the URL address of the desired Web service WSDL descriptor.

**Tip** If the Status read only field informs you about a WSDL URL connection exception, make sure the target Web service is running and the URL address of its WSDL descriptor is correct.

3. From the Output Path drop-down list, select the directory to place the generated files in.
4. In the Package Prefix drop-down list, specify the package to place the compiled Java classes in.
5. For the client side of an Apache Axis Web service, specify additional configuration options for the code generation process using the following fields:
  - Type Mapping Version
  - Generate TestCase
  - Generate Classes for Schema Arrays
  - Generate Unreferenced Elements
  - Support Wrapped Document/Literal Style

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- [Generating WSDL Document from Java Code](#)

## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA supports efficient development, packaging, and deployment of [Web services](#).

The supported standards are:

- [Java API for XML Web Services \(JAX-WS\)](#)
- [Apache Axis](#)
- [JAX-RS](#)

You can also enable and manually configure support of the following [additional WS engines](#) :

- [Apache Axis2](#)
- [XFire 1.X /CXF](#) (version 2.7 is supported)
- [JBossWS](#)
- [WebSphere 6.X](#)

IntelliJ IDEA provides the following development and packaging facilities:

- Setting up the relevant module structure and downloading all the necessary resources based on the dedicated Web services [facet](#) you specify.
- Generating the necessary deployment descriptors, mapping and manifest files "on-the-fly".
- Packaging the Web service files, with the EAR file structure following the rules defined by the Enterprise Web Services 1.1 specification.

**Tip** The Web service development functionality is provided via the Web Services bundled plugin, which is by default enabled. If not, enable it using the [Plugins settings](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box.

## Developing Web services

### To develop a Web service, follow these general steps:

1. In a [Java module](#), [enable support](#) of the relevant Web service.
2. Populate the module with the necessary classes and methods.
3. [Compile](#) the developed classes and [expose](#) them as a Web service.

**Tip** To enable developing the client side of the Web service before the Web service itself is deployed, generate a [WSDL document](#).

4. Configure the [artifacts](#) to deploy.

**Warning!** Do not forget to include the Web and Web Services facet resources in the artifact.

5. [Create a run configuration](#). On the Deployment tab, create a list of artifacts to be deployed. Specify the application contexts for each of them.
6. Run the application.
7. [View and manage deployed Web services](#) in the [Deployment Console](#) of the [Run](#) tool window.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Before you start

Make sure the **Web** and **JavaEE: WebServices (JAX-WS)** bundled plugins are enabled. The plugins are activated by default. If the plugins are disabled, enable them on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Basics

To develop a Web service in IntelliJ IDEA, the corresponding module must be relevantly configured and supplied with all the required libraries and servlet references. This section describes the most common ways to meet these requirements.

## Enabling Web Services Development Support through a Dedicated Facet

This approach is applicable if you are going to develop a Web service of the type **GlassFish/JAXWS2.X RI/Netro**

**1.X/JWSDP2.0** or **Apache Axis**.

Integration with **Struts** is enabled through the **Web** and **Web Services** facets. These **dedicated facets** contain settings, configuration file paths, and validation rules. This information determines the structure of a module so IntelliJ IDEA detects how to treat the module contents.

A **Web Services** facet can be only added as a child of a **Web facet**. Note that only one **Web Services** facet is allowed in a module.

You can create a new module with the dedicated facets or add the facets to an existing module. In either case, IntelliJ IDEA downloads the predefined WS engine implementation version.

To create a module with a **Web Services** facet:

1. Do one of the following:
  - If you are going to create a new project: click **Create New Project** on the [Welcome screen](#) or select **File | New | Project**. As a result, the [New Project wizard](#) opens.
  - If you are going to add a module to an existing project: open the project you want to add a module to, and select **File | New | Module**. As a result, the [New Module wizard](#) opens.
2. On the first page of the wizard, in the left-hand pane, select **Java**. In the right-hand part of the page, specify the **JDK** that you are going to use.
3. Under **Additional Libraries and Frameworks**, select the **Web Application** checkbox. Select the version of the **Servlet** specification to be supported from the **Versions** list.

If you want the deployment descriptor `web.xml` file to be created, select the **Create web.xml** checkbox.

4. Select the **WebServices** checkbox.
5. Select the desired WS engine implementation from the **Version** list.
6. You'll need a **library** that implements the selected WS engine. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.
  - **Use library.** Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files (`.jar`) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a **library** and use that new library. To do that, click **Create** and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#). (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click **Configure** to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#).)

- **Download.** Select this option to download the WS engine implementation. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#).)  
Optionally, click **Configure** to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- **Set up library later.** Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

**Configure.** Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to **Use library** or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Click **Next**.

7. Specify the name and location settings. For more information, see [Project Name and Location](#) or [Module Name and Location](#).

Click **Finish**.

To add a **Web Services** facet to an existing module:

## Adding the Necessary Libraries to an Existing Modules

This approach is applicable if the necessary libraries have been previously downloaded.

1. Open the module settings.
2. With the desired module selected, click the Dependencies tab.
3. To enable Web development, click the Add button and select Single-Entry Module Library from the context menu. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the `javaee.jar` library and click OK .
4. Click the Add button again, then select Single-Entry Module Library from the context menu. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the `javaee.jar` library and the required Web service-specific libraries.
  - The location of the `javaee.jar` library is defined during the installation of IntelliJ IDEA.
  - The location of the Web-service specific libraries is defined during their download.
5. Click OK when ready.

## Enabling an Extra WS Engine

Besides most common WS engines, support of which is enabled through dedicated facets, with IntelliJ IDEA you can also use the following ones:

- [Apache Axis2](#)
- [XFire 1.X /CXF](#)
- [JBossWS](#)
- [WebSphere 6.X](#)

Moreover, you can use any desired WS engine implementation version instead of restricting yourself to the predefined one.


To use a custom WS engine:

1. Download the desired WS engine implementation.
2. In the Settings/Preferences dialog ( `Ctrl+Alt+S` ), click Tools | Web Services in the left pane and specify the path to external web service engines, server name and port, etc. (for details, see [Web Services](#) ).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Suppose, you have a piece of code that implements a certain functionality and you want this functionality to be available on the Web through a specific protocol. In this case you need to [transform existing code into a Web service](#) and deploy. The action updates the Web service descriptors and generates additional deployment code if needed. This action is required every time any Web service method signature is changed or a new method is added or removed.

## To expose a class

1. Position the cursor at the class name in the editor and press `Alt+Enter` or click the yellow bulb icon .
2. From the suggestion list, choose Expose Class as Web Service .
3. In the [Expose Class As Web Service](#) dialog box that opens, specify the following:
  - The name and URL address of the Web service.
  - The protocol and encoding style used when accessing the public operations of the Web service.
  - The type information, including name, operations, parameters and data comprising the interface of the Web service.

IntelliJ IDEA automatically adds the service description to the `server-config.wsdd` file.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.




IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to [view which Web services are currently deployed](#) as well as to [re-deploy and undeploy Web services](#) without re-starting the application server.

These operations are enabled only when the corresponding server is running.

### To get a list of currently deployed Web services, do one of the following

- On the main menu, choose Tools | Web Services | Show Deployed Web Services . The Web services deployed under various application contexts are listed in the browser.
- Open the [Deployment Console](#) of the [Run](#) tool window. The console shows which of the deployment artifacts are successfully deployed and which are not. Find the artifacts that constitute the Web services in question.

### To manage the list of deployed Web services, perform these general steps

- Open the [Deployment Console](#) of the [Run](#) tool window. The console shows which of the [marked for deployment artifacts](#) are successfully deployed and which are not. Find the artifacts that constitute the Web services in question.
- To set the deployment statuses up-to-date, click the Refresh Deployment Status button .
- To undeploy a Web service, select the relevant artifacts in the list and click the Undeploy button .
- To have IntelliJ IDEA deploy all the artifacts marked for deployment, click the Deploy All button .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The available functionality of a Web service, the ports to access them, the acceptable format of requests, the format of generated responses, etc. are reflected in the Web service [WSDL descriptor](#) , which is normally generated on the server during the Web service deployment. A major part of Web service client development is implementing generation of requests to the service and parsing responses from it in compliance with the WSDL descriptor settings.

Suppose you have developed a Web service and want its client side development start before the Web service itself is deployed, that is, before the WSDL descriptor is generated on the server. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can have it generated before deployment.

### **To create a WSDL descriptor from Java code**

1. Select the desired class name in the editor.
2. Choose Tools | Web Services | Generate WSDL From Java Code on the main menu or choose Web Services | Generate WSDL From Java Code from the context menu.
3. In the [Generate WSDL From Java](#) dialog box that opens specify the following:
  - The name and URL address of the Web service.
  - The protocol and encoding style used when accessing the public operations of the Web service.
  - The type information, including name, operations, parameters and data comprising the interface of the Web service.

Click OK , when ready.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the XSLT functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the XPath View+XSLT Support check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEASettings ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ).

- XSLT support is available in all XML files that declare the XSLT-Namespace `http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform` on their root element.
- IntelliJ IDEA supports XSLT versions 1.0 and 2.0, XPath versions 1.0 and 2.0.
- An XSLT 2.0-capable processor (e.g. Saxon 9-HE) should be added to the classpath of a module that is used to run a stylesheet, and placed in front of JDK. See [Configuring projects](#) .

## Overview

The plugin lets you do the following:

- Evaluate expressions against the currently focused document, including support for the `document()` function to make cross-document queries
- Evaluate an expression against multiple XML documents in a *Find in Path* style way by the new [Find by XPath](#) action.

The Expression Evaluation dialog allows you to highlight matching expressions in the current editor or to open the [Find](#) tool window to display a list of matching lines. Editing XPath expressions is enhanced by on-the-fly error-checking including a set of customizable [XPath Inspections](#) and a wide range of code completion suggestions.

The plugin also offers a way to display a unique XPath expression for a selected element in an editor. This is available via [View | Unique XPath](#) in the Main Menu .

XSLT support is not limited to XPath expressions, it also supports a wide range of XSLT constructs, like checking the existence of templates that are called via `xsl:call-template` and their parameters, refactoring and navigation enhancements. Find out more about this in the [XSLT Support](#) section.

## Changes to the UI

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- [XSLT](#) settings
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This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Overview

Evaluating XPath expressions in IntelliJ IDEA has two main purposes: testing XPath expressions that are to be used in program code or XSLT scripts, and making structured queries against XML documents. The **Evaluate XPath** action can be invoked either from the editor context menu or from the main menu ( `Edit | Find | Evaluate XPath` ). In either case, the Evaluate XPath Expression dialog box opens.

The **Expression Evaluation** has two different modes:

- The **Simple** mode that allows you to enter simple one-line expressions and doesn't allow you to configure Context settings.
- The **Advanced** mode is intended for more convenient editing of long expressions in a multi-line style way. The **Advanced** mode is configured in the dialog box also has a button to edit some context settings, such as namespaces and their prefixes, and variables to use for the evaluation.

To toggle the mode, click the Advanced / Simple button.

In either mode, the dialog box features a history of the recently evaluated expressions, completion, syntax-checking and highlighting, as well as some semantic error checking of the entered expression. Semantic checks include validation of used namespace prefixes, useless XPath expressions (e.g. `@comment()` ) and node tests for element/attribute names that don't occur in the context document and would not be successfully matched.

Some error checks and XPath inspections also provide Quick Fixes for detected problems, e.g. the possibility to map an unresolved namespace-prefix to a URI by intention.

## Simple mode

The simple mode comes with an input field that can be used to enter simple one-line expressions that don't require any customization of namespace prefixes or make use of predefined variables. The last recently used expressions can be selected from the drop-down list.

## Advanced Mode

The advanced mode adds the possibility to edit expressions in a multiline editor and has another button to edit the [XPath Context](#) . The expression history can be browsed by the Up- and Down arrays on the right of the dialog or the keyboard shortcuts for the previous/next history element (usually `Ctrl-Alt-Up` , `Ctrl-Alt-Down` ).

## XPath Context

This dialog allows you to assign custom prefixes to the namespace URIs that are used in the context document. This can be useful to assign a shorter prefix, resolve prefix clashes or to actually define a prefix for the default namespace. This can be essential because XPath does not automatically match elements in the default namespace without specifying a prefix for the element to be matched.

The XPath Context also includes the possibility to define custom XPath variables that can be used in queries for repeating expressions. Each variable in the table can be assigned an expression that will be evaluated once when the query is executed. The resulting value is then available for multiple use at no additional computational cost.

## Options

- **Highlight results:** This option highlights the matched nodes in the current editor. Matched nodes that don't belong to the current editor (may happen by using the `document()` function) are not highlighted. It's recommended to display such cross-document results in the Find Usages toolwindow.
- **Show results in Usage View:** this option shows all matched nodes in the Find Usages toolwindow. Check `Open in new tab` to open the result in a new tab instead of reusing the last one.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This new feature is the XML-aware counterpart to IntelliJ IDEA built-in functions [Find in Path](#) and [Search Structurally](#) . It allows you to find occurrences of certain XPath expressions in all XML files in a specific scope. It is available through [Edit | Find | Find by XPath...](#) on the main menu.

The scope that can be chosen is either the full project scope, a specific module or a simple directory. There's also the ability to use *custom* scopes, but this is somewhat limited as it will only scan XML files inside source-folders.

This dialog provides the same functionality regarding completion, error checking, and intentions as described in [Evaluate Expression](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This action computes a unique XPath expression that matches the currently selected node in the document. The action is available from the View-Menu ( Unique Path ) and the Editor-Context Menu ( Show Unique XPath ). The action is only enabled when the caret is placed on an element that a useful expression can be generated for.

**Tip** The generated expression in the pop-up can be selected and copied into the clipboard for further use.

If a simple XPath expression like `/root/something/else` doesn't produce a unique result, the action has two strategies to make it unique:

– If the non-unique node is an element, the action looks for attributes with the name 'id', 'name' and attributes that are of ID-type, as defined by the document's DTD or XML Schema.

Example : `/root/something[<annotation>@id="foo"</annotation>]/else`

– For nodes other than elements (comments, processing instructions), or if the above rule doesn't produce a unique result, the index of the node inside its parent is appended.

Example : `/root/something/else[<annotation>2</annotation>]`

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

XPathView plugin settings are configured on the [XPath Viewer](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog.

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**ItemDescription**

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Scroll first hit into visible area	Select this checkbox to have the editor automatically scroll to the first XPath match.
Use node at cursor as context node	Select this checkbox to have the entered XPath expression use the currently selected node (tag/attribute/pi, etc.) as its context node and evaluate the expression relatively to this node.
Highlight only start tag instead of whole tag content	Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Select this checkbox to have only the name of a matching tag highlighted.</li><li>- Clear this checkbox to have the entire content of a matching tag highlighted.</li></ul>
Add error stripe markers for each result	Select this checkbox to have each match supplied with an error stripe marker which can be quickly navigated to. The tooltip of each marker shows the matched content.
Show actions in Toolbar	Select this checkbox to have buttons that invoke XPath -related actions displayed on the <a href="#">Main Toolbar</a> .
Show actions in Main Menu	When this checkbox is selected, XPath -related actions are available from the main menu.
Colors	In this area, configure color indication during execution of XPath expressions. Clicking on the color box will open the <a href="#">Select Color</a> dialog in which you can modify the current color indication. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Highlight Color - in this area, select the color to indicate XPath matches in the editor.</li><li>- Context Node Color - in this area, select the color to indicate the current context node.</li></ul>

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Overview

With Code Completion being one of the key features of IntelliJ IDEA, the plugin provides several possibilities to complete keywords, predefined functions, variables and parameters used in XPath expressions, template names and names of parameters that can be passed to a template invocation.

## Completion in XPath Expressions

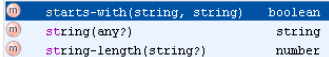
It's possible to complete all parameters/variables in scope inside an XPath expression in a normal expression attribute or inside an [attribute value template](#)

```
<xsl:message>
  <xsl:value-of select="concat('Param: ', $my-)" />
</xsl:message>
```



Also, all predefined functions and keywords are available for completion, including function signatures.

```
<xsl:value-of select="st" />
```

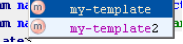


The [Quick Documentation Lookup](#) also works in completion lookup lists.

## Completion for Template Names in Xsl:Call-Template

The template's name that is to be called can be completed from a list of all named templates in the current document and included stylesheets

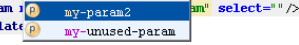
```
<xsl:call-template name="my-template">
  <xsl:with-param name="my-template" />
  <xsl:with-param name="my-template2" />
</xsl:call-template>
```



## Completion for Template Parameters

There's a special completion for parameters that should be passed to a template in a `xsl:call-template` invocation. The completion lists all parameters that are declared by the template and are not yet present in the *argument list* of the invocation, i.e. there's no `xsl:with-param` yet.

```
<xsl:call-template name="my-template">
  <xsl:with-param name="my-param1" select="123" />
  <xsl:with-param name="my-" />
  <xsl:with-param name="my-param2" select="" />
</xsl:call-template>
```



**Tip** That's especially useful when also using completion to create the `xsl:with-param` tag, because this will automatically trigger the completion for the parameter's name which is required according to the schema; e.g.

```
<xsl:with-p <ctrl-space>
=>
<xsl:with-param name=" [lookup list]
```

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In the XSLT context, some the IntelliJ IDEA built-in refactorings are available:

- **Rename** and **Safe Delete** for XSLT items such as templates, variables and parameters.
- **Introduce Variable** for creating XSLT variables from selected XPath expressions.
- **Inline** for variables.

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## Renaming templates

Refactor | Rename

Named templates can be renamed in IntelliJ IDEA just like any other symbol. All `xsl:call-template` invocations that refer to this template will be updated accordingly.

## Rename variables and parameters

Refactor | Rename

Just as named templates, it is possible to rename XSLT variables and template parameters, either at a point of their use or at their declaration.

## Safe delete

Refactor | Safe Delete

Named templates, parameters and variables can be deleted using IntelliJ IDEA Safe Delete feature, i.e. the item will be removed if there aren't any references left to it in other stylesheets across the project.

This is especially useful if the stylesheet may be included in other ones via `xsl:include` or `xsl:import` to make sure that nothing will be deleted that is still used somewhere else.

## Introduce variable

Refactor | Extract

It is possible to extract XPath-Expressions and turn them into an `xsl:variable` declaration. Check the `Replace all occurrences` checkbox to replace all other occurrences of the same expression.

## Introduce parameter

Refactor | Extract

This is similar to `Introduce Variable`, but it creates a new parameter instead of a variable. It also has an additional option `Create with default value` that determines if the selected expression should be added as the introduced parameter's default value or if all calls to the template should be updated to pass the selected expression. That option is only available when introducing parameters to named templates.

## Inline variable

Refactor | Inline

This is just the opposite of `Introduce Variable`, it replaces all usages of a variable with the expression that is specified in the variable's `select`-attribute. Variables that don't have such an attribute cannot be inlined. Inlining variable references that resolve to parameters is not possible as well.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The XSLT support can detect a range of errors in XSLT constructs, such as misspelled template names, missing template parameters, bad match-patterns, references to undeclared variables, wrong or useless embedded XPath expressions, etc. and also offers Quick Fixes to automatically fix some of those errors.

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## Syntax highlighting

Where allowed, XPath function-calls, Axis names, Numbers, Strings, etc. are highlighted according to the currently active color scheme. By default, the plugin uses the colors that are defined for the corresponding Java types, such as number- and string literals, etc. If a different coloring is desired, those colors can be configured in the tab on the [Color Scheme](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#).

## XPath syntax checks

Just like the interactive XPath Expression Evaluation, the XSLT support catches any syntax error in XPath expressions used inside a stylesheet.

```
<xsl:value-of select="foo/bar/"/>
```

location step expected

## XPath type checking

In XPath, almost all types are assignable to each other with certain well-defined conversion semantics. However, the conversion to NODESET isn't defined for any type and there's also no (portable) conversion function available. Such type-conversions are highlighted as an error.

```
<xsl:value-of select="name(12345)" />
```

Expected type 'nodeset', got 'number'

## Pattern validation

A special form of XPath expression are patterns in XSLT. They are e.g. used as the value of the *match*-attribute in `xsl:template` elements. Only a certain subset of XPath expressions is allowed here, which the XSLT support checks for.

```
<!-- Pattern validation -->
<xsl:template match="string()" />
```

Bad pattern

## Unresolved references

References to variables that have not been declared or are not accessible from the current scope are detected and highlighted as an error. There are Quick Fixes available to create a variable or parameter declaration for such unresolved variables references.

```
<!-- undefined variable check -->
<xsl:message>
  <xsl:value-of select="concat('Variable: ', $my-variable)" />
</xsl:message>
```

Unresolved variable 'my-variable'

Quick-fixes:

```
<xsl:message>
  <xsl:value-of select="concat('Variable: ', $my-variable)" />
</xsl:message>
```

Create Variable 'my-variable'  
Create Parameter 'my-variable'

## Duplicate declarations

In XSLT there must not be more than one variable or parameter declared on the same scope level. It's also not allowed that there is more than one template with the same name. The plugin will identify such duplicate declarations and highlight them in the editor.

## Other checks

- [Function call arguments](#)

## Shadowed variables

Even though is possible to have identically named variables or parameters in different nesting levels, this can be confusing



and is likely to cause programming mistakes. The plugin can identify shadowed declarations and offers Quick-Fixes to either rename the local or the outer variable.

## Missing template arguments

Another check that the XSLT support performs is whether all required parameters are specified with a `<xsl:call-template>`. A parameter is considered required if there is no default value, i.e. if there's no `select` attribute and the parameter's declaring element has an empty body.

```
<xsl:call-template name="my-template">
  Missing template parameter: my-param2
```

Quick-Fixes:

```
<xsl:call-template name="my-template">
  Add Argument for 'my-param2'
```

## Superfluous template arguments

There's also a supplemental check that flags arguments that are not declared as template parameters. There are Quick Fixes available to either remove the argument from the template-call or to add a corresponding parameter to the called template.

```
<xsl:with-param name="my-undeclared-param" select="" />
/xsl:call-template> Superfluous template parameter: my-undeclared-param
```

Quick-fixes:

```
<xsl:with-param name="my-undeclared-param" select="" />
  Add Parameter 'my-undeclared-param' to Template 'my-template'
  Remove Argument 'my-undeclared-param'
```

## Function call arguments

The XSLT support does, just like the interactive XPath Expression Evaluation, check whether the number and types of function arguments match their declaration for built-in functions of XPath and XSLT.

```
<!-- missing function parameter check -->
<xsl:message select="concat($my-param2)" />
  Function 'concat' requires 2 arguments
```

## XPath inspections

All [XPath Inspections](#) are supported for editing XSLT documents. Those inspections can also be suppressed in a way that is similar to the standard suppression-mechanism IntelliJ IDEA uses for Java code by using `noinspection` XML comments. The suppression is possible on different levels, either on instruction level, template-level (if applicable) or stylesheet level.

The XPath language implementation provides a few built-in inspections that can check for common coding mistakes when writing XPath expressions both in the interactive mode and when writing XSLT scripts. Those inspections also provide a number of configuration options which can be configured on the [Inspections](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.

Due to the way how these inspections are implemented and integrated, they only work for the on-the-fly editor highlighting and *not* if the inspections are run via Analyse | Inspect Code .

## XPath Type Checking

There are two inspections that deal with type-conversion in XPath expressions: Implicit Type Conversion and Redundant Type Conversion .

### Implicit Type Conversion

This inspection checks for any implicit conversions between the predefined XPath-types STRING, NUMBER, BOOLEAN and NODESET. While this is usually not a problem as the conversions are well-defined by the standard, this inspection can help to write XSLT scripts that are more expressive about types and can even help to avoid subtle bugs:

```
<xsl:if test=" foo " /> is not the same as <xsl:if test=" string(foo) " />
```

The first test checks whether the element *foo* exists ( `count(foo) > 0` ), the latter one however is only true if the element actually contains any text ( `string-length(foo) > 0` ). The plugin will then offer to make the type-conversion more explicit.

There are several options to adjust the inspection to personal preferences by offering the possibility to individually enable it for implicit conversions between certain types.

The plugin can also be told to always flag explicit conversions that do not result in the actually expected type, such as

```
<xsl:if test="number(foo)" /> and provides a special option to ignore the conversion from NODESET to BOOLEAN by using the string() function as a shortcut for writing string-length() > 0 .
```

### Redundant Type Conversion

This inspection checks whether any type-conversion with the functions `string()` , `number()` or `boolean()` is redundant, i.e. whether the type of argument is the same as the functions return type or if the expected type of the expression is of type *any* . While such an explicit conversion may sometimes be intentional to emphasize the type, this can usually be safely removed.

## Expression validity checks

Those inspections check whether an expressions contains any potential semantic mistakes, such as referencing element/attribute names that don't occur in instance documents or using predicates that don't potentially match anything.

### Check Node Test

This inspection checks whether any element/attribute names that are used in XPath-expressions are actually part of an associated XML file or are defined in a referenced schema. This helps to avoid problems caused by typos in XPath-expressions that would otherwise occur when running the script and may even then not be recognized immediately.

Example:

```
<xsl:template match="<keyword>h:txtarea</keyword>" />
```

If the prefix *h* is bound to the XHTML namespace, the inspection will flag this part of the match-expression as an unknown element name because the correct name of the element is *textarea* .

### Index Zero Usage

This inspection checks for any accidental use of zero in a predicate index or in a comparison with the function `position()` . Such is almost always a bug because in XPath, the index starts at one, *not* at zero.

Example:

```
//someelement[ position() = 0 ] or //something[ 0 ]
```

## Developing custom XPath inspections

The XPath inspections make use of the normal inspections API of IntelliJ IDEA. However, due to the way the XPath Language-Support is integrated, this is a bit more complicated and it's at the moment not readily possible to develop full-blown 3rd-party XPath inspections. While it's theoretically possible to develop custom inspections that make use of the XPath-PSI API and are derived from `org.intellij.lang.xpath.validation.inspections.XPathInspection` , this is not recommended and not supported.

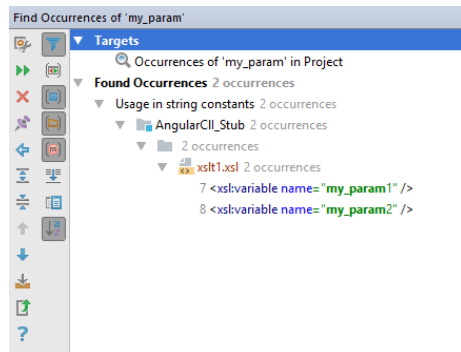
Please contact me if there's a need for a special inspection or there is significant interest that would justify the effort to make this more pluggable.

Basically all possibilities for code-navigation are supported for named templates, variables and parameters. For example: Goto Declaration, Find Usages, Highlight Usages in File, Quick Definition Lookup, etc.

```
<xsl:variable name="var" select="123" />  
<xsl:value-of select="$var + $var" />
```

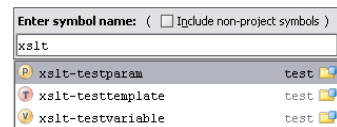
## Find Usages

Find Usages works for Variables and Parameters as well as named XSLT Templates. It finds all places of a certain template in all XSLT Stylesheets that are contained in the specified scope.



## Goto Symbol

The plugin also supports IntelliJ IDEA Goto Symbol action. The names of templates, top-level variables and parameters are offered for that action to be able to quickly navigate to them by their name.

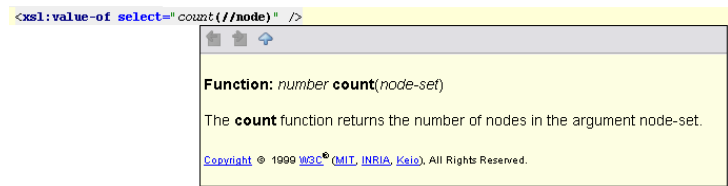


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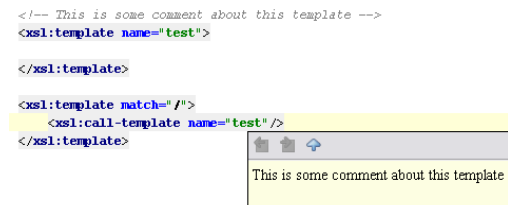
## Documentation for XSLT-elements and predefined XPath-functions

The plugin comes with bundled documentation for XSLT elements and functions that is accessible via the Quick Documentation Lookup ( Ctrl-Q ) action. This documentation is extracted from the respective sections in the official W3C XSLT and XPath documents.



## Custom documentation

It's also possible to annotate elements in an XSLT stylesheet with some documentation fragments. This can be looked up by the Quick Documentation Lookup function for variables, parameters and templates

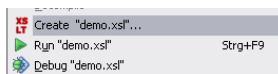


Running XSLT Scripts is as easy as opening the Editor Context Menu and either creating a permanent Run Configuration or simply choosing Run to instantly run the selected XSLT script.

## Creating Run Configurations

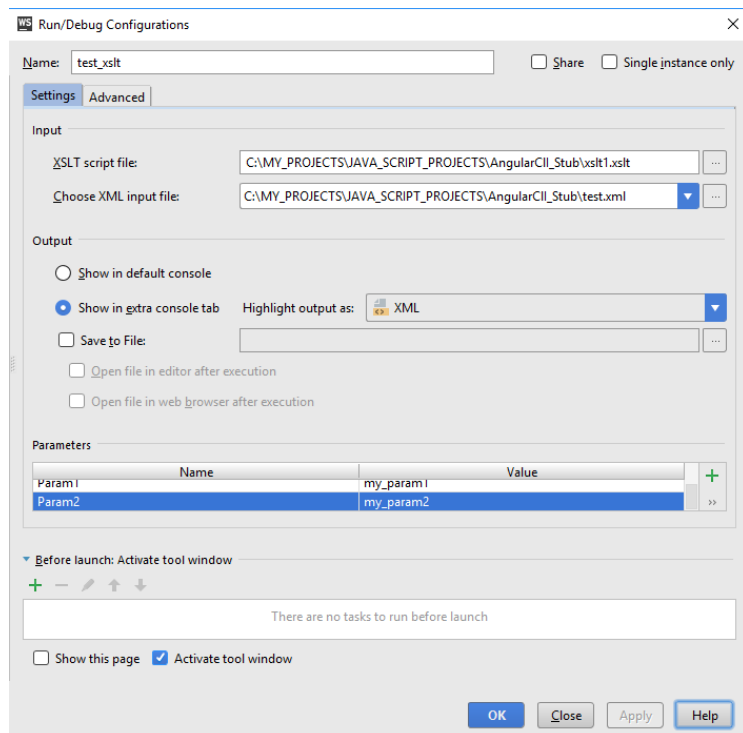
Permanent Run Configurations can be created through Run | Edit Configurations on the main menu. You'll find an additional tab named XSLT to add Run Configurations for XSLT scripts.

A Run Configuration can also be created by the Create "<name>" action from the context menu.



In that case, the name of the configuration will be taken from the stylesheet's file name and its path will already be filled into the XSLT script file text field. If the stylesheet defines parameters, those will be filled into the [Parameters](#) table with empty values. Parameters that are highlighted in blue don't have a value assigned yet and will not be passed to the stylesheet during execution, so it's not required to delete those automatically created parameter values if nothing should be passed to the stylesheet.

## Run Configuration Settings



### Input

An XSLT Run Configuration has various settings that can be adjusted. The most important ones are the location of the XSLT script file and the XML input file that should be transformed. Those are mandatory and the specified files must exist, otherwise the configuration cannot be executed.

The XML input file combobox lists all XML files that have been associated with the chosen stylesheet via the File Associations functionality.

### Output

There are three different choices about how the output of the script should be handled. The first is Show in default console . When this is selected, the output will appear in the normal run console, together with any warnings and error messages from the XSLT transformer, as well as messages generated by the script, e.g. by `xs1:message` .

By default selected is the option Show in extra console tab which will show the output in an extra tab named *XSLT Output* . This option has the ability to highlight the produced output according to different file types that are available in IntelliJ IDEA. However this is kind of an experimental feature, so it can be turned off completely by selecting the Disabled option. The output will then be written into a temp file that is displayed by the normal Log Viewer .

The last option, Save to file can be used to directly write the output to a file. The textfield must not be empty and can refer to any existing or non-existing file. Check the option Open file in editor after execution to open the file in IntelliJ IDEA after the script ends normally. The option Open file in web browser can be checked to open the generated file in the configured web browser after execution has finished.

**Warning!** The specified output file will be overwritten without confirmation.

## Parameters

The Parameters table is used to specify the parameter names and their values that should be passed to the script. Press the Add and Remove buttons to modify the list. A newly added parameter will not have any value assigned by default, and thus will not be passed to the script if the value isn't edited.

## Advanced Options

This tab allows you to control some options that are not needed for usual run configurations.

### Smart error handling

Clear this checkbox to see full error messages including their complete stack traces when an error occurs during execution. When the checkbox is selected, those stack traces will be suppressed and only the relevant information about errors will be displayed in the console.

### VM Arguments

Allows you to pass arbitrary VM arguments to the VM that is used for running the XSLT script.

### Working Directory

The working directory to use. When left empty, the working directory will be the directory the XSLT script file is located in.

### Classpath and JDK

Allows you to choose the environment to run the script under. The default setting is the Module the XSLT script file belongs to. The option From module will also include the full classpath of the chosen module. This can be needed if the script makes use of custom XSLT Extension Functions .

The option Use JDK allows you to select the JDK without including anything module- or project-related into the classpath. It can be useful to explicitly choose a specific JDK to test the script with.

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## Overview

File Associations are used to associate an XSLT file with other XML files. This is currently used for three purposes:

- Enhanced completion for element- and attribute names in XSLT node-selections. The completion will offer all element- and tag names that are found in the associated documents.
- Enhanced error highlighting for XSLT node-selections. If an XSLT script has been associated with one or more XML files, any references to element- and attribute names that are not part of the associated files will be flagged with the warning message: " Tag name '...' is not part of the document ".
- File Associations are also used for creating Run Configurations . The XML input file to use for the transformation can be conveniently chosen from the list of associated files.

XSLT File Associations are defined per project and managed in the [XSLT File Associations](#) settings page.

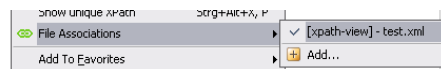
## Managing associations from the editor

Associations can also be created by invoking the Add... action from the File Associations group in the Editor Context Menu. A file-selection dialog opens that can be used to select one or more X(HT)ML files to associate the XSLT file with.



## Removing an association

An Association can be removed by clicking on the corresponding file name in the File Associations group. The file names are displayed with a path that is relative from the current file. If the associated file is part of any module, the module name is included in square brackets.



It's also possible to invoke the associations configuration dialog through the Configure... action. This opens the associations configuration dialog and preselects the file that's currently opened in the editor.

The XSLT Support comes with a few intentions that can be useful for XSLT development.

### Intention to convert xsl:if to xsl:choose

This is useful if it turns out that a simple if-branch isn't enough in a certain situation and an else-branch is required. When positioning the caret on the start tag of the `xsl:if`, the intention shows up and converts the code fragment into an `xsl:choose`, preserving the original `xsl:if` as an `xsl:when` block and adding an `xsl:otherwise` block.

#### Before

```
<xsl:if test="true()">
  </xsl:if>
```

#### After

```
<xsl:choose>
  <xsl:when test="true()">
  </xsl:when>
  <xsl:otherwise>
  </xsl:otherwise>
</xsl:choose>
```

### Intention to add optional parameters

This intention can be used to pass a value for an optional parameter in a template-call. It will insert the appropriate `xsl:with-param` tag and show a lookup list for all parameters that aren't already passed to the template.

#### Before

```
<xsl:template match="/">
  <xsl:call-template name="test" />
</xsl:template>
```

#### After

```
<xsl:template match="/">
  <xsl:call-template name="test" >
    <xsl:with-param name="select" />
  </xsl:call-template>
</xsl:template>
```



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- Note** Before you start configuring a connection to your tracker, note that IntelliJ IDEA:
- Supports only services with REST API.
  - Supports either [Basic HTTP authentication](#) or sending preliminary requests to the server.
  - Supports GET and POST requests.
  - Does not support pagination in server responses.

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with many task trackers out of the box. However, if you use a tracker that IntelliJ IDEA does not support yet, you can still integrate it configuring a so called generic server.

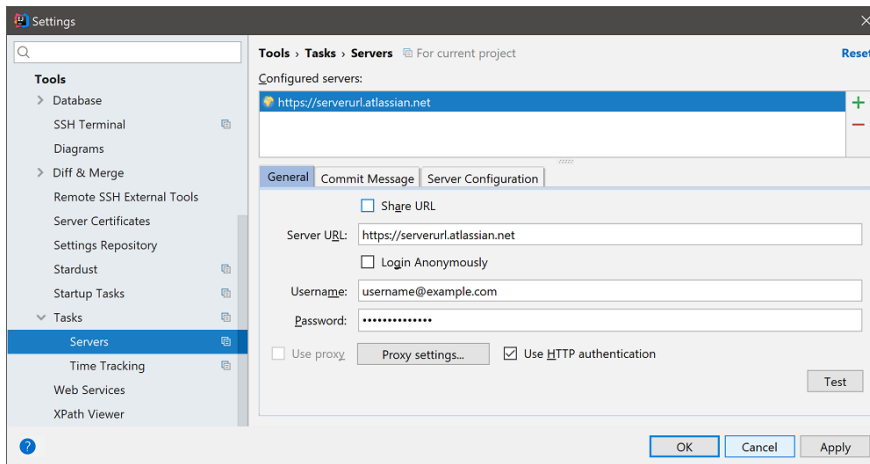
This tutorial describes how to:

- Connect to JIRA Cloud as a generic server
- Obtain the list of issues assigned to you
- For each issue, get its ID, title, description, date and time when the issue was created and updated

## 1. Specify server URL and credentials

**Tip** If you work on MacOS, navigate to IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | Tasks | Servers .

1. Navigate to File | Settings | Tools | Tasks | Servers .
2. Click **+** and select Generic .
3. On the General tab, specify the URL of your task tracker, connection credentials and select the Use HTTP authentication checkbox.



## 2. Configure server settings

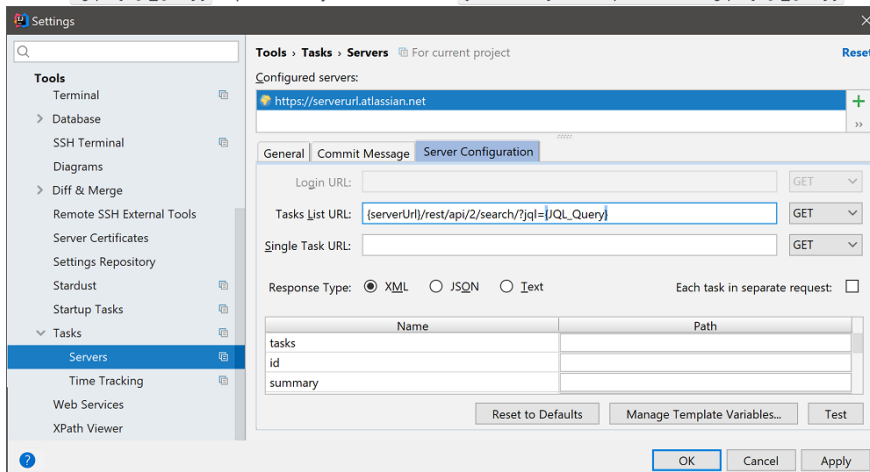
**Tip** You can use code completion in the Login URL , Tasks List URL and Single Task URL fields.

**Note** The `{serverUrl}` is a variable that stands for the URL you have specified on the General tab.

1. Switch to the Server Configuration tab.
2. In the Tasks List URL , enter the URL for obtaining issues from the server. You can use variables or enter the full URL:

`{serverUrl}/rest/api/2/search` or `https://serverurl.atlassian.net/rest/api/2/search`

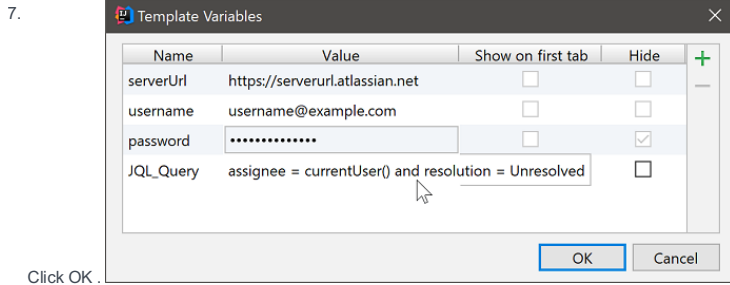
3. Add the `?jql={JQL_Query}` expression to your task list URL: `{serverUrl}/rest/api/2/search?jql={JQL_Query}` .



4. Click Manage Template Variables at the bottom of the window to configure the `JQL_Query` variable.
5. Click **+** in the top right-hand corner.
6. In the new filed, specify variable name (`JQL_Query` ), and add its value (`assignee = currentUser()` and `resolution =`

Unresolved ).

This will let you obtain unresolved issues assigned to you.



Click OK .

**Note** Note that the Login URL field will be disabled, as you are using HTTP authentication.

### 3. Configure response type and specify selectors

**Note** Selectors help you retrieve specific information about tasks. First three selectors are mandatory.

tasks : path to tasks in the server response (root element).

id : relative path to a task ID in the server response.

summary : relative path to a task title in the server response.

1. In the Server Configuration window, select the JSON response type.

2. Specify selectors in the table to get IDs and titles of issues, and to obtain their description and time when issues were created and updated:

- tasks: `$.issues`

- id: `key`

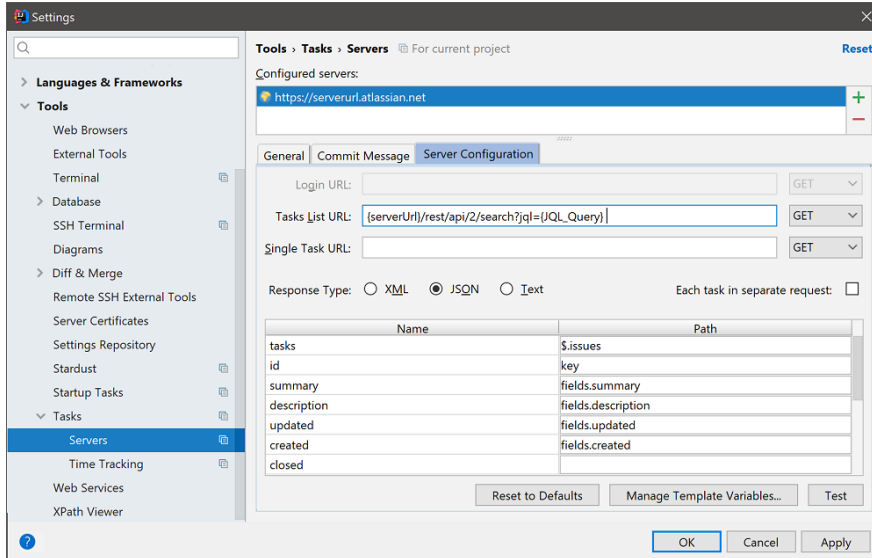
- summary: `field.summary`

- description: `field.description`

- updated: `field.updated`

- created: `field.created`

3. Click Test to make sure all parameters are configured correctly.

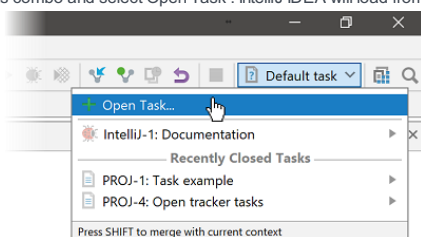


**Tip** For JIRA you can check the server responses in real time. Replace placeholders with actual values and open the link in a browser:

<http://<server URL>:<port>/rest/api/2/search>

### 4. Upload issues from server


1. Click the tasks combo and select Open Task . IntelliJ IDEA will load from the server all issues that match your



configuration.

2. Select the necessary issue from the list.

3. Press **Ctrl+Q** to open issue description and make sure all required details are obtained.


Enter task name:  Include closed tasks (Alt+Shift+N) 






Create New Task 'configure'

PROJ-6: Configure generic tracker

...

Press SHIFT to merge with current context  
Pressing Ctrl+Q would show task description and comments

Documentation for PROJ-6: Configure generic tracker 

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## What this tutorial is about

This tutorial aims to walk you step-by-step through debugging a Java application with Chronon, a recorder and a "time-travelling" debugger.

Chronon records changes are made by your application while it is executing. The recordings are saved to files. You can later play these recordings back and share them among the team members.

## Before you start...

First of all, it is essential to understand that Chronon is not literally a debugger - it only helps you record the execution progress and then play it back, like a videotape.

Second, make sure that:

- Your IntelliJ IDEA version is 13.1 or later. This tutorial is made for the version 14.1.
- The Chronon plugin is [downloaded and installed](#) .

Third, note that keyboard shortcuts on different keymaps may differ. This tutorial is made with the default keymap.

## Preliminary steps

### Preparing an example

Let's see how Chronon works on a simple example of a two-thread class. One thread performs quick sorting, while the second thread performs bubble sorting.

First, create a project as described in the page [Creating, Running and Packaging Your First Java Application](#) .

Next, [create a package](#) with the name `demo` , and, finally, add Java classes to this package. The first class is called `ChrononDemo.java` and it performs two-threaded array sorting:

```

package demo;

import org.jetbrains.annotations.NotNull;

import java.util.AbstractMap;
import java.util.Arrays;
import java.util.Random;

public class ChrononDemo {

    public static final int SIZE = 1000;
    public static final Random GENERATOR = new Random();

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        final int[] array = new int[SIZE];
        for (int i = 0; i < SIZE; i++) {
            array[i] = GENERATOR.nextInt();
        }
        final Thread quickSortThread = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                QuickSort.sort(Arrays.copyOf(array, array.length));
            }
        }, "Quick sort");

        final Thread bubbleThread = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                BubbleSort.sort(Arrays.copyOf(array, array.length));
            }
        }, "Bubble sort");

        quickSortThread.start();
        bubbleThread.start();

        quickSortThread.join();
        bubbleThread.join();
    }
}

```

The second is the class `QuickSort.java` that performs quick sorting:

```

package demo;

class QuickSort {
    private static int partition(int arr[], int left, int right) {
        int i = left, j = right;
        int tmp;
        int pivot = arr[(left + right) / 2];

        while (i <= j) {
            while (arr[i] < pivot)
                i++;
            while (arr[j] > pivot)
                j--;
            if (i <= j) {
                tmp = arr[i];
                arr[i] = arr[j];
                arr[j] = tmp;
                i++;
                j--;
            }
        }

        return i;
    }

    public static void sort(int arr[], int left, int right) {
        int index = partition(arr, left, right);
        if (left < index - 1)
            sort(arr, left, index - 1);
        if (index < right)
            sort(arr, index, right);
    }

    public static void sort(int arr[]) {
        sort(arr, 0, arr.length - 1);
    }
}

```

And, finally, the third one is the class `BubbleSort.java` that performs bubble sorting:

```

package demo;

public class BubbleSort {
    public static void sort(int[] arr) {
        boolean swapped = true;
        int j = 0;
        int tmp;
        while (swapped) {
            swapped = false;
            j++;
            for (int i = 0; i < arr.length - j; i++) {
                if (arr[i] > arr[i + 1]) {
                    tmp = arr[i];
                    arr[i] = arr[i + 1];
                    arr[i + 1] = tmp;
                    swapped = true;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

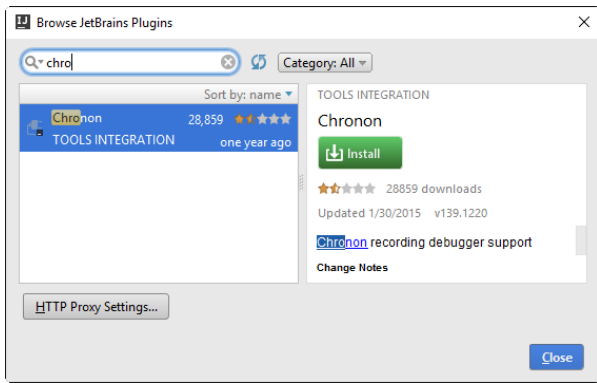
By the way, it is recommended to type the code manually, to see the magic IntelliJ IDEA's [code completion](#) in action.

## Installing plugin

Open the Settings/Preferences dialog. To do that, click  on the main toolbar, or press `Ctrl+Alt+S`.

Then click the page [Plugins settings](#).

In this page, click the button `Install JetBrains plugin...` to download and install plugins from the JetBrains repository. In the `Browse JetBrains Plugins` dialog box, find the `Chronon` plugin - you can type the search string in the filter area:



Install the plugin and restart IntelliJ IDEA for the changes to take effect.

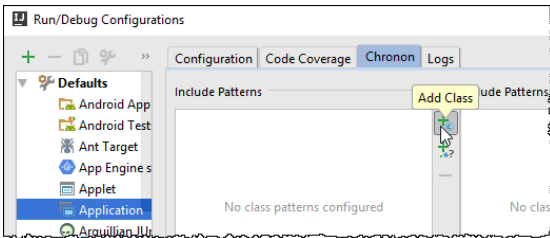
## Changes to the UI

After restart, pay attention to the following changes:

- Dedicated Run with Chronon icon appears on the main toolbar. By now, this icon is disabled .

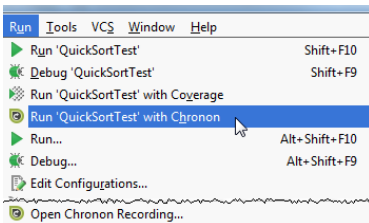
It will become enabled  as soon as the corresponding run/debug configuration appears.

- Chronon tool window (which becomes available on launching a run/debug configuration with Chronon, or on opening a Chronon record).
- Chronon tab appears in the run/debug configuration of the Application type (and some other types as well):




- Run menu is extended with two commands:

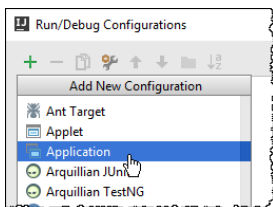
- Run <run/debug configuration name> with Chronon
- Open Chronon recording



## Creating run/debug configuration

To launch our application, we need a [run/debug configuration](#). Let's [create one](#).

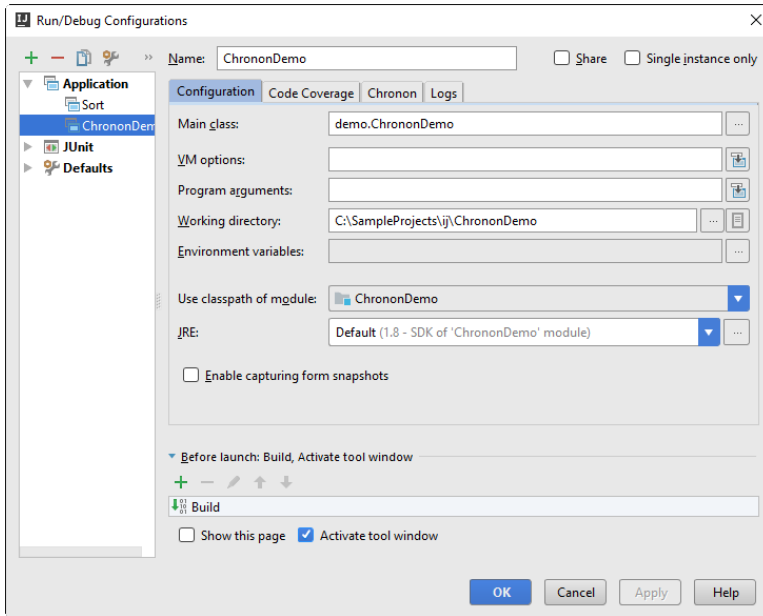
On the main menu, choose Run | Edit Configuration, and in the Run/Debug Configurations dialog box, click . We are going to create a new run/debug configuration of the [Application](#) type, so select this type:



The new run/debug configuration based on the Application type appears. So far, it is unnamed and lacks reference to the class with the main method. Let's specify the missing information.

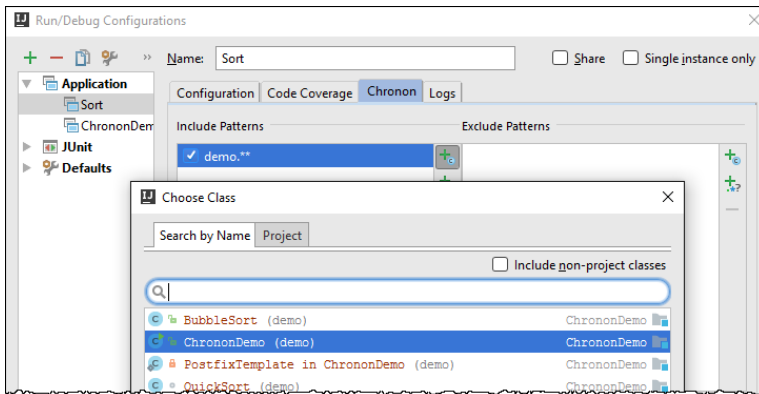
First, give this run/debug configuration a name. Let it be `ChrononDemo`. Next, press `Shift+Enter` and find the class named `ChrononDemo.java` that contains the main method. This class resides in the package `demo`:





## Defining include/exclude patterns

Next, return to the Chronon tab. In this tab, you have to specify which classes IntelliJ IDEA should look at. This is done by Include / Exclude Patterns. In the Include Patterns area, click :

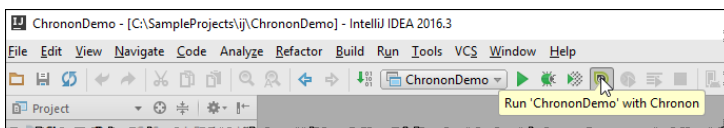


Now apply changes and close the dialog. The preliminary steps are done.

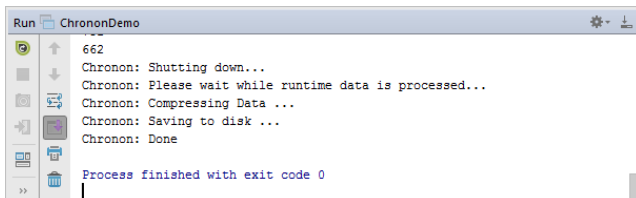
## Running with Chronon

OK, it's time to launch our application. To do that, either click the Chronon button on the main toolbar, or choose Run | Run ChrononDemo with Chronon on the main menu.

Let's choose the first way:

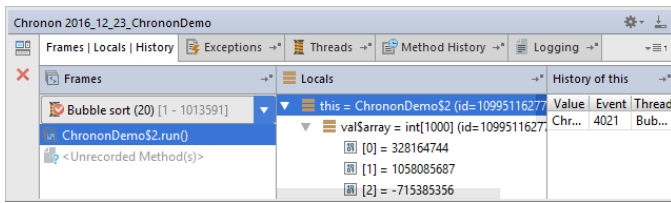


IntelliJ IDEA shows the progress bar, and then the [Run tool window](#), where you can see the Chronon messages:



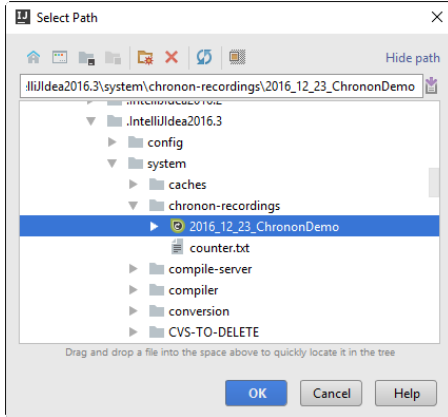
It is important to note that a Chronon record is NOT created, when you terminate your application by clicking . If it is necessary to stop an application and still have a Chronon record, click the Exit button on the toolbar of the Run tool window.

Then the Chronon tool window appears. It looks very much like the [Debug tool window](#). In this tool window you see a record created by Chronon; so doing, each record shows in its own tab:



## Opening an existing record

By the way, if you want to open one of the previous records, use Run | Open Chronon recording on the main menu, and then choose the desired record:

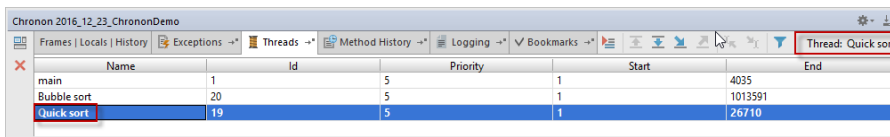


## What can you do with a record?

In the Chronon tool window, you can:

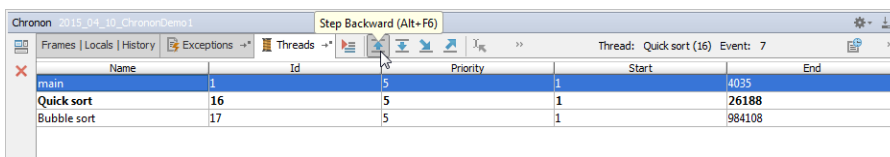
### Switch between threads

This is most easy - just switch to the Threads tab, and double-click the thread you are interested in. The selected thread is shown in boldface in the list of threads; besides that, the information about the currently selected thread appears in the upper-right part of the Chronon tool window:



### Step through the application

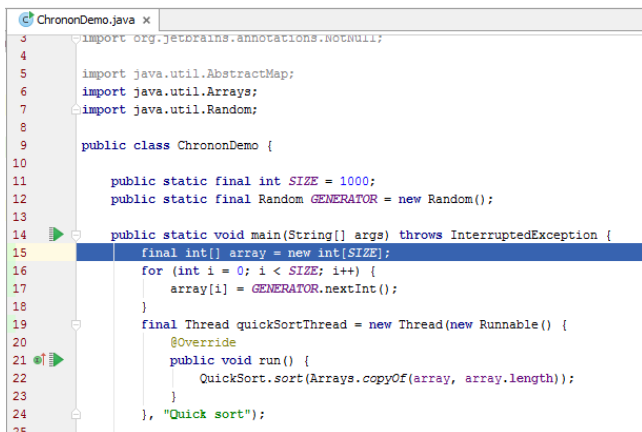
Actually, you can use either the stepping commands of the Run menu, or the stepping buttons of the Chronon tool window. Unlike the debugger that allows only stepping forward, Chronon makes it possible to step through the applications in the reverse direction also:



So, besides the traditional stepping buttons, there is Step Backwards button  and Run Backwards to Cursor button .

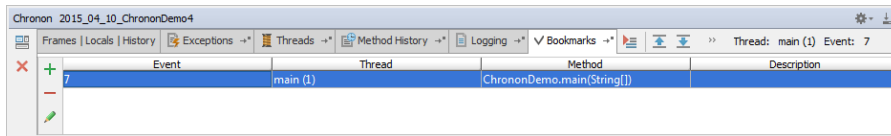
### Use bookmarks

Suppose you've stopped at a certain line, for example, in the main method of the class ChrononDemo.java :



You want to memorize this place with its event number, to be able to return to it from any other location. This is where the

Bookmarks tab becomes helpful. Switch to this tab, and click . A bookmark for the current event, thread and method is created:

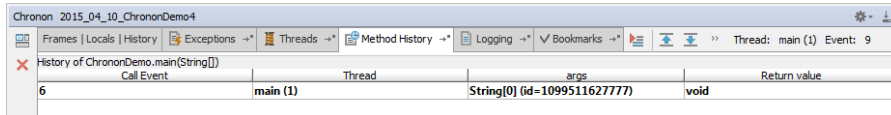


So doing, the bookmark memorizes the event number, thread and method name. Next, when you are in a different place of the code, clicking this bookmark in the Bookmarks tab will return you to this particular place.

## Explore methods

If you look at the editor, you notice the icons in the left gutter next to the method declarations. Hovering the mouse pointer over such an icon shows a tooltip with the number of the recorded calls.

However, if you want to see a particular call event, then select the desired thread in the Threads tab (remember - the selected thread is shown in upper right part of the Chronon tool window), switch to the Method History tab, and track the execution history of a method:

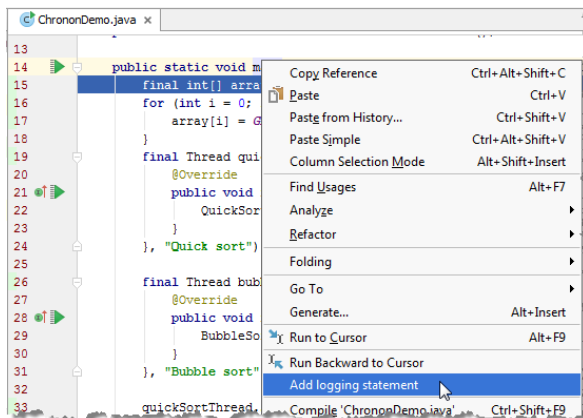


Thus you can explore the method execution, with the input and output data, which makes it easy to see how and where a method has been invoked.

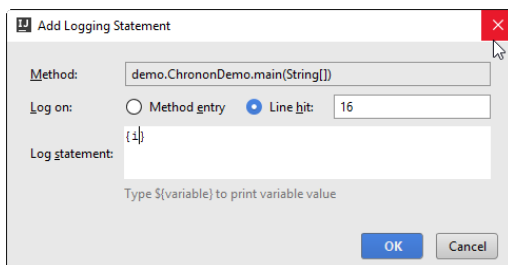
## Log values

What is the Logging tab for? By default, it is empty. However, using this tab makes it possible to define custom logging statements and track their output during application run.

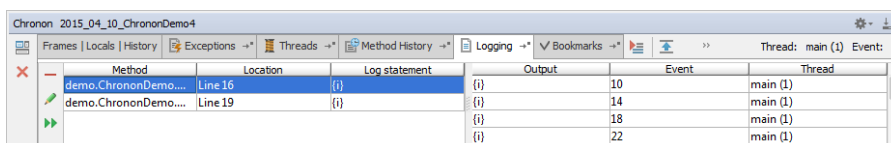
This is how logging works. In the editor, right-click the statement of interest, and choose Add logging statement on the context menu:



Then, in the dialog box that opens, specify the variable you want to watch in the following format:



Next, to make use of this logging statement, click in the toolbar of the Logging tab. In the right-hand side of the Logging tab, the output of the logged statement is displayed:



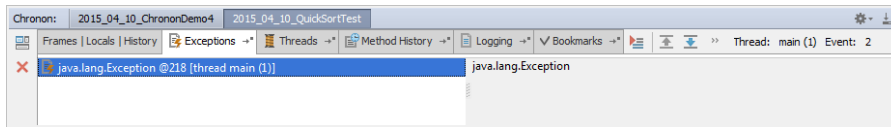
Note that such logging is equivalent to adding an output statement to your application; you could have added

```
System.out.println(<variable name>);
```

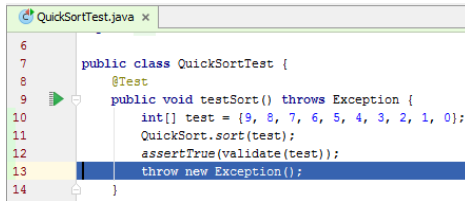
However, this would require application rebuild and rerun. With Chronon's logging facility, such complications are avoided.

## Explore exceptions

Suppose you want to find out how and when an exception has occurred. The Exceptions tab shows all the exceptions that took place during an application execution:



If you double click an exception, IntelliJ IDEA will bring you directly to the place of the exception occurrence:



## Summary

You've learned how to:

- Download and install Chronon plugin for IntelliJ IDEA
- Launch an application with Chronon recording.
- Open existing Chronon recordings.
- Work with the Chronon tool window. By the way, refer to the [Hide/Restore Toolbar](#) section of the Debug tool window reference to learn how to show/hide tabs.

This tutorial is over - congrats!

## What this tutorial is about

This tutorial aims to take you step-by-step through configuring an managing deployment of your code to remote hosts, using IntelliJ IDEA.

## Before you start


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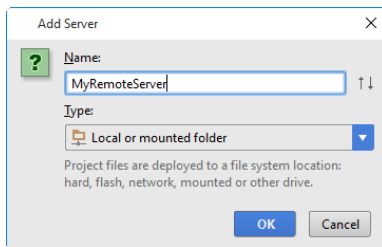
- You are working with IntelliJ IDEA version 15.0 or higher. This tutorial is prepared with IntelliJ IDEA 2016.1.
- You have access right to a remote host you want your code to be deployed on.

Also note that this tutorial is created on Windows 10 and makes use of the default keyboard shortcuts scheme. If you are working on a different platform, or use another keyboard scheme, the keyboard shortcuts will be different.

## Configuring a deployment server

On the main toolbar, click  to open the Settings/Preferences dialog, and choose the page [Deployment](#) (actually, you can access the same page by choosing Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu).

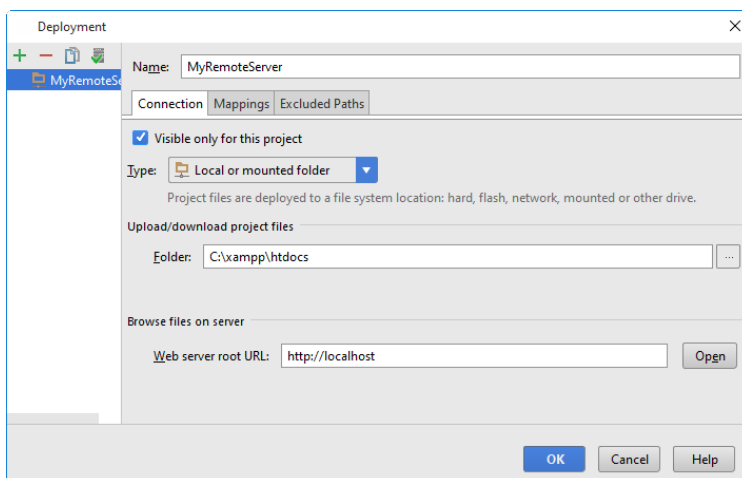
Click , then in the Add Server dialog box, type your server name (`MyRemoteServer`) and select its type (in our case, this is Local or mounted folder):



OK, the new server is added, but it is still void... It only shows the Web server root URL `http://localhost`, where you will actually browse your uploaded files.

## What is specified in the Connection tab?

Select the directory where the project files will be uploaded. In our case, this is the local folder `C:\xampp\htdocs` (You can either type this path manually, or press `Shift+Enter` to open the [Select Path dialog](#).)

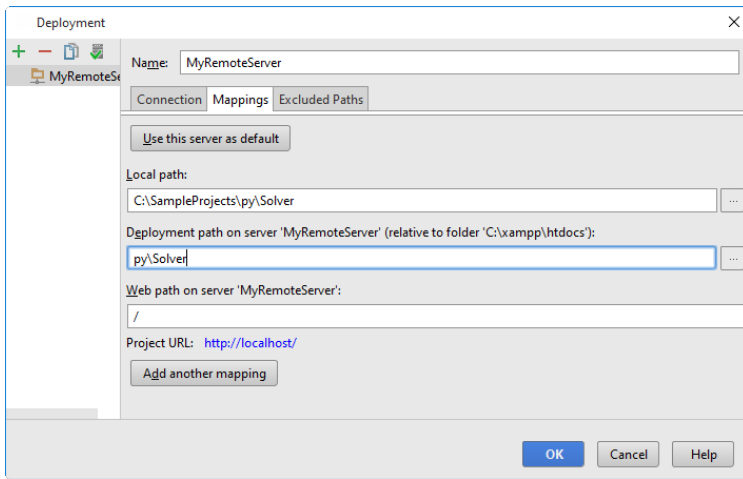


## What is specified in the Mapping tab?

Next, choose the [Mappings tab](#). By default, the Local path field contains the project root. However, you can select any other directory within your project tree. Let's assume the default value.

In the Deployment path field (which is by default empty), you have to specify the folder on your server, where IntelliJ IDEA will upload data from the folder, specified in the Local path (in this example, it's `ij\MetersToInchesConverter`). This path is specified relative to the folder `C:\xampp\htdocs` !

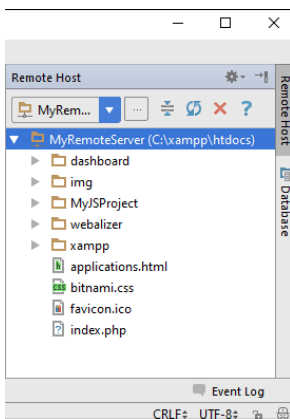
And, finally, let's accept the default value for Web path on server 'MyRemoteServer' :



OK, apply changes, and the server is ready to use.

## Browsing remote hosts

You can easily make sure your server is up and running. Just choose the command **Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Hosts** on the main menu, and the **Remote Hosts tool window** appears at the right edge of the IntelliJ IDEA's frame:



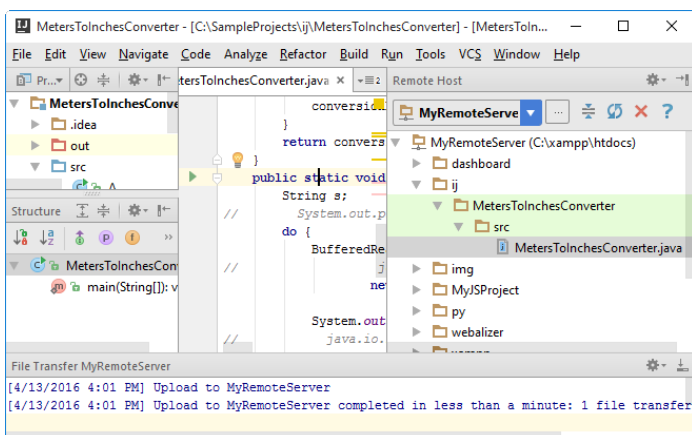
## Deployment tools

Next, let's perform some actions, and see what happens.

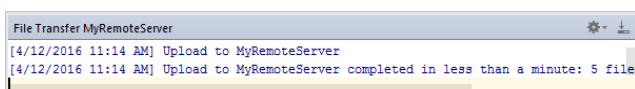
## Uploading

First, let's upload one of the files to the remote server. This how it's done...

In the **Project Tool Window**, right-click a file you want to upload. In our case, let it be the file `MetersToInchesConverter`. On the context menu, choose **Upload to MyRemoteServer**, and see the upload results!



You can also upload contents of each directory within your project. For example, right-click the parent directory of the `MetersToInchesConverter`, namely, `src`, choose **Upload to MyRemoteServer** on the context menu. Wow! We have the entire directory uploaded to the server:

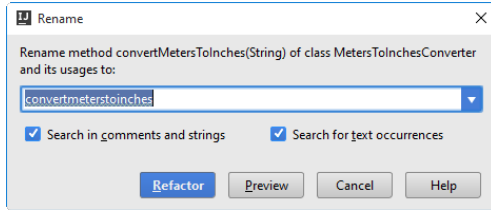


## Comparing remote and local versions

There is a local and a remote copy of the file `MetersToInchesConverter`, and they are identical. Let's change the local

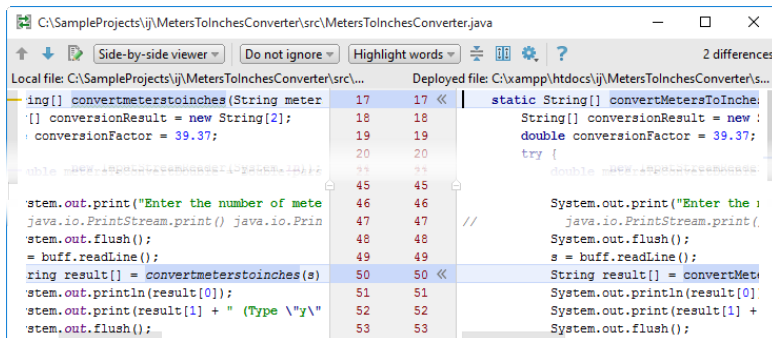
version.

To do that, place the caret at the method declaration, and press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T` (or choose Refactor | Refactor This on the main menu). The popup menu shows all refactorings, available in the current context. Let's choose Rename refactoring, and [rename a method](#) :



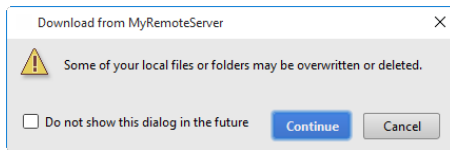
Perform refactoring and see the method name and its usage changed.

OK, now we've changed the local version. Let's make sure IntelliJ IDEA knows about these changes. To do that, again go to the [Remote Host Tool Window](#) tool window, and right-click `MetersToInchesConverter` . On the context menu, choose Compare with Local Version . IntelliJ IDEA opens the differences viewer, where you can accept changes or reject them, using the buttons `>>`, `<<`, `>`, `<`, `⌂`, `×` :

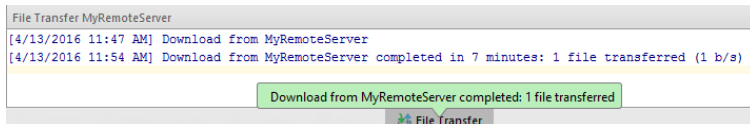


## Downloading

In the [Remote Host Tool Window](#) tool window, right-click the file `MetersToInchesConverter` , and choose Tools | Deployment | Download from here on the main menu. IntelliJ IDEA immediately shows a warning:



Do not be afraid, and click Continue :

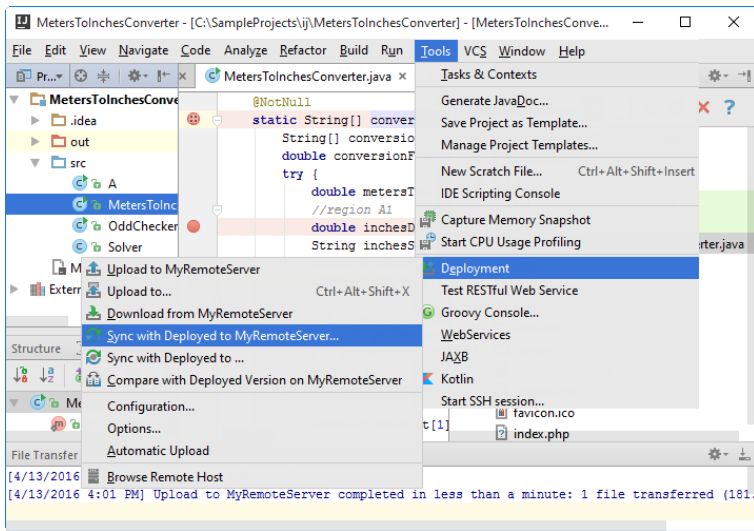


You can also download an entire directory, if it has been previously uploaded to the server. For example, if you click the parent directory `src` and choose the same command, all nested files will be downloaded from the server.

## Synchronizing changes

Make a preliminary step - roll the changes to the `MetersToInchesConverter` file back (`Ctrl+Z` ). You again see the class `MetersToInchesConverter` with the renamed method.

Next, click `MetersToInchesConverter` , and on the main menu choose Deployment | Sync with Deployed to MyRemoteServer :




IntelliJ IDEA shows differences viewer, where you can accept individual changes or reject them, using the buttons » , « , ↵ , ↲ , ↳ , × .

## Automatic upload to the default server

When a user needs to have the exact same files on the server as in a IntelliJ IDEA project, automatic upload can be of help. Automatic upload means that whenever a change is saved in the IDE, it will be deployed to the default deployment server.

## Defining a server as default

A deployment server is considered default, if its settings apply by default during automatic upload of changed files. To define a deployment server as the default one, follow these steps:

1. Choose the desired server in the [Deployment page](#) (in our case, `MyRemoteServer` ). You can open this page it two possible ways: either Settings/Preferences | Build, Execution, Deployment | Deployment , or Tools | Deployment | Configuration on the main menu.
2. Click  .

## Enabling automatic upload

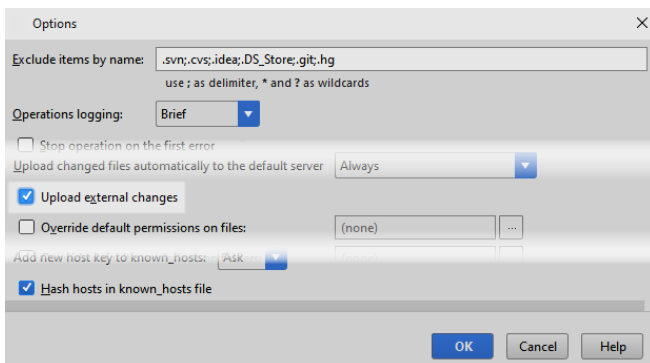
As soon as the default server is set, you can make upload to this server automatic. This can be done in the following two ways:

- First, open the deployment [Options](#) ( Settings/Preferences | Deployment | Options or Tools | Deployment | Options on the main menu), and in the field Upload files automatically to the default server choose Always , or On explicit save action . The difference between these two choices is explained in the [field description](#) .
- Second, on the main menu, select the check command Tools | Deployment | Automatic upload . Note that automatic upload in this case is performed in the Always mode.

It is worth mentioning that the option Always is not recommended for deployment to production: incomplete code can be uploaded while developing, potentially breaking the production application.

## Uploading external changes

By default, IntelliJ IDEA uploads only the files changed by itself. If the files are changed by some other process, such as a [VCS branch change](#) , [compilation of SASS or LESS](#) or a [File Watcher](#) , they are not automatically uploaded. To change this behavior and autoupload these changes as well, enable the Upload external changes option:



## Summary

Congrats! You've passed this very basic tutorial. What you've done?

- Created and configured a server of your own.
- Uploaded and downloaded files and folders.
- Compared local and remote versions.
- Configured the server as default.



- Enabled automatic upload of external changes.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

## What this tutorial is about

This tutorial aims to walk you step by step through using file watchers in IntelliJ IDEA.


The basics of file watchers, in particular, usage of LESS and CoffeeScript, are out of scope of this tutorial.

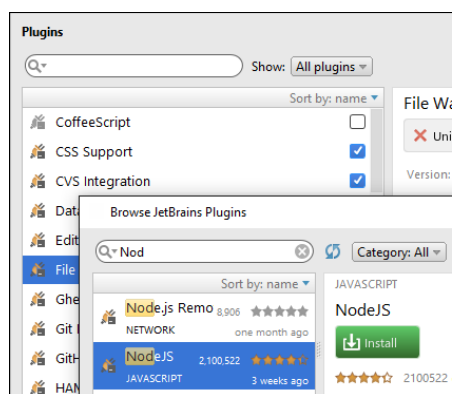
## Prerequisites

Make sure that:

- You are working with IntelliJ IDEA .
- [Node.js](#) is downloaded and installed. It is advisable, depending on your particular operating system, to add the path to Node.js executable to the Path environment variable.
- Before you start working with file watchers, make sure that the File Watchers plugin is enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If the plugin is not activated, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
- It is advisable to familiarize yourself with the matter in advance. Please read the section [Using File Watchers](#) .
- In this tutorial, we'll work with [Less](#) and [CoffeeScript](#) files. So, before you start your workout, perform some preliminary steps.



## Installing Node.js plugin

First, download and install Node.js plugin. It is not bundled; so to have it installed, open the [Plugins settings](#) page (click  on the main toolbar, remember ?) and look for this plugin in the JetBrains repository:

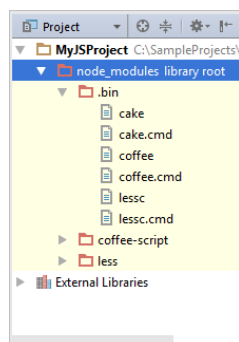


For the changes to take effect, restart IntelliJ IDEA. After restart, you will notice a new page under the Languages and Frameworks node in the Settings/Preferences dialog - [Node.js and NPM](#) .

## Installing LESS and CoffeeScript compilers

Open Settings/Preferences() and open then the page [Node.js and NPM](#) . On this page, specify the Node interpreter (its version is determined automatically), and then click  - one time to install less , and the other time to install coffee-script .

As you've noticed already, LESS and CoffeeScript are installed locally, so the corresponding compiler files are written under the project root:



These files will be required a little bit later. Now, it's time to start!

## Configuring file watchers

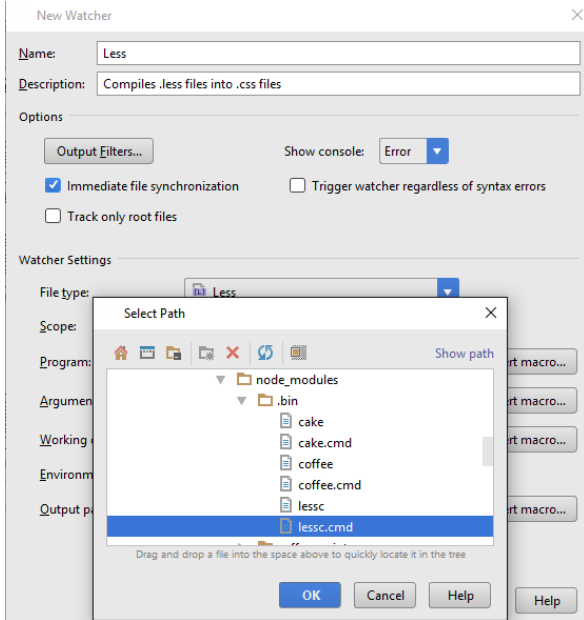
When IntelliJ IDEA detects that you are working with a file it can "watch," it prompts to set up a File Watcher.

## Configuring file watcher for LESS files

For example, when you open for editing a LESS file, IntelliJ IDEA shows a notification banner:

```
my.less x
File watcher 'Less' is available for this file. Description: 'Compiles .less files into .css files' Add watcher Dismiss
.h1
@myColor: #7fe599;
@myFontSize: 25px;
@myBorderColor: #1f7eff;
.h1 {
  color: saturate(@myColor, 5%);
  border-color: @myBorderColor;
  font-size: @myFontSize;
}
```

Click the link Add watcher. IntelliJ IDEA shows the following dialog box, where you have to specify your file watcher type (Less here), executable (`lessc.cmd` here), and select the option to generate output from stdout:



Looking at this configuration, you can easily figure out what the file watcher actually does:

- Watches for changes on all Less files within your project.
- Compiles files with the extension `.less` into the files with the extension `.css`, using the compiler `lessc.cmd`, specified in the field Program.

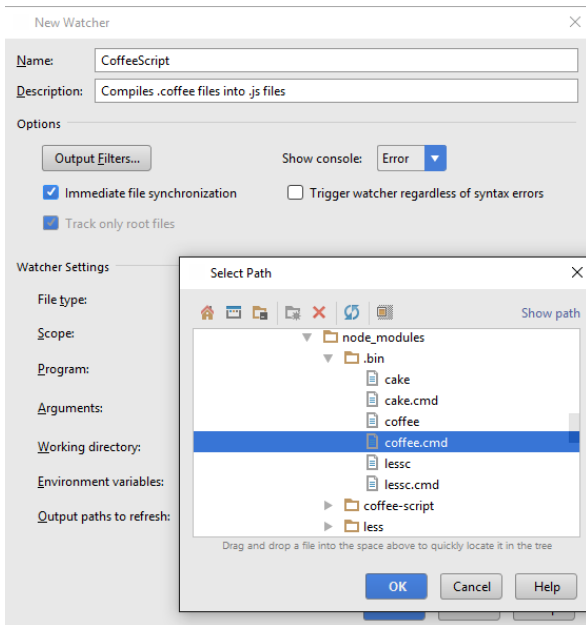
### Configuring file watcher for CoffeeScript

Next, open for editing a CoffeeScript file. IntelliJ IDEA immediately prompts you to configure a file watcher for it:

```
my.coffee x
File watcher 'CoffeeScript' is available for this file. Description: 'Compiles .coffee files into .js files' Add watcher Dismiss
# Assignment:
number = 42
opposite = true

# Conditions:
number = -42 if opposite
```

Again, click Add watcher and specify the file watcher settings, in particular, the CoffeeScript executable:

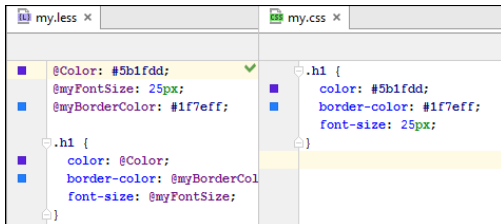


What does this file watcher do?

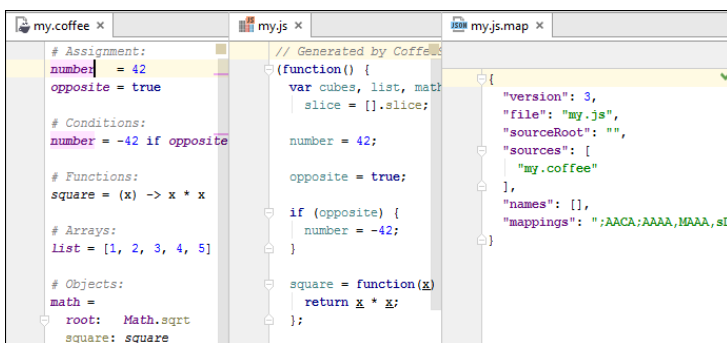
- It also tracks changes in all CoffeeScript files in your project.
- It compiles files with the extension `.coffee` into the files with the extension `.js`, using the compiler `coffee.cmd`, specified in the field Program.
- It compiles files with the extension `.coffee` into the files with the extension `.map`, using the compiler `coffee.cmd`, specified in the field Program.

## Editing file watchers

OK, here we are. Open for editing the file `my.less`, and change something, for example, rename the variable `@myColor` to `@Color`, and change its value. The file watcher immediately processes the changed source file, and produces an output file with the extension `.css`:



Next, open for editing a CoffeeScript file and change something there. The configured file watcher generates a JavaScript file and a source mapping file:



Note that in either case IntelliJ IDEA shows generated files in the [Project Tool Window](#) under the source files.

## Troubleshooting, or if an error occurs?

If a command line tool executed by the File Watcher fails, IntelliJ IDEA shows its output in the [Run tool window](#):

```
my.less x
.h1
@Color: #7fe599;
@myFontSize: 25px;
@myBorderColor: #1f7eff;
.h1 {
  color: @MyColor;
  border-color: @myBorderColor;
  font-size: @myFontSize;
}
Run Output
C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Visual Studio\2019\Community\MSBuild\Tools\less.exe /D /C: C:\SampleProjects\SampleProjects\py\MyColor\
NameError: variable @MyColor is undefined in C:\SampleProjects\Sa
5 .h1 {
6   color: @MyColor;
7   border-color: @myBorderColor;
```

Helpful for troubleshooting, isn't it?

## Example code

Consider the following XML code fragment:

```
<new product="ij" category="105" title="Multiline search and replace in the current file" />
<new product="ij" category="105" title="Improved search and replace in the current file" />
<new product="ij" category="105" title="Regexp shows replacement preview" />
...
```

## Finding and replacing a string using regular expression

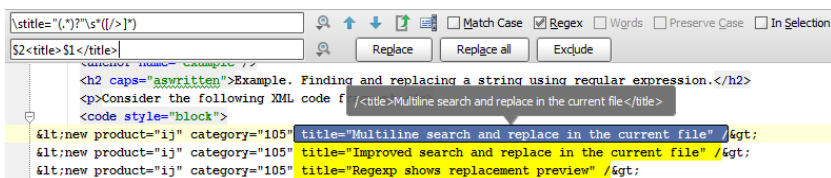
Suppose you want to replace an attribute within an element ( `title` ) with an expanded tag `<title></title>` , which contains some arbitrary string in double-quotes within.

This is how it's done.

1. With the XML file in question opened in the editor, press `Ctrl+R` . The Replace pane appears on top of the editor.
2. Since you want to replace all the `title` attributes, regardless of the actual strings contained therein, use regular expressions. Make sure that the checkbox `Regex` is selected. Thus everything you type in the Search and Replace fields will be perceived as the regular expressions.
3. In the Search field, start typing regular expression that describes all `title` attributes. Note that though the regular expression `\stitle=".*?"\s*(/>)*` matches contents of the `title` attribute, it is recommended to capture the groups for referencing them in the Replace field:

```
\stitle="(.*?)"\s*(/>)*
```

Note that for the regular expressions replacement preview is shown at the tooltip:



4. Then, in the Replace field, type the following regular expression:

```
$2<title>$1</title>
```

5. Click `Replace` , or `Replace All` .

As you see, the second capture group ( `/>` ) is moved ahead to close the `<new>` element, while the first capture group `<` , which matches any string in double quotes, is moved to the element `<title>` .

## Changing case of the characters

Suppose now that you want to change characters of the search strings. Again make sure that `Regex` checkbox is selected.

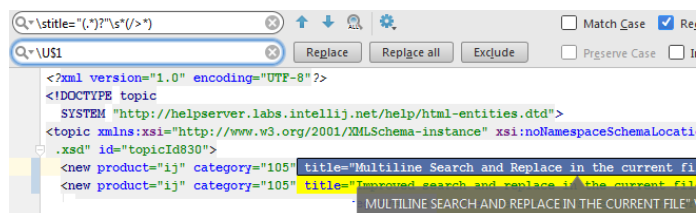
In the Search field, type the search expression:

```
\stitle="(.*?)"\s*(/>)*
```

Next, fill in the Replace field with the following expression:

```
\U$1
```

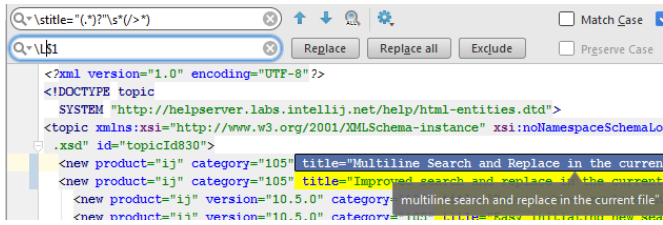
The found occurrences are replaced with the upper-case characters:



Next, let's make the strings all lower-case. To replace occurrences with the lower-case characters, type the following replacement string:

```
\L$1
```

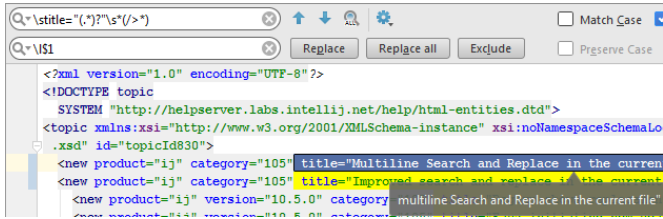
Then the suggested replacement will be:



And finally, if you want change the case of the first letter only, type the following replacement string:

```
\l$1
```

IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following replacement:



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## Introduction

IntelliJ IDEA offers a lot of [automatic refactoring capabilities](#), but as developers it's not enough to know how to perform them, we need to understand what these refactorings are, when we would want to apply them, and any possible downsides or things to consider before using them.

[Refactoring, as defined by Martin Fowler](#), "...is a disciplined technique for restructuring an existing body of code, altering its internal structure without changing its external behavior". Hence it's important before performing any refactoring in production code to have comprehensive [test coverage](#) to prove that you haven't inadvertently changed the behaviour.

The goal of this tutorial is to introduce those who may be new to the idea of refactoring, particularly automatic refactoring, to IntelliJ IDEA's capabilities and show when you might want to apply three of the basic types of refactoring: [Renaming](#), [Extracting](#) and [Deleting](#).

## Renaming

[Renaming](#) may seem like a trivial refactoring, but renaming via a simple find-and-replace often means unrelated items with the same name are unintentionally changed. Using IntelliJ IDEA's [rename refactorings](#) minimises these errors.

### Why Rename?

Renaming is one of the simplest things you can do to improve the readability of the code. When a class, method or variable name doesn't match what it appears to do, it can cause a lot of confusion. Some reasons why you might want to rename something:

1. The name is not descriptive enough
2. The class/method/variable name doesn't match the what it really is
3. Something new has been introduced, requiring existing code to have more specific name

### Renaming as you code

Imagine you come across the following code as you're implementing some feature or fixing some bug

```
server = new Server(path, port, endpoint);
server.init();
server.run();
```

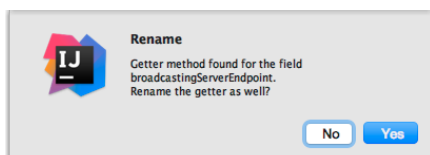
Let's assume that we want to:

- Rename `endpoint`, a field, to describe what sort of endpoint it is.
  - Rename `init()`, a method on `Server`, to something that more accurately describes that method.
  - Rename `Server`, a class, to something more specific.
1. To rename the `endpoint` field, place your cursor on the word endpoint and press `Shift+F6`. IntelliJ IDEA will pop up a list of suggestions, based on the class name and other aspects. In this case, the name of the parameter this field is used in is also suggested.

```
@Override
public void run() {
    try {
        server = new Server(path, port, endpoint);
        server.init();
        server.run();
    } catch (Exception e) {
        LOGGER.severe(e.getMessage());
    }
}
```



Select one of these options or type your own. If the field has a getter, IntelliJ IDEA will ask if you want to rename this as well.



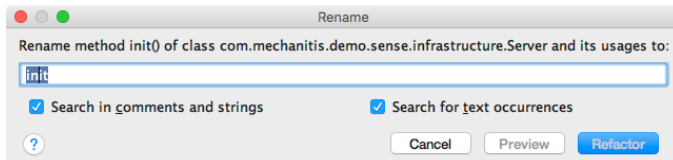
You'll notice that all uses of this field are changed to the new name, and if you've chosen to rename the getter, other classes in your project will be updated to use the new name. See the next step for more information on method renaming.



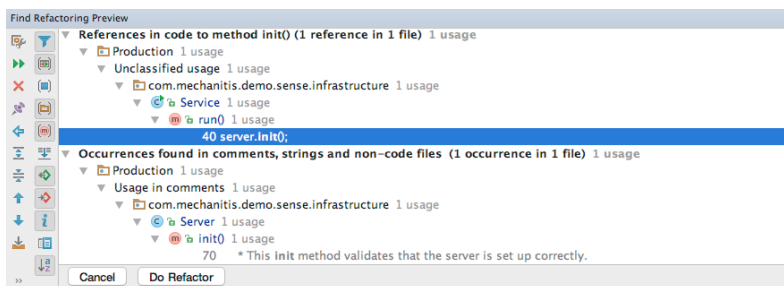
2. To rename the method, the process is the same: place your cursor on `init` and press `Shift+F6`. Here you'll have fewer suggestions, so type the new name:

```
@Override
public void run() {
    try {
        server = new Server(path, port, broadcastingServerEndpoint);
        server.validate();
    } catch (Exception e) {
        LOGGER.severe(e.getMessage());
    }
}
```

As well as renaming the method, this renames all calls of the method and all overridden/implemented methods in subclasses. IntelliJ IDEA can also rename non-code uses of the name too, which is useful if you have XML configuration or other non-Java files which refer to classes or methods. You can configure what gets renamed if you press `Shift+F6` a second time to bring up the rename dialog



If the rename will apply to more than just code, IntelliJ IDEA will preview the refactoring for you, so you can select which changes you want to make. Often in these cases you may choose not to rename occurrences in comments, especially if the original method name was a common word like `name`.



If you don't want to make some of these changes, press `Backspace` on the usages you do not want to change.

3. Renaming a class is similar, but can also be performed via the [Project Tool Window](#). In this case, because we've discovered we want to rename the class where we use it, we're going to use `Shift+F6` on the class name in the code.

```
@Override
public void run() {
    try {
        server = new WebSocketServer(path, port, broadcastingServerEndpoint);
        server.valid
        server.run()
    } catch (Exception e) {
        LOGGER.severe(e.getMessage());
    }
}
```

Of course, any code that uses this class will also be renamed, but you also have the option of renaming variables, inheritors and other parts of the code so they're aligned with the new name. Again, these options can be set by pressing `Shift+F6` a second time.

## Impact of renaming

Renaming local variables or private methods can be done fairly safely on-the-fly. For example, while you're working on a piece of functionality that touches this area of code, you can perform this refactoring knowing the impact is limited in scope.

Renaming classes or public methods could potentially impact a lot of files. If this is the case, this sort of refactoring should, at the very least, be in its own separate commit so the changes are clearly separated from any changed or additional functionality that you may have been working on at the time.

## Extracting

IntelliJ IDEA's [extract refactorings](#) give developers the power to reshape their code when it becomes clear the current design, whether on a small or large scale, is no longer fit for purpose.

### Extract variable

[Extract variable](#) is a low impact change to make your code [code self-documenting](#). It can also be used to reduce code duplication.

Imagine you come across the following code

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    return message.substring(message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15,
        message.indexOf("\"", message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15));
}

```

We can use extract variable to improve the readability of this code by:

- Removing the duplication of `message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15)`
- Introducing variables to describe what each of the `indexOf` calls represent
- Removing the magic number 15

1. First, let's reduce the duplication and introduce a variable that describes what this operation is doing. Place your cursor anywhere in the expression `message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15)` and press `(Ctrl+Alt+V)`. IntelliJ IDEA will suggest a context for this refactoring, and you want to choose the one that encapsulates this expression:

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    return message.substring(message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15,
        message.indexOf("\"", message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15));
}

```

Next, if IntelliJ IDEA has detected this expression occurs more than once, you have the option to replace all the occurrences or just the one you selected.

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    return message.substring(message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15,
        message.indexOf("\"", message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15));
}

```

Once the variable is extracted, IntelliJ IDEA suggests possible names based on things like the parameter the expression was used in.

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final int beginIndex = message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15;
    return message.substring(beginIndex,
        message.indexOf("\"", beginIndex));
}

```

We're going to use our own name, `indexOfFieldValue`, to describe what this really represents. Note that you can decide whether or not you wish this variable to be final.

2. Next we're going to introduce a variable for the String value. There's two reasons for this: firstly, to document what the String value represents, and secondly because it will help us to remove the magic number.

Place your cursor somewhere on `screen_name` and press `(Ctrl+Alt+V)`.

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\"screen_name\": \"") + 15;
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue,
        message.indexOf("\"", indexOfFieldValue));
}

```

We're going to give this a more meaningful name, `fieldName`.

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\"screen_name\": \"";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + 15;
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue,
        message.indexOf("\"", indexOfFieldValue));
}

```

3. Now, we're going to create a variable for the other expression used as a parameter to `substring()`, using the same process, and we'll call this `indexOfEndOfFieldValue`.

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\"screen_name\": \"";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + 15;
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\"", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue,
        indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

```

4. Finally, we can remove the magic number, as this is just the length of the field name. The final code looks like:

```

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\"screen_name\": \"";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\"", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

```

It's longer than the original, but it's much more descriptive, which is particularly important in code like this where it's not clear what each expression represents. The choice of applying `final` or not is up to you, and depends upon your coding standards.

## Extract parameter

[Extracting](#) or [adding a parameter](#) allows a developer to change a method so that it's easier to use. You may want to change the parameters, for example by passing in some values from an Object rather than the object itself, or you may want to introduce a value from the method body as a parameter to allow the method to be used in more places. We're going to look at an example of the latter.

For this example, we're going to use the same code as the last example, after it has been refactored, and extend it slightly to show another method in the same class:

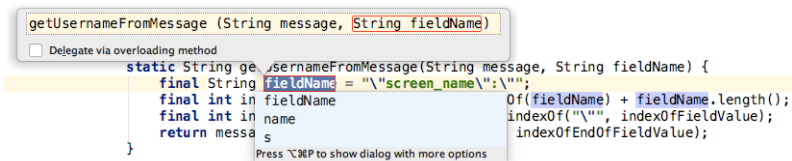
```
static String getTextFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\text\\:\\\\";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\\", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\screen_name\\:\\\\";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\\", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}
```

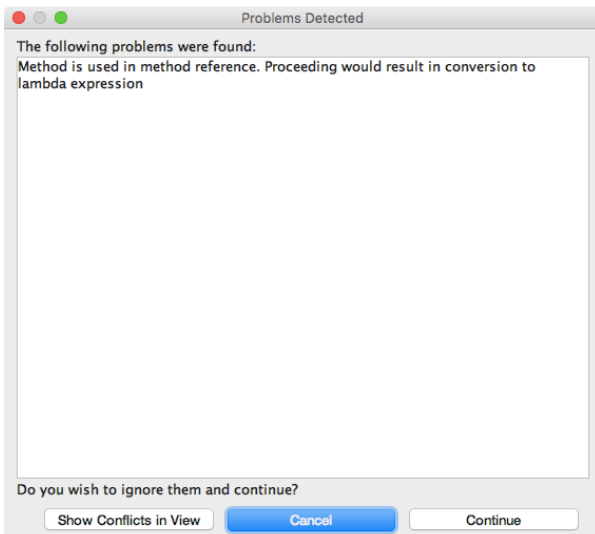
Our goal is to remove the duplication of code that we see in these two methods. To do that, we're going to:

- Change `fieldName` into a parameter so that we can make the `getUsernameFromMessage` method apply to any field.
- Rename `getUsernameFromMessage` to something which represents its more general nature
- Remove the duplication of code in `getTextFromMessage`.

1. Place your cursor on `fieldName` and press `Ctrl+Alt+P`



As with the other refactorings, you can type a new name for the parameter if you wish. IntelliJ IDEA also previews the updated method signature. Press `Enter` to approve the changes.



This particular issue tells us the method is being used as a method reference, and this change will result in the method reference being converted into a lambda expression. This message could be a sign that this is not the refactoring you wish to perform. If this is the case, the next example shows an approach we could take using Extract Method. However, for this example we'll assume we're happy with the consequences of introducing a new parameter, so we'll just select Continue.

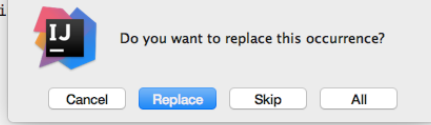
Next, IntelliJ IDEA will detect any code which can now be replaced with a call to the new method signature.

```

static String getTextFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\text\\:";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(";", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message, String fieldName) {
    final int indexOfField... Process Method getUsernameFromMessage Duplica... length();
    final int indexOfEndOf... value);
    return message.substri
}

```



If you select Replace in this case, all the duplicate code will be replaced, and IntelliJ IDEA will select the appropriate value to pass in for the new parameter.

- At this point, the original method `getUsernameFromMessage` is more general than it was, so we should rename it. We put our cursor on the name and use `Shift+F6`, as shown in the previous section.

```

static String getTextFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\text\\:";
    return getValueForField(message, fieldName);
}

static String getValueForField(String message, String fieldName) {
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(";", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

```

- We can simplify the code further. `Inline` is the inverse of `extract`, and in the code we have here it may be appropriate to [inline our temporary variable](#), as the variable name gives us little more than having the value passed directly into the method. Or, given that `getTextFromMessage` really is a simple delegation to `getValueForField`, we can use `inline` to remove this method completely.

To inline, place your cursor on the `getTextFromMessage` variable and press `Ctrl+Alt+N`

```

static String getTextFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\text\\:";
    return getValueForField(message, fieldName);
}

```

- Now our final code looks like:

```

static String getValueForField(String message, String fieldName) {
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(";", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

```

Our code that was calling the original `getUsernameFromMessage` method was:

```
Parser::getUsernameFromMessage
```

and is now

```
(message) -> Parser.getValueForField(message, "\\screen_name\\:")
```

Our code that was calling the original `getTextFromMessage` method was:

```
String[] wordsInMessage = Parser.getTextFromMessage(message).split("\\s");
```

and is now

```
String[] wordsInMessage = Parser.getValueForField(message, "\\text\\:").split("\\s");
```

Note that the way we applied this refactoring forces all callers to pass in the field name and a) spreads the use of a String value around your code and b) may introduce duplication of one or more of these String values. This may be appropriate for your code, especially if the String duplication is dealt with, or the method is not frequently used. However, if this is not a trade off you wish to make for reducing the duplication of code, see the next chapter for an alternative approach.

Extract parameter can be very powerful, so it's worth reading the [more detailed help page](#).

## Extract method

One way to aid code readability is to have it in small, understandable sections. [Extract method](#) allows a developer to do just that, moving segments of code into their own, descriptively-named, method when appropriate.

Some developers may find themselves writing long methods that perform the operation they have in mind, and when they've completed (and tested) the functionality, look at the code to see where it can be refactored and

simplified and break up these longer methods. Or, as a developer comes across code when they're implementing a new feature, they realise extracting some code into its own method lets them reuse existing functionality.

**Tip** When IntelliJ IDEA detects duplicate code this is a very good candidate for creating a new method that can be called by all of the places that has the duplicate code.

We're going to look at the same example as in the previous section, but take a slightly different approach to before.

```
static String getTextFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\text\\:\\\\";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\\", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\screen_name\\:\\\\";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\\", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}
```

As we saw earlier, the previous refactoring had some trade-offs: a method reference needed to be converted to a lambda expression, and all calling code needed to know the field name that was required. We may choose to remove the code duplication between the two methods in a different way:

– Extracting the common code into its own method.

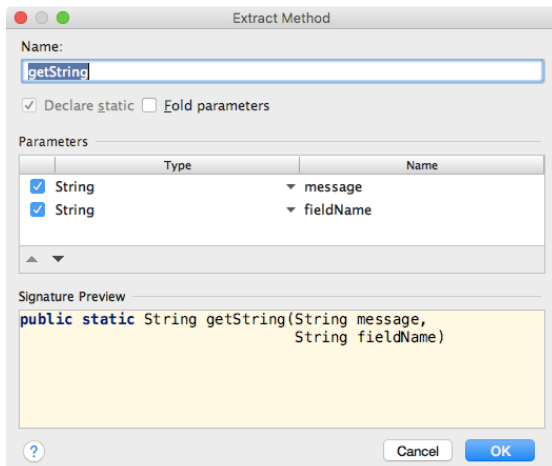
– Inlining variables to simplify the remaining code.

1. First, highlight the code that's common between the two methods:

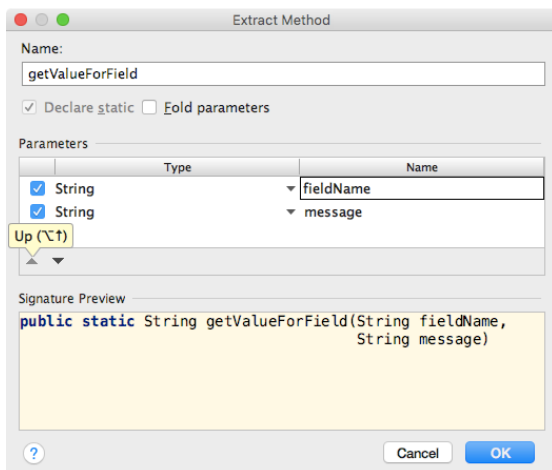
```
static String getTextFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\text\\:\\\\";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\\", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}

static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    final String fieldName = "\\screen_name\\:\\\\";
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("\\", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}
```

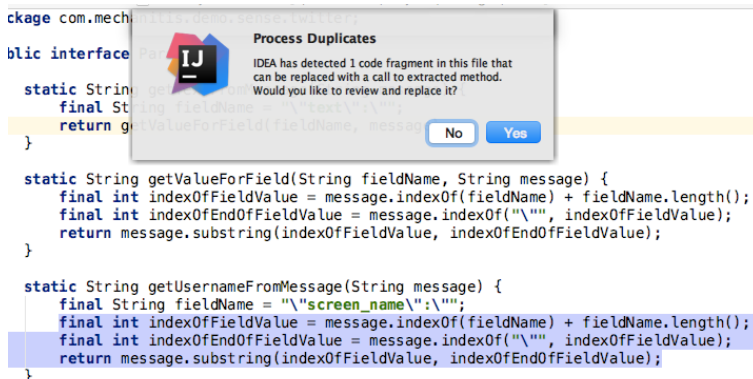
Pressing `Ctrl+Alt+M` will bring up the [Extract Method Dialog](#).



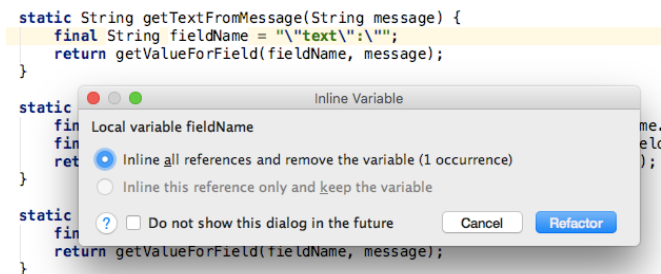
Type the name of the new method, `getValueForField`, and check the parameter names and order. In this case, we're going to swap the order of the parameters because we prefer the `fieldName` parameter to be closer to the name of the method. This will depend upon your code style and team preferences, you might like to read the name and parameters aloud to see if it makes sense as a statement in natural language.



When you press OK, IntelliJ IDEA will detect code that can be replaced with a call to this new method, and will offer to refactor that too. We're going to select Yes.



- At this point, our `getTextFromMessage` and `getUsernameFromMessage` methods are two lines of simple code, and here it makes sense to `inline` the `fieldName` variable, as the method name is descriptive enough to remove the `temporary variable`. Press `Ctrl+Alt+N` on `fieldName` and select Refactor.



- As a last touch, you may want all similar methods grouped together. Depending upon your settings, IntelliJ IDEA may have placed the new method directly under the method you were in when you chose to extract the method, as in our case here. To put the helper methods next to each other, put your cursor on the `getValueForField` method name and press `Ctrl+Shift+Down`. This will place your new method, `getValueForField`, under the existing `getUsernameFromMessage` method.

Our final code looks like:



Now we have two very specific helper methods which get the message body and the username, and a more general method that can be used to get the value of any field from the message. Additional helper methods can be added when there are other fields which are frequently needed.

Note that the Extract Parameter and Extract Method examples start with the same code, but end with code that

looks very different. This is not just because we used a different refactoring, but because we made different decisions - in the first example, we chose to remove duplication completely, and move some of the decision-making into the caller of the method. In the second example, we chose to provide an API which hid the details of the the field name behind small helper methods but still provide the more general method as well. We also could have mixed and matched the approaches, the refactoring we chose to begin with may have lead us in a particular direction but we can dictate our final destination. We should remember the goal of our refactoring (in this case, reduce duplication) and understand the trade offs we're making when we choose one direction over another, for example deciding whether we want calling code to know which field name they're asking for.

## Impact of extracting

The good news is that you can undo an extract fairly easily. Not only by selecting `Ctrl+Z`, of course, but by [inlining](#) the created method so that the code is back where it used to be.

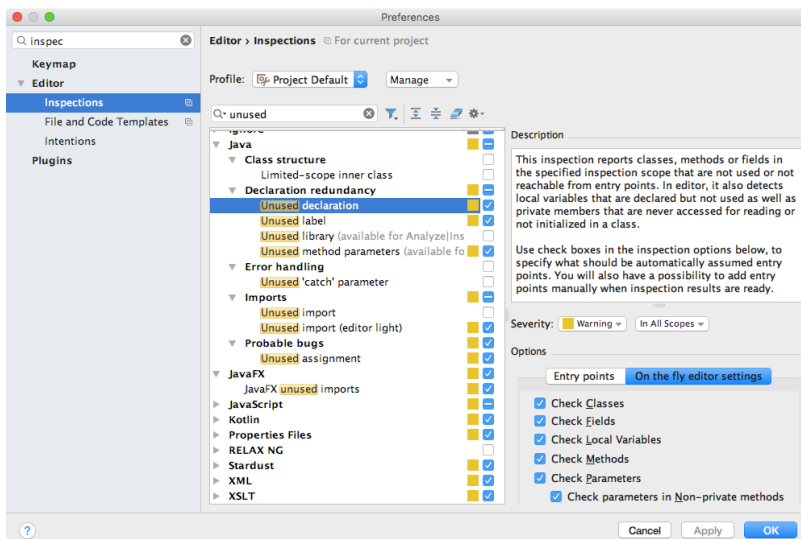
The [extract refactorings](#) we've mentioned here are used regularly by experienced developers to shape the code as it evolves, and it would not be uncommon to use them to some greater or lesser extent every time the code is touched. Some of the ones that were not covered, like [extract interface](#) and [extract superclass](#), may have a wider impact on the overall design, and more care should be taken with them.

## Deleting

Sometimes when you've refactored code in several steps, you can end up with code that is no longer used, or ideally should not be used. As the goal of refactoring is simplification, you should always aim to remove unused code where you can - regardless of any impact (or not) unused code has on the performance of your application, unused code definitely takes a toll on developers working with and trying to understand the application.

## Safe delete

IntelliJ IDEA lets you [safe delete](#) unused code fragments or whole files, informing you if it's safe to delete the code, and giving you the option to preview the changes before you make them. The fastest way to identify and deal with unused code is to make sure the relevant inspections are enabled, which they usually are by default:



Let's continue the example of our previous refactoring. Assuming we ended up with this code:

```
static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    return getValueForField("\screen_name\":"", message);
}

static String getValueForField(String fieldName, String message) {
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}
```

It's possible that some time later, when we come back to this code, the `getUsernameFromMessage` method is no longer used - maybe it's no longer required, or maybe people are comfortable calling `getValueForField` with the relevant parameter. So assuming we're comfortable with these reasons, we can go ahead and remove this method.

1. If the unused declaration inspection is turned on, the method name will be in grey to represent that it is unused.

```
static String getUsernameFromMessage(String message) {
    return getValueForField("\screen_name\":"", message);
}

static String getValueForField(String fieldName, String message) {
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName) + fieldName.length();
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf("", indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}
```

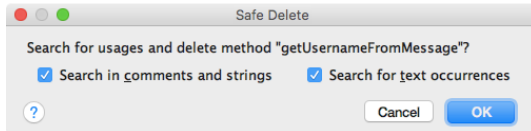


- Place the cursor in `getMessageFromMessage` and press `Alt+Enter`. This will give you the option to delete this method.

```
static String getMessageFromMessage(String message) {
    return getValueForField("username", message);
}

static String getValueForField(String fieldName, String message) {
    final int indexOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName);
    final int indexOfEndOfFieldValue = message.indexOf(fieldName, indexOfFieldValue);
    return message.substring(indexOfFieldValue, indexOfEndOfFieldValue);
}
```

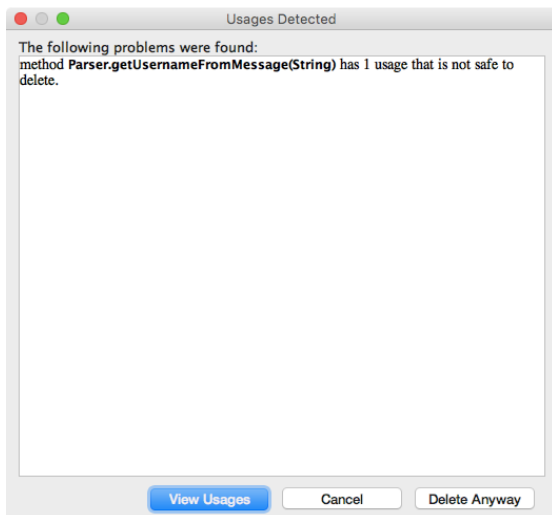
- Selecting safe delete will pop up the safe delete dialog, allowing you to search for usages of this method.



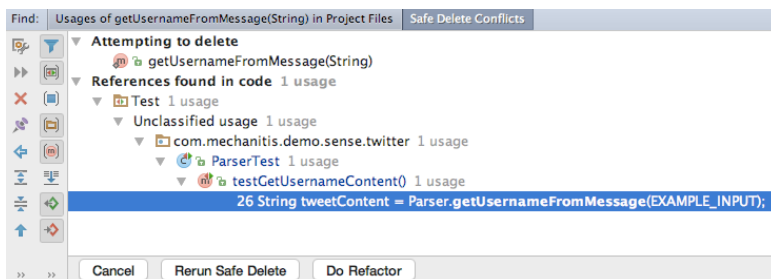
Press OK to go ahead and do the search. In our case, it was completely safe to delete, so the method is removed.

- It's possible that our "unused" method is not flagged as unused, as it may be covered by a test. But if we still know that it's unused, or have checked it via `Alt+F7`, we can still safely delete it.

Place the cursor on the method name and press `Alt+Delete`. This will pop up the safe delete dialog as before, and this time when you press OK IntelliJ IDEA will warn you that this method has usages



Press View Usages to check what these are



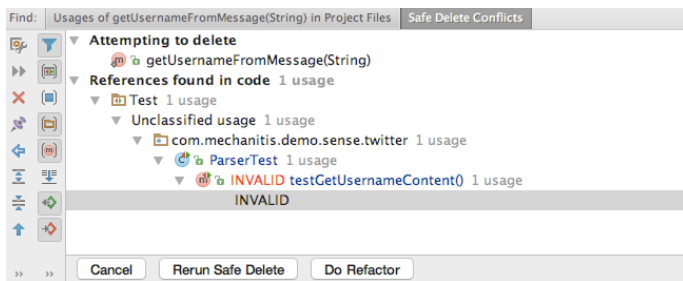
- Use the results panel to navigate to the usages by double-clicking on each usage. In our case, we see there's a test that calls the method we want to delete.

```
@Test
@DisplayName("should return the username from the full JSON")
void testGetUsernameContent() {
    String tweetContent = Parser.getMessageFromMessage(EXAMPLE_INPUT);
    assertEquals(MESSAGE_BODY, tweetContent);
}
```

Since this test is there to ensure the correctness of a method we no longer want, we can delete this test too. In the editor window, press `Alt+Delete` on the test method name and say OK in the Safe Delete dialog. The test method will be removed.

- Now we'll see in our Safe Delete Conflicts window that this code is no longer valid.





Since this was our only usage of the method we originally wanted to delete, we can select the Rerun Safe Delete button. This time when you press OK on the Safe Delete dialog, the `getMessageFromMessage` method will have been removed.

## Impact of deleting

**Tip** If you find a public method that appears to be unused but does form part of a public API, it should be covered by tests. The "unused" warning may not mean you should delete the method, it's telling you this method should be tested.

IntelliJ's inspections can show you code that is unused, but if your code is going to be packaged as a library for others to use, or exposes a public API in some other way, it's possible that some public symbols may be marked as unused when in actual fact they are used by code that you do not control. If public symbols appear to be unused, you should check if these are used by other systems in some way.

Unused parameters, local variables, and private fields are good candidates for deletion as it should be easy to see that deleting them does not impact any functionality.

Using safe delete to remove symbols, whether they were unused or not, lets you check before you perform the refactoring that the areas impacted are the ones you expect, and gives you control over the changes you wish to apply. However, still be aware of the caveat that public symbols may be used by systems out of your control, so always exercise caution when deleting these.

## Conclusion

IntelliJ IDEA has a number of automatic refactorings available, all of which aim to let you, the developer, reshape your code in as low-impact way as possible. The aim is to make small, incremental changes, all the time keeping the code in a state that compiles. The power of the refactoring capabilities lies in chaining smaller changes together to move the code in the direction of some goal that you have in mind: reducing duplication, removing unnecessary code, striving for simplicity, improving readability, or some larger re-shaping of the design.

Small, simple changes are possible, even desirable, while working on new features or bug fixing, but remember that larger changes may need to be applied separately to differentiate between refactoring that should not impact existing functionality and functional changes.

When you have a method with lots of conditional logic (i.e., if statements), you're asking for trouble. Conditional logic is notoriously difficult to manage, and may cause you to create an entire state machine inside a single method.

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## Analyzing the sample application

Here's a short example. Let's say, there is a method that calculates insurance costs based on a person's income:

```
package ifs;

public class IfElseDemo {

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {
        if (income <= 10000) {
            return income*0.365;
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            return (income-10000)*0.2+35600;
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            return (income-30000)*0.1+76500;
        } else {
            return (income-60000)*0.02+105600;
        }
    }
}
```

Let's analyze this example. Here we see the four "income bands widths", separated into four calculation strategies. In general, they conform to the following formula:

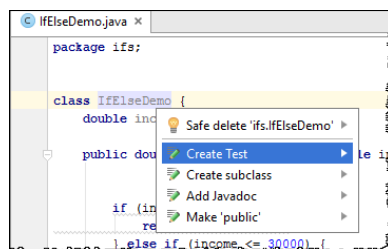
$$(income - adjustment) * weight + constant$$

Our goal is to provide separate classes to calculate each strategy, and transform the original class to make it more transparent.

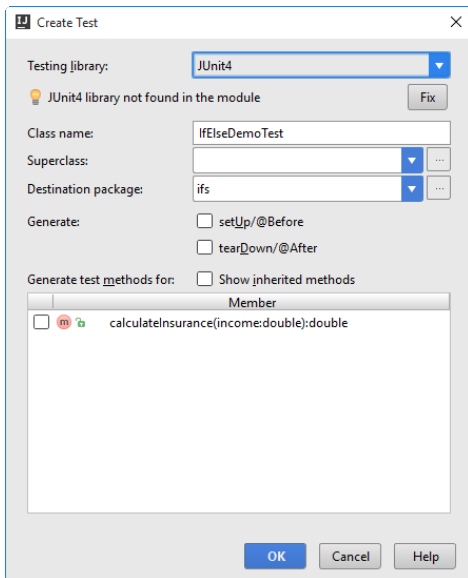
## Creating and running test

First of all, let's make sure that the class works. To do that, create a test class, using the [JUnit4](#) testing framework.

Place the caret at the class name, and then press `Alt+Enter` (or click ). From the list of suggested intention actions, choose Create Test:



In the [Create Test](#) dialog, choose JUnit4 from the Testing library drop-down list, click Fix, if you do not have JUnit library, and then click OK:



The stub test class is created. However, you have to provide some meaningful code, using the provided quick fix (🔧) to create import statement:

```
import org.junit.Test;

import static org.junit.Assert.*;

public class IfElseDemoTest {
    @Test
    public void low() {
        assertEquals(1825, insuranceFor(5000), 0.01);
    }

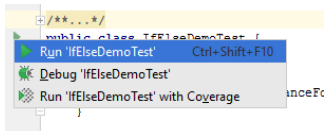
    @Test
    public void medium() {
        assertEquals(38600, insuranceFor(25000), 0.01);
    }

    @Test
    public void high() {
        assertEquals(78500, insuranceFor(50000), 0.01);
    }

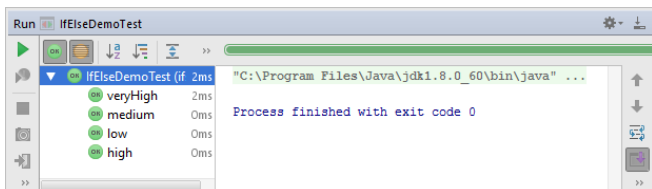
    @Test
    public void veryHigh() {
        assertEquals(106400, insuranceFor(100_000), 0.01);
    }

    private double insuranceFor(double income) {
        return new IfElseDemo().calculateInsurance(income);
    }
}
```

Now let's run this test by clicking the run button ▶ in the left gutter, or by pressing `Ctrl+Shift+F10` :



All 4 tests pass:

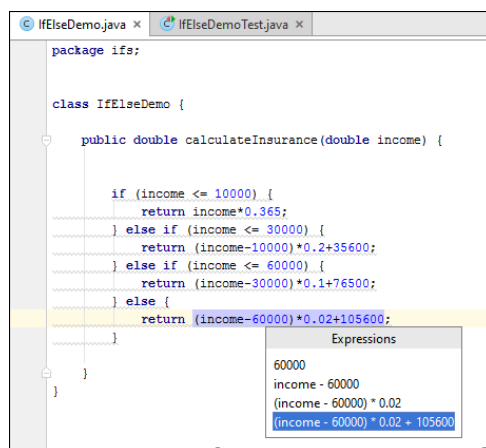


Extracting methods

Next, bring forward the original class, place the caret at the expression

```
(income-60000)*0.02+105600
```

and invoke **Extract Method Dialog** dialog (**Ctrl+Alt+M**):



You get the following code:

```
package ifs;

class IfElseDemo {

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {
        if (income <= 10000) {
            return income*0.365;
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            return (income-10000)*0.2+35600;
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            return (income-30000)*0.1+76500;
        } else {
            return calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        }
    }

    public double calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(double income) {
        return (income-60000)*0.02+105600;
    }
}
```

Next, use the same Extract Method refactoring for for 60000, 0.02 and 105600 fragments, and create the methods

`getAdjustment` , `getWeight` and `getConstant` :

```

package ifs;

class IfElseDemo {

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {
        if (income <= 10000) {
            return income*0.365;
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            return (income-10000)*0.2+35600;
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            return (income-30000)*0.1+76500;
        } else {
            return calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        }
    }

    public double calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(double income) {
        return (income- getAdjustment())* getWeight() + getConstant();
    }

    public int getConstant() {
        return 105600;
    }

    public double getWeight() {
        return 0.02;
    }

    public int getAdjustment() {
        return 60000;
    }
}

```

## Using Extract Delegate refactoring

Next, select all the methods created in the previous chapter, and invoke the [Extract Delegate](#) refactoring:



The newly created class has the name `InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh`.

Then delete all the selected methods from the class `IfElseDemo`. Thus you get the following two classes:

```

package ifs;

class IfElseDemo {

    private final InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh insuranceStrategyVeryHigh = new InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh();

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {

        if (income <= 10000) {
            return income*0.365;
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            return (income-10000)*0.2+35600;
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            return (income-30000)*0.1+76500;
        } else {
            return insuranceStrategyVeryHigh.calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        }
    }
}

```

and

```

package ifs;

public class InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh {
    public InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh() {
    }

    public double calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(double income) {
        return (income - getAdjustment()) * getWeight() + getConstant();
    }

    public int getConstant() {
        return 105600;
    }

    public double getWeight() {
        return 0.02;
    }

    public int getAdjustment() {
        return 60000;
    }
}

```

## Fine tuning

This code requires some modifications. First, let's change the class `IfElseDemo` :

- Rename ( `Shift+F6` ) the field `insuranceStrategyVeryHigh` to `strategy`
- Make this field not final.
- Using the intention action, split it into declaration and initialization:

```

package ifs;

class IfElseDemo {
    private InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh insuranceStrategyVeryHigh = new InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh();

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {
        if (income <= 10000) {
            return income*0.365;
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            return (income-10000)*0.2+35600;
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            return (income-30000)*0.1+76500;
        } else {
            return strategy.calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        }
    }
}

```

- Move the initialization down to the corresponding `if-else` branch.

Get the following code:

```

package ifs;

class IfElseDemo {

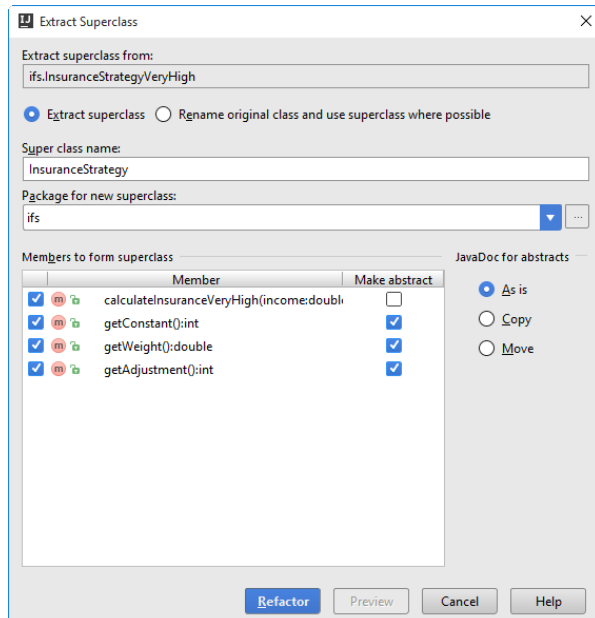
    private InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh strategy;

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {

        if (income <= 10000) {
            return income*0.365;
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            return (income-10000)*0.2+35600;
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            return (income-30000)*0.1+76500;
        } else {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh();
            return strategy.calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        }
    }
}

```

Next, let's modify the class `InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh` - invoke the [Extract Superclass](#) refactoring for it.



Mind the settings in the [Extract Superclass Dialog](#) dialog:

- The name of the superclass to be generated is `InsuranceStrategy` .
- All the methods of the class `InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh` are checked - it means that they will be included in the superclass.
- The method `calculateInsuranceStrategyVeryHigh` remains non-abstract; all the other methods are made abstract by selecting the Make Abstract checkboxes.

Agree to replace the usage of `InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh` class (in `IfElseDemo` class) with the superclass, and get the following `InsuranceStrategy` class:

```

package ifs;

public abstract class InsuranceStrategy {
    public double calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(double income) {
        return (income - getAdjustment()) * getWeight() + getConstant();
    }

    public abstract int getConstant();

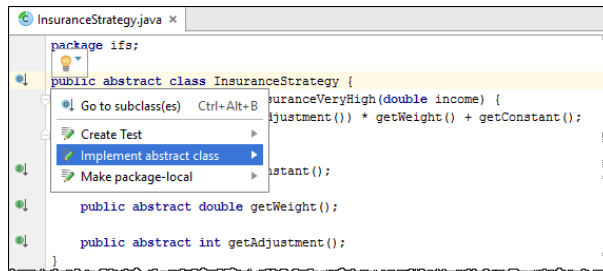
    public abstract double getWeight();

    public abstract int getAdjustment();
}

```

## Implementing the abstract class

Next, for this abstract class, use Implement Abstract Class intention to create implementations for all strategies:



Name the new implementation classes `InsuranceStrategyLow`, `InsuranceStrategyMedium` and `InsuranceStrategyHigh`.

For all new implementations provide correct `return` statements for the methods `getAdjustment()`, `getWeight()` and `getConstant()`.

Thus all implementation classes should look similar to the class `InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh`, but with strategy-specific adjustment, weight and constant. For example:

```

package ifs;

public class InsuranceStrategyMedium extends InsuranceStrategy {
    @Override
    public int getConstant() {
        return 35600;
    }

    @Override
    public double getWeight() {
        return 0.2;
    }

    @Override
    public int getAdjustment() {
        return 10000;
    }
}

```

Note that in all newly created implementation classes the class names are grey - they are not used so far.

Next, bring forward the class `IfElseDemo`, and modify all the branch bodies so that they initialize the `strategy` field, like in the last branch:



```

package ifs;

class IfElseDemo {

    private InsuranceStrategy strategy;

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {

        if (income <= 10000) {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyLow();
            return strategy.calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyMedium();
            return strategy.calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyHigh();
            return strategy.calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        } else {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh();
            return strategy.calculateInsuranceVeryHigh(income);
        }
    }
}

```

Finally, rename the method `calculateInsuranceVeryHigh` : bring forward the class `InsuranceStrategy` , place the caret at the method name and press `Shift+F6` . The new name should be `calculate` .

## Happy end

And finally enjoy the code:

```

package ifs;

class IfElseDemo {

    private InsuranceStrategy strategy;

    public double calculateInsurance(double income) {
        if (income <= 10000) {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyLow();
            return strategy.calculate(income);
        } else if (income <= 30000) {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyMedium();
            return strategy.calculate(income);
        } else if (income <= 60000) {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyHigh();
            return strategy.calculate(income);
        } else {
            strategy = new InsuranceStrategyVeryHigh();
            return strategy.calculate(income);
        }
    }
}

```

Next, let's run the test class again. All tests should pass – we have refactored the code, but it still produces the same results.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

In this section:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Opening from the Welcome Screen](#)
- [Configuring Ruby SDK](#)
- [Importing a module and configuring a separate SDK for it](#)

## Introduction

In this tutorial we'll learn how to open already existing Rails project in IntelliJ IDEA for the first time (next time you'll be able to open it in a normal manner) and configure Ruby SDK for it.

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby on Rails, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

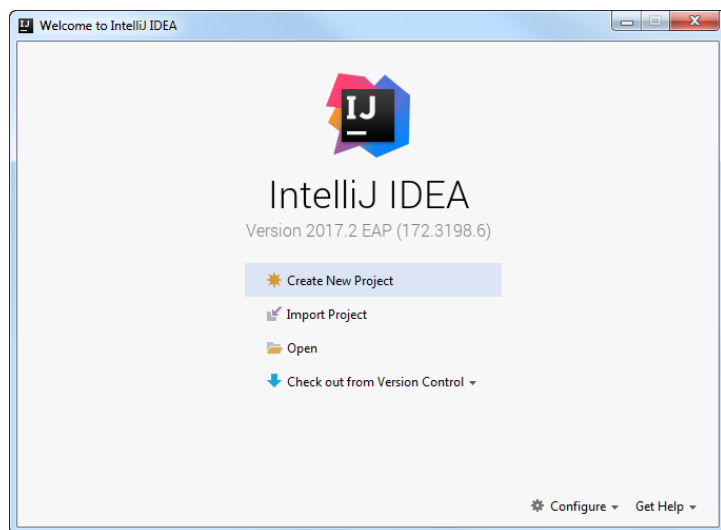
- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

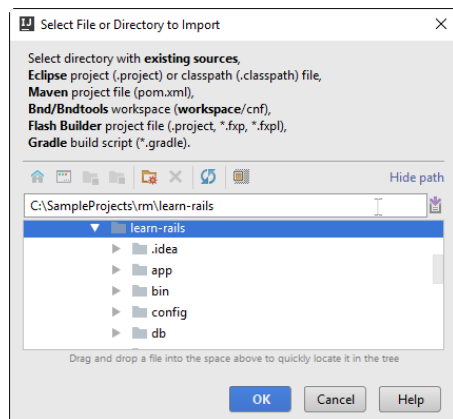
- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## Opening from the Welcome Screen

Open IntelliJ IDEA and choose Import Project from the [Welcome Screen](#) :




Select the directory of your project:



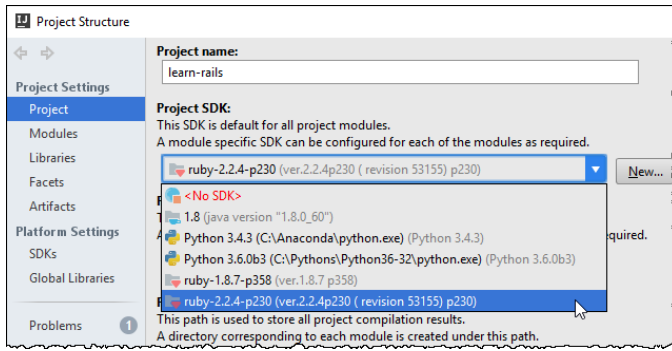
Then follow the steps of the wizard.

**Note** IntelliJ IDEA will offer the same steps when opening a project from the main menu ( File | New | Project from Existing Sources ).

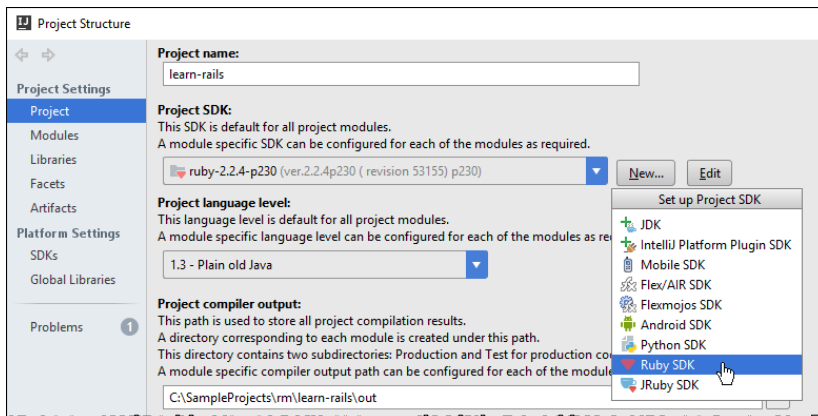
## Configuring Ruby SDK

Once you've imported your Rails application, you need to configure a Ruby SDK. To do that, choose Project Structure... on the File menu (or click  on the main toolbar).

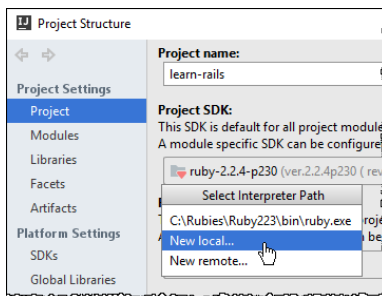
Then, under the section Project Settings , click Project and specify Ruby SDK to be used:



If the desired SDK is not present in list of the available SDKs, click New , and select Ruby SDK or JRuby SDK :



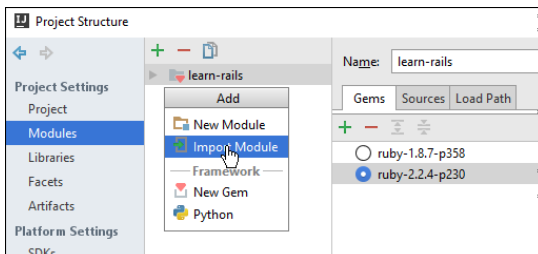
Then, from the pop-up window, choose the type of SDK to be configured (local, remote or an existing one):




## Importing a module and configuring a separate SDK for it

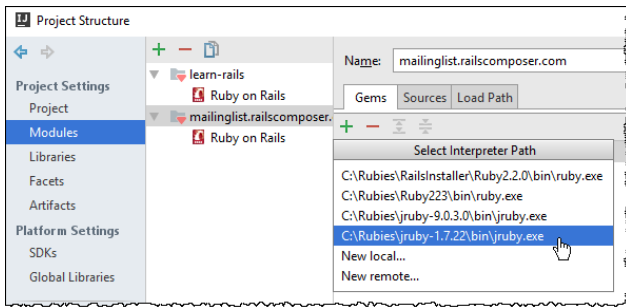
IntelliJ IDEA enables you to import an existing module. This is how it's done:

1. In the **Modules** of the Project Structure dialog, click .
2. Choose Import Module from the pop-up menu:

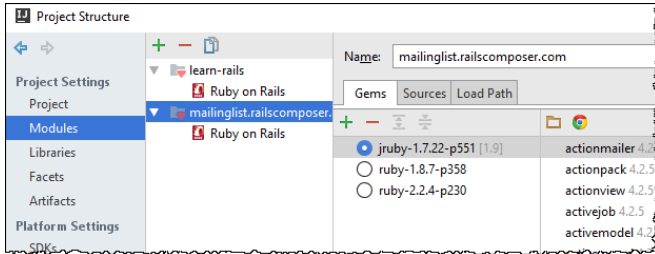


3. Specify the directory of the module to be imported, and follow the steps of the wizard.

IntelliJ IDEA enables you to specify an SDK other than the project SDK. To do that, select the imported module, in the **Gems** tab click , and then select the desired interpreter from the pop-up menu:



You see that the imported module has a different SDK:

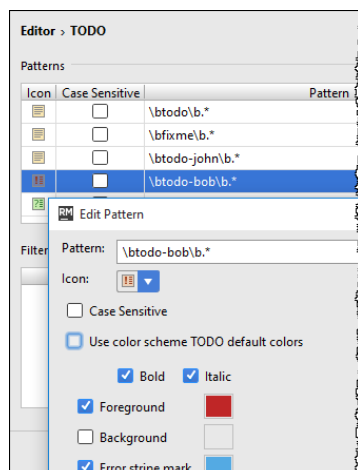


Note also that IntelliJ IDEA has correctly detected the Ruby on Rails framework.

Consider the following example: creating and viewing TODO items for each of the team members.

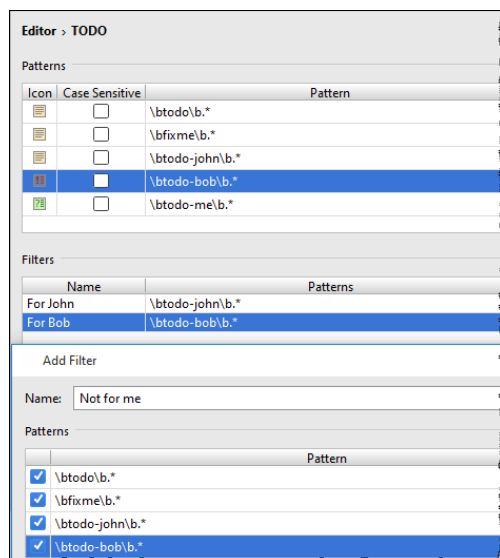
## Creating patterns for TODO items

On the **TODO** page of the Settings dialog, click **+** in the Patterns section, and **create additional TODO patterns**, for example, `todo-John`, `todo-Bob` and `todo-me`, with new icons, and custom color schemes:



## Creating filters

Next, create several filters, which you will use to show the TODO items, say, for each of the developers, and not for your good self. For this purpose, in the Filters section, click **+**, and specify the filter names, for example, `For John`, `For Bob`, and `not for me`. Associate these filters with the patterns:



## Creating TODO items in source code

Now, in the source code, create TODO items: in the line of code, where you want to add a note, press `Ctrl+Slash`, or `Ctrl+Shift+Slash`, and type `TODO` that matches one of the patterns, followed by some meaningful description:

```
//TODO-bob region Description
mach = {
  root: Math.sqrt,
  square: square,
  cube: function(x) {
    return x * square(x);
  }
};
race = function() {
  var runners, winner;
// todo-me have a break
  //endregion
//TODO-john fix
  winner = arguments[0], runners = 2
```

## Viewing TODO items

Having produced a number of TODO items across the whole project, review them in the TODO tool window: click the **TODO** button on the tool window bar to show the tool window. By default, all the encountered TODO items are displayed.

Let's now show the TODO items for Bob and John, and hide the other items: click the filter icon **▼** on the toolbar of the TODO tool window, and select `Not for me` in the menu:

TODO:	Project	Current File	Scope Based
↑	Found 2 TODO items in 1 file		
↓	JavaScript (2 items in 1 file)		
?	numbers.js		
		(16, 3) //todo-bob comment	
		(74, 4) //todo-john review	
	✓ Show All		
	myFilter		
	For John		
	For Bob		
	For me		
	Not for me		

## Overview

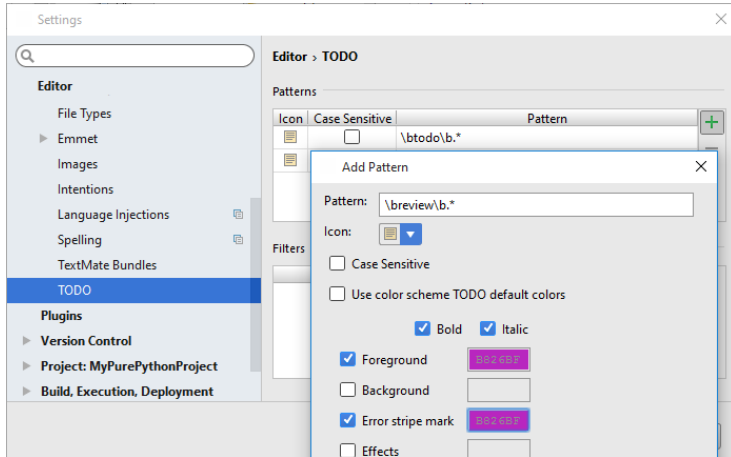
Let's explore an advanced IntelliJ IDEA's facility to create a [live template](#) for the TODO items' text. Why do we need it at all? For example, you want your team mates to create unified TODO items, with the user name automatically filled in, followed by some arbitrary text.

This is how it's done.

## Creating TODO pattern and filter

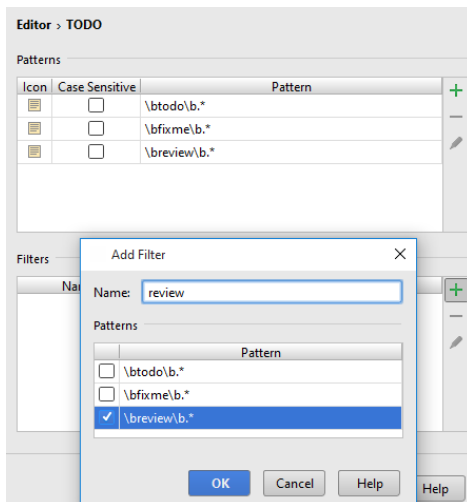
Open the Settings/Preferences dialog, and under the Editor section, click [TODO](#).

[Create pattern](#) `review`. To do that, click [+](#) in the Patterns section:



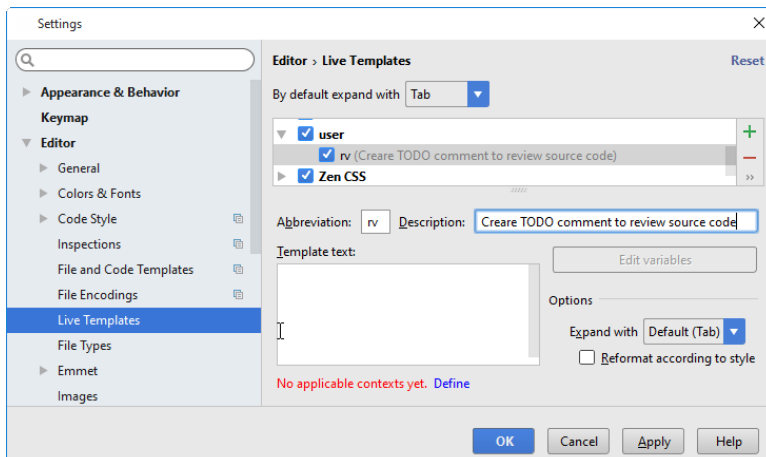
Define color in the Color Picker - in this case, it's pink.

Next, let's [create a filter](#). To do that, click [+](#) in the Filters section, and define the filter:



## Creating live template and variables

Next, back in the Settings/Preferences dialog, under the Editor section, click [Live Templates](#).



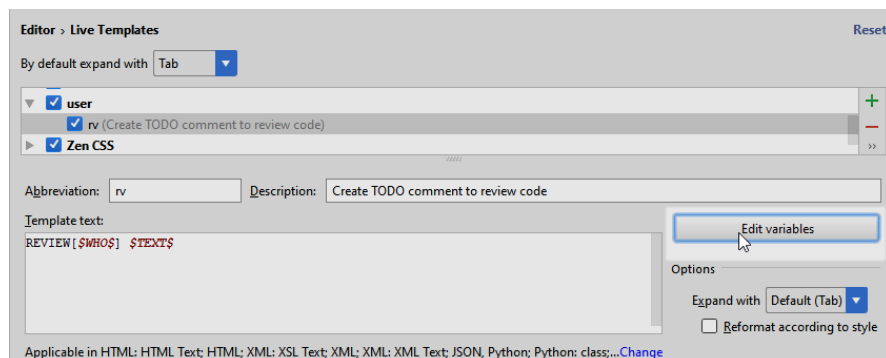
Note that the new template is added to the automatically created group `user`.

Next, pay attention to the red note at the bottom. It says that the new template lacks context, where it should apply. So let's click the link [Define](#), and allow all possible contexts. And finally, let's define the body of the template itself: in the area

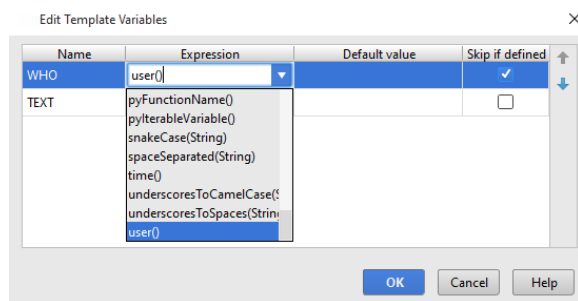
Template text , type the following:

```
REVIEW[$WHO$] $TEXT$
```

We have two undefined variables here: `$WHO$` and `$TEXT$` . The variable `$TEXT$` will be used just as an input field, while the variable `$WHO$` should be filled in automatically. To define this variable, click the button Edit variables :



Next, in the [Edit Template Variables](#) dialog box, select an expression for the variable `$WHO$` :




## Using the REVIEW items

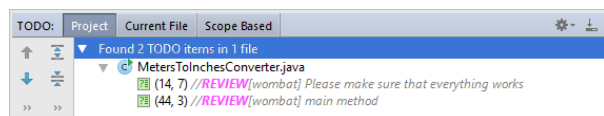
Now let's make sure it works. Back in the editor, create a line comment ( `Ctrl+Slash` ), type `rv` , and press `TAB` :

```
# REVIEW[wombat] REVIEW[wombat]
```

Note that a right-gutter stripe next to the TODO comment is also added to the editor. As you see, the live template `rv` has automatically populated the user name, leaving us with the task of just entering some meaningful comment:

```
# REVIEW[wombat] please make sure that everything works
```

Now, when you opt to show REVIEW comments only, use the filter. To do that, click  and select the filter review to show those TODO comments only, that have the keyword REVIEW .





**Warning!** The following is only valid when TextMate Bundles Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

## What this tutorial is about

Projects can contain file types unknown to IntelliJ IDEA. While IntelliJ IDEA comes with the built-in support for many programming and scripting languages, you might want to have syntax highlighting for the project-specific languages. For example, a project can contain a shell script, or Perl; a configuration file can exist in a project for the infrastructure automation purposes. If you want to have syntax highlighting for these cases, use the powerful IntelliJ IDEA's integration with the text editor [TextMate](#).

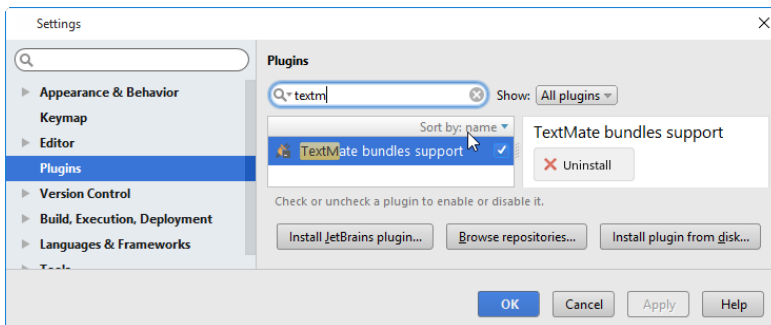
This tutorial aims to walk you step by step through configuring IntelliJ IDEA to use the TextMate Bundles, and editing files with the registered extensions.

Learning TextMate is out of scope of this tutorial. For information about TextMate, refer to the [product documentation](#).

## Prerequisites



Make sure that:

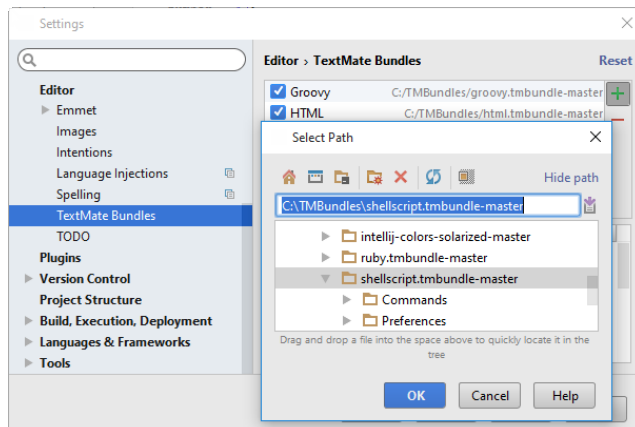
- You have already downloaded bundles you want to use. You can, for example, find the bundles you want to install on [GitHub](#) or [Subversion](#).
- You are working with IntelliJ IDEA 13.0 (where TextMate Bundles has been supported) or higher. In this tutorial, IntelliJ IDEA 2016.1 is used.
- Before you start working with TextMate Bundles, make sure that TextMate bundle support plugin is [installed and enabled](#). The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.



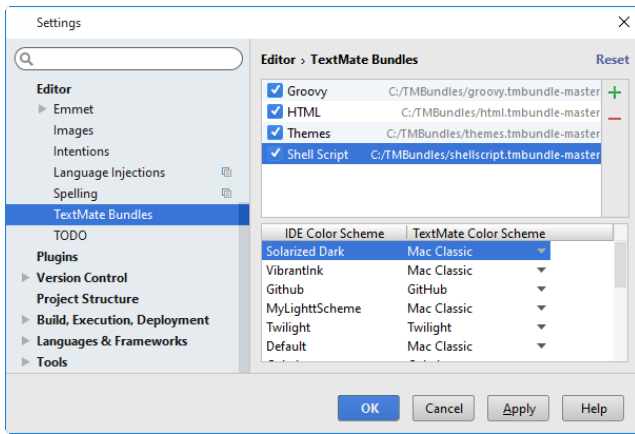
## Importing bundles

Suppose you want IntelliJ IDEA to highlight syntax of the Shell Script files. For this purpose, you have already downloaded the [Shell Script TextMate Bundle](#). It now resides on your hard disk, and you only have to import this bundle into IntelliJ IDEA.

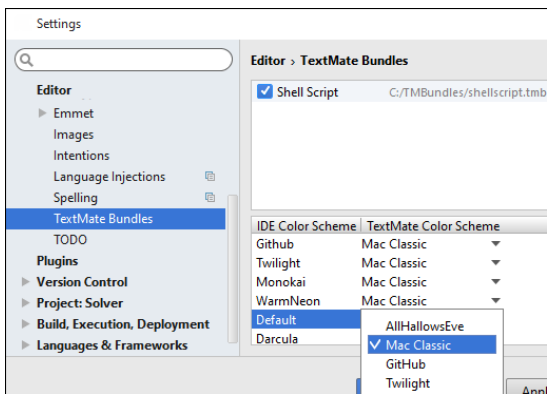
OK, off we go. On the main toolbar, click , and under the Editor node, click [TextMate Bundles](#). Then, in the TextMate Bundles area, click , and locate the desired bundle on your hard disk:



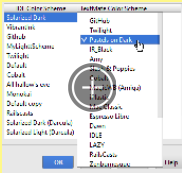
Click OK to apply changes. The Shell Script bundle appears in the list of recognized bundles, and its local path is visible to the right:



However, we have not yet defined which color scheme IntelliJ IDEA will use to highlight Shell Script syntax. As you already know, IntelliJ IDEA provides a number of color schemes, from the classic-looking ones to the fashionable dark schemes, like Darcula. Have a look at the color scheme mapping section in the lower part of the TextMate Bundles page. By default, the IntelliJ IDEA's Default color scheme maps to the Mac Classic. If we want to use a different color scheme for our bundle, we can click the "Mac Classic" cell in the table of mappings, and select the desired scheme from the list of available ones. However, let's stick to the suggested scheme:

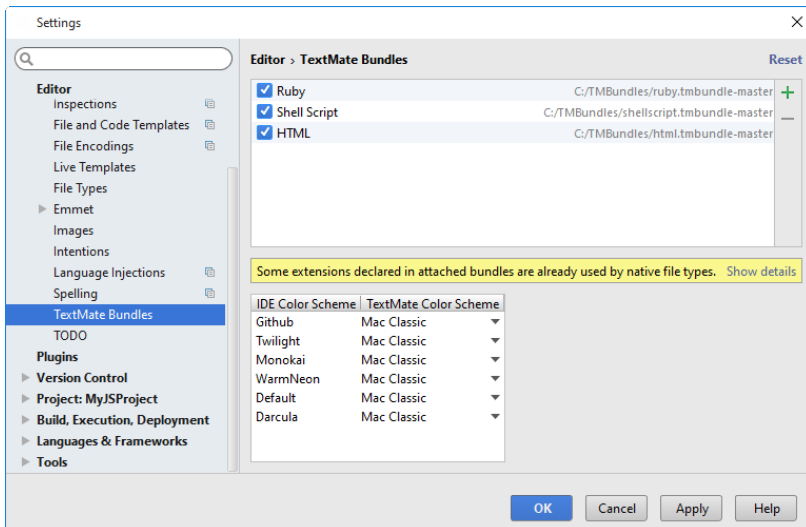


**Tip** If you want to use a custom TextMate color scheme, you can import a TextMate bundle with schemes, and it will become visible in the list of TextMate color schemes after clicking Apply:

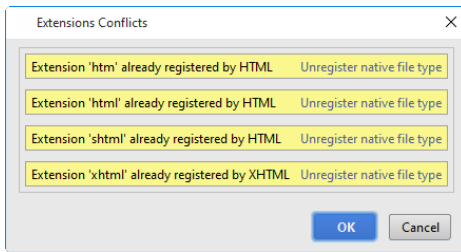


## Extension conflicts

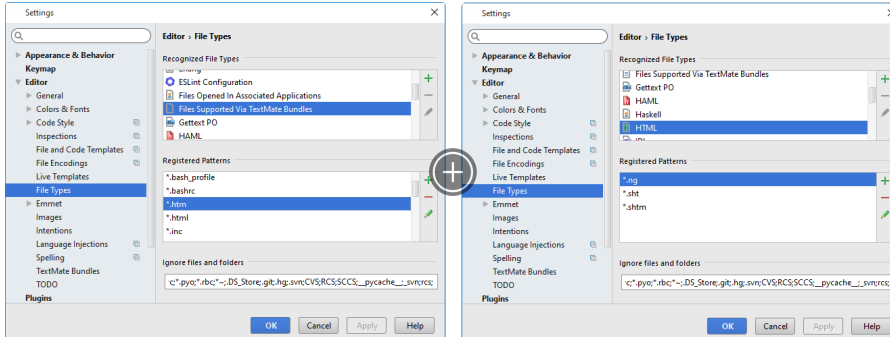
Suppose you've imported a bundle that runs into a conflict with the existing file types. The conflict is immediately reported:



Clicking the Show details link opens the dialog box that gives you the chance to unregister the required extensions from the native file types:



The node Files supported via TextMate Bundles now shows the new extensions ( `.htm`, `.html` ), and the node HTML lacks these extensions:



## Testing

Once a TextMate bundle is added, IntelliJ IDEA provides syntax highlighting for the file types registered with the bundle.

Here's a sample script that uses the Shell Script TextMate bundle we've cloned earlier:

```
run.bash x
#!/bin/sh
echo "This script checks the existence of..."
echo "Checking..."
if [ -f var/log/messages ]
then
    echo "var/log/messages exist"
echo
echo "done"
fi
```

## What this tutorial is about

This short tutorial aims to walk you step by step through defining Emacs as an external editor for IntelliJ IDEA.


Basics of [Emacs](#) are out of scope of this tutorial.

## Prerequisites


Make sure that:

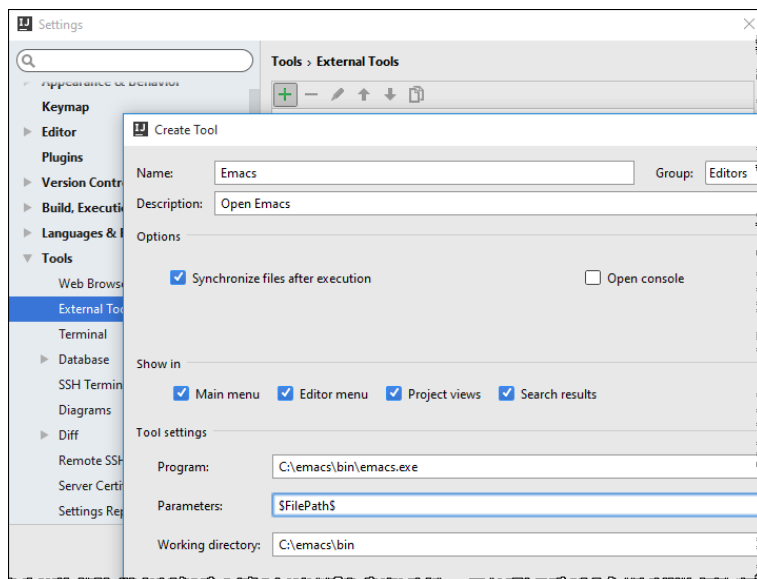
- You are working with IntelliJ IDEA 10.0 or later. This tutorial is created with IntelliJ IDEA version 2016.1.
- Emacs is [downloaded and properly installed](#) on your computer.

## Configuring Emacs as an external tool

Open Settings/Preferences dialog. To do that, you can, for example, choose File | Settings (on Windows and \*nix) or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences (on macOS), or click  button on the main toolbar.

Then, under the Tools node, open the page [External Tools](#) . On this page, you have to specify your Emacs installation as an external editor for the current file. This is how it's done...

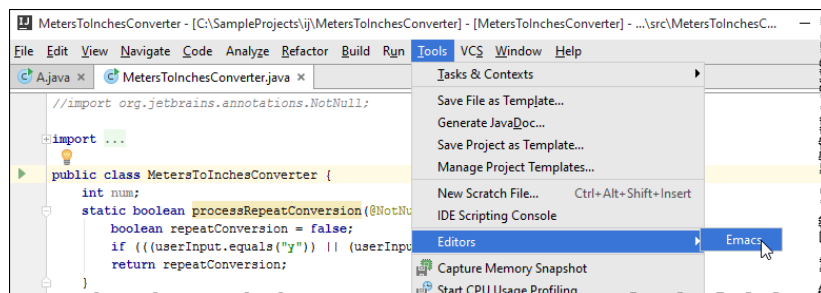
1. First, in the [External Tools](#) page, click  . The **Create/Edit Tool** dialog box opens.
2. In this dialog, do the following:
  - Type the tool name (Emacs) and optional description (Open Emacs)
  - Specify the name of the group, under which Emacs will appear in the Tools menu. In this example, the group name is `Editors` . This step is optional - if you specify no group name, then Emacs will appear in the Tools menu as is.
  - Clear the checkbox `Open console` .
  - Specify Emacs binary file location. You can either type it manually, or click the ellipsis button and find the desired binary in your file system.
  - Since you want to open the current file in Emacs, pass the file path as a parameter to the program: in the Parameters field, type `$FilePath$` .
  - Finally, specify the working directory - in our example, this is `$ProjectFileDir$`
  - Click `OK` .



3. Apply changes and close the Settings/Preferences dialog.

## Opening current file in Emacs

When you now look at the Tools menu, you will see the new node `Editors` . Pointing to this node reveals the Emacs command:



[Open a file for editing](#) . Next, on the Tools menu, choose `Editors|Emacs` - and see the current file in Emacs also:

```

emacs@UNIT-463
File Edit Options Buffers Tools Java Help
~/import org.jetbrains.annotations.NotNull;

import org.jetbrains.annotations.NotNull;

import java.io.BufferedReader;
import java.io.IOException;
import java.io.InputStreamReader;


public class MetersToInchesConverter {
    int num;
    static boolean processRepeatConversion(@NotNull String userInput) {
        boolean repeatConversion = false;
        if ((userInput.equals("y")) || (userInput.equals("Y"))) repeatConversion = true;
        return repeatConversion;
    }
    @NotNull
}
-|- MetersToInchesConverter.java Top L1 (Java/1 Abbrev)
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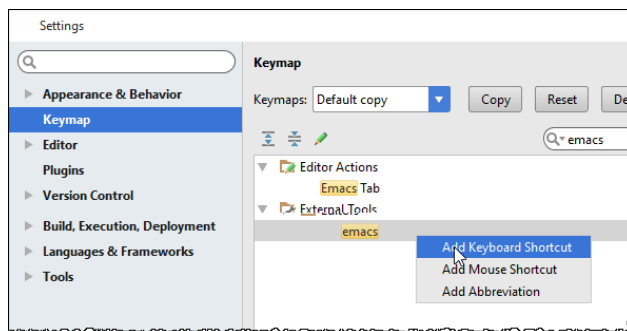
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To quit a partially entered command, type Control-g.

This is GNU Emacs 25.0.50.1 (x86_64-mingw32)
of 2015-10-05
Copyright (C) 2015 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
Dismiss this startup screen  Never show it again.
1\%*- GNU Emacs* All L3 (Fundamental)
For information about GNU Emacs and the GNU system, type C-h C-a.

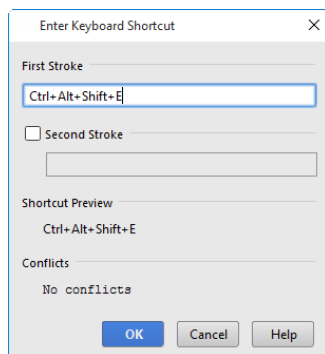
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## Assigning a keyboard shortcut

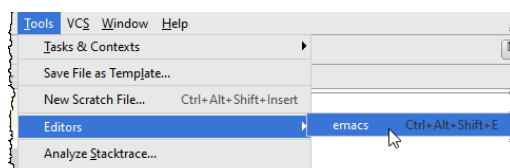
By the way, IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to assign a keyboard shortcut to this action: click  to open Settings/Preferences dialog, open the [Keymap page](#), find Emacs, and choose Add Keyboard Shortcut on the context menu:



Enter Keyboard Shortcut dialog box opens, where you have to specify, which shortcut you would like this action to be associated with. Let's, for example, use `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+E`:



No conflicts are reported, so click OK, and see the new shortcut appearing in the list of actions and on the Tools | Editors | Emacs menu:



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when IdeaVm Plugin is installed and enabled!

## Before you start

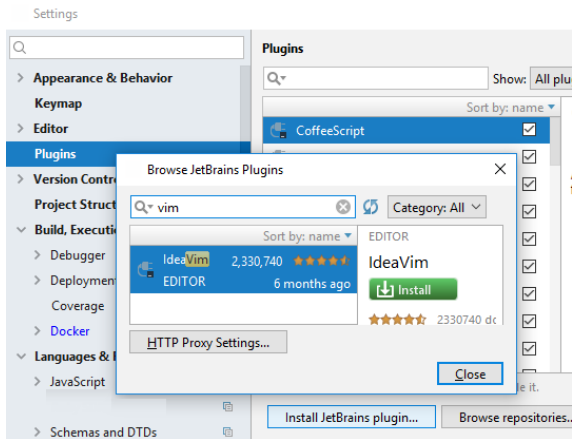
Make sure that:

- You are working with IntelliJ IDEA version 15.0.0 or higher. If you still do not have IntelliJ IDEA, download it from [this page](#) .  
To install IntelliJ IDEA, follow the instructions, depending on your platform.

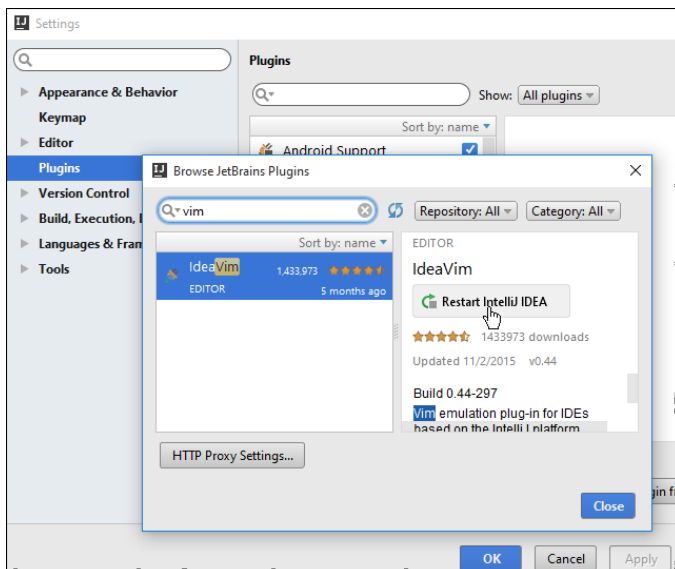
## Downloading and installing IdeaVm plugin

On the toolbar of the IntelliJ IDEA main window, press `Ctrl+Alt+S` to open the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog, and then click [Plugins settings](#) .

You see the list of plugins currently installed on you computer. However, the IdeaVm plugin is not among them. Click the button [Browse JetBrains plugins](#) . IntelliJ IDEA shows the contents of the huge JetBrains repository... you can type the word "vim" in the search field to narrow down the list:

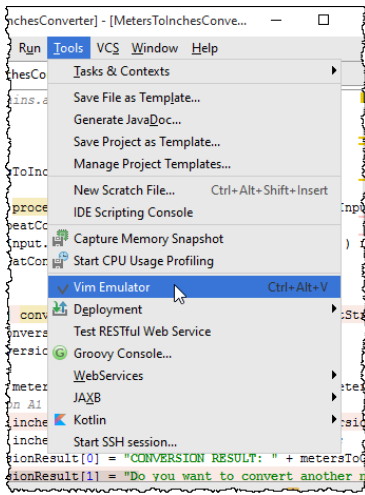


After installing the plugin, it actually becomes available after IntelliJ IDEA restart.



## What happens to IntelliJ IDEA's UI after restart?

First, on the Tools menu, a check command Vim Emulator appears:



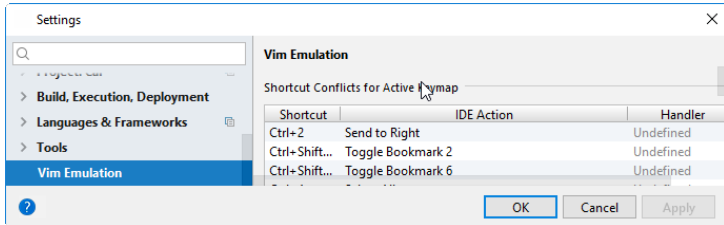
After IntelliJ IDEA restart, this check command is selected. You can disable Vim by clearing this check command.

Second, in Settings/Preferences dialog, an additional page Vim Emulation appears after restart.

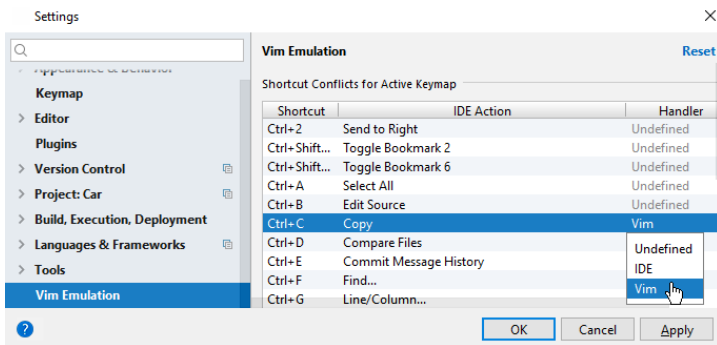
### Configuring shortcuts

Both Vim and IntelliJ IDEA are keyboard-centric. With [IdeaVim plugin](#), it is quite possible that IntelliJ IDEA's keymap runs into a conflict with the Vim keymap. That's why IntelliJ IDEA allows you choosing which keyboard shortcut you prefer for a certain action. This is how it's done.

Open Settings/Preferences dialog, and click Vim Emulation :



In the Shortcut column, select the shortcut you want to configure. Next, in the Handler column, click the corresponding cell, and see the drop-down list of three possible options (Undefined, IDE, Vim):



If you choose **IDE**, it means that the IntelliJ IDEA's shortcut for this particular action is enabled. When you press, say, `Ctrl+Z`, IntelliJ IDEA silently performs its action.

If you leave the handler undefined, then, on pressing the shortcut, say, `Ctrl+B`, IntelliJ IDEA shows the banner.

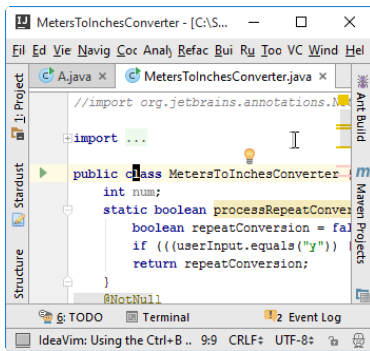
You can choose to redefine this shortcut as an IDE shortcut and thus accept the IntelliJ IDEA's keymap. To do so, click the link **IDE shortcut**.

If you click the down arrow and then the link **Vim Emulation**, then IntelliJ IDEA will show the Vim Emulation page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

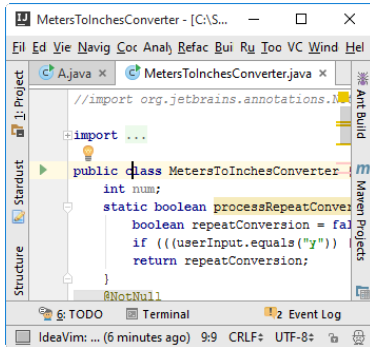
For the purposes of this tutorial, click the link **Vim Emulation**. Then, when you press `Ctrl+B`, IntelliJ IDEA will perform the Vim action for this keyboard shortcut.

### Editing modes

OK, now that you have Vim enabled, you see that the cursor has changed its shape - now it is a block, which means that you are in the [Normal mode](#) :

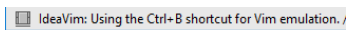


If you want to enter the [insert mode](#), press `i`, and the cursor will turn into a line:



In this mode you can type new or change the existing code. Same way, you can enter the various Vim modes: for example, press `r` for the [Replace mode](#).

By the way, as soon as you enter Vim emulation, it is also reported in the Status bar.



To return to the Normal mode, press `Escape`.



This part contains miscellaneous information related to the UI of the dialogs, tool windows and views, keyboard shortcuts, syntax references etc.:

- [Essentials](#)
- [New Project Wizard](#)
- [New Module Wizard](#)
- [Tool Windows Reference](#)
- [Import Project or Module Wizard](#)
- [Dialogs](#)
- [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#)
- [Project Structure Dialog](#)
- [Keyboard Shortcuts and Mouse Reference](#)
- [Version Control Reference](#)
- [Java EE Reference](#)
- [Data editor](#)
- [Android Reference](#)
- [Flex Reference](#)
- [Diagram Reference](#)
- [GUI Designer Reference](#)
- [Icons Reference](#)
- [Regular Expression Syntax Reference](#)
- [Scope Language Syntax Reference](#)
- [Index of Menu Items](#)
- [Working with IntelliJ IDEA Features from Command Line](#)

IntelliJ IDEA is an advanced IDE. To get the most out of its capabilities and features, you should be familiar with its concepts. Concepts describe the basic notions of the IDE.

In this part:

- [Path Variables](#)
- [Supported Languages](#)
- [Scope](#)
- [Encoding](#)
- [Code Analysis](#)

## Introduction

To avoid complications when moving [projects](#) from one computer to another, IntelliJ IDEA provides path variables. (A path variable, obviously, is a variable whose value is an absolute path to a directory or file.)

Path variables are particularly useful when working with third-party [libraries](#) stored outside the project directory.

To illustrate, let's assume there is a project shared among a team of developers (e.g., through version control), and there is a library in this project defined at the project or module level.

All is well if this library is located in the project directory or one of the module [content roots](#). This, however, is rarely the case.

A more typical situation is when the library location is external to the project and modules. Such a library is referenced by its absolute path and there's no guarantee that this path is the same on every one of the computers used by the team.

The obvious solution is to define a path variable for the library location. In such a case, the library path may be set individually on each of the computers.

To summarize, you should define path variables under the following set of conditions:

- There are third-party libraries in your project defined at the project or module level.
- These libraries are stored outside the project directory and the module content roots.
- There is a need to work with the project on more than one computer (e.g., share the project among the development team members through version control).

## Ignored variables

If when opening a project, IntelliJ IDEA detects unresolved path variables, it asks you to define proper values for them. If for some reason you don't want to do that (e.g., you are not going to use the corresponding library or libraries), you have an option of adding the corresponding variables to a list of ignored variables.

There may also be other cases when the list of ignored variables is useful.

At the internal level, path variables are represented by strings in which the name of a variable is enclosed between a pair of dollar sign characters, for example, `$MY_PATH_VARIABLE$`.

Such a pattern, in principle, may occur in your project without the meaning of a path variable. For example, `$SOME_STRING$` may occur within program parameters passed to the JVM in a run/debug configuration, etc.

To tell IntelliJ IDEA that a string that starts and ends with a dollar sign character (e.g., `$SOME_STRING$`), actually, is not a path variable, you should add such a string (e.g., `SOME_STRING`) to the list of ignored variables.

In this section:

- [Supported languages](#)
- [Coding assistance](#)

## Supported languages

Development of a modern application involves using multiple languages, that is why IntelliJ IDEA is an IDE for polyglot programming. With the deep understanding of all the subtleties of the source code structure and syntax, IntelliJ IDEA extends its support to:

- Java. IntelliJ IDEA supports Java up to version Java 8 , with lambdas, type annotations etc. For the supported language level, IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion, code inspections, quick fixes and more.
- [XML /XSL](#) . Refer to the section [Markup Languages and Style Sheets](#) .
- Groovy. Refer to the section [Groovy](#) .
- JSP/JSPX
- [Flex](#) : advanced coding assistance for [ActionScript](#) , MXML , including code completion and inspections. Refer to [ActionScript and Flex](#) .
- [HTML /XHTML](#) . Refer to the section [Markup Languages and Style Sheets](#) .
- [CSS3](#) : coding assistance and compilation for [Less](#) ; basic support of [Sass 3](#) .

Refer to [Markup Languages and Style Sheets](#) .

- [Stylus](#) . Refer to section [Compiling Sass, Less, and SCSS to CSS](#) .
- [JavaScript](#) . Refer to the section [JavaScript](#) .
  - [CoffeeScript](#) . Refer to the section [CoffeeScript](#) .
  - [TypeScript](#)
- [PHP](#) up to version 5.4.0 with support of syntax highlighting in `.ini` files. Refer to the section [PHP](#) .
- [SQL](#) and its dialects (SQL-92, MySQL, SQLite Oracle, PostgreSQL, and Derby). Refer to [Databases and SQL](#) .
- FreeMarker
- Velocity up to version 1.7
- IDL
- Spring-AOP
- [Dart](#)
- [Drools Expert](#)

## Coding assistance

Coding assistance in IntelliJ IDEA includes:

- Syntax and error highlighting. The color attributes are configurable in the [Colors and Fonts | <language>](#) pages of the Settings/Preferences dialog.
- [File templates](#) for the supported languages that enable creating stub classes, scripts etc.
- [Live templates](#) for creating complicated code constructs.
- [Code completion](#) .
- [Code generation](#) .
- [Code folding](#) , [formatting](#) , and highlighting.
- [Intention actions and quick fixes](#) .
- [Ability to view code hierarchy](#) .
- [Quick access to the API documentation](#) .
- [Using macros in the editor](#) .
- [Advanced search and replace facilities](#) .
- [Advanced means of navigation](#) .
- [Refactoring](#) .
- [Import assistance](#) .
- [Language injection](#) .
- The [embedded local terminal](#) where you can execute commands without leaving IntelliJ IDEA.

Besides editing assistance, IntelliJ IDEA enables [debugging](#) for Java, Flex, JavaScript, and PHP, applications.

**Warning!** Debugging for JavaScript applications is supported only in the [Chrome](#) browser.

The polyglot arsenal of IntelliJ IDEA can be extended by [installing plugins](#) , for example, [Scala](#) , or La Clojure . With these plugins installed and enabled, IntelliJ IDEA provides the corresponding facets, coding assistance, running and debugging facilities.

**Note**

- Basics
- Types of scopes
- Defining scopes
- Scopes coloring
- Predefined scopes

## Basics

A **scope** (👤) is a subset of files, packages and/or directories in your project, to which you can limit the application of specific operations, e.g. [search](#), [code inspection](#), insertion of copyright notices, etc. Besides, you can configure [coloring](#) for each scope to see at once what sort of file you are dealing with.

Scopes get more helpful as your project grows larger. There is a number of [predefined scopes](#) that cover basic cases. Additionally, it is possible to [add custom scopes](#) to your project. For example, you can create custom scopes for tests or for the files you are responsible for in your team.

## Types of scopes

Scopes can be either shared or local:

- **Shared scopes** are accessible for the team members via VCS and are stored at the project level. If the project has a [file-based format](#), the shared scopes are stored in the `*.ipr` file; if the project has a [directory-based format](#), the shared scopes are stored in the `scopes` directory under `.idea`, as a file with the extension `xml`, i.e. `.idea/scopes/<scope_name>.xml`.
- **Local scopes** are intended for personal use only and are stored in your workspace (`*.iws` file in the file-based project format, or in the file `workspace.xml` under `.idea` in the directory-based format).

If necessary, you can share a local scope, make a shared scope local, or create a copy of the scope. For more information, see [Configuring Scopes and File Colors](#).

## Defining scopes

IntelliJ IDEA provides a special language that enables you to flexibly define the sets of entities included in a scope. See [Scope Language Syntax Reference](#) for details.

To create and edit **scopes**, use the [Scopes](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

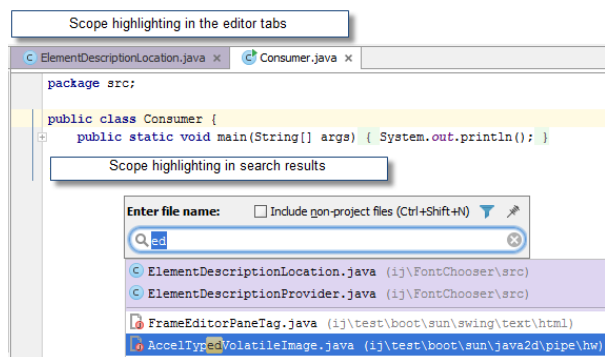
**Scopes** are defined in the following modes:

- Manually, by specifying file masks according to the [scope language syntax](#) in the Pattern text box.
- By selecting files and folders and clicking the buttons `Include`, `Include Recursively`, `Exclude`, and `Exclude Recursively`. Based on the inclusion/exclusion, IntelliJ IDEA creates an expression and displays it in the Pattern. Refer to the section [Configuring Scopes and File Colors](#).

To view the available scopes, click the ▼ (next to the Project header of the [Project Tool Window](#)).

## Scopes coloring

Files belonging to different scopes can be highlighted in different colors throughout the IntelliJ IDEA's user interface: in [navigation lists](#), in the editor tabs, in the [Project Tool Window](#). This allows much faster and easier navigation in large projects.



If some file is included into several scopes, the order of the scopes becomes important: IntelliJ IDEA uses the color of the uppermost scope (shown in the [Scopes](#) settings page) to highlight such file. Of course, you can change the order of the scopes, and thus the resulted highlighting.

For detailed instructions on how to configure the scope order and scope-color associations, see [Configuring Scopes and File Colors](#).

## Predefined scopes

IntelliJ IDEA provides a number of predefined scopes, for example:

- **Project Files**. This scope includes all the files within the project content roots (see [Module Contents](#)). [Module](#)

[dependencies](#) (libraries and SDKs), generally, are not included in this scope.

- **Problems** . This scope includes the files within the project content roots in which syntactic errors are found.
- **Project and Libraries** . This scope includes all the files within the project content roots, and also all [module dependencies](#), libraries and SDKs.  
In the [Project Tool Window](#) , this scope corresponds to the scope view All .
- **Project Production Files** . This scope is similar to the [Project Files scope](#) . The difference is that the test source roots are not included. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , this scope corresponds to the scope view Production .
- **Project Test Files** . This scope is limited to the project test source roots. In the [Project Tool Window](#) , this scope corresponds to the scope view Tests .
- **Non-Project Files** . This scope is available only as a view in the [Project Tool Window](#) . It is limited to [module dependencies](#) (libraries and SDKs).
- **Changed Files** . This scope corresponds to all changed files, that is, ones associated with all existing [changelists](#) .
- **Default** . This scope corresponds to the files associated with the [changelist](#) `Default` .
- **Favorite** '`<name>`' . This scope corresponds to a list of favorite items with the specified name. See [Managing Your Project Favorites](#) .
- **Open files** .This scope corresponds to the files opened in IntelliJ IDEA editor.
- **Current file** . This scope corresponds to the file currently active in IntelliJ IDEA editor.
- **Selected files** . This scope corresponds to the files currently selected in IntelliJ IDEA (e.g. in the [Project Tool Window](#) ).

Predefined scopes cannot be edited.

Different types of files use different ways to define encoding. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes encoding of files based on their contents.

Encoding has influence on the way IntelliJ IDEA reads or writes files. If a file has been modified but not yet saved, any changes in encoding affect file writing; if a file has not been modified, then reading is affected. IntelliJ IDEA suggests specific ways to change encoding of a file according to its type, using [File Encodings](#) Settings page, the [Status bar](#), or the [editor](#).

**Note** Encoding applies to directories and individual files. The encoding information saved in a file overrides the default encoding; encoding of a file or subdirectory overrides encoding settings on the higher levels.

### EncodingCan be changed in




File encoding is specified within the file, for example, in XML.	If a file contains explicit encoding declaration, you can change it in the <a href="#">Editor</a> . In this case IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion.
File encoding is defined by BOM.	In this case, you can't change encoding with which IntelliJ IDEA reads the file, but it is still possible to change encoding for writing such file.
UTF characters are detected in the file contents.	IntelliJ IDEA provides an option that <a href="#">automatically changes file encoding to UTF</a> , if the file contents can be reasonably interpreted as UTF.  This option only works for reading; a file can be saved with any encoding.
Encoding cannot be found out from the file content.	In this case, the default encoding is the one defined by the IDE encoding in the <a href="#">File Encodings</a> page of the Settings dialog. You can change it for <a href="#">multiple files and directories</a> , or for a <a href="#">single file</a> .
Properties files.	For the properties files, system default encoding is used. Though the characters in the other encodings are processed as unknown symbols, it is <a href="#">still possible</a> to use them, by feeding such characters as escape sequences (for which IntelliJ IDEA provides the Transparent native-to-ASCII conversion option), or defining the default encoding for properties files.



IntelliJ IDEA performs code analysis by applying inspections to your code. Numerous code inspections exist for Java and for the other supported languages.

The inspections detect not only compiling errors, but also different code inefficiencies. Whenever you have some unreachable code, unused code, non-localized string, unresolved method, memory leaks or even spelling problems – you'll find it very quickly.

IntelliJ IDEA's code analysis is flexibly configurable. You can [enable/disable](#) each code inspection and [change its severity](#) , create [profiles](#) with custom sets of inspections, apply inspections differently [in different scopes](#) , [suppress](#) inspections in specific pieces of code, and more.

The analysis can be performed in several ways:

- By default, IntelliJ IDEA analyses all open files and highlights all detected code issues right in the editor. On the right side of the editor you can see the analysis status of the whole file (the icon in the top-right corner).  
When an error is detected, this icon is  ; in case of a warning, it is  ; if everything is correct, the icon is  .
- Alternatively, you can run code analysis in a [bulk mode](#) for the specified scope, which can be as large as the whole project.
- If necessary, you can [apply a single code inspection](#) in a specific scope.

For the majority of the detected code issues, IntelliJ IDEA provides [quick fix suggestions](#) . You can quickly review errors in a file by navigating from one highlighted line to another by pressing   .

IntelliJ IDEA analyses your projects on the various levels:

- "On-the-fly" analysis helps you fix problems as they arise as you type, using [intention actions](#) .
- [Code inspections](#) are intended to point out issues related to the program design.
- Highlighting level allows you to control the scope of problems highlighted in the current file.
- [Dependencies analysis](#) helps you understand the structure of your source code, explore relationships between the components of your projects, track down dependencies and work through the code hierarchies.
- [Dataflow analysis](#) helps you with code archeology.
- [Reverse engineering](#) .



To access the New Project wizard:

If no project is currently open: select Create New Project option on the Welcome screen

Otherwise: File | New | Project

Use the New Project wizard to create a new project from scratch.

- [Project Category and Options](#)
- [Project Template](#)
- [J2ME Page](#)
- [Gradle Page](#)
- [Maven Page](#)
- [New Project Wizard Android Dialogs](#)
- [New Project: HTML5 Boilerplate](#)
- [New Project: Web Starter Kit](#)
- [New Project: React App](#)
- [New Project: Twitter Bootstrap](#)
- [New Project: Foundation](#)
- [New Project: Node.js Express App](#)
- [New Project: Meteor Application](#)
- [New Project: PhoneGap/Cordova](#)
- [New Project: Yeoman](#)
- [New Project: Composer Project](#)
- [New Project: Drupal Module](#)
- [New Project: Google App Engine for PHP](#)
- [New Project: PHP Empty Project](#)
- [Project Name and Location](#)

This page of the New Project wizard opens when you select File | New | Project in the main menu or Create New Project on the Welcome screen.

In the left-hand pane, select the project category. This may be the technology that you are going to use, the platform or runtime that your development is going to target, etc.

In the right-hand part of the page, select additional options and specify associated settings.

Don't worry about selecting "wrong" options at the moment. Just select the ones that you think suit you best. If necessary, you will be able to make the necessary changes to your project at a later time.

Note that the set of options you can select from depends on which [plugins](#) are currently enabled in IntelliJ IDEA.

- [Java](#)
- [Java Enterprise](#)
- [J2ME](#)
- [Android](#)
- [Clouds](#)
- [Spring](#)
- [Java FX](#)
- [IntelliJ Platform Plugin](#)
- [Spring Initializr](#)
- [Maven](#)
- [Gradle](#)
- [Groovy](#)
- [Grails](#)
- [Application Forge](#)
- [Griffon](#)
- [PHP](#)
- [Kotlin](#)
- [Static Web](#)
- [Flash](#)
- [Empty Project](#)

## Java

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Java](#) application.

### ItemDescription

**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.  
  
Otherwise, click New and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Java Enterprise

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Java EE](#) application.


### ItemDescription

**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.  
  
Otherwise, click New and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

**Java EE version** Select the Java EE version to be supported. (Affects the corresponding version setting for the Web Application, EJB and JavaEE Application options.)

**Application Server** Specify the application server that you are going to use to deploy and run your application. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create a [run/debug configuration](#) for the specified server. (You can specify the server later.)  
You can select a server which IntelliJ IDEA is already aware of, or specify another "new" server.

To specify a new server, click New and select the server of interest. Then, specify the server settings:

- For a server installed locally, specify the path to the server installation directory. (Click  to select the directory in the [corresponding dialog](#) .)
- For a hosted server (Cloud Foundry or CloudBees), specify your user account details.

Select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## J2ME

Select this option if you are going to develop for [Java ME](#) .

### ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) for your project.  
If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click New and, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired Java ME SDK. (By this time, the corresponding SDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**SQL Support** Select the checkbox to enable [SQL](#) support. Select the SQL dialect to be used by default from the list.

## Android

Select this option if you are going to develop for the [Android](#) OS.

For more information, see [Getting Started with Android Development](#) and [Android New Project References](#) .

## Clouds

Select this option if you are going to deploy your application to a cloud platform such as [CloudBees](#) , [Cloud Foundry](#) , [Heroku](#) or [OpenShift](#) . See also, [Working with Cloud Platforms](#) .

### ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click New and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**Account** Specify your cloud user account.  
If the corresponding user account is already registered in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click New , select the cloud platform and specify your user account settings in the dialog that opens.

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**Application** Cloud platform-specific application settings.  
CloudBees and Cloud Foundry. IntelliJ IDEA will create a sample Java web application which you'll be able to deploy to the cloud and run straight away.

- Version. The version of the Servlet specification to be supported.
- Create web.xml. For version 3.0 or later: select this checkbox to create the [deployment descriptor](#) file `web.xml` . (For earlier versions, this file is always created.)

Heroku. You can select to create a new application or to git-clone the source code for one of your applications already deployed on Heroku.

- Template. A new sample application will be created. You'll be able to deploy this application to Heroku straight away.
- Existing. Select the application whose source code you want to clone.

OpenShift. You can select to git-clone the source code for one of your applications already deployed OpenShift or to create a new application.

- Existing. Select the application whose source code you want to clone.
- New. Select this option to create a new application. Specify the settings for your new application (for OpenShift terminology, see [OpenShift documentation](#) ):
  - Standalone Cartridge. Select the primary cartridge.
  - Gear size. Select the gear size.
  - Scaling. Select the checkbox if the application should be scalable.
  - Embeddable Cartridges. Select (additional) embedded cartridges.

## Spring

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Spring](#) application.

### ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click New and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

For information on other options and settings, see:

- [Spring](#)
- [Spring MVC, Spring Batch, or other Spring framework](#)
- [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#)

## Java FX

Select this option if you are going to develop a [JavaFX](#) application.

## ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK (version 7 or later) is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and select **JDK** . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

## IntelliJ Platform Plugin

Select this option if you are going to develop a [plugin](#) for IntelliJ IDEA or other IntelliJ Platform-based IDE.

## ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) for your project.  
If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired IntelliJ IDEA version.  
(An IntelliJ IDEA installation acts as an IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK.) (By this time, the corresponding IntelliJ IDEA version must already be installed on your computer.)

**Groovy** Select the checkbox to be able to use [Groovy](#) . Specify the Groovy installation to be used.  
Use **library**. If the desired version of Groovy is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Groovy in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a [library](#) .)

**Create**. Click this button to create a library for Groovy. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Groovy installation directory.

**SQL Support** Select the checkbox to enable [SQL](#) support. Select the SQL dialect to be used by default from the list.

## Spring Initializr

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Spring Boot](#) application.

## ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

**Initializr Service URL** Specify the Spring Initializr instance URL. By default, it is <https://start.spring.io> , but you can use any other custom instance if needed.

## Maven

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Java](#) application with dependencies managed by [Maven](#) .

## ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

**Create from archetype** If this checkbox is not selected, the new `pom.xml` file will contain the basic information.

If this checkbox is selected, the new module will be created on the base of a Maven archetype chosen from the list that includes both the standard archetypes, and the ones found in Maven indices. You can modify Maven properties on [Maven Settings Page](#) .

If you want to populate the list with some archetype from a remote Maven repository, click the **Add Archetype** button, and find the desired archetype by Maven coordinates specified in [Add Archetype Dialog](#) .

## Gradle

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Java](#) application with dependencies managed by [Gradle](#) .

See also [Getting Started with Gradle](#) and [New Project Gradle References](#) .

## ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and select **JDK** . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Groovy

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Groovy](#) application.

#### ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.  
  
Otherwise, click **New** and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**Groovy library** If the desired version of Groovy is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Groovy in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a [library](#) .)  
Create. Click this button to create a library for Groovy. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Groovy installation directory.

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Grails

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Grails](#) application.


See also [Getting Started with Grails 3](#) .

#### ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.  
  
Otherwise, click **New** and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**Grails SDK Home** If the desired version of Grails is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Grails in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a [library](#) .)  
Click  this button to create a library for Grails. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Grails installation directory.

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**Create** create-app - select this option if you want to create a Grails application.  
  
create-plugin - select this option if you want to create a Grails plugin project.

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**Options** Use this field to specify additional options such as profiles, for example.

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Application Forge

Select this option if you are going to develop a project using [Grails Application Forge](#) service.

See also [Grails Application Forge](#) .

#### ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) for your project.  
If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.  
  
Otherwise, click **New** and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**Project Type** Use this drop-down list to specify what you want to develop ( [Application](#) or [Plugin](#) ).

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**Grails Version** Use this drop-down list to specify a Grails version for your project.

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**Profiles** Use this drop-down list to specify a [profile](#) for the project.

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**Features** Select the necessary checkboxes to specify features for your project.

## Griffon

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Griffon](#) application.

See also [Creating a Griffon Application Module](#) .

#### ItemDescription

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**Project SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your project.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.  
  
Otherwise, click **New** and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**Griffon library** If the desired version of Griffon is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Griffon in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a [library](#) .)  
Create. Click this button to create a library for Griffon. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Griffon installation directory.

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#).

## PHP

Select PHP if you are going to develop an application using [PHP](#). This option is available only in the **Ultimate** edition when the **PHP** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).









In the right-hand pane, choose one of the following project types:

- PHP Empty Project: choose this option to get just a project folder without any contents.

## Kotlin

Select this option if you are going to create a [Kotlin](#) project. Specify the associated settings.

### ItemDescription

Project name	Specify the project name.
Project location	Specify the path to the directory in which you want to create the project. (By default, a directory having the same name as the project is created.) You can click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the necessary directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new directory in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)
Project SDK	Specify an SDK for your project. If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. Otherwise, click <b>New</b> and select SDK type. Then, <code>inkotlin_intro_p</code> dialog that opens, select the installation folder of the desired SDK. (By this time, the corresponding SDK must already be installed on your computer. If it isn't, download and install it first.)
Kotlin runtime	Specify here the runtime library <code>kotlin-runtime.jar</code> . The library resides within the Kotlin plugin and contains the standard Kotlin classes. If the desired library is missing, click <b>Create</b> .  When a project is being created, one can either copy the said jar to the project (option <b>Copy to</b> ), or just refer to the jar from the Kotlin plugin (option <b>Use library from plugin</b> ).
More Settings	Click the arrow (  or  ) to show or hide additional settings. Mainly, these are the settings for the <a href="#">module</a> to be created (discussed below). Note that in certain cases those additional settings are unavailable.
Module name	Specify the module name.
Content root	Specify the path to the module content root folder. (This is where all the files that make up you module will be stored; for more information, see <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .) To use a different folder, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the necessary folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)
Module file location	Specify the path to the folder where the <code>.iml</code> <a href="#">module file</a> should be created. By default, this file is created in the module content root folder (recommended).  To use a different folder, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the necessary folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)
Project format	Select the <a href="#">project format</a> to be used. (The <code>.idea</code> directory-based format is recommended).

## Static Web

Select Static Web if you are going to develop a Web application using [HTML /CSS](#), [JavaScript](#), [Node.js](#), and related frameworks.

Choose this option also if you want to generate a project stub based on a framework template.

In the right-hand pane, choose one of the following project types:

### Project Description type

Static Web	Choose this option to get just a project folder without any contents.
Angular CLI	<p>The feature is supported only in the <b>Ultimate</b> edition when the NodeJS and AngularJS plugins are installed and enabled.</p> <p>The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the <a href="#">JetBrains plugin repository</a> as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a>. Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.</p> <p>Choose this option to get a stub where later you can automatically generate specific structures, such as <a href="#">Classes</a>, <a href="#">Components</a>, <a href="#">Routes</a>, <a href="#">Pipes</a>, <a href="#">Services</a>, etc. using the <a href="#">Angular CLI</a> command line interface.</p> <p>In the right-hand pane:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.</li></ol>

2. In the Node Interpreter field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose a configured interpreter from the drop-down list or choose Add to configure a new one, see [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#)
3. In the Angular CLI field, specify the path to the `angular-cli` package.

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AngularJS	<p>The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the NodeJS and AngularJS plugins are installed and enabled.</p> <p>The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a> . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.</p> <p>Choose this option to have the project structure set up and some sources generated based on the <a href="#">AngularJS framework</a> template.</p> <p>In the right-hand pane, specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.</p>
Foundation	<p>The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the JavaScript Support plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the <a href="#">Plugins settings</a> page as described in <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a> .</p> <p>Choose this option to have the project structure set up and some sources generated based on the <a href="#">Foundation</a> framework template.</p> <p>In the right-hand pane:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.</li><li>2. From the Version drop-down list, choose the template version to use and click Create .</li></ol>
Dart	<p>The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Dart plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a> .</p> <p>Choose this option to have the project structure set up and some sources generated for a <a href="#">Dart</a> application.</p>
HTML5 Boilerplate	<p>The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the JavaScript Support plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the <a href="#">Plugins settings</a> page as described in <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a> .</p> <p>Choose this option to have the project structure set up and some sources generated based on the <a href="#">HTML5 Boilerplate</a> template.</p> <p>In the right-hand pane:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.</li><li>2. From the Version drop-down list, choose the template version to use and click Create .</li></ol>
Meteor App	<p>The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Meteor plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a> .</p> <p>Choose this option to have the project structure set up and some sources generated based on the <a href="#">Meteor</a> frameworks.</p> <p>In the right-hand pane:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.</li><li>2. Specify the location of the Meteor executable file (see <a href="#">Installing Meteor</a> ).</li><li>3. From the Template drop-down list, choose the sample to generate. To have a basic project structure generated, choose the Default option.</li><li>4. In the Filename text box, type the name for the mutually related <code>.js</code> , <code>.html</code> , and <code>.css</code> files that will be generated. The text box is available only if the Default sample type is selected from the Template drop-down list.</li></ol>
Node.js Express App	<p>The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Node.js plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a> .</p> <p>Choose this option to have the project structure set up and some project sources generated based on the <a href="#">Express</a> framework.</p> <p>In the right-hand pane:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.</li><li>2. The path to the Node.js executable file <code>node.exe</code> and to the <a href="#">Node.js package manager</a> file <code>npm.cmd</code> .</li><li>3. The <a href="#">Express template engine</a> to use. From the Template engine drop-down list, choose one of the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">Jade</a> - haml.js successor.</li><li>- <a href="#">EJS</a> - embedded JavaScript.</li><li>- <a href="#">Hogan.js</a> .</li><li>- <a href="#">Handlebars</a> .</li></ul></li><li>4. The CSS engine to use. From the CSS engine drop-down list, choose one of the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">Plain CSS</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Stylus</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Less</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Compass</a> .</li><li>- <a href="#">Sass</a> .</li></ul></li></ol>

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PhoneGap/Cordova App The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the PhoneGap/Cordova plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Choose this option to have the project structure set up and some sources generated based on the [PhoneGap](#) , [Apache Cordova](#) , and [Ionic](#) frameworks.

In the right-hand pane:

1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.
2. Specify the location of the executable file `phonegap.cmd` , or `cordova.cmd` , or `ionic.cmd` (see [Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic](#) ).

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React App The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the JavaScript Support plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Choose this option to generate a project using a globally installed [create-react-app](#) package, see [React](#) for details.

In the right-hand pane:

1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.
2. In the Node Interpreter field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose a configured interpreter from the drop-down list or choose Add to configure a new one, see [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#)
3. In the create-react-app field, specify the path to the `create-react-app` package.
4. Optionally, in the Scripts version field, specify a custom package to use instead of [react-scripts](#) during the project generation. This can be one of the packages forked from `react-scripts` , for example, [react-awesome-scripts](#) , [custom-react-scripts](#) , [react-scripts-ts](#) , etc.

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React Native The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the JavaScript Support plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Choose this option to get a stub for developing a [React Native](#) application.

In the right-hand pane:

1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.
2. In the Node Interpreter field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose a configured interpreter from the drop-down list or choose Add to configure a new one, see [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#)
3. In the React Native field, specify the path to the `react-native-cli` package.

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Twitter Bootstrap The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the JavaScript Support plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Choose this option to create a project, set up its structure, and generate some sources based on the [Twitter Bootstrap](#) template.

In the right-hand pane:

1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.
2. From the Version drop-down list, choose the template version to use and click Create .

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Web Starter Kit The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the JavaScript Support plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Choose this option to create a project, set up its structure, and generate some sources in accordance with the [Web Starter Kit](#) requirements.

In the right-hand pane:

1. Specify the project name and the path to the folder where the project-related files will be stored.
2. From the Version drop-down list, choose the template version to use and click Create .

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Yeoman The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Yeoman plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Choose this option to get interface for generating framework-specific project stubs using the [Yeoman](#) tool.

The right-hand pane shows all the previously installed [Yeoman generators](#) . Select the required generator from the list, click Next .

## Flash

Select this option if you are going to develop for the [Adobe Flash runtimes](#) using [Flex](#) or [ActionScript](#) . Specify the associated settings.

### ItemDescription

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Target platform	Select the target environment for the content that you are going to develop: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Web for Flash player / Web browser-targeted content.</li><li>– Desktop for Adobe AIR-targeted content.</li><li>– Mobile for the content intended for mobile devices (Android, iOS, etc.).</li></ul>
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Pure ActionScript	Select this checkbox if you are not going to use MXML (i.e. all your source code will be written in ActionScript).
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Output type	Select the intended output type, that is, what your resulting content is going to be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Application. A runnable application, an SWF file.</li><li>– Runtime-loaded module. A dynamically-loadable <a href="#">module</a>, an SWF file.</li><li>– Library. An SWC file.</li></ul>
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Target devices	For a Mobile Application: use the Android and iOS checkboxes to specify the intended target devices for your application. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA enables or disables creating an application descriptor and packaging your application for the corresponding devices. (The Android and iOS checkboxes on this page correspond to the Enabled checkboxes on the <a href="#">Android</a> and <a href="#">iOS tabs</a> in the <a href="#">build configuration</a> that will be created.)
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Flex/AIR SDK	Select the Flex or AIR <a href="#">SDK</a> to be used. If the list is empty or does not contain the required SDK, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and add the required SDK in the Configure SDK dialog.
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Target player	For the Web target platform: the target Flash Player version (readonly). (This setting is defined by the selected Flex SDK version.)
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Create sample app	For the Application output type: select this checkbox if you want a sample application to be created. You can use this sample application for learning and also as a basis for your own application development.  If necessary, change the source file name suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.
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Create HTML wrapper template	For a Web Application: select this checkbox if you want an <a href="#">HTML wrapper</a> template for your application to be created. Select or deselect the associated options as needed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Enable integration with browser navigation . Select this option to enable deep linking. Deep linking lets users navigate their interactions with the application by using the Back and Forward buttons in their browser.</li><li>– Check Flash player version . If you select this option, the compiled application will check for the correct version of Flash Player.</li><li>– Express install . If you select this option, the application will run an SWF file in the existing Flash Player to upgrade users to the latest version of the player.</li></ul>
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## Empty Project

If you select this option, IntelliJ IDEA will create just a minimal folder structure and the necessary project definition files. You'll be able to expand your project later.

Select the technologies, frameworks and languages to be supported, and specify the associated settings. For general info, see [Configuring projects](#) .

- [Web Application](#)
- [Struts](#)
- [Struts 2](#)
- [WebServices](#)
- [JSF](#)
- [Primefaces, Richfaces, Openfaces, or Icefaces](#)
- [Google App Engine](#)
- [Groovy](#)
- [Hibernate](#)
- [JavaEE Persistence](#)
- [JBoss Drools](#)
- [OSGi](#)
- [SQL Support](#)
- [Thymeleaf](#)
- [WebServices Client](#)
- [Batch Applications](#)
- [CDI: Contexts and Dependency Injection](#)
- [DM Server](#)
- [EJB: Enterprise JavaBeans](#)
- [Google Web Toolkit](#)
- [JavaEE Application](#)
- [RESTful WebServices](#)
- [Tapestry](#)
- [Spring](#)
- [Spring MVC, Spring Batch, or other Spring framework](#)

## Web Application

Select the checkbox to enable generic [Web application](#) development support. See also, [Enabling Web Application Support](#) .

### ItemDescription

Version	Select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported.
Create web.xml	For version 3.0 or later: select this checkbox to create the <a href="#">deployment descriptor</a> file <code>web.xml</code> . (For earlier versions, this file is always created.)

## Struts

Select the checkbox to enable [Apache Struts](#) 1.x support. See also, [Preparing to Use Struts](#) .

### ItemDescription

Version	Select the Struts version to be supported. If you also choose to download the library files that implement Struts (the Download option), the selected version will define which files you will be able to download.
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements Struts. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected Struts version. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li><li>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</li><li>- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li></ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## Struts 2

Select the checkbox to enable [Apache Struts 2](#) support. See also, [Preparing to Use Struts 2](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Struts 2. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download

the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Struts 2. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## WebServices

Select the checkbox to enable [Web Services](#) development support. See also, [Preparing to Develop a Web Service](#) .

### ItemDescription

Generate sample server code	Select this checkbox to have a sample <code>HelloWorld</code> class created in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ).
Configure	Click this link to specify the settings for WS engines that you want to use. (The <a href="#">Web Services dialog</a> will open.)

## JSF

Select the checkbox to enable [JavaServer Faces](#) (JSF) support. See also, [Preparing for JSF Application Development](#) .

### ItemDescription

Version	Select the JSF version to be supported.
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements JSF. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)  Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</li><li>- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement JSF. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)  Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</li><li>- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li></ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## Primefaces, Richfaces, Openfaces, or Icefaces

Select the checkbox to be able to use the corresponding JSF component library ([PrimeFaces](#) , [RichFaces](#) , [OpenFaces](#) , or [ICEfaces](#) ). See also, [Preparing for JSF Application Development](#) .


- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)
- Download. Select this option to download the corresponding JSF component library files. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Google App Engine

Select the checkbox to be able to use [Google App Engine](#) . See also, [Creating Google App Engine Project](#) .

### ItemDescription

Google App Engine SDK	Specify the path to the Google App Engine SDK for Java installation directory. You can click  and select the corresponding directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Persistence	If necessary, select the <a href="#">App Engine Datastore implementation</a> to be supported (JDO or JPA).
Download	If the path to Google App Engine SDK is not specified, you can click this link to open the <a href="#">Google App Engine Downloads page</a> . (This page lets you download the latest version of Google App Engine SDK for Java.)

## Groovy

Select the checkbox to enable [Groovy](#) support.

Select an existing Groovy library or create a new [library](#) for Groovy:

- Use library. Select the Groovy library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).
- Create. If Groovy is already installed on your computer, you can create a [library](#) for Groovy and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the Groovy installation directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

## Hibernate

Select the checkbox to enable [Hibernate](#) support. See also, [Enabling Hibernate Support](#) .

### ItemDescription

Create default hibernate configuration and main class	Select this checkbox to have a Hibernate configuration file <code>hibernate.cfg.xml</code> and a class with the <code>main()</code> method created.
Import database schema	Select this checkbox to have a database schema imported automatically.
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements Hibernate. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).</li> </ul> <p>Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)</p> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Hibernate. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li> </ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li> </ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## JavaEE Persistence

Select the checkbox to enable [Java Persistence API](#) (JPA) support. See also, [Enabling JPA Support](#) .

### ItemDescription

persistence.xml version	<p>Select the version of the <code>persistence.xml</code> file that you want to use.</p> <p>If you also choose to download the library files that implement JPA (the Download option), the selected version will define which files you will be able to download.</p>
Import database schema Libraries	<p>Select this checkbox to have a database schema imported automatically. Optionally, select the JPA implementation-specific database scheme to be imported from the list above the checkbox.</p> <p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements JPA. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).</li> </ul> <p>Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)</p> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected JPA version. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li> </ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li> </ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be</p>

downloaded.

## JBoss Drools

Select the checkbox to enable [JBoss Drools](#) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Drools. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, or download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Drools. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## OSGi

Select the checkbox to enable [OSGi](#) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements OSGi. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement OSGi. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## SQL Support

Select the checkbox to enable [SQL](#) support.

### ItemDescription

Default Dialect	Select the SQL dialect to be used by default for the module. Select Project Default to use the default project SQL dialect.
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## Thymeleaf

Select the checkbox to enable [Thymeleaf](#) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Thymeleaf. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Thymeleaf. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## WebServices Client

Select the checkbox to enable Web Services client development support. See also, [Enabling Web Service Client Development Support](#).

### ItemDescription

Generate sample client code	Select this checkbox to have sample client code generated in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ). To generate the code, IntelliJ IDEA will ask you to specify the corresponding <a href="#">WSDL</a> file.
Configure	Click this link to specify the settings for WS engines that you want to use. (The <a href="#">Web Services dialog</a> will open.)

## Batch Applications

Select the checkbox to enable [Batch Applications](#) development support.

### ItemDescription

Create batch.xml	Select the checkbox to create a <code>META-INF\batch.xml</code> mappings file (one with the <code>&lt;batch-artifacts&gt;</code> root element).
Create Sample Job Xml	Select the checkbox to create a sample job XML file ( <code>META-INF\batch-jobs\job.xml</code> ).

**Libraries**

You'll need a [library](#) that implements the batch framework. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files (`.jar`) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#). (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#).)

- Download. Select this option to download the files that implement the batch framework. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#).)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## CDI: Contexts and Dependency Injection

Select the checkbox to enable [Contexts and Dependency Injection](#) (CDI) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements CDI. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, or download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files (`.jar`) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#). (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#).)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement CDI. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#).)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## DM Server

Select the checkbox to be able to use [SpringSource dm Server](#) and develop dm Server-targeted applications.

### ItemDescription

Server	Select the server to be used from the list (if the corresponding server is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). To define a server in IntelliJ IDEA, click Add and specify the server settings in the Spring dmServer dialog that opens.
Facet	Select the deployment artifact type that the module will implement (the Spring DM facet type in IntelliJ IDEA terms): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Bundle, an OSGi bundle. IntelliJ IDEA will create:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– The <code>META-INF\MANIFEST.MF</code> file for the bundle.</li><li>– A dm Bundle <a href="#">artifact configuration</a>.</li><li>– A project-level <a href="#">library</a> for the dm Server API. This library will be added to the <a href="#">module dependencies</a>.</li><li>– A dm Server-oriented <a href="#">run/debug configuration</a>.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>If necessary, specify <a href="#">additional options</a>.</p>

- PAR or Plan, a dm Server PAR or plan. Specify the [associated settings](#) .
- Configuration, a configuration artifact. Specify the [artifact name](#) .

For more information on dm Server deployment artifacts, see "Deployment Architecture" and "Developing Applications" in [SpringSource dm Server Programmer Guide](#) .

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#### Bundle options

**Spring DM Support** Select this checkbox to enable [Spring](#) support (to create a Spring facet in IntelliJ IDEA terms). As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create the following files:

- `META-INF\spring\module-context.xml`
- `META-INF\spring\osgi-context.xml`

At this step you are not suggested to download the library files that implement Spring. However, you will be able to do that after the module has been created by using the corresponding quick fix in the Project Structure dialog.

**Web module** Select this checkbox to enable generic [Web application](#) development support (to create a Web facet in IntelliJ IDEA terms). Specify the associated settings:

- Version. Select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported.
- Create web.xml. For version 3.0 or later: select this checkbox to create the [deployment descriptor](#) file `web.xml` . (For earlier versions, this file is always created.)

As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create `web\WEB-INF\web.xml` (for version 3.0 or later - if so specified).

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#### PAR or Plan options

**Name** For a PAR, this is the application identifier ( `Application-SymbolicName` ), for a plan - the plan name (the `name` attribute of the `<plan>` element).

**Version** The application or the plan version ( `Application-Version` or the `version` attribute of the `<plan>` element).

**Plan** Select this option to create a plan. IntelliJ IDEA will create:

- A `.plan` XML file.
- A dm Plan artifact specification.

**Platform Archive (PAR)** Select this option to create a PAR. IntelliJ IDEA will create:

- The `META-INF\MANIFEST.MF` file for the PAR.
- A dm Platform Archive artifact specification.

**Scoped** For a plan: select this checkbox to make the plan scoped (corresponds to `scoped="true"` within the `<plan>` element).

**Atomic** For a plan: select this checkbox to make the plan atomic (corresponds to `atomic="true"` within the `<plan>` element).

**Nested bundles** Use the controls in this area to manage other dm Server deployment artifacts within the PAR or plan. (In IntelliJ IDEA, these are represented by other modules within the same project if those modules have suitable dm Server facets. A PAR may include OSGi bundles and configuration artifacts; a plan - OSGi bundles, configuration artifacts, PARs and other plans).

- Add. Use this button to add the artifacts to the list. Select the necessary artifacts (IntelliJ IDEA modules) in the dialog that opens.
- Remove. Use this button to remove the selected artifacts from the list.
- Up. For a plan: use this button to move the selected artifact one line up in the list. (The order of artifacts defines their deployment order.)
- Down. For a plan: use this button to move the selected artifact one line down in the list.
- Versions. For a plan: use this button to specify the version or the range of versions for the selected artifact (corresponds to the `version` attribute of the `<artifact>` element).

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#### Configuration option

**Name** Specify the OSGi name of the artifact (at the deployment stage, corresponds to the name of the file).

## EJB: Enterprise JavaBeans

Select the checkbox to enable [Enterprise JavaBeans](#) (EJB) support. See also, [Enabling EJB Support](#) .

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#### ItemDescription

**Version** Select the EJB version to be supported.  
If you also choose to download the library files that implement EJB (the Download option), the selected version will define which files you will be able to download.

**Libraries** You'll need a [library](#) that implements EJB. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected EJB version. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)

- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Google Web Toolkit

Select the checkbox to be able to use [Google Web Toolkit](#) (GWT). See also, [Enabling GWT Support](#) .

### ItemDescription

GWT SDK	Specify the path to the GWT SDK installation directory. You can click <input type="text"/> and select the corresponding directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Create sample application	Select this checkbox to have a sample application created. Specify the package for the application classes in the field underneath.
Download GWT	If the path to GWT SDK is not specified: you can click this link to open the <a href="#">Google Web Toolkit Downloads page</a> . (This page lets you download a GWT SDK.)

## JavaEE Application

The features that become available when you select this checkbox are mainly related to packaging your [Java EE application](#) in an Enterprise Application Archive ([EAR](#) ). For more information, see [Enabling Java EE Application Support](#) .

### ItemDescription

Version	The Java EE version.
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## RESTful WebServices

Select the checkbox to enable [RESTful](#) Web Services (client and server) development support. See also, [RESTful WebServices](#) .

### ItemDescription

Generate server code	Select this checkbox to have a sample <code>HelloWorld</code> server class created in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ).
Generate client code	Select this checkbox to have a sample <code>HelloWorldClient</code> class created in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ).
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements the JAX-RS API. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)</li> </ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Download. Select this option to download the files that implement the JAX-RS API. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li> <li>– Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li> </ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</p> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## Tapestry

Select the checkbox to enable [Apache Tapestry](#) support. See also, [Enabling Tapestry Support](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Tapestry. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Tapestry. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be




downloaded.

## Spring

Select the checkbox to enable [Spring](#) support. See also, [Spring](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Spring. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the  key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)


- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Spring. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Spring MVC, Spring Batch, or other Spring framework

Select a checkbox to add support for a particular Spring framework (e.g. [Spring MVC](#) , [Spring Batch](#) , etc.). See also, [Spring](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements the selected framework. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, or download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the  key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected Spring framework. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

There are sample projects for various application types (e.g. Java, Java EE, Spring). Such projects are created according to pre-defined project templates and normally include sample code, a [run configuration](#) for that code, etc.

To create a template-based project, select the Create project from template checkbox and an option of interest in the area underneath.

This page is available only for J2ME modules and provides JAD/JAM file settings depending on the selected J2ME SDK (WTK or DoJa). You can change these settings later in the Project Structure dialog ( Project Structure | Module | Mobile Module Settings ).

In this section:

– [WTK](#)

– [DoJa](#)

## WTK

### ItemDescription

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MIDlet-Name	In this text box, specify the MIDlet suite name (corresponds to the JAD MIDlet-Name property). This option is necessary to identify MIDlet suite on a device.
MIDlet-JAR-URL	In this text box, specify the MIDlet JAR location. This option is also necessary to identify MIDlet suite on a device. The JAR file will be installed from the location MIDlet-JAR-URL afterward. You can specify the location manually, or click the ellipsis button and select the necessary location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
MIDlet-Vendor	In this text box, specify the MIDlet vendor name, that is, the MIDlet suite provider.
MIDlet-Version	In this text box, specify your MIDlet version number.
Keep user-defined JAD file	Select this checkbox to preserve the <code>JAD</code> file (with settings specified above) to the project.

## DoJa

### ItemDescription

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AppName	In this text box, type the application name (50 bytes maximum).
PackageUrl	In this text box, specify the URL address to access the application. Make sure the URL is an ASCII-format string. Also, an IP address cannot be specified directly.
Keep user-defined JAM file	Select this checkbox to add the <code>JAM</code> file containing settings specified above to the project.

Use this page to specify Gradle settings for your project.


#### ItemDescription

Use auto-import	Select this checkbox to resolve all the changes made to the Gradle project automatically every time you refresh your project.
Create directories for empty content roots automatically	Select this checkbox to create the default directory structure for a Gradle project, e.g. <code>/src/main/java</code> and <code>/src/test/java</code> .
Create separate module per source set	Select this checkbox to use the <a href="#">source set</a> feature in resolving your Gradle projects.
Use default gradle wrapper (recommended)	Select this option to use Gradle wrapper. Using Gradle wrapper lets you get automatic Gradle download for the build. It also lets you build with the precise Gradle version.
Use gradle wrapper task configuration	Select this option to use Gradle wrapper customization in script.
Use local gradle distribution	Select this option to run local build scripts.
Gradle home	<p>Use this field to specify the fully qualified path to your Gradle installation. This field becomes active when you select Use local gradle distribution .</p> <p>If Gradle location has been defined by the environment variables <code>GRADLE_HOME</code> or <code>PATH</code> , then IntelliJ IDEA deduces this location, and suggests this path as the default value.</p> <p>If Gradle location has not been deduced from the environment variables, specify it manually, or click the Browse button, and select the desired directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . Note that the value entered in this field takes precedence over the environment variables.</p>
Gradle JVM	Use this drop-down list to specify JVM under which IntelliJ IDEA will run Gradle when you import the specified Gradle project and when you execute its tasks.

Use this dialog to specify additional settings for your new Gradle project.

#### ItemDescription

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Add as module to	This field appears when you add a new module to the existing project. By default, the field displays the the name of your project. Click  to select a different name.
GroupId	Use this field to specify <code>groupId</code> of the new project, which will be added to the <code>build.gradle</code> file. If a parent Gradle project is specified, this coordinate can be inherited from the parent. To do that, select the <code>Inherit</code> checkbox.
ArtifactId	Use this field to specify <code>artifactId</code> of the new project, which will be added to the <code>build.gradle</code> file.
Version	Use this field to specify <code>version</code> of the new project, which will be added to the <code>build.gradle</code> file. If a parent Gradle project is specified, this coordinate can be inherited from the parent. To do that, select the <code>Inherit</code> checkbox.

Use this page to define the properties of a new Maven module.

## ItemDescription

Add as module to Specify the aggregator Maven project.

If you want the new module to be aggregated in an existing Maven project, click the ellipsis button, and select the desired aggregator. The new Maven Module will be added to the `<modules>` section of the `pom.xml` file of the aggregator, for example:

```
<
  modules
    <
      module
        mod1<
      module
        <
          module
            mod2<
          module
        modules
```

`none` means that the new module will not be aggregated into an existing Maven project.

Parent Click the ellipsis button and select the desired parent Maven project from the list of existing ones.

If a new module has a parent, the following section is added to its `pom.xml` file, for example:

```
<
  parent
  >
    <
      groupId
      >org.something<
    /groupId
  >
    <
      artifactId
      >parent1<
    /artifactId
  >
    <
      version
      >0.1<
    /version
  >
  <
  /parent
  >
```

`none` means that the new module doesn't have a parent and thus doesn't inherit properties and profiles of any Maven project.

GroupId Specify `GroupId` of the new module, which will be added to the `pom.xml` file of the module. By default, `GroupId` equals the module name. If a parent Maven project is specified, this coordinate can be inherited from the parent. To do that, select the inherit checkbox.

ArtifactId Specify `ArtifactId` of the new module, which will be added to the `pom.xml` file of the module. By default,

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`ArtifactId` equals the module name.

Version Specify `Version` of the new module, which will be added to the `pom.xml` file of the module. If a parent Maven project is specified, this coordinate can be inherited from the parent. To do that, select the Inherit checkbox.

This dialog box is invoked by the Add Archetype button in the [Maven page](#) of the New Project wizard. It helps populate the list of archetypes with the ones found by the Maven coordinates and downloaded from the Maven repositories.

**ItemDescription**

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GroupId	Specify <code>GroupId</code> of the archetype to be sought for in a Maven repository.
ArtifactId	Specify <code>ArtifactId</code> of the archetype to be sought for in a Maven repository.
Version	Specify <code>Version</code> of the archetype to be sought for in a Maven repository.
Repository (optional)	Optionally, enter the URL of the desired repository.



This page appears when you select Create from archetype option in the [project wizard for Maven](#) . Use this page to modify Maven default settings.

#### ItemDescription

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**Maven home directory** Use this drop-down list to select a bundled Maven version that is available (for Maven2, version 2.2.1 and for Maven3, version 3.0.5) or the result of resolved system variables such as `MAVEN_HOME` or `MAVEN2_HOME` . You can also specify your own Maven version that is installed on your machine. You can click  and select the necessary directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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**User settings file** Specify the file that contains user-specific configuration for Maven in the text field. If you need to specify another file, select Override checkbox, click the ellipsis button and select the desired file in the Select User Settings File dialog.




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**Local repository** By default, this field shows the path to the local directory under the user home that stores downloads and contains the temporary build artifacts that you have not yet released. If you need to specify another directory, select Override checkbox, click the ellipsis button and select the desired path in the Select Local Repository dialog.

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**Properties** By default, the columns in this area display system properties that are passed to Maven for creating a project from the archetype.

You can click the following buttons to modify displayed properties:


-  Add a Maven property.
-  Remove a Maven property.
-  Edit a Maven property.

- New Project
- Target Android Devices
- Add an Activity
- Customize the Activity

Use this page to configure your new project.

#### ItemDescription

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Application name	Specify the name of your Android project. By default, IntelliJ IDEA automatically generates the name of the application.
Company Domain	Use this field to specify a qualifier that will be appended to the package name. By default, IntelliJ IDEA automatically generates the name of the qualifier.
Package name	By default, IntelliJ IDEA generate the package name automatically. You can click Edit to modify the specified name of the package.
Include C ++ Support	Select this checkbox to use C ++ for your Android application.
Project location	Use this field to specify the location of your project. You can click  and select the necessary directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .

IntelliJ IDEA lets select form factors for your Android project.

**ItemDescription**

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Phone and Tablet	Select this checkbox if your target device is either an Android phone or an Android tablet.
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Minimum SDK	Use this drop-down list to select the minimum SDK for the Android form factor.
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Wear	Select this checkbox if your target device is the Android Wear.
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TV	Select this checkbox if your target device is the Android TV.
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Android Auto	Select this checkbox if your target device is the Android Auto.
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Glass	Select this checkbox if your target device is the Android Glass.
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IntelliJ IDEA lets you add an activity to your Android project depending on the form factor that you have selected in the [Target Android Devices](#) dialog.

#### ItemDescription

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Add an activity to Module/Mobile(Auto)

The following [Activity templates](#) are available:

- Add No Activity
- Blank Activity
- Empty Activity
- Fullscreen Activity
- Google AdMob Ads Activity
- Google Maps Activity
- Login Activity
- Master/Detail Flow
- Navigation Drawer Activity
- Scrolling Activity
- Settings Activity
- Tabbed Activity

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Add an activity to Wear

The following [Activity templates](#) are available:

- Add No Activity
- Always On Wear Activity
- Blank Wear Activity
- Display Notification
- Google Maps Wear Activity
- Watch Face

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Add an activity to TV

The following [Activity templates](#) are available:

- Add No Activity
- Android TV Activity

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Add an activity to Glass

The following [Activity templates](#) are available:

- Add No Activity

IntelliJ IDEA lets you customize the activity you have selected in the [Add an Activity](#) dialog.

**Activity** Use this field to specify the name of your activity.

Name

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Layout Name

Use this field to specify the layout name.

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Title

Use this field to specify the name of the title.

**Note** The appearance of other fields, drop-down lists and checkboxes depend on the type of form factors and activities you have previously selected.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!


File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose HTML5 Boilerplate from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the HTML Tools plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription


Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of the template in accordance to which the stub will be generated. Click  to refresh the list of available template versions.

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose Web Starter Kit from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the HTML Tools plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

**ItemDescription**

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Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of the template in accordance to which the stub will be generated. Click  to refresh the list of available template versions.



**Warning!** The following is only valid when HTML Tools Plugin is installed and enabled!


File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose React Starter Kit from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the HTML Tools plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of the template in accordance to which the stub will be generated. Click  to refresh the list of available template versions.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when HTML Tools Plugin is installed and enabled!


File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose Twitter Bootstrap from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the HTML Tools plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of the template in accordance to which the stub will be generated. Click  to refresh the list of available template versions.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when HTML Tools Plugin is installed and enabled!


File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose Foundation from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the HTML Tools plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of the template in accordance to which the stub will be generated. Click  to refresh the list of available template versions.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!


File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose Node.js Express App from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Node.js plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Node interpreter	In this field, specify the location of the Node.js interpreter to use. In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA detects it and fills in the field automatically.
Npm executable	In this field, specify the location of the <a href="#">Node.js package manager</a> file <code>npm.cmd</code> . In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA detects the Node.js executable and fills in the field automatically.
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of the template in accordance to which the stub will be generated. Click  to refresh the list of available template versions.
Template	From this drop-down list, choose the <a href="#">template engine</a> to use. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">Jade</a> - haml.js successor.</li><li>- <a href="#">EJS</a> - embedded JavaScript.</li><li>- <a href="#">Hogan.js</a>.</li><li>- <a href="#">Handlebars</a>.</li></ul>
CSS	From this drop-down list, choose the CSS to use preprocessor to use. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">Plain CSS</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Stylus</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Less</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Compass</a>.</li><li>- <a href="#">Sass</a>.</li></ul>

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Meteor Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose Meteor App from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Meteor plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Meteor	In this text box, specify the location of the Meteor executable file (see <a href="#">Installing Meteor</a> ).
Template	From this drop-down list, choose the sample to generate. To have a basic project structure generated, choose the Default option.
Filename	In this text box, type the name for the mutually related <code>.js</code> , <code>.html</code> , and <code>.css</code> files that will be generated. The text box is available only if the Default sample type is selected from the Template drop-down list.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when PhoneGap/Cordova Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose PhoneGap/Cordova App from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the PhoneGap/Cordova plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
PhoneGap/Cordova	In this text box, specify the location of the executable file <code>phonegap.cmd</code> , or <code>cordova.cmd</code> , or <code>ionic.cmd</code> (see <a href="#">Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic</a> ).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Yeoman and Node.js plugins are installed and enabled!

File | New | Project

Welcome Screen | Create New Project

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose Static Web in the left-hand pane and then choose Yeoman from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Node.js and Yeoman plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Generators	<p>In this area, create a list of <a href="#">Yeoman generators</a> you need and select the one to use during the current project generation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To add a generator to the list:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Click Install Generator .</li><li>2. From the dialog box that opens showing all the available generator packages, select the required package in the left-hand pane and click the Install Generator button that appears in the right-hand pane. You can install several packages one after another without leaving the dialog box. When the installation is over, click Close to return to the list of generators which is already expanded with the newly added package.</li></ol></li><li>- To create a project using a generator:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the Location field, specify the folder where the new project will be created. Type the path manually or click the <input type="text"/> and select the folder in the dialog box that opens.</li><li>2. If necessary, in the Options text box, specify additional flags to customize the project creation. The set of available flags depends on the selected generator.</li><li>3. Select the required generator from the list and click Next .</li><li>4. Specify the required settings in the New Project wizard that starts. The number of pages and their contents depend on the chosen generator.</li><li>5. On the last page of the wizard, select or clear the Run npm install&amp;bower install checkbox to specify whether you want to run <a href="#">Node Package Manager</a> and <a href="#">Bower</a> to install the packages that are required for developing the new project.</li><li>6. Click Next and choose to open the new project in the current window or in the new one.</li></ol></li></ul>
Options	In this text box, specify additional flags to customize the project creation. The set of available flags depends on the selected generator.
Configure Node.js and Yeoman	Click this link to open the <a href="#">Yeoman</a> dialog box and change the settings of <a href="#">Node.js</a> and <a href="#">Yeoman</a> .

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose PHP in the left-hand pane and then choose Composer Project from the list in the right-hand pane.

Use the dialog box to have IntelliJ IDEA create a project with Composer-specific structure. To do this, appoint the **Composer** instance to use and install the package you need in the project.

**The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Command Line Tools Support plugin is installed and enabled.**

The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

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Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
Composer.phar	<p>In this area, appoint the <code>composer.phar</code> file to use in project creation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use existing composer.phar: choose this option to use commands from a previously downloaded <code>composer.phar</code> and specify its location in the text box.</li><li>– Download composer.phar from getcomposer.org: choose this option to have a new instance of Composer downloaded. The <code>composer.phar</code> file will be saved under the project root folder specified in the Location text box.</li></ul>
Package	<p>In this area, specify the package to install during the project creation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Available packages: from this list box, select the package to install. Use the search field, if necessary: start typing the search string, as you type, the list dynamically reduces to show the packages that match the entered pattern.</li><li>– Description: this read-only text box briefly explains the functionality of the selected package.</li><li>– Version to install: from this drop-down list, select the package version. The contents of the list depend on the specific package.</li></ul>
Settings	<p>In this area, specify advanced settings for generating a project stub and installing packages (dependencies):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– PHP interpreter: choose one of the configured PHP interpreters from the list. See <a href="#">Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters</a> for details.</li><li>– Command line parameters: in this text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have a package added to the <code>require-dev</code> section instead of the default <code>require</code> section, type <code>--dev</code>. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <a href="https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md">https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md</a>.</li></ul>



The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose PHP in the left-hand pane and then choose Drupal Module from the list in the right-hand pane.

Use this dialog box to generate and set up a module stub in compliance with the Drupal requirements.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the [Drupal Support](#) plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

**ItemDescription**

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
installation path	In this text box, specify the root folder of the installation.
Set up PHP   Include paths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Select this checkbox to have <i>Drupal</i> include paths automatically configured for the project. After you leave the dialog box, the following paths will be added to the <i>Include Paths</i> list on the <a href="#">PHP</a> page: <code>&lt;drupal installation root&gt;/includes</code>, <code>&lt;drupal installation root&gt;/modules</code>, and <code>&lt;drupal installation root&gt;/sites/all/modules</code></li><li>– Clear the checkbox to configure the include paths manually.</li></ul>
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of Drupal to use, the supported versions are 6, 7, and 8.

Use this dialog box to configure **Google App Engine for PHP** project settings.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the Google App Engine for PHP plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains** plugin repository as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

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**ItemDescription**


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**Application ID** In this text box, type the identifier of your application as you specified it on the [Create application](#) page.

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**SDK directory** In this text box, specify the path to the folder where the [Google App Engine SDK for PHP](#) is installed.





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**Python executable** In this text box, specify the location of the Python executable file. Type the path manually or click the **Browse** button  and choose the executable file in the dialog box that opens.

The right-hand pane of the [Project Category and Options](#) dialog box looks as follows when you choose PHP in the left-hand pane and then choose PHP Empty Project from the list in the right-hand pane.

The feature is supported only in the Ultimate edition when the PHP plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).







#### ItemDescription

Project Name	In this text box, specify the name of the project, by default it is the name of the folder specified in the location field.
Project Location	In this text box, specify the path to the project folder where the project-related files will be stored.
PHP Language Level	<p>In this drop-down list, specify the PHP functionality scope to get coding assistance for. Each functionality scope is associated with the PHP version that supports this functionality. Currently PHP 5.3 , PHP 5.4 , PHP 5.5 , PHP 5.6 , PHP 7 , PHP 7.1 , and PHP 7.2 levels are supported.</p> <p>No correlation between the PHP version used in the project and the language level is enforced. Although the language version of each interpreter is detected automatically, you can still tell IntelliJ IDEA to provide you with coding assistance that corresponds to another language level. However, if you attempt to use a code construct that is not supported by the specified language level, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a Switch to PHP &lt;version&gt; <a href="#">quick-fix</a>.</p>
Interpreter	From this drop-down list, choose the PHP interpreter to use in the current project by default. The list contains all the currently configured local and remote PHP interpreters. See <a href="#">Configuring Local PHP Interpreters</a> and <a href="#">Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters</a> for details.
Include path	<p>This area shows a list of <a href="#">paths to PHP-related items</a> below the PHP home directory. The specified include paths will be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– By the <code>require()</code> , <code>include()</code> , <code>fopen()</code> , <code>file()</code> , <code>readfile()</code> , and <code>file_get_contents()</code> functions when looking for files to use.</li><li>– By IntelliJ IDEA when resolving references to included files.</li></ul> <p>Use the Add  and Remove  buttons to manage the contents of the list. Use the Up  and Down  buttons to change the order of items in the list.</p>

Specify the project name, location and, if available, related settings.

#### ItemDescription

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Project name	Specify the project name.
Project location	<p>Specify the path to the directory in which you want to create the project. (By default, a directory having the same name as the project is created.)</p> <p>You can click  ( <b>Shift+Enter</b> ) and select the necessary directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new directory in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)</p>
More Settings	<p>Click the arrow (▶ or ▼) to show or hide additional settings. Mainly, these are the settings for the <a href="#">module</a> to be created (discussed below).</p> <p>Note that in certain cases those additional settings are unavailable.</p>
Module name	<p>Specify the module name.</p> <p>By default, the project name is used. If you accept this and other default module settings, the project folder will act as the <a href="#">module content root folder</a> .</p> <p>If you change the default module name, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest a new folder (within the project folder) as the module content root folder.</p>
Content root	<p>Specify the path to the module content root folder. (This is where all the files that make up your module will be stored; for more information, see <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .) The default path is recommended.</p> <p>To use a different folder, click  ( <b>Shift+Enter</b> ) and select the necessary folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)</p>
Module file location	<p>Specify the path to the folder where the <code>.iml</code> <a href="#">module file</a> should be created.</p> <p>By default, this file is created in the module content root folder (recommended).</p> <p>To use a different folder, click  ( <b>Shift+Enter</b> ) and select the necessary folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)</p>
Project format	Select the <a href="#">project format</a> to be used. (The <code>.idea</code> directory-based format is recommended).

If a project is open in IntelliJ IDEA, you can access the New Module wizard from:

The main menu: File | New | Module .

The [Project Tool Window](#) : right-click a module folder and select New | Module .

The [Project Structure dialog](#) : in the leftmost pane select Modules , above the pane to the right click [+](#) and select New Module .

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Use the New Module wizard to add a [module](#) to your [project](#) . (The new module will be created from scratch.)

- [Module Category and Options](#)
- [J2ME Page](#)
- [Android Facet Page](#)
- [Maven Page](#)
- [Module Name and Location](#)

In the left-hand pane, select the module category. This may be the technology that you are going to use, the platform or runtime that your development is going to target, etc.

In the right-hand part of the page, select additional options and specify associated settings.

Note that the set of options you can select from depends on which [plugins](#) are currently enabled in IntelliJ IDEA.

- [Java](#)
- [Java Enterprise](#)
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## Java

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop a [Java](#) application.

### ItemDescription

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**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your module.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click New and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Java Enterprise

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop a [Java EE](#) application.

### ItemDescription

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**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your module.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.


Otherwise, click New and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**Java EE version** Select the Java EE version to be supported. (Affects the corresponding version setting for the Web Application, EJB and JavaEE Application options.)

**Application Server** Specify the application server that you are going to use to deploy and run your application. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create a [run/debug configuration](#) for the specified server. (You can specify the server later.)  
You can select a server which IntelliJ IDEA is already aware of, or specify another "new" server.

To specify a new server, click New and select the server of interest. Then, specify the server settings:

- For a server installed locally, specify the path to the server installation directory. (Click  to select the directory in the [corresponding dialog](#) .)
- For a hosted server (Cloud Foundry or CloudBees), specify your user account details.

Select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## J2ME

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop for [Java ME](#) .

### ItemDescription

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**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) for your module.  
If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click New and, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired Java ME SDK. (By this time, the corresponding SDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**SQL Support** Select the checkbox to enable [SQL](#) support. Select the SQL dialect to be used by default from the list.

## Clouds

Select this option if you are going to deploy your application to a cloud platform such as [CloudBees](#) , [Cloud Foundry](#) ,

[Heroku](#) or [OpenShift](#) . See also, [Working with Cloud Platforms](#) .

#### ItemDescription

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Module SDK	<p>Specify an <a href="#">SDK</a> (JDK) for your module. If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.</p> <p>Otherwise, click <a href="#">New</a> and select <a href="#">JDK</a> . Then, in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)</p>
Account	<p>Specify your cloud user account. If the corresponding user account is already registered in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.</p> <p>Otherwise, click <a href="#">New</a> , select the cloud platform and specify your user account settings in the dialog that opens.</p>
Application	<p>Cloud platform-specific application settings. CloudBees and Cloud Foundry. IntelliJ IDEA will create a sample Java web application which you'll be able to deploy to the cloud and run straight away.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Version. The version of the Servlet specification to be supported.</li><li>- Create web.xml. For version 3.0 or later: select this checkbox to create the <a href="#">deployment descriptor</a> file <code>web.xml</code> . (For earlier versions, this file is always created.)</li></ul> <p>Heroku. You can select to create a new application or to git-clone the source code for one of your applications already deployed on Heroku.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Template. A new sample application will be created. You'll be able to deploy this application to Heroku straight away.</li><li>- Existing. Select the application whose source code you want to clone.</li></ul> <p>OpenShift. You can select to git-clone the source code for one of your applications already deployed OpenShift or to create a new application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Existing. Select the application whose source code you want to clone.</li><li>- New. Select this option to create a new application. Specify the settings for your new application (for OpenShift terminology, see <a href="#">OpenShift documentation</a> ):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Standalone Cartridge. Select the primary cartridge.</li><li>- Gear size. Select the gear size.</li><li>- Scaling. Select the checkbox if the application should be scalable.</li><li>- Embeddable Cartridges. Select (additional) embedded cartridges.</li></ul></li></ul>

## Spring

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop a [Spring](#) application.

#### ItemDescription

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Module SDK	<p>Specify an <a href="#">SDK</a> (JDK) for your module. If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.</p> <p>Otherwise, click <a href="#">New</a> and select <a href="#">JDK</a> . Then, in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)</p>
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For information on other options and settings, see:

- [Spring](#)
- [Spring MVC, Spring Batch, or other Spring framework](#)
- [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#)

## IntelliJ Platform Plugin

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop a [plugin](#) for IntelliJ IDEA or other IntelliJ Platform-based IDE.

#### ItemDescription

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Module SDK	<p>Specify an <a href="#">SDK</a> for your module. If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.</p> <p>Otherwise, click <a href="#">New</a> and, in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the installation folder of the desired IntelliJ IDEA version. (An IntelliJ IDEA installation acts as an IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK.) (By this time, the corresponding IntelliJ IDEA version must already be installed on your computer.)</p>
Groovy	<p>Select the checkbox to be able to use <a href="#">Groovy</a> . Specify the Groovy installation to be used. Use <a href="#">library</a> . If the desired version of Groovy is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Groovy in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a <a href="#">library</a> .)</p> <p>Create. Click this button to create a library for Groovy. In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the Groovy installation directory.</p>
SQL Support	<p>Select the checkbox to enable <a href="#">SQL</a> support. Select the SQL dialect to be used by default from the list.</p>

## Android

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop for the [Android](#) OS. Select:

- Phone & Tablet Module to develop an Android application for an Android phone or an Android tablet.
- Android Wear Module to develop an Android application for the Android Wear.
- Android Library Module to develop a shared Android library.
- Android TV Module to develop an Android application for the Android TV.
- Glass Module to develop an Android application for the Android Glass.
- Import Gradle Project to import an existing Gradle project as a module.
- Import Eclipse ADT Project to import an existing Eclipse ADT project as a module .
- Import JAR/AAR Package to import an existing JAR or AAR package as a new module.
- Java Library to create a new Java library.

## Maven

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop a [Java](#) application with dependencies managed by [Maven](#) .

### ItemDescription

**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your module.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

**Create from archetype** If this checkbox is not selected, the new `pom.xml` file will contain the basic information.

If this checkbox is selected, the new module will be created on the base of a Maven archetype chosen from the list that includes both the standard archetypes, and the ones found in Maven indices. You can modify Maven properties on [Maven Settings Page](#) .

If you want to populate the list with some archetype from a remote Maven repository, click the **Add Archetype** button, and find the desired archetype by Maven coordinates specified in [Add Archetype Dialog](#) .

## Gradle

Select this option if you want a module with a Gradle build script ( `build.gradle` ) to be created.

See also [Getting Started with Gradle](#) and [New Project Gradle References](#) .

### ItemDescription

**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your module.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

## Groovy

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Groovy](#) application.

### ItemDescription

**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your module.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

**Groovy library** If the desired version of Groovy is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Groovy in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a [library](#) .)

Create. Click this button to create a library for Groovy. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Groovy installation directory.

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Grails

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Grails](#) application.

See also [Getting Started with Grails 3](#) .


### ItemDescription

**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your module.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.

Otherwise, click **New** and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK. (By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

**Grails SDK** If the desired version of Grails is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Grails in IntelliJ IDEA is



**Home** represented by a [library](#) .  
Click  this button to create a library for Grails. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Grails installation directory.

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**Create** create-app - select this option if you want to create a Grails application.  
create-plugin - select this option if you want to create a Grails plugin project.

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**Options** Use this field to specify additional options such as profiles, for example.

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Griffon

Select this option if you are going to develop a [Griffon](#) application.

See also [Creating a Griffon Application Module](#) .

### ItemDescription

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**Module SDK** Specify an [SDK](#) (JDK) for your module.  
If the necessary JDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list.  
  
Otherwise, click New and select JDK . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired JDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding JDK must already be installed on your computer.)

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**Griffon library** If the desired version of Griffon is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. (Griffon in IntelliJ IDEA is represented by a [library](#) .)  
Create. Click this button to create a library for Griffon. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the Griffon installation directory.

If necessary, select additional options and specify associated settings. For more information, see [Additional Libraries and Frameworks](#) .

## Static Web

Select Static Web if you are going to develop a Web application using [HTML /CSS](#) , [JavaScript](#) , [PHP](#) and related frameworks.

The other options are for developing a Web site or a Web front end using an [HTML5 Boilerplate](#) template, or the [Foundation](#) or the [Bootstrap](#) framework.

## Flash

Select this option if you are going to use your new module to develop for the [Adobe Flash runtimes](#) using [Flex](#) or [ActionScript](#) . Specify the associated settings.

### ItemDescription

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**Target platform** Select the target environment for the content that you are going to develop:  
– Web for Flash player / Web browser-targeted content.  
– Desktop for Adobe AIR-targeted content.  
– Mobile for the content intended for mobile devices (Android, iOS, etc.).

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**Pure ActionScript** Select this checkbox if you are not going to use MXML (i.e. all your source code will be written in ActionScript).

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**Output type** Select the intended output type, that is, what your resulting content is going to be:  
– Application. A runnable application, an SWF file.  
– Runtime-loaded module. A dynamically-loadable [module](#) , an SWF file.  
– Library. An SWC file.

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**Target devices** For a Mobile Application: use the Android and iOS checkboxes to specify the intended target devices for your application.  
As a result, IntelliJ IDEA enables or disables creating an application descriptor and packaging your application for the corresponding devices. (The Android and iOS checkboxes on this page correspond to the Enabled checkboxes on the [Android](#) and [iOS](#) tabs in the [build configuration](#) that will be created.)

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**Flex/AIR SDK** Select the Flex or AIR [SDK](#) to be used.  
If the list is empty or does not contain the required SDK, click  ( [Shift+Enter](#) ) and add the required SDK in the Configure SDK dialog.

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**Target player** For the Web target platform: the target Flash Player version (readonly). (This setting is defined by the selected Flex SDK version.)

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**Create sample app** For the Application output type: select this checkbox if you want a sample application to be created.  
You can use this sample application for learning and also as a basis for your own application development.  
  
If necessary, change the source file name suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.





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**Create HTML wrapper template** For a Web Application: select this checkbox if you want an [HTML wrapper](#) template for your application to be created.  
Select or deselect the associated options as needed:  
  
Enable integration with browser navigation . Select this option to enable deep linking.

- ~~Express install, deep linking, browser navigation, select the option to create deep linking.~~
- Deep linking lets users navigate their interactions with the application by using the Back and Forward buttons in their browser.
- Check Flash player version . If you select this option, the compiled application will check for the correct version of Flash Player.
- Express install . If you select this option, the application will run an SWF file in the existing Flash Player to upgrade users to the latest version of the player.

Specify the module name and location.

#### ItemDescription

Module name	Specify the module name.
Content root	<p>Specify the path to the module content root folder. (This is where all the files that make up your module will be stored; for more information, see <a href="#">Configuring projects</a>.)</p> <p>By default, a folder having the same name as the module is created in the project directory (recommended).</p> <p>To use a different folder, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the necessary folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)</p>
Module file location	<p>Specify the path to the folder where the <code>.iml</code> module file should be created.</p> <p>By default, this file is created in the module content root folder (recommended).</p> <p>To use a different folder, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the necessary folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)</p>

The Tool Windows Reference contains detailed information about the functionality, controls and menus of the IntelliJ IDEA [tool windows](#) .

In this section:

- [Android Monitor Tool Window](#)
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- [JPA Console Tool Window](#)
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- [Maven Projects Tool Window](#)
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- [Structure Tool Window, File Structure Popup](#)
- [Struts Assistant Tool Window](#)
- [Thumbnails Tool Window](#)
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- [V8 Profiling Tool Window](#)



In this tool window, you can view and analyze the system debug output when running or debugging Android applications.

The tool window consists of a [toolbar](#) and the following nested tabs:






- [Logcat tab](#)
- [Monitors tab](#) that includes the following performance [monitors](#) :
  - [Memory](#)
  - [CPU](#)
  - [Network](#)
  - [GPU](#)

Select a physical or a virtual device from the devices drop-down list, and a process running on the selected device from the processes drop-down list. The information in each tab is filtered in accordance with your selection.

## Toolbar

The toolbar that is common for both nested tabs, provides quick access to the following actions:

### Icon Tooltip Description

	Screen Capture	Click this button to make a screenshot of the virtual or the connected physical device where the application is running. You can rotate the screenshot and add some visual effects in the dialog that opens, and save the capture.
	Screen Record	Click this button to start video recording of the application output on a physical device. This button only becomes available when you connect a physical Android device to your computer.
	System Information	Click this button to view system information on the selected process provided by the <a href="#">Dumpsys</a> tool. Logs open as text files in separate editor tabs. Select which type of information you want to view from the popup menu that opens: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Activity Manager State</b> : select this option to display system output of the <b>Activity Manager</b> - a component responsible for managing a stack of the application's activities.</li> <li>- <b>Package Information</b> : select this option to display system information on the application package.</li> <li>- <b>Memory Usage</b> : select this option to display detailed information on the application memory usage in kB.</li> <li>- <b>Memory use over time</b> : select this option to display detailed information on the system memory usage aggregated in the last 24 hours and the last 3 hours, and the current memory usage statistics.</li> <li>- <b>Graphics State</b> : select this option to display detailed application's graphics acceleration info.</li> </ul>
	Terminate Application	Click this icon to stop the application execution.
	Android Monitor Help	Click this icon to open the Android Monitor help page.



## Logcat tab

This tab shows all system debug output messages related to the selected process on the selected device.



## Toolbar










Use the toolbar controls and buttons to configure the scope and the presentation of log data, and to navigate through the log.

### Item Tooltip and shortcut Description

Log Level	N/A	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">priority</a> of log messages to be displayed. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Verbose</li> <li>- Debug</li> <li>- Info</li> <li>- Warn</li> <li>- Error</li> <li>- Assert</li> </ul>
	Find	Use this text box to search through the list of messages. As you type a search string, the messages that match the search pattern are displayed with the matching character strings highlighted. To finalize the search, press <a href="#">Enter</a> . Search patterns are stored in the search history list. To clear the search history, click the  button.
Regex	N/A	Select this option if you want to use a regular expression search pattern.
Filters	N/A	From this list, select an existing <a href="#">filter configuration</a> , or create a new one. A <a href="#">filter configuration</a> is a set of <a href="#">filtering parameters</a> . The use of <a href="#">filter configurations</a> provides more flexible control over the type and amount of

log data displayed than just specifying the information type by choosing a message priority in the Log level drop-down list.

- To display messages related to the selected process, select Show only selected application .
- If you want full log data to be displayed, select No Filters from the drop-down list.
- To apply a filter, select it from the drop-down list.
- To create a new filter configuration , select Edit Filter Configuration . In the Create New Logcat Filter dialog box that opens, click the Add toolbar button  and specify the following filtering parameters:
  - Log Tag : use this parameter if you only want messages from a certain system component to be displayed. Type a regular expression to specify the tag that indicates the relevant system component, such as `ActivityManager` , `AudioService` , etc., or a user-defined tag. For more details, see [Filtering Log Output](#) .
  - Log Message : use this parameter if you only want messages that contain certain elements or character strings to be displayed. Type a regular expression that defines the character string to be detected.
  - Package Name : use this parameter if you only want messages that refer to a specific Java package (class path) to be displayed.
  - PID : use this parameter if you only want messages that refer to a specific process (process ID) to be displayed.
  - Log Level : use this parameter if you only want messages with a certain priority level to be displayed.
- To update a filter, select Edit Filter Configuration , then in the Create New Logcat Filter dialog that opens select a filter from the list and edit the filter values.
- To remove a filter configuration from the list, choose Edit Filter Configuration . In the Create New Logcat Filter dialog box that opens, select the filter and click the Delete toolbar button  .

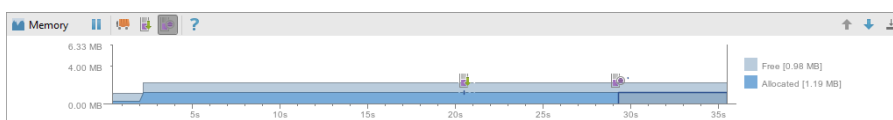
	Clear logcat	Click this button to remove log data from previous sessions on the selected device.
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to move the caret to the last line of the console output.
	Up the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate up in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Down the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate down in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
		Ctrl+Alt+Up
		Ctrl+Alt+Down
	Use Soft Wraps	Click this button to toggle the soft wrap mode of the output.
	Print	Click this button to print the logs.
	Restart	Click this button to restart logging.
	Logcat Header	Click this icon to configure the Logcat header. You can select the following options in the dialog that opens: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Show date and time</li> <li>- Show process and thread IDs (PID_TID)</li> <li>- Show package name</li> <li>- Show tag</li> </ul>
	Logcat Help	Click this icon to open the Logcat help page.

## Monitors tab





The [Monitors](#) tab displays different Android performance monitors.

## Memory Monitor





The [Memory](#) monitor shows in real-time how your application allocates memory. It displays available and used memory in a graph, which is good for testing purposes and helps detect whether performance issues are related to garbage collection events:



## Memory Monitor Toolbar

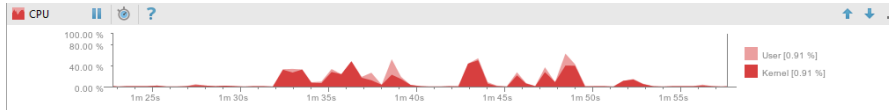
Item	Tooltip	Description
	Enabled/Disabled	Click this icon to enable/disable the Android memory monitor.
	Initiate GC	Click this button to start garbage collection, whereupon you can examine the amount of heap memory the selected process uses (see <a href="#">Viewing heap usage</a> ).
	Dump Java Heap	Click this button to dump the contents of the Java heap memory to a file.
	Start Allocation	Click this button to start recording your application's memory allocations. Then

Tracking interact with your application and click the same button to stop allocation tracking. A pane with the recorded data will open as a separate editor tab. Allocation tracking is helpful to identify where similar object types are allocated and deallocated over a short period of time, and to detect places in your code that may cause inefficient memory usage.







	Help	Click this icon to open the Memory Monitor help page.
	Move Memory Monitor Up	Click this icon to move the Memory Monitor pane up.
	Move Memory Monitor Down	Click this icon to move the Memory Monitor pane down.
	Minimize/Maximize Memory Monitor	Click this icon to minimize/maximize the Memory Monitor pane.

## CPU Monitor

The [CPU](#) monitor shows in real time how much CPU is being used in a graph:

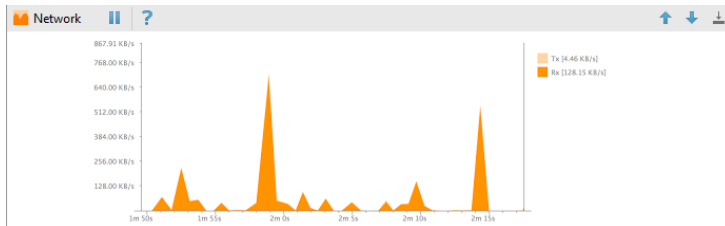


### CPU Monitor Toolbar

Item	Tooltip	Description
	Enabled/Disabled	Click this icon to enable/disable the CPU monitor.
	Start Method Tracing	Click this button to invoke profiling of a method, see <a href="#">Starting method profiling</a> . Interact with the application, and then click the same button to stop method tracing. A pane with the recorded data will open as a separate editor tab. Method tracking is useful to track down performance issues.
	Help	Click this icon to open the CPU Monitor help page.
	Move CPU Monitor Up	Click this icon to move the CPU Monitor pane up.
	Move CPU Monitor Down	Click this icon to move the CPU Monitor pane down.
	Minimize/Maximize CPU Monitor	Click this icon to minimize/maximize the CPU Monitor pane.






## Network Monitor

The [Network](#) monitor enables you to track your application network requests:



The Network Monitor is only available if you are running your application on a physical device, as it does not monitor emulators.

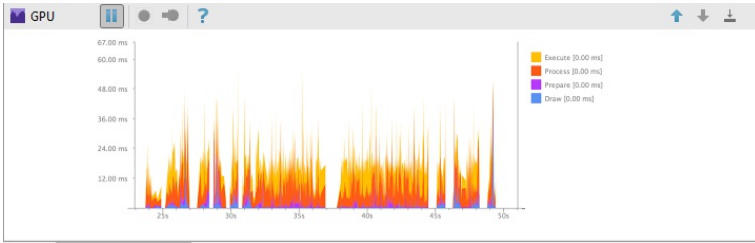
### Network Monitor Toolbar

Item	Tooltip	Description
	Enabled/Disabled	Click this icon to enable/disable the Network Monitor.
	Help	Click this icon to open the Network Monitor help page.
	Move Network Monitor Up	Click this icon to move the Network Monitor pane up.
	Move Network Monitor Down	Click this icon to move the Network Monitor pane down.
	Minimize/Maximize Network Monitor	Click this icon to minimize/maximize the Network Monitor pane.

## GPU Monitor

The [GPU](#) monitor displays how much time it takes to render the frames of a UI window:











Note that to use the GPU Monitor, you need to install the GPU Debugging Tools through the SDK Manager (for detailed instructions, see [GPU Debugger](#)).

## GPU Monitor Toolbar

### ItemTooltipDescription


	Enabled/Disabled	Click this icon to enable/disable the GPU Monitor.
	Help	Click this icon to open the GPU Monitor help page.
	Move GPU Monitor Up	Click this icon to move the GPU Monitor pane up.
	Move GPU Monitor Down	Click this icon to move the GPU Monitor pane down.
	Minimize/Maximize GPU Monitor	Click this icon to minimize/maximize the GPU Monitor pane.
		

The tool window is marked with the icon .

Use this tool window to add Ant build scripts to your project, control behavior of the build, and run build targets.








– [Ant Build](#)

– [Ant build results](#)

 IntelliJ IDEA implements the Ant Build tool window functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the Ant support check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEAsettings ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ).

## Ant Build

### ItemDescription

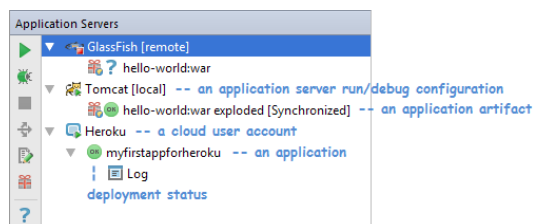
	Click this button to add an Ant build file to the current project.
	Click this button to remove the reference to the selected build file from the current project.
	Click this button to run the selected build target.
	When this button is pressed, only the <a href="#">primary targets</a> are visible.
	Use these buttons to expand or collapse all the nodes.
	Click this button to show the <a href="#">properties of the selected Ant build file</a> .
	Click this button to show the corresponding reference topic.

## Ant build results

Results of running Ant targets or the entire builds are shown in the [Messages tool window](#) .

For this tool window to be available, there must be a server [run/debug configuration](#) in your project, or a cloud user account must be registered in IntelliJ IDEA.

The Application Servers tool window lets you manage your applications on application servers and cloud platforms. You can start and stop server run/debug configurations and connect to cloud platforms, deploy and undeploy your [application artifacts](#) as well as perform other, associated tasks.



All the available functions are accessed by means of the toolbar icons and context menu commands.

- [Icons and commands for server run configurations](#)
- [Icons and commands for server artifacts](#)
- [Icons and commands for cloud user accounts](#)
- [Icons and commands for cloud apps](#)
- [Deployment status icons](#)

See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#) and [Working with Cloud Platforms](#) .

## Icons and commands for server run configurations

### IconCommandDescription

	Run/Connect	Start the selected run/debug configuration in the run mode. For a local configuration, normally, the corresponding server will be started. For a remote configuration, IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.
	Debug	Start the selected run/debug configuration in the debug mode.
	Stop/Disconnect	Stop the selected run/debug configuration. For a local configuration, normally, the corresponding server will be stopped. For a remote configuration, IntelliJ IDEA will disconnect from the server.
	Deploy All	Deploy all the artifacts associated with the selected run/debug configuration.
	Edit Configuration	Edit the settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
	Artifacts	Edit the deployment list for the selected run/debug configuration. (The <a href="#">Artifacts to Deploy dialog</a> will open.)

## Icons and commands for server artifacts

### IconCommandDescription

	(Re)deploy	Deploy or redeploy the selected artifact.
	Undeploy	Undeploy the selected artifact.
	Remove	Remove the selected artifact from the corresponding deployment list and undeploy the artifact from the server.

## Icons and commands for cloud user accounts

### IconCommandDescription

	Connect	Connect (log on) to the corresponding cloud platform.
	Disconnect	Disconnect (log off) from the corresponding cloud platform.
	Edit Configuration	Edit your cloud user account settings.
	Deploy	Deploy your app by means of a cloud deployment run/debug configuration.
	Debug	Deploy your app and start debugging it by means of a cloud deployment run/debug configuration.




## Icons and commands for cloud apps

### IconCommandDescription

	(Re)deploy	Deploy or redeploy the selected app.
	Undeploy	Undeploy the selected app.
	Debug	Start debugging the selected application.
	Edit Configuration	Edit the settings for an associated cloud deployment run/debug configuration.

## Deployment status icons

### IconStatus

	Unknown
	Deployed
	Undeployed

To open this tool window:

View | Tool Windows | Bean Validation

See also, [Showing a tool window](#) .

Note that this tool window is available only if there is a [library](#) that implements Bean Validation in the [dependencies](#) of one or more of your [modules](#) .

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The Bean Validation tool window provides a categorized hierarchical view of your bean validation resources. These include the appropriately annotated Java sources as well as xml validation descriptors and constraint mappings.

At the top of the hierarchy are your modules. One level below are categories.

The main categories are constraints, constraint validators and constraints mappings.

You can show or hide the categories. You can also open the elements shown in the tool window in the editor.








– [Showing and hiding categories](#)

– [Opening elements in the editor](#)


## Showing and hiding categories

Use the toolbar buttons to show or hide the corresponding category.

### ItemTooltip Description

	<b>Constraints</b> Click this button to show or hide the elements related to bean validation constraints. Shown in this category are the constraints (constraint annotations) defined in your source code (  ) and also the ones available in the bean validation library that you are using (  ) .  For each of the constraints, the related elements are shown (if any). These may be the corresponding constraint validators or other entities that reference the constraint.
	<b>Validators</b> Click this button to show or hide bean validators. Shown in this category are the validators for which you developed the source code yourself (  ) and also the ones available in the bean validation library that you are using (  ) .
	<b>Constraint Mappings</b> Click this button to show or hide xml constraint mappings. Shown in this category are the xml files that contain the corresponding mappings. For each of the files, a structured view of mapping definition elements is provided.

## Opening elements in the editor

You can open the elements shown in the Bean Validation tool window in the editor. To do that, select the element of interest and press  .

To open the elements which are the "leaves" of the tree (i. e. the ones at the bottom of the hierarchy), you can also use a double click.

To open this tool window:

View | Tool Windows | CDI

See also, [Showing a tool window](#) .

Note that this tool window is available only if there is a [library](#) that implements CDI in the [dependencies](#) of one or more of your [modules](#) .

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The CDI tool window provides a categorized hierarchical view of your CDI resources (beans).


At the top of the hierarchy are your modules. One level below are categories.

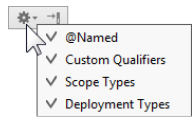
The categories correspond to bean types and qualifiers.

You can show or hide the categories. You can also open the elements shown in the tool window in the editor.

- [Showing and hiding categories](#)
- [Opening elements in the editor](#)

## Showing and hiding categories

To show or hide a category, click  on the title bar, and then click the necessary option.



The following options are available:

- @Named. Show or hide @Named beans (the elements annotated with `@Named` ).
- Custom Qualifiers. Show or hide the elements annotated with custom annotations.
- Scope Types. Show or hide scope types (the elements annotated with `@ApplicationScoped` , `@SessionScoped` , `@RequestScoped` , etc.).
- Deployment Types. Show or hide deployment types.

## Opening elements in the editor


You can open the elements shown in the CDI tool window in the editor. To do that, select the element of interest and press

 .

To open the elements which are the "leaves" of the tree (i. e. the ones at the bottom of the hierarchy), you can also use a double click.

Ctrl+Shift+X

The tool window is available only when the **Command Line Tool Support** plugin is installed and enabled as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

The tool window is marked with the icon . Use the tabs of this tool window to type and run commands in the command line and to validate `.xml` descriptors for structure consistence. See [PHP Command Line Tools](#) for details.











**Tip** The character set to be used in the tool window is chosen from the Console encoding drop-down list on the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog box.

The tool window consists of the following tabs and areas:

- The Input pane for typing commands in the format `<tool alias> <command>`. The location of the Input pane (text box or pop-up window) depends on the Show console in setting on the [Command Line Tool Support](#) page.
- The **Output** tab shows the results of executing commands. The tab is named after the last invoked command.
- The Tool definition file errors tab is hidden by default. The tab is accessible only if any structure discrepancies are detected in the `.xml` descriptor during validation. See [How do I keep a tool descriptor consistent?](#) for details.

## Toolbar Options

ItemTooltip  
and  
Shortcut

	Stop Ctrl+F2	Click this button to cancel execution of a command without closing the tool window.
	To previous command Ctrl+Alt+Up	Click this button to navigate to the previous command.
	To next command Ctrl+Alt+Down	Click this button to navigate to the next command.
	Use Soft Wraps	Click this toggle button to have the soft wrap mode applied to the output.
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to navigate to the bottom of the output tab named after the last invoked command.
	Print	Click this button to have the contents of the console printed out. Upon clicking the button, IntelliJ IDEA opens the <a href="#">Print</a> dialog box, where you can configure the printing procedure and output.
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all text from the console. This function is also available on the context menu of the console.
	Export to Text Alt+O	Click this button to have the results of executing commands saved in a text file. In the <a href="#">Export Preview</a> dialog box, that opens, specify the target file, and click <a href="#">Save</a> .
	Ctrl+Shift+F4	Click this button to close the tool window. If one or more commands are still running, the <a href="#">Command Line Tool</a> dialog box opens. Specify whether you want to stop them or leave running in the background by clicking one of the following buttons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Terminate and close</li> <li>– Close without terminating</li> </ul>
	Help F1	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.

Ctrl+Shift+X

The pop-up window is available only when the **Command Line Tool Support** plugin is installed and enabled as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

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In this Input pane, type the desired command in the format `<tool alias> <command>` .

View the results of command execution in the **output** tab of the dedicated **Command Line Tools Console** tool window. The tab is named after the last invoked command.










This tool window appears on [running with coverage](#) , and displays coverage measurement results.

In this section:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Context menu](#)


## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to go up one level.
	When this button is pressed, all the packages are displayed as a single-level view.
	When this button is pressed, source code of the class selected in the tool window, automatically opens in a separate editor tab, and gains the focus.
	When this button is pressed, when source code of certain class gets the focus in the editor, the corresponding node is automatically highlighted in the tool window.
	<p>Click this button to generate a code coverage report and save it to the specified directory. See <a href="#">Generating Code Coverage Report</a> for details.</p> <p>The button is not available when the tests are executed on <i>Karma</i> because a coverage report is actually generated on the disk every time <i>Karma</i> tests are run. The format of a coverage report can be configured in the configuration file, for example:</p> <pre>// karma.conf.js module.exports = function(config) {   config.set({ ...   // optionally, configure the reporter   coverageReporter: { type : 'html', dir : 'coverage/' }   ... });};</pre> <p>The following <code>type</code> values are acceptable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <code>html</code> produces a bunch of HTML files with annotated source code.</li> <li>– <code>lcovonly</code> produces an <code>lcov.info</code> file.</li> <li>– <code>lcov</code> produces HTML + <code>lcov</code> files. This format is applied by default.</li> <li>– <code>cobertura</code> produces a <code>cobertura-coverage.xml</code> file for easy Hudson integration.</li> <li>– <code>text-summary</code> produces a compact text summary of coverage, typically to the console.</li> <li>– <code>text</code> produces a detailed text table with coverage for all files.</li> </ul> <p>This toolbar button is duplicated by the main menu command <code>Analyze   Generate Coverage Report</code> .</p>
	<p>Click this button to close the tool window.</p> <p>This toolbar button is duplicated by the main menu command <code>Analyze   Hide Coverage Data</code> .</p>
	Click this button to show reference.

## Context menu

### ItemShortcutDescription

Jump to Source		Choose this command to open the selected file in the editor.
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Alt+0

The tool window is available only when the **Dart** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with the [Dart Analyzer tool](#) that performs static analysis of your Dart source code. All inconsistencies and potential problems are reported in the Dart Analysis tool window with the possibility to navigate to the fragment of the source code where the problem was detected.

On this page:

- [Messages List](#)
- [Grouping and Sorting](#)
- [Toolbar Buttons](#)
- [Context Menu](#)

## Messages List

All the problem reports are displayed in a table which consists of two columns, Description and Location, and a summary below.

Description	Location
Classes can only extend other classes	[DartPackageName] bin/main_part.dart:2
The name 'Foo' is already defined	[DartPackageName] bin/main_part.dart:2
Undefined class 'C'	[DartPackageName] bin/main_part.dart:2
Undefined class 'abcde'	[DartPackageName] bin/main_part.dart:4
Unused import	[DartPackageName] bin/main.dart:3
This function declares a return type of 'String', but ...	[DartPackageName] bin/main_part.dart:7

2 errors, 2 warnings, 2 hints.


- The Description column shows the message itself, which can be an **error message**, a **warning**, or a **hint**.
- The Location column shows the following data:
  - The name of the Dart package in which the problem arose. The Dart package name corresponds to the `project name` from `pubspec.yaml`.
  - The relative from the the Dart package root to the file where the problem arose.
  - The line number where the problem arose.
- The Summary area below the table shows the number of detected errors, warnings, or hints and the **filter** status.

## Grouping and Sorting

The messages in the Dart Analysis tool window can be grouped and sorted. By default, the messages are primarily sorted by their **severity**, that is, the error messages are shown at the top of the list, then come warnings, and finally hints are displayed. In each severity group, messages are grouped by the Dart package name, which is super handy for projects with multiple `pubspec.yaml` files. In each package group, the messages are grouped by their file paths. Finally, in each file group, the problems are sorted by the line number where they occurred.

You can re-configure the secondary sorting:

- Click the Location column header to switch between the ascending and descending order of the **Dart package name + file path** sorting. Note that this does not affect the order of severity groups, that is, errors are always shown first. Line numbers are not taken into consideration either, for each particular file problems are always shown in ascending order of line numbers.
- Click the Description column header to perform the secondary sorting alphabetically by the problem description. Note that this does no affect the primary grouping by severity.

To disable the primary grouping by severity, release the Group by Severity toggle button  on the toolbar. After that the severity of a problem is not taken into consideration at all and problem reports are sorted only by their Description or Location ( **Dart package name + file path** ). This sorting method guarantees that all the problems for each particular file are grouped together in the table, regardless of their severity.

## Toolbar Buttons

**Item**  
**Tooltip**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

	<b>Reanalyze Dart Sources</b>	Click this button to run the analysis of the Dart source code of the project without stopping the Dart Analysis server.
	<b>Restart Dart Analysis Server</b>	Click this button to kill the Dart Analysis server and then start it.



**Autoscroll to Source** If this button is pressed, the file that contains the selected error automatically opens in the editor, with the caret at the appropriate line.

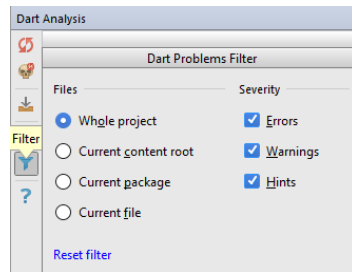


**Group by Severity**

- When this toggle button is pressed, the error messages are shown at the top of the list, then come warnings, and finally hints are displayed. In each severity group, messages are grouped by the Dart package name, which is super handy for projects with multiple `pubspec.yaml` files. In each package group, the messages are grouped by their file paths. Finally, in each file group, the problems are sorted by the line number where they occurred. You can re-configure the secondary sorting:
  - Click the Location column header to switch between the ascending and descending order of the `Dart package name + file path` sorting. Note that this does not affect the order of severity groups, that is, errors are always shown first. Line numbers are not taken into consideration either, for each particular file problems are always shown in ascending order of line numbers.
  - Click the Description column header to perform the secondary sorting alphabetically by the problem description. Note that this does not affect the primary grouping by severity.
- Release this toggle button to disable the primary grouping by severity. After that the severity of a problem is not taken into consideration at all and problem reports are sorted only by their Description or Location ( `Dart package name + file path` ). This sorting method guarantees that all the problems for each particular file are grouped together in the table, regardless of their severity.



**Filter** Click this button to open the Dart Problems Filter pop-up window where you can configure the criteria according to which a problem report is displayed in the tool window or not.



- In the Severity area, specify the types of messages to be shown, the available types are Errors , Warnings , and Hints . To have the problems of a severity level displayed, select the checkbox next to this severity level.
- In the Files area, choose the scope for which you want to see problem reports. The available options are:
  - Whole project
  - Current content root
  - Current package: when this option is selected but no `pubspec.yaml` file is detected up the folder hierarchy starting from the current file, then filtering is performed according to the content root where current file is located.
  - Current file
- Click the Reset all filters link to restore the default filter settings.

Filtering is applied immediately as soon as you change the current settings.



**Help** Use this button to navigate to the help topic for the tool window.

## Context Menu

**Item**      **Shortcut****Description**

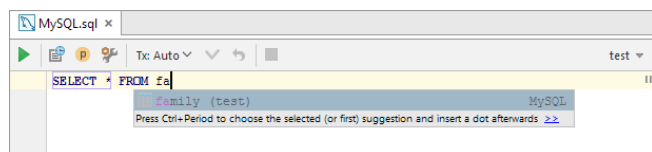
Jump to source       Click this button to navigate to the fragment of code that caused the selected problem.

Copy       Take the line at caret to the clipboard.

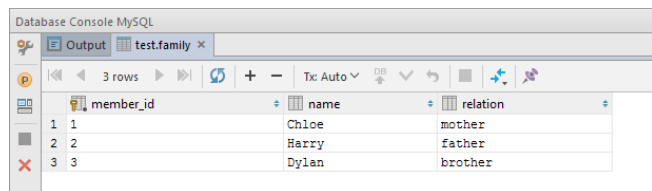
## Overview

Database consoles let you compose and execute SQL statements for databases defined in IntelliJ IDEA as data sources. They also let you analyze and modify the retrieved data.

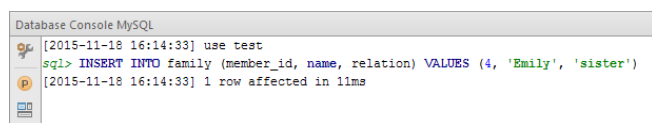
The input pane of a database console opens as a separate editor tab. This is where you compose your SQL statements.



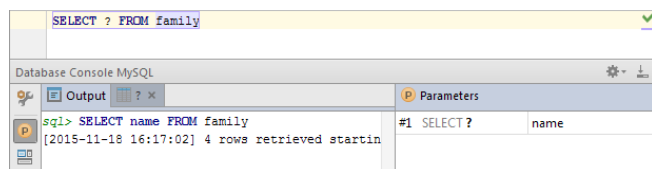
When you execute your first statement (▶), the Database Console tool window opens. If the executed statement retrieves data (e.g. `SELECT`), there are two panes in the tool window shown on the Output and the Result tabs. (The tab showing retrieved data may be labeled Result # or, if appropriate, the table name may be shown.)



Otherwise, only the output pane is shown.



Additionally, you can open the Parameters pane (P) to manage parameters in SQL statements.




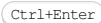

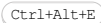










## Input pane

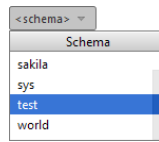
Use the input pane to compose and execute your SQL statements as well as to perform other, associated tasks.

The available functions are accessed by means of the toolbar icons, keyboard shortcuts and context menu commands.

## Toolbar icons and shortcuts

### ItemShortcutDescription

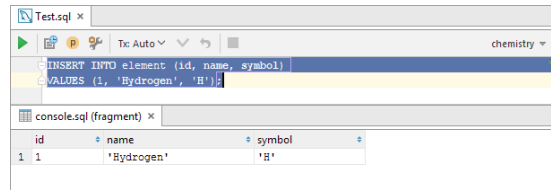
	<b>Execute</b>		Use this icon or shortcut to execute the selected (highlighted) SQL statement or statements. If nothing is selected, the current statement is executed.  See also, <a href="#">Run 'console.sql'</a> , <a href="#">Execute in Console</a> and <a href="#">Executing an SQL statement</a> .
	<b>Browse Console History</b>		Use this icon or shortcut to open a dialog that shows all the statements that you have run for the corresponding data source. See also, <a href="#">Executing auto-memorized statements</a> .
	<b>View Parameters</b>		Use this icon to open or close the <a href="#">Parameters pane</a> .
	<b>Settings</b>		Use this icon to open the <a href="#">Database page</a> of the Settings dialog to view or edit the settings for the database, Hibernate and JPA consoles, data editors and the Database tool window.
	<b>Transaction control</b>		Select the <a href="#">isolation level</a> for database transactions and the way the transactions are committed. – Auto. Each statement is executed in its own transaction that is implicitly committed. – Manual. Transactions are committed or rolled back explicitly by means of  or  on the toolbar.
	<b>Commit</b>		Commit the current transaction.
	<b>Rollback</b>		Roll back the current transaction.
	<b>Cancel Running Statements</b>		Use this icon or shortcut to terminate execution of the current statement or statements.
	<b>&lt;schema&gt;</b>		Select the default schema or database, or, for PostgreSQL or Redshift, form the schema search path. (This control may be unavailable).



Most useful context menu commands [for selecting the default schema or database](#) and [Controlling the schema search path for PostgreSQL and Redshift](#) .

**Item Shortcut Description**

**Edit as Table** If an `INSERT` statement is currently selected: Open the editor for working with the data in table format.



See also, [Editing data for INSERT statements in table format](#) .

**Change Dialect (<CurrentDialect>)** Use this command to change the SQL dialect being used. Select the necessary dialect from the list. In addition to particular dialects, also the following option is available:  
 - <Generic SQL>. Basic SQL92-based support is provided including completion and highlighting for SQL keywords, and table and column names. Syntax error highlighting is not available. So all the statements in the input pane are always shown as syntactically correct.

See also, [Changing the SQL dialect](#) .

**Explain Plan** Show an [execution plan](#) (a.k.a. explain plan) for the current statement. The result is shown in a mixed tree/table format on a dedicated Plan tab.

**Explain Plan (Raw)** Show an [execution plan](#) (a.k.a. explain plan) for the current statement. The result is shown in table format. (Technically, `EXPLAIN <CURRENT_STATEMENT>` or similar statement is executed.)

**Execute** Ctrl+Enter Execute the current statement or the sequence of selected statements.

**Execute to File** Execute the current statement (e.g. `SELECT` ) and save the result in a text file. Select the output format, and specify the file location and name.

**Run 'console.sql'** Ctrl+Shift+F10 Use this command or shortcut to execute all the statements contained in the console.

**Diagrams** Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U If the cursor is within the name of a schema: Open a UML class diagram for the schema.  
 - Show Visualisation ( Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U ). The diagram opens on a separate editor tab.  
 - Show Visualisation Popup ( Ctrl+Alt+U ). The diagram opens in a pop-up window.

**Toolbar of the Database Console tool window**

To hide or show the toolbar, click on the title bar and select Show Toolbar .

**Item Shortcut Description**

**Settings** Use this icon to open the [Database page](#) of the Settings dialog to view or edit the settings for the database, Hibernate and JPA consoles, data editors and the Database tool window.

**Enable SYS.DBMS\_OUTPUT** Ctrl+F8 For Oracle: use this icon or shortcut to enable or disable showing the contents of the DBMS\_OUTPUT buffer in the output pane.

**View Parameters** Use this icon to open or close the [Parameters pane](#) .

**Browse Console History** Ctrl+Alt+E Use this icon or shortcut to open a dialog that shows all the statements that you have run for the corresponding data source. See also, [Executing auto-memorized statements](#) .

**Restore Layout** Use this icon to restore the original tool window layout (after the rearrangements that you have made).

**Cancel Running Statements** Ctrl+F2 Use this icon or shortcut to terminate execution of the current statement or statements.

**Close** Ctrl+Shift+F4 Use this icon or shortcut to close the tool window.

**Output pane**

This pane shows the SQL statements that you have run as well as information about other operations performed in the console. These include turning the autocommit mode on or off, committing or rolling back a transaction, etc.

The information about the errors that occur is also shown in this pane.

For most of the events the following information is provided:

- Timestamp, that is, when the event took place.
- For data definition and data manipulation operations - how many rows were affected (e.g. added, changed or deleted).  
For data retrieval operations - how many rows were retrieved.
- Duration in milliseconds.

The summary info is also shown on the status bar.

Use the following context menu commands:

- Copy ( `Ctrl+C` ) to copy the text selected in the output pane to the clipboard.
- Compare with Clipboard to compare the text selected in the output pane with the contents of the clipboard.
- Clear All to clear all the contents of the output pane.

## Result pane

This pane shows the data retrieved from the database in table format. You can sort, add, edit and remove the data as well as perform other, associated tasks.


## Main functions

Most of the functions in the Result pane are accessed by means of controls on the toolbar, context menu commands for the data cells, and associated keyboard shortcuts.

### ItemShortcutDescription

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These icons and corresponding commands are for switching between the result set pages, i.e. the pages that show the retrieved data.  
A fixed number of rows shown simultaneously is referred to as a **result set page**. If this number is less than the number of rows that satisfy the query, only a subset of all the rows is shown at a time.

In such cases, you can use  to switch between the subsets. (If all the rows are currently shown, these icons and the corresponding commands are inactive.)

The result set page size is set on the [Database page](#) of the Settings dialog.

 First Page

Use this icon or command to switch to the first of the [result set pages](#) to see the first series of rows.

 Previous Page

`Ctrl+Alt+Up`

Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the previous [result set page](#) to see the previous series of rows.

 Next Page

`Ctrl+Alt+Down`

Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the next [result set page](#) to see the next series of rows.

 Last Page

Use this icon or command to switch to the last of the [result set pages](#) to see the last series of rows.

 Reload Page

`Ctrl+F5`

Use this icon, command or shortcut to refresh the current table view. Use this function to:

- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.
- Apply the [Result set page size](#) setting after its change.

 Add New Row

`Alt+Insert`

Use this icon, command or shortcut to add a new row to the table.  
Complete entering a value into a cell by pressing `Enter`. To save the new row, select **Submit New Row** from the context menu or press `Ctrl+Enter`.

If inappropriate in the current context (i.e. for the table currently shown), this function is not available.

See also, [Adding a row](#).

 Delete Rows

`Ctrl+Y`

Use this icon, command or shortcut to delete the selected row or rows.  
Rows are selected by clicking the cells in the column where the row numbers are shown. To select more than one row, use mouse clicks in combination with the `Ctrl` key.

If inappropriate in the current context (i.e. for the table currently shown), this function is not available.

`Tx Auto` Tx and Tx Isolation

Select the [isolation level](#) for database transactions and the way the transactions are committed.

- Auto. The current transaction is committed automatically when you submit your local changes to the database server.
- Manual. The changes submitted to the database server are accumulated in a transaction that can either be committed or rolled back.

 Submit

`Ctrl+Enter`






























Submit local changes to the database server. See [Submitting and reverting changes](#).

 Commit

Commit the current transaction. See also, [Tx](#).

 Rollback

Roll back the current transaction. See also, [Tx](#).

 Cancel Query		Use this icon or shortcut to terminate execution of the current query.
 Compare With		Use this icon to compare the current table with another table. The tables open in the data editors and ones shown in the Database Console tool window are suggested for comparison.
 Pin Tab		Use this icon or command to pin the tab to the tool window to keep the query result. See also, <a href="#">Pinning the Result tab</a> .
 Tab-se...d (TSV) Data Extractor: <current_format>		Use this button or command to open a menu in which you can select an output format for your data. In addition to output formats, there are also the following options and commands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Allow Transposition. For delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV): If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g.  ), the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.</li> <li>– Skip Generated Columns (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or saving data (<a href="#">Copy</a> , <a href="#">Dump Data   To File</a> , <a href="#">Dump Data   To Clipboard</a> ), don't include auto-increment fields.</li> <li>– Add Table Definition (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or saving data, add the table definition (CREATE TABLE).</li> <li>– Configure CSV Formats. Open the <a href="#">CSV Formats dialog</a> that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).</li> <li>– Go to Scripts Directory. Switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.</li> </ul>
 Dump Data   To Clipboard		Use this command to copy the table data onto the clipboard.
 Dump Data   To File		Use this command to save the table data in a file. In the dialog that opens, specify the location and name of the file.
 Export to Database		Export the data to another table, schema or database. Select the target schema (a new table will be created) or table (the data will be added to the selected table). In the dialog that opens, specify the data mapping info and the settings for the target table.
View Query		Use this button to view the query which was used to generate the table. To close the pane where the query is shown, press  .
		This icon provides access to the following commands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Transpose. Turn the transposed table view on or off. (In the transposed view, the rows and columns are interchanged. So, the rows are shown as columns and vice versa.)</li> <li>– Reset View. Restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data.</li> <li>– Settings. Open the <a href="#">Database page</a> of the Settings dialog to view or edit the settings for your database, Hibernate and JPA consoles, data editors and the Database tool window.</li> </ul>
Edit		Use this command or shortcut to start editing a value in the selected cell or cells. (Alternatively, you can double-click the cell or simply start typing.) To open the value completion suggestion list, press  . To enter the modified value, press  . To cancel editing, press  .  See also, <a href="#">Modifying cell contents</a> and <a href="#">Modifying values in a number of cells at once</a> .
Edit Maximized		Maximize the selected cell and start editing a value in it. When working in a maximized cell, use  to start a new line and  to enter the value. To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press  .  See also, <a href="#">Modifying cell contents</a> .
Set DEFAULT		If appropriate: Set the default value or values.
Set NULL		If appropriate: Replace the value or values with <code>null</code> .
Load File		If appropriate: Load a file into the field.
Revert		Revert the changes within the selection. See <a href="#">Submitting and reverting changes</a> .
Clone Row		Use this command or shortcut to create a copy of the selected row.
Quick Documentation		Use this command or shortcut to open the quick documentation view. To close the view, press  . For more information, see <a href="#">Using the quick documentation view</a> .
Transpose		Turn the transposed table view on or off. Alternatively, use    Transpose .
Go To   Row		Use this command or shortcut to switch to a specified row. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number to go to.
Go To   Related Data		Use this command or shortcut to switch to a related record. The command options are a combination of those for <a href="#">Go To   Referenced Data</a> and <a href="#">Go To   Referencing Data</a> . The command is not available if there are no related records.
Go To   Referenced Data		Use this command or shortcut to switch to a record that the current record references. If more than one record is referenced, select the target record in the pop-up that appears.

The command is not available if there are no referenced records.

**Go To | Referencing Data** Alt+F7

Use this command or shortcut to see the records that reference the current record. In the pop-up that appears there are two categories for the target records:

- First Referencing Row. All the rows in the corresponding table will be shown and the first of the rows that references the current row will be selected.
- All Referencing Rows. Only the rows that reference the current row will be shown.

The command is not available if there are no records that reference the current one.

**Copy** Ctrl+C

Copy the selection onto the clipboard. See also, [Copying and pasting data: data types are converted if necessary](#) .

**Paste** Ctrl+V

Paste the contents of the clipboard into the table. See also, [Copying and pasting data: data types are converted if necessary](#) .

**Save LOB**


Use this command to save the large object (LOB) currently selected in the table in a file.


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
See [Selecting cells and ranges: using unobvious techniques](#) .


## Sorting data

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.

Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this:  . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.


If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance:  . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)

When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order:  .


Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is restored. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled:  .

Here is an example of a table where data are sorted by two of its columns.

	id	name	relation
1	3	Dylan	brother
2	6	Jack	brother
3	1	Harry	father
4	2	Chloe	mother
5	5	Alice	sister
6	4	Emily	sister

To restore the initial "unsorted" state for the table, click  and select Reset View .

## Reordering columns

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row. To restore the initial order of columns, click  and select Reset View .

	member_id	relation	name
1	5	sister	Alice
2	1	mother	Chloe
3	3	brother	Dylan
4	4	sister	Emily
5	2	father	Harry

## Hiding and showing columns

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column .

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:

– Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List .

– Press Ctrl+F12 .

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.

	member_id	name
1	5	Alice
2	1	Chloe
3	3	Dylan
4	4	Emily
5	2	Harry
6	6	Jack

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press Space .


3. Press Enter or Escape to close the list.



To show all the columns, click  and select Reset View .



See also, [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Parameters pane

The Parameters pane shows the parameters detected in the input pane and lets you edit their values. To open or close this pane, use  on the toolbar.

To start editing a value, switch to the corresponding table cell and start typing. To indicate that you have finished editing a value, press  or switch to a different cell. To quit the editing mode and restore an initial value, press  .

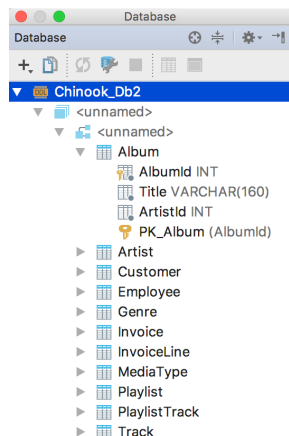
When you select a row in the table, the corresponding parameter is highlighted in the input pane.

See also, [Executing parameterized statements](#) .




## Overview

The Database tool window provides access to functions for working with databases and DDL [data sources](#) . It lets you view and modify data structures in your databases, and perform other associated tasks.

For more information, see [Working with the Database tool window](#) .












The available data sources are shown as a tree of data sources, schemas, tables and columns. If no data sources are currently defined, use the **New** command ( [Alt+Insert](#) ) to create a data source.

Most of the functions in this window are accessed by means of the toolbar icons or context menu commands. (If the toolbar is not currently shown, click  on the title bar and select Show Toolbar .) Many of the commands have keyboard shortcuts. If the toolbar is hidden, the [Synchronize](#) and [Open Console](#) commands can be accessed by means of the title bar icons ( and  respectively).

## Toolbar icons, context menu commands and shortcuts

**Icon****Command****Shortcut****Description****Available**

Icon	Command	Shortcut	Description	Available
			Collapse all the nodes.	All node types
	New	<a href="#">Alt+Insert</a>	Create a new data source, database, schema, database console, table, column, index, or a primary or foreign key. The list of options depends on which element is currently selected. See also, <a href="#">Creating a data source</a> , <a href="#">Creating a database or schema</a> , <a href="#">Creating and opening a new database console</a> , <a href="#">Creating a table, a column, an index, or a primary or foreign key</a> and <a href="#">Data Sources and Drivers dialog</a> .	DB data sources and their elements. If a DDL data source is selected, you can only choose to create another data source.
	Duplicate	<a href="#">Ctrl+D</a>	Create a copy of the selected data source. Specify the properties of the data source in the Data Sources and Drivers dialog that opens.	DB and DDL data source nodes
	Synchronize	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Y</a>	Update the view of the selected element (i.e. synchronize the view of the element with its actual state in the database). See also, <a href="#">Auto sync</a> .	DB data sources and their elements
	Properties		Open the <a href="#">Data Sources and Drivers dialog</a> to manage your data sources and their settings.	All node types
	Disconnect	<a href="#">Ctrl+F2</a>	Close the database connection for the selected DB data source or data sources. (The names of the data sources with	DB data sources with active connections and their

			active database connections are shown in bold.)	elements
 or 	Open Editor	<b>F4</b> or <b>Ctrl+B</b>	Open the data editor or the definition editor for the selected item.	Corresponding elements in DB data sources
	Open Console	<b>Ctrl+Shift+F10</b>	Open the default <a href="#">database console</a> for the corresponding DB data source.	DB data sources and their elements (tables and table columns)
	Rename	<b>Shift+F6</b>	Rename the selected data source, table or column. Specify the new name in the dialog that opens. See also, <a href="#">Renaming items</a> .	All node types
	Modify Table, Modify Column, Modify Index, Modify Key, Modify Foreign Key	<b>Ctrl+F6</b>	Edit the definition of the selected table, column, index, or primary or foreign key. See also, <a href="#">Modifying the definition of a table, column, index, or a primary or foreign key</a> .	Corresponding elements in DB data sources
	Copy Reference	<b>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+C</b>	Copy the fully qualified name of the selected data source, table or column to the clipboard.	All node types
	Find Usages	<b>Alt+F7</b>	Find the usages of (references to) the selected item (data source, table or column) in your source files and libraries.	All node types
	Database Tools   Hide Schemas		Hide the selected schemas. See <a href="#">Showing and hiding schemas</a> .	Schemas in DB data sources
	Database Tools   Manage Shown Schemas		Open the Schemas popup for the current DB data source. See <a href="#">Showing and hiding schemas</a> .	DB data sources and their elements
	Database Tools   Forget Cached Schema		Use this command in problematic cases such as when your data structures start to display incorrectly, fail to synchronize, etc. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the information it has accumulated about your database. To check if this has eliminated the problem, use the <a href="#">Synchronize command</a> .	DB data sources
	Database Tools   Copy Settings		Copy the settings for the selected data source onto the clipboard.	DB data sources
	Database Tools   Drop Primary Key		Remove the primary key constraint for the current table.	Tables and columns in DB data sources
	Database Tools   Drop Foreign Key		Remove the foreign key constraint.	Columns with the foreign key constraint in DB data sources
	Database Tools   Truncate		Remove all the rows in the selected table.	Tables in DB data sources
	Drop or Remove	<b>Delete</b>	Remove the selected item.	All node types
	Open New Console		Create and open a new <a href="#">database console</a> for the corresponding DB data source.	DB data sources and their elements

Generate and Copy DDL	Ctrl+Shift+C	Generate DDL definitions for the selected data source, schema, table, view, stored procedure or function, and copy those definitions onto the clipboard.	All node types except columns
Open DDL in Console	Shift+F4	Open a DDL definition of the selected table or view in a database console.	Tables and views in DB data sources
Compare	Ctrl+D	Select two data sources, schemas or tables and then use this command to compare table structures for the selected items. The comparison results are shown in the <a href="#">differences viewer</a> differences viewer .	DB and DDL data sources and tables
Dump Data to File(s)		Save data for the selected tables and views in files. Select the output format (e.g. SQL Inserts, Tab-separated (TSV), JSON-Clojure.json.cj). See also, <a href="#">Saving data in files in various forms and formats</a> .	DB data sources, and schemas, tables and views within them
Dump with "mysqldump" or Dump with "pg_dump"		Run <a href="#">mysqldump</a> or <a href="#">pg_dump</a> for the selected items. See <a href="#">Creating database backups with mysqldump or pg_dump</a> .	MySQL and PostgreSQL data sources, and schemas, tables and views within them
Import Data from File		Import a text file containing delimiter-separated values (CSV, TSV, etc.) into your database. If a schema is currently selected, IntelliJ IDEA will create a new table for the data that you are importing. If a table is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will try to add the data to the selected table. See <a href="#">Importing delimiter-separated values into a database</a> .	Schemas, tables and columns in DB data sources. For columns, the result will be the same as for schemas
Restore with "mysql", Restore with "psql" or Restore		Run <code>mysql</code> , <a href="#">pg_restore</a> or <a href="#">psql</a> to restore a data dump. See <a href="#">Restoring data dumps with mysql, pg_restore or psql</a> .	MySQL data sources, databases and schemas. PostgreSQL data sources, databases, schemas and tables
Color Settings		Set or change the color for the selected element or elements. (The <a href="#">Database Color Settings dialog</a> will open.)	All node types
Scripted Extensions / Generate POJOs.cj		Generate a Java entity class for the selected table. In the dialog that opens, specify the directory in which the <code>.java</code> class file should be generated.	Tables
Scripted Extensions / Go to Scripts Directory		Switch to the directory where the <code>Generate POJOs.cj</code> example script file is located. See also, <a href="#">Extending the functionality of database tools</a> .	All node types
Diagrams	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U	View a UML class diagram for the selected data	DB and DDL data sources

Ctrl+Alt+U

source or table. Select and tables

- Show Visualisation to open the diagram on a separate editor tab.
- Show Visualisation Popup to see the diagram in a pop-up window.

View | Quick Documentation (in the main menu)


Ctrl+Q

View basic information All node types

about the selected element. For example, the info about a table includes the names of the data source, database, schema and the table itself, the table definition ( `CREATE TABLE` ) and, if appropriate, the first 10 rows.

To close the documentation pop-up, press `Escape` .

## View options

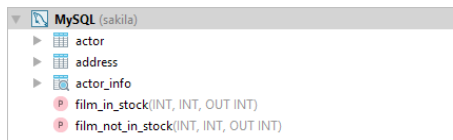
The view options, generally, define what is shown in the tool window and how. To view or change these options, click  on the title bar.

### OptionDescription

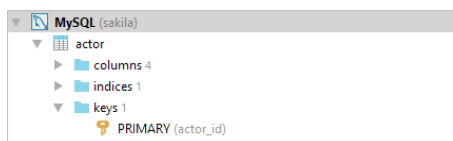
**Group Schema** This option defines how schema elements are shown. When on, there are separate nodes for tables, views and stored routines (shown as folders). Tables, views and routines (procedures and functions) are shown as elements of the corresponding groups.



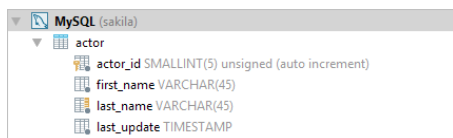
When off, there is no explicit grouping for tables, views, and routines. Tables and views are followed by procedures and functions.



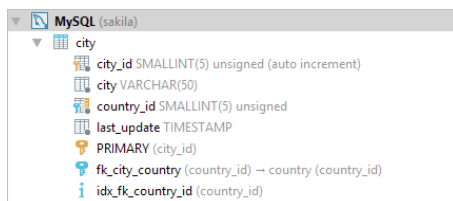
**Group Contents** This option defines how table elements are shown. When on, there are separate nodes for columns, indexes, primary and foreign key constraints, and triggers (shown as folders). The elements appear in the corresponding groups.



When off, there is no such grouping and, generally, only columns are shown for tables.



**Show Keys and etc.** When this option is on, the primary and foreign key constraints, and indexes are shown as separate elements.



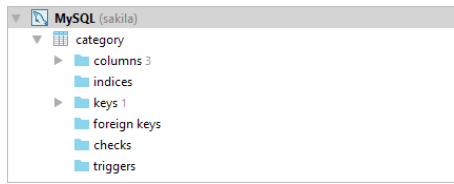
Otherwise, there are no separate elements for the keys and indexes.



The option is unavailable when the [Group Contents option](#) is on.

Show Empty Groups If the [Group Schema](#) or the [Group Contents option](#) is on, you can select to show or hide empty groups, i.e. the categories that contain no elements.

The Show Empty Groups option is on:

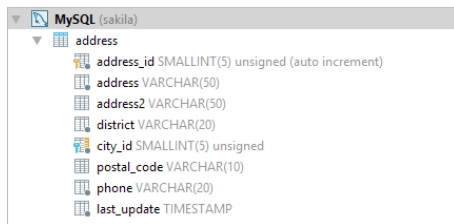


The Show Empty Groups option is off:

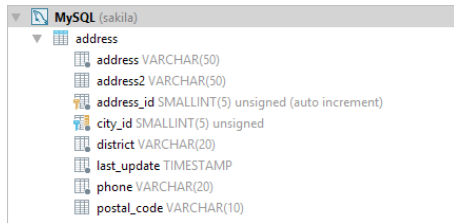


Sort When this option is off, columns, generally, are unsorted.

Alphabetically



When this option is on, the columns are ordered alphabetically.









Show Toolbar Select or deselect this option to show or hide the toolbar.

The rest of the options are common for all the tool windows, see [Viewing Modes](#).

## Icons for data sources and their elements

### IconDescription

	DB data source. Also, DBMS-specific icons are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> <a href="#">Amazon Redshift</a></li><li> <a href="#">DB2</a></li><li> <a href="#">Derby</a></li><li> <a href="#">H2</a></li><li> <a href="#">HSQLDB</a></li><li> <a href="#">Microsoft Azure</a></li><li> <a href="#">MySQL</a></li><li> <a href="#">Oracle</a></li><li> <a href="#">PostgreSQL</a></li><li> <a href="#">SQL Server</a></li><li> <a href="#">SQLite</a></li><li> <a href="#">Sybase</a></li></ul>
	DB data source with the read-only status, e.g.  for Derby.
	DDL data source
	Database
	Schema
	Table
	View
	Column
	A <code>NOT NULL</code> column
	Column with a primary key
	Column with a foreign key




	Column with an index
	Primary key
	Foreign key
	Index
	Trigger
	Stored procedure or function

## Title bar context menu and buttons

You can right-click on the window title bar and use the context menu to configure its [viewing mode](#) , associate the window with a different [tool window bar](#) , or resize and hide the window.

You can also use the toolbar buttons:

### Icon ShortcutDescription

	<a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad -</a> Use this button to collapse all expanded nodes in the current view.
	Click this button to access a subset of the context menu commands that let you configure window's <a href="#">viewing mode</a> .
	Use this command to hide the tool window. You can also use it in combination with the <a href="#">Alt</a> key to hides all tool windows attached to the same <a href="#">tool window bar</a> .


Alt+5

## Overview

This tool window becomes available when you start [debugging](#) .

It displays the output generated by the debugging session for your application. If you are debugging multiple applications, the output for each application is displayed in a separate tab named after the corresponding [run/debug configuration](#) .

For each application, there are the following nested tabs:























- **Console** : displays system information and error messages, and the console input and output of your application.
- **Debugger** : this tab is divided into the following areas:
  - [Frames / Threads](#)
  - [Variables](#)
  - [Watches](#)
- **Dump** : opens when the Get thread dump  button is clicked on the [Debugger toolbar](#) .
- **Elements** : appears if you are using Chrome browser for debugging.

Each area has a [context menu](#) that allows you to configure its behavior and navigate between tabs.

Each of the tabs and areas can be [hidden/restored](#) , or [moved](#) to a location of your choice.




## Debug toolbar

**Item**  
**Tooltip**  
**and**  
**Shortcut**








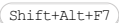





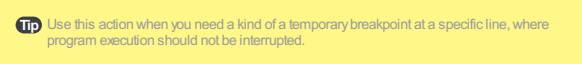


	Rerun  	Click this button to stop the current application and run it again. When an application is stopped, this button toggles to  .
	Debug  	When the current application is stopped, click this button to debug it again. When an application is running, this button toggles to  .
	Resume Program  	When an application is paused, click this button to resume program execution.
	Pause Program  	Click this button to pause program execution. Note that the button is not available for <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js</a> , <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome</a> , and <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: NUnit</a> .
	Stop  	Click this button to terminate the current process externally by means of the standard <code>shutdown</code> script . Clicking the button once invokes <b>soft kill</b> allowing the application to catch the <code>SIGINT</code> event and perform graceful termination (on Windows, the  event is emulated). After the button is clicked once, it is replaced with  indicating that subsequent click will lead to force termination of the application, e.g. on Unix <code>SIGKILL</code> is sent.
	View Breakpoints  	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Breakpoints</a> dialog box where you can configure breakpoints behavior.
	Mute Breakpoints	Use this button to toggle breakpoints status. When the button  is pressed in the toolbar of the <a href="#">Debug</a> tool window, all the breakpoints in a project are muted, and their icons become grey:  .  You can temporarily mute all the breakpoints in a project to execute the program without stopping at breakpoints.
	Get thread dump	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Dump tab</a> .
	Restore Layout	Click this button abandon changes to the current layout and return to the default state.
	Settings	Click this button to open the menu with the following options available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Show Values Inline</a> : select this option to enable the <a href="#">Inline Debugging</a> feature that allows viewing the values of variables right next to their usage in the editor.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Show Method Return Values</a> : select this option to display the return values of the last executed method.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Auto-Variables Mode</a> : select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA debugger to automatically evaluate certain variables (the variables at breakpoints plus several lines before and after the breakpoint).</li> <li>- <a href="#">Sort Values Alphabetically</a> : select this option to sort the values in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> in the alphabetical order.</li> </ul>












- Unmute Breakpoints on Session Finish : select this option to re-enable all disabled breakpoints after the debugging session has been finished.


	Pin	Click this button to pin or unpin the currently selected tab.
	Close	Click this button to close the selected tab.
		
	Help	Click this button to open the corresponding help page.
		

## Stepping toolbar

Item	Tooltip and Shortcut	Description
	Show Execution Point 	Click this button to highlight the current execution point in the editor and show the corresponding stack frame in the Frames pane.
	Step Over 	Click this button to execute the program until the next line in the current method or file, skipping the methods referenced at the current execution point (if any). If the current line is the last one in the method, execution steps to the line executed right after this method.
	Step Into 	Click this button to have the debugger step into the method called at the current execution point. If stepping into the called method is suppressed through the <a href="#">Stepping</a> page of the <a href="#">Settings</a> dialog box (for example, if it is of a standard Java SDK class or a simple getter), the method will be skipped. Change the settings or use the Force Step Into command.
	Force Step Into 	Click this button to have the debugger step into the method called in the current execution point even if this method is to be skipped.
	Step Out 	Click this button to have the debugger step out of the current method, to the line executed right after it.
	Drop frame	Interrupts execution and returns to the initial point of method execution. In the process, it drops the current method frames from the stack.
	Run to Cursor 	Click this button to resume program execution and pause until the execution point reaches the line at the current cursor location in the editor. No breakpoint is required. Actually, there is a temporary breakpoint set for the current line at the caret, which is removed once program execution is paused. Thus, if the caret is positioned at the line which has already been executed, the program will be just resumed for further execution, because there is no way to roll back to previous breakpoints. This action is especially useful when you have stepped deep into the methods sequence and need to step out of several methods at once.  If there are breakpoints set for the lines that should be executed before bringing you to the specified line, the debugger will pause at the first encountered breakpoint.
		
	Evaluate Expression 	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Evaluate Expression</a> dialog.

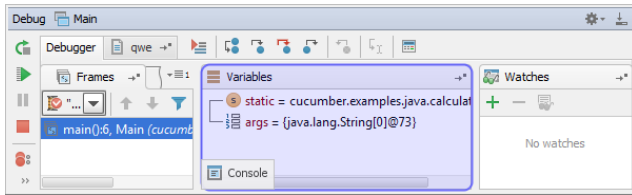
## Hide/restore toolbar

Icon	Tooltip	Description
	Hide	Click this button located in the upper-right corner of the Debug Console, Watches, Treads, Frames, or Variables pane to hide the corresponding area. When an area is hidden, its icon appears in upper-right corner of the Debugger.
	Restore 'Console' view	Click this button to make the <a href="#">Console</a> area visible. This button becomes available after clicking  .
	Restore 'Frames' view	Click this button to make the <a href="#">Frames</a> area visible. This button becomes available after clicking  .
	Restore 'Watches' view	Click this button to make the <a href="#">Watches</a> area visible. This button becomes available after clicking  .
	Restore 'Threads' view	Click this button to make the <a href="#">Threads</a> area visible. This button becomes available after clicking  .

 Restore Click this button to make the **Variables** area visible. This button becomes available after clicking **'Variables'** view

## Moving tabs and areas

If you are unhappy with the default layout of the Debug tool window, you can always move the tabs and areas. To do that, just drag a tab or an area to the desired location. The possible target gets highlighted.



Drop the tab or area in the highlighted location.


To restore the default layout of tabs and area, click  in the Debug toolbar.


## Context menu of a tab

Use the context menu of the **Frames / Threads**, **Variables** or **Watches** areas to configure the behavior of these areas or navigate between tabs.

### ItemDescription

Hide	Click this button to hide the corresponding area
Close Others	Click this button to hide all tabs except for the <b>Console</b> and Debugger tabs.
Focus On Startup	If this option is selected, the selected area gets the focus when you start a debugging session.
Focus On Breakpoint	If this option is selected, the selected area gets the focus when a breakpoint is reached.
Select Next Tab / Select Previous Tab	Use these options to switch between the <b>Console</b> and the Debugger tabs.

 **Ctrl+Alt+Right** /

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The Debugger tab is divided into the following areas:

- [Frames /Threads](#)
- [Variables](#)
- [Watches](#)

The Frames pane enables you to gain access to the list of threads of your application. You can also [export to a text file](#) and [customize thread presentation](#). To examine a thread, select it from the drop-down list on top of the pane. The status and type of a thread is indicated by a special icon and a textual note next to the thread's name. For each thread, you can view the stack frame, examine frames, navigate between frames, and automatically jump to a frame's source code in the editor.

To examine the values stored in a frame, use the [Variables pane](#) of the Debug tool window.








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- [Thread Status](#)
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## Thread Status

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UNKNOWN	The status of the thread cannot be determined.



## Threads Icons

Icon	Description
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	The current thread group.
	An active thread.
	A suspended thread.
	A frozen thread.
	A thread at breakpoint.
	The current thread at breakpoint.

## Context menu options

Item	Description
Drop Frame	Use this command to <a href="#">drop the selected frame</a> , i.e. go back in time while debugging. This option is only available if there are two or more frames.
Force Return	Use this command to force a return from the current method before the return statement is reached and without executing any more instructions from it. If the method returns a value, you will be prompted to specify it ( <a href="#">smart code completion</a> is provided). If the method has try-finally blocks, you will be prompted to choose whether you want to execute them or not.
Add Stepping Filter	Use this command to add a stepping filter in the dialog that opens.
Export Threads	Use this item to open the <a href="#">Export Threads dialog box</a> that allows you to export a thread to the specified text file.
Customize Threads View	Use this item to manage contents of the Frames tab. For example, you can opt to show thread groups, line numbers etc. Refer to the <a href="#">dialog description</a> for details.

## Toolbar

Item	Shortcut and Tooltip	Description
	Previous Frame/Next Frame <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Up</a> / <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Down</a>	Use the arrow buttons to navigate through the frame stack.
	Hide Frames from Libraries	Click this button to hide frames from libraries. If this button is released, all frames are displayed.

The Threads pane shows all threads of a process as a tree view, and allows exploring them, [customizing thread view](#) , and [exporting to a file](#) .







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## Context menu options

**ItemDescription**

Item	Description
Suspend	Select this option to suspend the selected thread. When a thread is suspended, this menu option toggles to Resume.
Interrupt	Use this command to interrupt the active thread.
Drop Frame	Use this command to <a href="#">drop the selected frame</a> , i.e. go back in time while debugging. This option is only available if there are two or more frames.
Add Stepping Filter	Use this command to add a stepping filter in the dialog that opens.
Export Threads	Use this item to open the <a href="#">Export Threads dialog box</a> that allows you to export a thread to the specified text file.
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## Toolbar

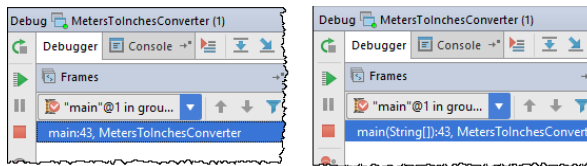
**ItemShortcut and Tooltip**

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	Hide Frames from Libraries	Click this button to hide frames from libraries. If this button is released, all frames are displayed.

Use this dialog box to manage contents view and groupings of the Frames tab.

#### ItemDescription


Show thread groups	If this option is selected, threads appear in a hierarchy of thread groups, allowing you to drill down into each group to access its member threads.
Show stack frames for synthetic methods	Specify whether you want stack frames for synthetic methods to be shown.
Move current thread to the top	Select this checkbox to keep the current thread on top of the list.
Show line number	If this checkbox is selected, the line number is displayed.
Show class name	If this checkbox is selected, the name of a class containing the method is shown.
Show package name	If this checkbox is selected, the name of the class package is shown. This checkbox allows hiding package names in the Threads view.
Show source file name	Shows the name of source file that contains the method.
Show method arguments types	If this checkbox is selected, the method type is shown next to the method name in the <a href="#">Frames</a> or <a href="#">Threads</a> panes of the Debugger. For example, the unselected vs selected checkbox is shown in the following image:



Use this dialog to export a thread to the specified text file.

**ItemDescription**

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Export to file	Type the target file to store the thread report.
	Use this button to navigate to the desired location in the Select Path dialog.
Save	Click to save the current threads in a text file indicated in the Export to file field.
Copy	Click to copy the thread status to the Clipboard.
Cancel	Use to discard all changes and close the dialog.

In this topic:


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## Overview

The Variables pane enables you to examine the values stored in the objects of your application.







When a stack frame is selected in the [Frames pane](#), the Variables pane displays all data within its scope (method parameters, local and instance variables). In this pane, you can set labels for objects, inspect objects, evaluate expressions, add variables to watches and more.

## Toolbar

This toolbar appears only when the [Watches pane](#) is hidden so the configured watches are displayed in the Variables pane. Hiding/showing the Watches pane is controlled through the  toggle button:



- When the button is pressed, which is its default status, the Watches pane is hidden and the toolbar is shown in the Variables pane. So doing, the focus is with the [Debugger tab](#).
- When the button is released, the toolbar moves to the Watches pane.

### ItemShortcutDescription



	Insert	Click this button to create a new watch.
	Delete	Click this button to remove the selected watch from the list.
	Alt+Up Alt+Down	Use these buttons to change the order of watches.
	Ctrl+D	Use this button to create a copy of the selected watch.
	Show watches in Variables tab	Use this toggle button to have the Watches pane hidden or shown. By default, the button is pressed and displayed on the toolbar of the Variables pane. Consequently, the Watches pane is hidden and the watches are shown in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> . <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To have the Watches pane displayed separately and view the configured watches in it, release the Show watches in Variables tab toggle button. The Watches pane appears with the Show watches in Variables tab toggle button on the toolbar.</li><li>– To hide the Watches pane and view the watches in the Variables pane, press the  toggle-button on the toolbar of the Watches pane. The toggle button returns to the default location on the toolbar of the Variables pane.</li></ul>

## Context menu

### ItemShortcutDescription

Inspect	N/A	This command is available for fields, local variables and reference expressions, and opens a non-modal Inspection window, where you can concentrate on a particular reference. You can open as many Inspection windows as required. The view in the Inspection window is the same as in the <a href="#">Watches pane</a> , but requires less screen space.
Mark Object	F11	Use this command to add an object label.
Set Value	F2	Use this command to change the runtime value of a field or a variable.
Copy Value	Ctrl+C	Use this command to copy the value of the selected variable to the Clipboard. If multiple items are selected, not only variables' values, but also their structure is copied, so that when you copy-paste the selection to a text file, the indentation mimics the tree output of the debugger to produce an easy-to-read output. Alternatively, hover your mouse cursor over a value and view its contents in the tooltip.
Copy Value As	N/A	This menu item is available only in the <b>PHP</b> context. Choose this command to copy the selected variable to the Clipboard in one of the following formats: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <a href="#">print_r</a></li><li>– <a href="#">var_export</a></li><li>– <a href="#">json_encode</a></li></ul>
Copy JSON		This menu item is available only in the JavaScript context. Choose this command to copy the selected value in the <a href="#">JSON format</a> .
Compare Value with Clipboard	N/A	Use this command to compare the selected value with the value currently in the Clipboard.
Copy Name	N/A	Use this command to copy the name of the selected variable to the Clipboard.
 Evaluate Expression	Alt+F8	Use this command to <a href="#">evaluate the selected variable</a> in the dialog that opens.
 Add to Watches	N/A	This command is available for all nodes except static ones. Use this command to create an expression that references the node and add this expression to the <a href="#">Watches pane</a> .
Show Referring Objects	N/A	Use this command to display a list of objects referring to the currently selected variable.



Jump to Source		This command opens the source code of the selected variable or field in the editor and places the caret in the corresponding line.
Jump to Type Source		Use this command to navigate to the definition of the class of the selected variable or field.
View Text / View/Edit Text (for string values)	N/A	Use this command to display the text representation (if any) of the selected variable. Note that for the string values View Text turns into View/Edit Text . This makes it possible to change string values in a text area.
View as	N/A	<p>Use this command to select how you want variable values to be displayed. For numeric values, you can toggle between the decimal and hexadecimal formats. Objects are usually represented by their class name and instance identifier, but you can optionally show them in the string format.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Auto : this option is available for items where different layout is possible. If selected, IntelliJ IDEA looks through all available renderers and searches for the first suitable layout for the currently selected item. If none is found, the default layout is applied.</li> <li>- Hex : this option is available for numeric variables. If selected, the variable is shown in the hexadecimal format.</li> <li>- Primitive : this option is available for primitive variables. It shows the value appropriate for the corresponding primitive type.</li> <li>- Binary : this option is available for binary data. If selected, the variable is shown as a binary literal.</li> <li>- Timestamp : this option is available for <code>long</code> data. If selected, the variable is shown as a timestamp.</li> <li>- Boolean : available for boolean data. If selected, the variable is shown as a boolean value ( <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> ).</li> <li>- toString() : this option is available for all reference types where <code>toString()</code> is overridden (except for arrays), and shows the node's <code>toString()</code> value in the tree.</li> <li>- Array : this option is available for arrays.</li> <li>- Object : this is the default layout available for all non-primitive variable types.</li> <li>- Map : this options shows as a map.</li> <li>- Collection : this option shows as a collection.</li> <li>- File : this option is available for files and is the default layout for <code>java.io.File</code> type variables.</li> <li>- User-defined renderer : this option is available for renderers created by the user in <a href="#">Debugger   Java Type Renderers</a> , or in the <a href="#">Customize Data Views</a> dialog. The corresponding renderer name is shown in the menu.</li> </ul>
Adjust Range	N/A	This command is available for arrays and lists and lets you view the contents of an array within the specified range of indices.
Show types	N/A	Select this option if you want to show variables' types.
Mute Renderers	N/A	Select this option to mute automatic calculation of Java type renderers to reduce overhead.
Customize Data Views	N/A	Select this option to open the <a href="#">Customize Data Views</a> dialog where you can configure how data is represented.

## Variable types

The icon on the left of each variable indicates its type:

-  : static
-  : global
-  : field
-  : array
-  : primitive
-  : object

Use this dialog to configure the debugger data view options. Note that the same settings can be alternatively configured on the [Debugger page](#) in the Settings dialog.

- [Java tab](#)
- [Java Type Renderers tab](#)

## Java tab

### ItemDescription

Autoscroll to new local variables	Select this option to automatically scroll to new variables that appear in the scope when stepping.
Show value tooltip	Select this option to enable automatic display of tooltips for values. A tooltip in this context is a pop-up that provides an alternative, sometimes a more convenient presentation of values in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> of the <a href="#">Debug Tool Window</a> .

To illustrate, let's assume that there is a statement like this in your code:

```
String s =
"Hello, World!
\n
Hello, World!";
```

When this statement is executed in the debugger, you'll see a line looking similar to this in the Variables pane:

```
s
= {java.lang.String@62}
"Hello, World!
\n
Hello, World!"
```

with the line break shown as `\n`.

If the Show value tooltip option is on and you click this line and then hold the mouse pointer on it, you'll see a yellow area (the "tooltip") in which the value of `s` is shown as

```
Hello, World!
```

```
Hello, World!
```

with a real line break in place of `\n`.

If this option is disabled, press `Alt` to display a value.

Show	In this section, select which elements you want the Debugger to display: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Declared type</li> <li>– Synthetic fields</li> <li>– \$val fields as local variables</li> <li>– Fully qualified names</li> <li>– Object id</li> <li>– Static fields</li> <li>– Static final fields</li> </ul>
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Show hex value for primitives	Select this option if you want numeric variables to be displayed in the hexadecimal format.
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Hide null array elements	Select this option if you want null array elements to be omitted.
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Enable alternative view for Collection classes	Select this option to display collections and maps in a more convenient format.
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







Enable <code>toString()</code> object view	In this section, you can select classes if you need them and their descendants to be presented as a result of the <code>toString()</code> method call while debugging. Use the following controls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– For all classes that override <code>toString()</code> method : select this option to show all classes as <code>toString()</code>.</li> <li>– For classes from the list : populate the list of classes to be shown as <code>toString()</code>, using the <code>+</code>, <code>+</code> and the <code>-</code> buttons. Use the checkboxes next to the class names to temporarily enable or disable particular filters.</li> <li>– <code>+</code> : click this button to add a class to the list using the Choose Class dialog.</li> <li>– <code>+</code> : click this button to add a custom class filter using the New Filter dialog. To define a filter, enter a string pattern, e.g. <code>*.Test</code>, <code>javax.swing.*</code>, etc.</li> <li>– <code>-</code> : click this button to remove a filter from the list.</li> </ul>
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## Java Type Renderers tab

On this tab, you can create and customize rendering schemes for data presentation in the debugger Frame view.

If no rendering scheme is currently defined, start by clicking `+`.

## ItemDescription



	Click this icon to add a new rendering scheme to the list.
	Click this icon to remove the selected scheme from the list.
	Click this icon to create a copy of the selected scheme.
	Click these icons to move the selected item one line up or down in the list. Note that the order determines which renderer is used in case of ambiguity stemming of class inheritance.
Renderer name	Specify the name of a new renderer, or edit an existing renderer name.
Apply renderer to objects of type (fully-qualified name)	Specify the object type that will be represented by this renderer. Enter a fully qualified object name, or click the Browse button  and choose the desired type from the list in the Renderer Reference Type dialog.
When rendering a node	<p>This option determines how an object is displayed in the debugger when nodes are collapsed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Show type and object id : if cleared, types are shown without class information or id.</li><li>– Use default renderer : select this option to display the node in the default way.</li><li>– Use following expression : enter the Java expression you want to use to identify an object. You can use object properties, constants, and even a string math as part of your renderer. Note that you can use code completion (  ) when defining expressions.</li></ul> <p>All method calls and member variable access are relative to the object you're rendering. Use <code>this</code> to refer to an instance to which the renderer applies.</p> <div data-bbox="209 763 975 831" style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><p><b>Note</b> – Using heavy expressions in renderers may slow down data rendering in views. – Method calls should be used with caution because of possible side-effects.</p></div>
When expanding a node	<p>This option determines how an object is displayed in the debugger when nodes are expanded.</p> <p>Normally, expanding a node in the debugger lists the object's member variables (using the renderer appropriate for the corresponding object types). This option lets you override this behavior and select a single expression or a series of expressions to be displayed. You may use this to limit the amount of information displayed, or to be more precise in how the information is presented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use default renderer : select this option to display the node children in the default way.</li><li>– Use following expression : enter the Java expression you want to use to identify an object. Test if a node can be expanded (optional) : enter a Boolean expression. If it is <code>true</code> , the renderer displays expandable nodes for the defined objects. Otherwise, no nodes are displayed.</li><li>– Use list of expressions : create a list of separate expressions to be calculated and presented as node children. Use:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> (  ) to create a new expression.</li><li> (  ) to remove the selected expression from the list.</li><li> (  ) to move the selected expression one line up in the list.</li><li> (  ) to move the selected expression one line down in the list.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>If you select the checkbox in the On-demand column next to a renderer, the evaluation of this expression will be done on demand. Simply click this expression when you need to evaluate it in the <a href="#">Variables</a> , <a href="#">Watches</a> or other view instead of having it evaluated automatically.</p> <div data-bbox="193 1391 975 1447" style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><p><b>Tip</b> You can use code completion (  ) when defining expressions.</p></div>
Append default children	Select this checkbox to add default children to the list of expressions. This checkbox is only available when the checkbox Use list of expressions is selected.

In this topic:

- [Overview](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Context menu](#)

## Overview

By default, the Watches pane is hidden and the watches are shown in the [Variables pane](#).

- To have the Watches pane displayed separately and view the configured watches in it, release the Show watches in Variables tab toggle button  on the toolbar of the Variables pane. By default, the button is pressed.
- To hide the Watches pane and view the watches in the Variables pane, press the  toggle-button on the toolbar of the Watches pane.

In the Watches pane you can evaluate any number of variables or expressions in the context of the current stack frame. The values are updated with each step through the application, and become visible every time the application is suspended.







While the Evaluate Expression command on the context menu of the [Variables](#) pane enables you to see one expression at a time, the Watches pane shows multiple expressions that persist from one debug session to another, until you remove them.

You can create watches in this pane, in the [Variables](#) pane and even in the editor.

Watch expressions are always evaluated in the context of a stack frame that is currently inspected in the [Frames](#) pane. If an expression cannot be evaluated, it is displayed with a question mark.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Insert	Click this button to create a new watch.
	Delete	Click this button to remove the selected watch from the list.
	Alt+Up Alt+Down	Use these buttons to change the order of watches.
	Ctrl+D	Use this button to create a copy of the selected watch.
	Show watches in Variables tab	Use this toggle button to have the Watches pane hidden or shown. By default, the button is pressed and displayed on the toolbar of the Variables pane. Consequently, the Watches pane is hidden and the watches are shown in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> . <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To have the Watches pane displayed separately and view the configured watches in it, release the Show watches in Variables tab toggle button. The Watches pane appears with the Show watches in Variables tab toggle button on the toolbar.</li><li>– To hide the Watches pane and view the watches in the Variables pane, press the  toggle-button on the toolbar of the Watches pane. The toggle button returns to the default location on the toolbar of the Variables pane.</li></ul>

## Context menu

### ItemShortcutDescription

New Watch	Insert	Choose this command to create a new watch. A text field opens, where you can enter new watch expression.
Remove Watch	Delete	Choose this command to delete the currently selected watch expression from the list.
Edit	F2	Choose this command to change the selected watch expression.
Remove All Watches		Choose this command to delete all watch expressions from the list.
Inspect		Available for fields, local variables and reference expressions. Choose this command to open the Inspect window for the node, which allows you to perform the same operations as those available in the stack frame, with the only difference that the root node is the one you have selected. You can recursively call the new Inspect windows from within each other. Each window is not modal and immediately reflects all changes in its subtree.
Mark Object	F11	Choose this command to add a label to an object.
Set Value		This command is available on the context menu of a field or local variables, added to a watch and being currently in scope. Choose this command to assign the desired value to such variable.
Show Referring Object		Choose this command to display the list of objects referring to the current watch.
Jump to Source	F4	This command opens the source code of the selected variable or field in the editor and places the caret on a proper line.
Jump to Type Source	Shift+F4	Use this command to navigate to the definition of the class of the selected variable or field.
View as		Use this command to select the layout of the values. For the numeric values, you can toggle between the decimal and hexadecimal formats. The objects are usually represented by their class name and instance identifier, but you can optionally show them in string format. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Auto : Available for items where different layout is possible. With this layout IntelliJ IDEA looks through all available renderers searching for the first suitable layout for the current item. If none is found, the default layout is applied.</li><li>– Hex : This layout is available for numeric variables. If checked, the variable is shown in</li></ul>

hexadecimal format.


- Primitive : This layout is available for primitive type variables. It shows the value appropriate for the primitive type.
- toString() : This layout is available for all reference types where `toString()` is overridden except for arrays, and shows the node's `toString()` value in the tree.
- Array : Available for arrays.
- Object : Default layout. Available for all non-primitive type nodes.
- Map : Show as a map.
- Collection : Show as a collection.
- User-defined renderer : Available for renderers created by the user in the [Debugger | Type Renderers](#) or in the Customize Data Views dialogs. The corresponding renderer name is shown in the menu.

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Copy Value Ctrl+C Copies the selected node value to the clipboard.

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Copy Name Copies the selected node name to the clipboard.


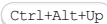

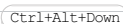




This tab is marked with  and shows the output and error stream messages.

On this page:

- [Console Toolbar](#)
- [Context Menu Commands](#)
- [Keyboard Shortcuts](#)

## Console Toolbar

**Item**  
**Tooltip**  
**and**  
**shortcut**


	Up/down the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate up or down in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.  
	Use Soft Wraps	Click this button to toggle the soft wrap mode of the output.  
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to navigate to the bottom of the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Print	Click this button to send the console text to the default printer.
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all text from the console. This function is also available on the context menu of the console.
	Toggle tasks executions/text mode	Click this button to view Gradle task execution in a tree mode.

## Context Menu Commands

**Item**  
**Description**

Compare with Clipboard	Opens the Clipboard vs Editor dialog box that allows you to view the differences between the selection from the editor and the current clipboard content. This dialog is a <a href="#">regular comparing tool</a> that enables you to copy the line at caret to the clipboard, find text, navigate between differences and manage white spaces.
Fold Lines Like This	Opens the <a href="#">Console</a> dialog that allows you defining the lines to be folded to hide extraneous information.
Copy URL	Choose this command to copy the current URL to the system clipboard. This command only shows on a URL, if it is included in an application's output.
Create Gist	Choose this command to open the Create Gist dialog box.
Clear All	Clears the output window.

## Keyboard Shortcuts

The  key combination allows you to send EOF (end of file), i.e. to signal that no more data can be read from a data source.

This tab appears when the Dump button  is clicked on the [Debugger toolbar](#) , or on choosing Run | Get Thread Dump on the main menu.

Use this tab to review the external thread dump or the one taken from the debugger in a handy way. The tab is divided into two parts. The left one displays all threads, and the right one - the stack trace for the selected thread.








In the Dump tab, all threads are sorted so that the most meaningful and useful threads are on top of the list. For your convenience, threads are displayed in varying shades of gray text, and deadlocks are highlighted in red.

In this topic:

- [Threads toolbar](#)
- [Thread types](#)








## Threads toolbar

**Item**  
**Tooltip**  
**and**  
**Shortcut**

	Filter  	Click this button to enable filtering the thread dump by a word in the stack trace. A search field appears in the list of threads, where you can type the search string. Note that <a href="#">plain search</a>  is also available in the right-hand part of the Dump tab, in the stack trace for the selected thread.
	Copy to Clipboard	Click this button to copy the whole thread dump to the Clipboard.
	Sort threads by name / Sort threads by type	Click these buttons to toggle between sorting threads in the alphabetical order, or by type.
	Export To Text File  	Click this button to export the current threads to a specified text file.

## Thread types

**Item**  
**Description**

	Thread is suspended.
	Thread is waiting on a monitor lock.
	Thread is running.
	Thread is executing network operation, and is waiting for data to be passed.
	Thread is idle.
	Event Dispatch Thread that is busy.
	Thread is executing disk operation.

In this tab, view the HTML source code that implements the active browser page and its [HTML DOM structure](#) . Any changes made to the page through the browser are immediately reflected in the tab.

### To Have the Tab Displayed:

1. Install the **JetBrains Chrome extension** in your Chrome browser, see [Installing JetBrains Chrome extension](#) .
2. Make sure the **LiveEdit** repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
3. Activate the **Live Edit** functionality by selecting the Update application in Chrome checkbox on the [Live Edit](#) page. For details, see [Activating Live Edit](#) .

### The Structure, Text, and Scripts Panes

The tab consists of three panes: Structure , Text , and Scripts .

The Structure pane shows the [HTML DOM structure](#) of the page that is currently active in the browser. The structure is updated dynamically according to the changes made on the page.

The Text pane shows HTML source code of the page that is currently active in th browser. The code is updated dynamically according to the changes made on the page.

The Scripts pane shows a tree of executed scripts.

The Structure and the Text panes are mutually synchronized. When you click a node in the DOM structure, IntelliJ IDEA scrolls through the contents of the Text pane. The panes are also synchronized with the browser: as soon as you click a node in the DOM structure or in the Text pane, IntelliJ IDEA highlights the corresponding element in the browser.



The Dependency Viewer tool window displays results of analyzing dependencies, backward and cyclic dependencies.

In this section:

- [Panes of the Dependency Viewer](#)
- [Analyzed Code Toolbar](#)
- Usage [Toolbar](#) and [Context Menu](#)







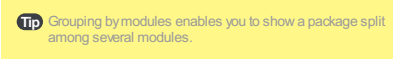





## Panes of the dependency Viewer


The Dependency Viewer consists of the following panes:

- Analyzed Code pane in the upper-left part of the tool window containing a tree view of your project's files and packages. Selecting a node (package or file), for which you want to find dependencies, populates the Parent Code pane.
- Parent Code pane in the upper-right part of the tool window represents the classes your selection depends on. In addition to the other classes in project, these dependencies also include any classes in the libraries and test sources, if the corresponding view filter is enabled.
- Usage pane in the lower-left part of the tool window is populated when you select an entry in the Parent Code pane.
  - For the [dependencies analysis](#) this pane contains the objects which your code is dependent on (that is, the code in the left pane uses them).
  - For the [backward dependencies analysis](#), these are the objects that depend on your code (that is, they use something of the code in the left pane).
  - For the [cyclic dependencies analysis](#) this pane shows the objects which the analyzed code refers to and which, in turn, refer back to your code.

## Analyzed Code Toolbar

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
and  
**Shortcut**

	Close	Click this button to close the current tab of the tool window.
	Rerun	Click this button to rerun the dependency analysis in the same tab.  
	Flatten Packages	When the button is pressed, all packages display as a single-level tree view.
	Show Files	When the button is pressed, files display in the Analyzed Code and Parent Code panes. Otherwise, both panes display the packages only.
	Show Modules	When the button is pressed, items in the tree view display under the corresponding module nodes. Otherwise, the project items display under their packages.  
	Show Module Groups	When the button is pressed, the items in the tree are arranged by <a href="#">user defined module groups</a> .
	Group By Scope Type	When the button is pressed, the items in the tree are grouped by the type of scope, i.e. production, test or libraries.
	Show Illegals Only	When the button is pressed, the pane shows only illegal and invalid dependencies.
	Mark Illegal	Click this button to mark the selected dependency as illegal.
	Edit Rules	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Dependency Validation dialog</a> and define the rules for dependencies analysis.

The Dependency Validation dialog box opens when you click the  button on the **Analyzed Code** toolbar of the **Dependency Viewer** tool window.

Use the dialog box to declare rules that describe invalid dependencies.

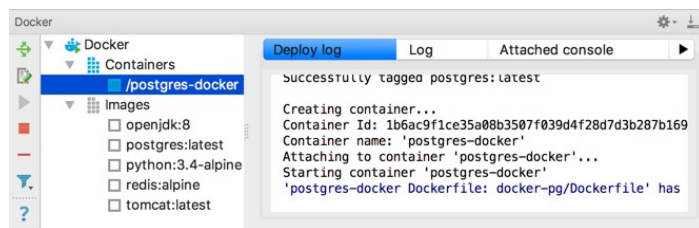
#### ItemDescription

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Deny usages of/	Drop-down menus appear on pressing the Add button to the right. Use the drop-down menus to select the usage scope pattern: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Deny means that the specified scope code is recognized as invalid</li></ul>
Allow usages of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Allow means that the specified scope code is recognized as valid.</li></ul> <p>Scope pattern is defined in the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box, by clicking the ellipsis button.</p>
in/ only in	Drop-down menus appear on pressing the Add button to the right. Use this drop-down menu to select the usage scope pattern where the previously selected usages are to be applied. For deny it means that the Deny usages of code are invalid if used within the in scope. For allow it means that the Allow usages of code is valid only in case if it is used within the only in scope. To set the scope pattern press the ellipsis button to call the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box.
Add	Click this button to add a line to the pattern list.
Remove	Click this button to remove the selected pattern line from the list.
Move up/	Click this button to move the selected pattern line up or down in the list.
Move down	
Skip import statements	Select this checkbox to skip analyzing import statements. In this case references in the import statements are ignored.

For this tool window to be available, the Docker integration [plugin](#) must be installed and at least one Docker configuration must be defined.

The Docker tool window lets you manage your [Docker](#) images and containers.



All the available functions are accessed by means of the toolbar icons and context menu commands.

See also: [Docker](#) .

## Toolbar icons and context menu commands

### IconCommandDescription

#### Docker node

	Connect	Connect to Docker API. As a result, the list of Docker images and containers available locally is shown.
	Disconnect	Disconnect from Docker API. As a result, the list of Docker images and containers is hidden.
	Edit Configuration	Edit the Docker API connection settings.
	Deploy	Execute an existing <a href="#">Docker run configuration</a> or create a new one.
	Pull image	Pull an image from <a href="#">Docker Hub</a> or other image repository, e.g. <a href="#">Quay</a> . Opens the <a href="#">Pull Image dialog</a> .
	Filter	Open the Filter menu to showhide containers that are not running and images with no tags.

#### Images

	Create container	Create a container for the selected image according to an existing or new <a href="#">Docker run configuration</a>
	Delete image	Delete the selected image or images.
	Push image	Push the selected image to <a href="#">Docker Hub</a> or other image repository, e.g. <a href="#">Quay</a> . Opens the <a href="#">Push Image dialog</a> .
	Filter	Open the Filter menu to showhide containers that are not running and images with no tags.
	Copy image ID	Copy ID of the selected image to the clipboard.

#### Containers


	(Re)deploy	Restart the container using an associated <a href="#">Docker run configuration</a>
	Edit Configuration	Edit the settings for an associated run configuration.
	Start container	Start the selected container.
	Stop container	Stop the selected container.
	Delete container	Delete the selected container or containers.
	Filter	Open the Filter menu to showhide containers that are not running and images with no tags.
	Copy container ID	Copy ID of the selected container to the clipboard.
	Copy image ID	Copy ID of the associated image to the clipboard.
	Show log	Show the container log.
	Inspect	Show low-level container information in JSON format.
	Show processes	Show the list of processes running in the container.


Attach	Open the console for the <a href="#">ENTRYPOINT</a> container process, i.e. attach to the stdin/out of the process.
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Exec	Run a command in the container, e.g. <code>ls /tmp</code> , <code>/bin/bash</code> .
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Compose node

	(Re)deploy	Restart the services using the associated <a href="#">Docker run configuration</a>
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	Edit Configuration	Edit the settings for the associated run configuration.
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Services



	Scale	Change the number of containers within the service.
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	Start	Start the service.
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	Stop	Stop the service.
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This tool window appears in the following cases:

- [Quick Documentation lookup](#) is pinned by clicking  in the upper-right side of the lookup window.
- [Quick Definition tooltip](#) is pinned by clicking  in the upper-right corner of the tooltip.

As a result, the tool window appears in the list of available tool windows in the View menu, and gets the corresponding sidebar icon  Documentation .

#### IconShortcutDescription

	Left or Right	Switch to the previous or next documentation page (e.g. after using hyperlinks).
	<b>Note</b>	On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger right-to-left and left-to-right swipe gestures.
	Shift+F1	View external documentation in the default browser.
	F4	Switch to the item (e.g. source) that corresponds to the documentation page currently shown.
		Turn the Auto-update from source option on or off. When the option is on, the information in the tool window is synchronized with your navigation in the editor and other places in the UI.
		Click this icon to show the font size slider. Move the slider to increase or decrease the font size as required.

- This tool window becomes available after [performing DSM analysis](#).
- Make sure that DSM Analysis plugin is installed and enabled. Refer to the [Plugins settings](#) page of the Settings dialog.

Here you can see the typical matrix view.

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maven-monitor	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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maven-plugin-registry	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-project	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact-manager	35	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-profile	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact	11	...	1	-	-	-	-	-	...	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-reporting-and-modules	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-repository-metadata	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-script-and-modules	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-plugin-api	49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-
maven-settings	...	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-model	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	-

The row headers represent program structure. Everything is collapsed now and only modules are shown. When expanded, the header is tree-like, allowing you to expand modules and dig into program packages. \* - node groups classes inside the package. The column headers are the same as the corresponding row headers. Thus they are not shown in order to save space. Instead, different visual aids are used on the row headers.

If you select a row, the matrix will look like this.

empty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact-test	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-core	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-error-diagnostics	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-monitor	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-plugin-descriptor	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-plugin-parameter-documenter	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-plugin-registry	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-project	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-profile	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact-manager	35	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact	11	...	1	-	-	-	-	-	...	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-reporting-api	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-repository-metadata	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-script-ant	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-script-beanshell	49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	12	-	-
maven-plugin-api	...	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-settings	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-model	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	-

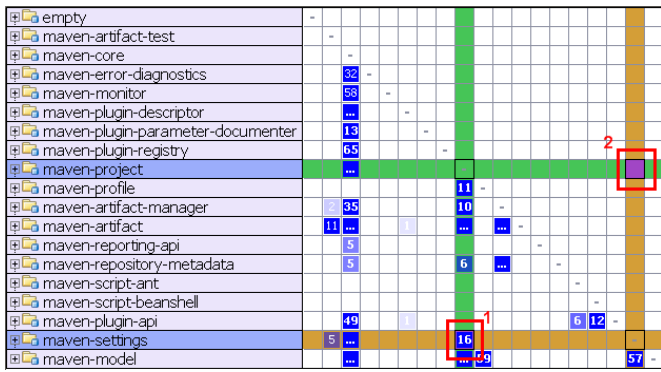
Here you can learn the following:

- The selected row and corresponding column are highlighted to visualize row dependencies.
- The ellipsis in the cell means that the `maven-core` module has many (more than 99) dependencies on `maven-project` module.
- The column shows the dependencies of the selected row.
- The row shows the dependencies on the selected row.
- This means that the `maven-project` module has 16 dependencies on `maven-settings` module.
- Various shades correspond to the number of dependencies.

empty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact-test	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-core	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-error-diagnostics	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-monitor	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-plugin-descriptor	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-plugin-parameter-documenter	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-plugin-registry	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-project	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-profile	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact-manager	35	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-artifact	11	...	1	-	-	-	-	-	...	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-reporting-api	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-repository-metadata	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-script-ant	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-script-beanshell	49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	12	-	-
maven-plugin-api	...	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-settings	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
maven-model	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	-

- Color annotations help to visualize row dependencies at a glance.
- `maven-core` depends on `maven-project`.
- `maven-project` depends on `maven-profile`.
- The dashes on the diagonal correspond to self dependencies which are not shown.

You can select any cell to explore the dependencies indicated in it.

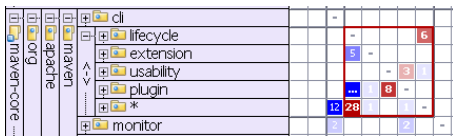


The cell #1 was selected. These color annotations mean that `maven-project` has 16 dependencies on `maven-settings`. The symmetrical cell (cell #2) shows dependencies in the other direction - in this case zero.

There is a simple mnemonic rule - all dependencies always flow from Green to Yellow.

Instead of alphabetically sorting rows, DSM view sorts dependencies in a special way: classes, which are used most are moved to the bottom. In a project with good structure this creates a triangular shape in the lower left half of the matrix.

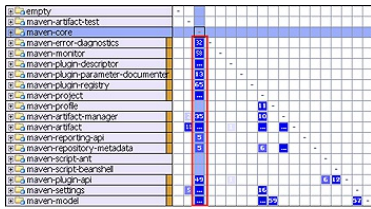
### Cycles



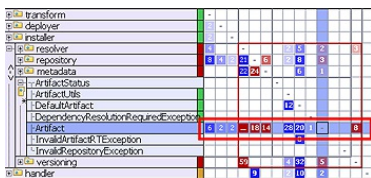
Mutual dependencies are shown in red. It means that the plugin and usability packages are both dependent on each other.

### Patterns

There are two types of visual patterns. Vertical lines represent *aggregators*.



Horizontal lines appear in lowest-level or utility functionality.



The Duplicates tool window displays results of the search for duplicates.

On this page:

- [Panels of the Duplicates tool window](#)
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- [Upper toolbar](#)
- [Context menu commands](#)








## Panels of the Duplicates tool window

The window consists of the following panes:

- The left pane displays the tree view of the duplicate fragments of source code. Each node shows the following information:
  - The number of duplicated code fragments found in scope.
  - The 'cost' of the duplicate (which is an arbitrary unit calculated using an additive algorithm on the base of the code block size; generally, the larger is the code fragment, the higher is its cost).
  - The containing class where the duplicates are located.
- The right pane shows the differences between the duplicated fragments of source code, selected in the left pane.




## Left toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Rerun	Click this button to rerun the duplicates analysis in the active tab.
	Close Active Tab	Click this button to close the active tab.
		
	Autoscroll to Source	If the button is pressed, selecting an entry in the left pane opens the respective file in the editor.
	Eliminate Duplicates	Click this button to extract method from the duplicated code fragments. Refer to the <a href="#">Extract Method</a> refactoring for details.
		Click this button to show reference.

## Upper toolbar

### ItemTooltip/Image/ShortcutDescription

		Move to the next/previous difference
Whitespace		<p>Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This option is selected by default.</li> <li>– Trim whitespaces : (<code>"\t"</code>, <code>" "</code>), if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.</li> <li>– If two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the <a href="#">By word</a> mode.</li> </ul> </li> <li>– Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.</li> <li>– Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– all whitespaces (as in the 'ignore whitespaces' option)</li> <li>– all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only</li> <li>– all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>For example, changing <code>a b c</code> to <code>a \n b c</code> is not highlighted in this mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).</li> </ul>

### Highlighting mode



Select the way differences granularity is highlighted.





The available options are:

- Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted
- Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted
- Highlight split changes : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.

For example, `A \n B` vs. `A X \n B X` will be treated as two changes instead of one.





- Do not highlight : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.



	<b>Jump to Source</b>	Click this button to open the file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Duplicates tool window .
		
	<b>Synchronize scrolling</b>	Click this button to simultaneously scroll both differences panes; if this button is released, each of the panes can be scrolled independently.
	<b>Editor settings</b>	Click this button to invoke the list of available settings. Select or clear this options to show or hide whitespaces, line numbers and indent guides, to use or disable the use of soft wraps, and to set the highlighting level. These commands are also available from the context menu of the differences viewer gutter.

## Context menu commands


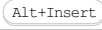
**Item**  
**Keyboard Shortcut**

<b>Jump to Source</b>		Open in the editor the file that contains the selected duplicate, and place the caret at the beginning of the duplicate. The fragment of code is highlighted.
<b>Show Source</b>		Open in the editor the file that contains the selected duplicate, and highlight the fragment of code.
<b>Send to left/Send to right</b>		Use these commands, or the arrow icons   , to place the selected duplicate to the left or right pane of the differences viewer.

This tool window shows your deployment descriptors (e.g. `ejb-jar.xml` ) and EJBs. (The tool window is not available if there are no EJB [facets](#) in your project.)

## Main context menu commands

### CommandDescription

ER Diagram	For an EJB facet: Show an entity-relationship diagram.
Jump to Source (  )	Open the selected file in the editor. (Alternatively, you can double-click the file.)
New (  )	If an EJB facet is selected: Create an EJB, relationship or interceptor. The New command is also available for certain EJB types. See also, <a href="#">Creating EJB</a> .
Apply EJB 3.0 Style	Bring your EJBs in compliance with the <a href="#">EJB 3.0 specification</a> . See <a href="#">Migrating to EJB 3.0</a> .

Event Log in the right-hand part of the bottom [tool window bar](#)

The Event Log tool window shows the information about "important" events that take place in IntelliJ IDEA.

The information about problematic situations (e.g. errors and exceptions) is displayed in red. In such cases, clicking the more link (if present) opens a balloon with a more detailed description of the error or exception. Clicking a description link (depending on the error, the text may be different e.g. `NullPointerException` ) opens the IDE Fatal Errors dialog which lets you review the error and create a bug report.

- [General tab](#)
- [Database tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## General tab

The General tab appears when the [Database tab](#) opens. In the absence of the Database tab, the information is shown in the output pane which, in this case, is not tabbed.

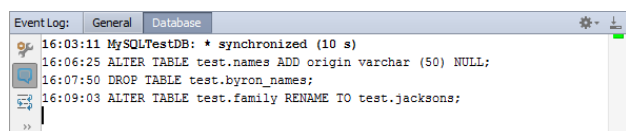
## Database tab

Shown on the Database tab are the events related to working with the [Database tool window](#) and the [Data editor](#) .

For the Database tool window, the following may be shown:








- The information about data synchronizations and various manipulations with databases such as creating, modifying and deleting tables and columns, etc.
- Error messages.

For the data editor only error messages are shown.



## Toolbar

### ItemDescription



	<b>Settings</b>	Use this icon to open the <a href="#">Notifications page</a> where you can select which events you want to be notified of and also which events should be logged.
	<b>Show balloons</b>	Use this icon to enable or disable showing notifications. Note that this icon is a toggle which turns the corresponding feature on or off.  When showing notifications is enabled, you are notified of the events that take place in IntelliJ IDEA. The corresponding notifications are shown in the balloons.  The alternative way to enable or disable this feature is by means of the Display balloon notifications checkbox on the <a href="#">Notifications page</a> .
	<b>Use Soft Wraps</b>	Use this icon to turn on or off the soft wrap mode for the output.
	<b>Scroll to the end</b>	Use this icon to go to the end of the event log.
	<b>Mark all as read</b>	Use this icon to mark all the messages as read.
	<b>Clear all</b>	Use this icon to delete all the messages and thus clear the log. This function can alternatively be accessed by means of the context menu.
	<b>Help</b>	Click this button or press <b>F1</b> to open this help topic.

## Title bar context menu and buttons

You can right-click on the window title bar and use the context menu to configure its [viewing mode](#) , associate the window with a different [tool window bar](#) , or resize and hide the window.

You can also use the toolbar buttons:

### Icon ShortcutDescription

		Click this button to access a subset of the context menu commands that let you configure window's <a href="#">viewing mode</a> .
	<b>Shift+Escape</b>	Use this command to hide the tool window. You can also use it in combination with the <b>Alt</b> key to hides all tool windows attached to the same <a href="#">tool window bar</a> .



Alt+2

**Note**

- Toolbar buttons
- Context menu commands
  - Title bar context menu and buttons
  - Context menu of the side bar button
- Using drag-and-drop

The Favorites tool window lets you manage the following lists:

- [Favorite project items](#) . Each list of Favorites in the tool window appears with the star icon ★ .
- [Bookmarks](#) . The list of bookmarks is marked with ✓ icon.
- [Breakpoints](#) . The list of breakpoints is marked with ● icon.

Initially, the lists are empty. So doing, the favorites list has the same name as the project.




The lists of bookmarks and breakpoints are filled in automatically, as the new bookmarks or breakpoints are added.

To add items to favorites, do one of the following:

- Select one or more items in the [Project Tool Window](#) or the [Find tool window](#) . Then choose File | Add To Favorites .
- Right-click an editor tab, and choose Add to Favorites or Add All to Favorites .

## Toolbar buttons

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<a href="#">Alt+Insert</a>	Use this button to create a new list of favorite items. In the Add New Favorites List dialog, specify the name for the new list and click OK .
	<a href="#">Ctrl+Enter</a>	Depending on the selection, this button does one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If a Favorites list ★ , or one of the nested favorites is selected, click this button to rename this list.</li> <li>- If a bookmark under the Bookmarks list ✓ is selected, click this button to change short description of the selected bookmark.</li> <li>- If a breakpoint under the Breakpoints list ● is selected, click this button to <a href="#">configure the selected breakpoint</a> .</li> </ul>
	<a href="#">Alt+Delete</a>	Use this button to delete the selected list or list item. Depending on the selection, the following behaviors take place: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If a Favorites list ★ , or one of the nested favorites is selected, click this button to delete an entire favorites list, or the selected item. So doing an item or a list is deleted from the Favorites tool window, but is left intact in project.</li> <li>- If a bookmark under the Bookmarks list ✓ is selected, click this button to delete this bookmark from the list and from the source code.</li> </ul> <p>Vice versa, if a bookmark is deleted from the source code, it is also removed from the Favorites tool window.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If a breakpoint under the Breakpoints list ● is selected, click this button to delete the selected breakpoint from the list and from the source code.</li> </ul> <p>Vice versa, if a breakpoint is deleted from the source code, it is also removed from the Favorites tool window.</p>

## Context menu commands

When you right-click an item in the content pane, the context menu for this item is shown. This menu provides access to all the functions available for the selected item.




The commands and functionality are similar to those in the [Project tool window](#) .

## Title bar context menu and buttons

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You can also use the toolbar buttons:

### Icon ShortcutDescription






	<a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad -</a>	Use this button to collapse all expanded nodes in the current view.
		Click this button to access a subset of the context menu commands that let you configure window's <a href="#">viewing mode</a> .
	<a href="#">Shift+Escape</a>	Use this command to hide the tool window. You can also use it in combination with the <a href="#">Alt</a> key to hide all tool windows attached to the same <a href="#">tool window</a>

## Context menu of the side bar button

Right-click the side bar button to reveal this context menu. Refer to the section [Viewing Modes](#) for the detailed information about the viewing modes.

### ItemDescription

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	Use this command to turn the Flatten Packages option on or off. If this option is off, the packages are shown as a hierarchy. If this option is on, all the packages appear at the same level and are identified by their qualified names.
	Use this command to turn the Compact Empty Middle Packages option on or off. If this option is off, the empty middle packages are shown as a hierarchy. If this option is on, all the packages appear at the same level and are identified by their qualified names.
	Use this command to turn the Show Members option on or off. If this option is on, the class members (fields, methods, etc.) are shown.
	Use this command to turn the Autoscroll to Source option on or off. If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA automatically navigates from a file (or a class member) selected in the Favorites tool window to the corresponding source file (or its fragment) in the editor. If the corresponding file is not currently open, it will open automatically.
	Use this command to turn the Autoscroll from Source option on or off. If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA automatically navigates from a file (or a class member) selected in the editor, to the corresponding file in the Favorites tool window.

## Using drag-and-drop

You can use drag-and-drop to:

- Add items to favorites: drag the item of interest from the Project tool window and drop it onto the desired favorites list in the Favorites tool window.
- Drag an external item from the Explorer/Finder and drop it onto the desired favorites list in the Favorites tool window.
- Move an item from one favorites list to another in the Favorites tool window.

Alt+3

On this page:

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## Basics

Find tool window displays results of the following searches:

- [Find/Replace in Path](#)
- [Find Usages](#)
- [Structural Search and Replace](#)
- [Refactoring Preview](#)
- [Find Usages of a data source](#) , a table, or a column.
- The Usages pane appears in the [Dependencies Viewer](#) , when an entry is selected in the Parent Code pane.












The results of each search are displayed in a separate tab, or replace the contents of the current tab, depending on the Open in new tab dialog setting. By default the window appears at the bottom of the screen.






















It has a toolbar with a set of buttons, a pane of results, and additional buttons for [Replace in Path](#) , [Structural Replace](#), and [Refactoring Preview](#) operations.

**Warning!** Unless you find something, this tool window is not visible in the View menu.

## Toolbar buttons

**Item**   **Tooltip**   **Description**  
and  
shortcut

	Options  <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7</a>	Click this button to open one of the <a href="#">Find Usages</a> dialogs, which corresponds to the symbol in question. You can edit the search settings and click Rerun button to execute the modified search query.
	Rerun  <a href="#">Ctrl+F5</a>	Rerun the last search. This button is not available for <a href="#">viewing code coverage results</a> .
	Close  <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+F4</a>	Close the current tab or the tool window. This button is not available in Replace in Path and Refactoring Preview dialogs.
	Pin	Use to pin or unpin the tab. If a tab is pinned, the results for the next command are shown on a new tab.
	Recent find usages  <a href="#">Ctrl+E</a>	Show the list of recent searches. Select an item in the list to see the search results.
 	Expand all  <a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad Plus</a>  Collapse all  <a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad -</a>	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
	Previous/next occurrence  <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Up</a>  <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Down</a>	Navigate to the previous/next element in the tab of results.
	Autoscroll to source	Turns the Autoscroll to source option on or off. When the option is on and you select the search result, the corresponding source file opens in the editor and the appropriate fragment is highlighted in the file.
	Favorites	Click this button to add found usages to <a href="#">favorites</a> .
	Export to Text File  <a href="#">Alt+O</a>	Save the contents of the current result tab. In the Export preview dialog, specify the target file or copy information to the clipboard. Before saving, you can also modify the information to be saved.

	Help	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.
		
	Group by usage type	This button is available for <a href="#">Find Usages</a> only.
		
		<p>If this button is pressed, the search results are grouped by the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- instanceof</li> <li>- import</li> <li>- cast target type</li> <li>- extends/implements clause</li> <li>- class static member access</li> <li>- method throws list</li> <li>- .class</li> <li>- field declaration</li> <li>- local variable declaration</li> <li>- method parameter declaration</li> <li>- catch clause parameter declaration</li> <li>- method return type</li> <li>- delegates to another object instance</li> <li>- delegates to another object instance with different parameters</li> <li>- delegates to super</li> <li>- delegates to super with different parameters</li> <li>- recursive method calls</li> <li>- string constants</li> <li>- comments</li> <li>- unclassified usage not related to any of the categories</li> </ul>
	Group by test/production	If this button is pressed, the usages are grouped according to the Production and Test scopes.
	Group by module	If this button is pressed, the found usages show under the corresponding module or library node.
		
		<b>Tip</b> This type of grouping is helpful, when a package is split between several modules.
	Group by package	If this button is pressed, all the usages found are displayed under their respective packages.
		
	Group by file structure	If this toggle is on, the found usages are shown under the corresponding method nodes.
		
	Merge usages from the same line	If this toggle is on, the duplicate usages found on the same line are merged.
		
	Show read access	This button is available for <a href="#">Find Usages</a> only.
		
		If this button is pressed, the search results include references to the read access methods.
	Show write access	This button is available for <a href="#">Find Usages</a> only.
		
		If this button is pressed, the search results include references to the write access methods.
	Show import statements	This button is available for <a href="#">Find Usages</a> only.
		
		If this button is pressed, the search results include the usages in the import statements.
	Preview usages	Turns showing the Preview pane on or off.
	Sort members alphabetically	Click this button to have all members sorted alphabetically. Otherwise, members are sorted in the order they are declared.

**Tip** The following buttons are available for Replace in Path only.

Do Replace All

Click this button to replace all occurrences



	<b>Alt+D</b>	in the current tab of results.
Replace Selected	<b>Alt+L</b>	Click this button to replace the selected occurrence in the current tab of results.

**Tip** The following buttons are available for Refactoring Preview only.

Do Refactor	<b>Alt+D</b>	Click this button to perform refactoring on all occurrences in the current search results.
Cancel	<b>Alt+C</b>	Click this button to discard search results and close the results tab.

**Tip** The following buttons are available for Structural Replace only.

Replace All		Click this button to replace all found occurrences.
Replace Selected		Click this button to replace the highlighted occurrence.
Preview Replacement		Click this button to show how the changes will apply to the selected node in the Find tool window. In this case, the corresponding occurrence is highlighted in the source code.

## Context menu commands

### Item ShortcutDescription

Jump to Source	<b>F4</b>	Navigate to the selected item in the source code.
Include	<b>Insert</b>	For an <b>excluded item</b> : include the item in the list of results.
Exclude	<b>Delete</b>	Exclude the selected item from the list of results. (Excluded items are shown strikethrough.) When you carry out the Replace All or the Do Refactor command, the excluded items are not affected.
Remove	<b>Alt+Delete</b>	Remove the selected item from the list of results.
Recent Find Usages	<b>Ctrl+E</b>	Show the list of recent searches. Select an item in the list to see the search results.
Add to Favorites		<a href="#">Add selected node to the Favorites list</a> .


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- [Errors pane](#)
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- [Toolbar](#)
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## Errors pane

The pane shows a list of all the discrepancies detected in the file which is opened in the active editor tab. At the top the full path to the file is displayed.




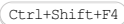



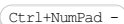

## Project Errors pane

The pane shows a list of all the discrepancies detected in all the files in the current project after you run Flow against the entire project by clicking  on the toolbar. The error messages are grouped by files in which they were detected.

## Toolbar

The toolbar is common for the Current Errors and the Project Errors panes.

### ItemTooltip Description

	and Shortcut	
	Show all errors	Click this button to switch to the Project Errors pane and view all the discrepancies detected in the current project.
	Help	Use this button to navigate to the help topic for the tool window.
	Close 	Click this button to terminate the Flow type checker and close the tool window.
	Expand all	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
	 Collapse all 	
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all the error messages from the currently active pane.

## Context Menu

The context menu is common for the Errors and the Project Errors panes.

### ItemDescription

Jump to source	Choose this option to open the file where the selected problem was detected and navigate to the fragment of code which caused the error.
Copy	Choose this option to copy the selected error message with the information on the file, the line, and the column where the error occurred.

**Warning!** The tool window is available only in a [Symfony2](#) or a [Yii](#) specific projects with the [MVC view enabled](#) .

In this tool window, examine the project in the terms of bundles, controllers, and other elements of the MVC pattern.


The Grails tool window is accessed by selecting Grails in the drop-down list located in the left-hand part of the title bar in [Project Tool Window](#) .

The special Grails tool window shows logical project structure displaying Controllers, Domain classes, Views, etc. as the Grails application elements rather than files and directories. From the Grails view, you can:


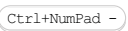
- Gain quick access to the application elements and their contents
- Navigate between the controller actions and associated views.
- Edit Groovy scripts from the [Scripts](#) directory

#### ItemDescription


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 Click this button to navigate from a file in the Editor that gets the focus, to the corresponding node (file, class, field, method, etc.) in the Project tool window.

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 Click this button to collapse all nodes (  )

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 Click this button to open the menu for configuring the current view and changing the tool window viewing modes.

The menu items are options that you can turn on or off. An active item contains a check mark on the left side of its name.

The available options in the menu are as follows:

- [Compact Empty Middle Packages / Hide Empty Middle Packages](#)
- [Autoscroll to Source](#)
- [Autoscroll from Source](#)
- [Pinned](#), [Docked](#), [Floating](#), [Windowed](#), [Split Mode](#)

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 Click this button to hide the tool window (  ).

When used in combination with the Alt key, clicking this button hides all the tool windows attached to the same tool window bar.

On the main menu select View | Tool Windows | Gradle

The Gradle tool window displays Gradle tasks, and all changes made to the underlying `build.gradle` file, or to the IntelliJ IDEA project structure.


If there is no linked Gradle project, the window is disabled. You need to reimport your Gradle project to enable the Gradle tool window.


In this section:

- [Gradle projects](#)
- [Gradle Tasks](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
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## Gradle projects

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to open the menu for configuring the current view and changing the tool window viewing modes.
	The menu items are options that you can turn on or off. An active item contains a check mark on the left side of its name.
	The available options in the menu are as follows:
	– Group Tasks - select this option if you want to group your tasks. For example, build tasks will be included into the build directory.
	– Show Toolbar - select this option to show the toolbar for your Gradle projects.
	– <a href="#">Pinned, Docked, Floating, Windowed, Split Mode</a>
	– Group Tabs - deselect this option to see the views on separate tabs if more than one view is available in a tool window.
	– Move to - select this option to move the Gradle tool window to either top, left or right.
	– Resize - select this option to resize the Gradle tool window.

	Click this button to hide the tool window( <code>Shift+Escape</code> ).
	When used in combination with the Alt key, clicking this button hides all the tool windows attached to the same tool window bar.









## Gradle Tasks

### ItemDescription

Run Configurations	This area contains a list of the last executed tasks and command types under which these tasks were executed.
Tasks	This area contains a list of all available tasks.
Dependencies	This area contains a list project dependencies.




## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to refresh all registered Gradle projects after changes have been made to a Gradle script.
	Click this button to link a gradle project.
	Click this button to detach an external gradle project.
	Use this button to execute a Gradle task. When you click this icon, the Run Gradle Task dialog opens. You can enter the name of the task that you want to execute. Note that IntelliJ IDEA supports a code completion.
	Use these buttons to expand or collapse all the nodes.
	Click this button to import a module or a data to your gradle project via <a href="#">Project Data to Import</a> dialog. It might be useful for the multi-module projects.
	Click this button to work with Gradle projects in the offline mode. It might be helpful when the network connection is slow or when you need to work offline.
	Click this button to configure the settings of the current Gradle project in the <a href="#">Gradle settings</a> dialog box.

## Context Menu

### ItemDescription

	Select this option or use a shortcut to open <code>build.gradle</code> file.
	Select this option to refresh external projects.
	Select this option to detach an external project.
Use auto-import	Select this option to enable the auto-import feature for your project.

Task            Select this option to add, edit or remove an activation phase for your task. It might be useful for working with the  
Activation      Gradle multi-module projects.

## Context Menu Commands for Gradle Tasks


### CommandDescription

Run <task>	Choose this command to run the selected task with the task-specific run/debug configuration.
Debug <task>	Choose this command to debug the selected task with the task-specific run/debug configuration.
Create <task>	Choose this command to <a href="#">create run/debug configuration</a> for the selected Gradle task.
Execute before Sync, Execute after Sync	Choose these commands to set the respective flags for the selected task. In this case, <i>Before Sync</i> and <i>After Sync</i> comments appear next to the name of the node.
Execute before Build, Execute after Build	Choose these commands to set the respective flags for the selected task. In this case, <i>Before Build</i> and <i>After Build</i> comments appear next to the name of the node.
Execute before Rebuild, Execute after Rebuild	Choose these commands to set the respective flags for the selected task. In this case, <i>Before Rebuild</i> and <i>After Rebuild</i> comments appear next to the name of the node.
Assign Shortcut	Choose this command to <a href="#">associate the selected phase with a keyboard shortcut</a> . In this case, the comment with the shortcut appears next to the name of the node.


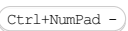
The special Griffon tool window shows logical project structure displaying Controllers, Model classes, Views, etc. as the Griffon application elements rather than files and directories. From the Griffon view, you can gain quick access to the application elements and their contents.

#### ItemDescription


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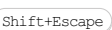
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 Click this button to open the menu for configuring the current view and changing the tool window viewing modes.

The menu items are options that you can turn on or off. An active item contains a check mark on the left side of its name.

The available options in the menu are as follows:

- [Compact Empty Middle Packages / Hide Empty Middle Packages](#)
  - [Autoscroll to Source](#)
  - [Autoscroll from Source](#)
  - [Pinned, Docked, Floating, Windowed, Split Mode](#)
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 Click this button to hide the tool window (  ).

When used in combination with the Alt key, clicking this button hides all the tool windows attached to the same tool window bar.

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## Accessing the Grunt Tool Window

- the tool window can be accessed this way only after you have opened it using the Show Grunt Tasks command.

The tool window is available only when:

1. The [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. The [NodeJS](#) repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
3. The `grunt-cli` package is installed globally and the `grunt` package is installed in the current project, see [Installing Grunt](#) for details.
4. At least one `Gruntfile.js` file is available in the current project.


The tool window opens when you invoke **Grunt** by choosing Show Grunt Tasks on the context menu of a `Gruntfile.js` in the Project tool window or of a `Gruntfile.js` opened in the editor.

As soon as you invoke **Grunt**, it starts building a tree of tasks according to the `Gruntfile.js` on which it was invoked. If a task has [targets](#), the task is displayed as a node and the targets are listed under it.

If you have several `Gruntfile.js` files in your project, you can build a separate tasks tree for each of them and run tasks without abandoning the previously built tasks trees. Each tree is shown in a separate tab.

## Building a Tree of Grunt Tasks

To build a tasks tree, do one of the following:

- Select the required `Gruntfile.js` file in the Project tool window or open it in the editor and choose Show Grunt Tasks on the context menu.
- In the Grunt tool window, click  on the toolbar and choose the required `Gruntfile.js` file from the list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a tasks tree under it. The title of the node shows the path to the `Gruntfile.js` file according to which the tree is built.


### To sort the tasks in a tree by their names

Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name.

By default, a tree shows the tasks in the order in which they are defined in `Gruntfile.js` (option Definition order).

## Running Grunt Tasks and Targets



### To run a task or a target

Double click the required task or target. Alternatively select it in the tree and press  or choose Run <task name> on the context menu.

### To run the default task

Select the root node in the tree, and choose Run default on the context menu of the selection.

### To run several tasks or targets

Use the multiselect mode: hold  (for adjacent items) or  (for non-adjacent items) keys and select the required tasks or targets, then choose Run on the context menu of the selection.

### To navigate to the definition of a task or a target

Select the required task or target in the tree, and choose Jump to source on the context menu of the selection.








The task or target execution output will be displayed in the [Run tool window](#). The name of the target is shown in the format `<task name>: <target name>`. The tool window shows the Grunt output, reports the errors occurred, lists the packages or



plugins that have not been found, etc. The name of the last executed task is displayed on the title bar of the tool window.

## Toolbar

### ItemTooltipDescription

	<b>Add Gruntfile</b>	Click this button to have a tasks tree for another <code>Gruntfile.js</code> file built. Choose the required <code>Gruntfile.js</code> file from the pop-up list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a tasks tree under it.
	<b>Remove Gruntfile</b>	Click this button to remove the tasks tree under the selected node.
	<b>Reload tasks</b>	Click this button to have the tasks tree under the selected node re-built. You may need a tree re-built after updating the corresponding <code>Gruntfile.js</code> file because Grunt does not apply changes to trees on the fly.
	<b>Collapse all</b>	Click this button to hide all the tasks trees and have only <code>Gruntfile.js</code> nodes displayed.
		Click this button to configure the current view and to change the viewing modes of the tool window, see <a href="#">Viewing Modes</a> for details. Note that most of the menu items are options that you can turn on or off. An option which is on has a check mark to the left of its name. The Grunt - specific options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Grunt Settings: choose this menu item to open the <a href="#">Grunt Settings dialog</a> and re-configure the current settings for Grunt and for the <a href="#">Node interpreter</a>, see <a href="#">Grunt</a>.</li><li>– Sort by: choose this menu item to configure the order in which tasks are shown in trees. Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name.</li></ul> By default, a tree shows the tasks in the order in which they are defined in <code>Gruntfile.js</code> (option Definition order).
	<b>Hide</b>	Click this button to hide the tool window. To have it displayed again, choose View   Tool Windows   Grunt on the main menu. The tool window appears again showing all the previously built trees of tasks.

## Context Menu of a Tree

### ItemDescription

Grunt Settings	Choose this menu item to open the Grunt Settings dialog box and view or edit the <code>Node.js</code> configuration
Jump to Source	Choose this menu item to open the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> file for which the current tree is built.
Reload tasks	Choose this menu item to have the tree of tasks under the selected node re-built.
Copy Path	Choose this menu item to save the path to the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> file according to which the current tree was built to the clipboard.
Remove Gruntfile.js	Choose this menu item to remove the tree of tasks under the selected node.

## Context Menu of a Task or a Target

### ItemDescription

Run <task/target name>	Choose this menu item to run the selected task or target.
Debug <task/target name>	Choose this menu item to debug the selected task or target.
Edit <task/target name> settings	Choose this menu item to open the Run/Debug Configuration dialog box and edit the predefined settings for the selected task or target.
Jump to Source	Choose this menu item to open the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> file for which the current tree is built and navigate to the definition of the selected task or target.

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## Accessing the Gulp Tool Window

Context menu of a Gulpfile.js - Show Gulp Tasks

View | Tool Windows | Gulp - the tool window can be accessed this way only after you have opened it using the Show Gulp Tasks command or after you have run tasks through the **Gulp.js run configuration** .

The tool window is available only when:


1. The [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. The **NodeJS** repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
3. The `gulp` package is installed in the current project, see [Installing Gulp](#) for details.
4. At least one `Gulpfile.js` file is available in the current project.

The tool window opens when you invoke **Gulp.js** by choosing Show Gulp Tasks on the context menu of a `Gulpfile.js` in the Project tool window or of a `Gulpfile.js` opened in the editor. The tree is built according to the `Gulpfile.js` file on which **Gulp.js** was invoked. If you have several `Gulpfile.js` files in your project, you can build a separate tasks tree for each of them and run tasks without abandoning the previously built tasks trees. Each tree is shown under a separate node.

If you have several `Gulpfile.js` files in your project, you can build a separate tasks tree for each of them and run tasks without abandoning the previously built tasks trees. Each tree is shown under a separate node.

## Building a Tree of Gulp Tasks

To build a tree of tasks, do one of the following:

- Select the required `Gulpfile.js` file in the Project tool window or open it in the editor and choose Show Gulp tasks on the context menu.
- In the Gulp tool window, click  on the toolbar and choose the required `Gulpfile.js` file from the list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a tasks tree under it. The title of the node shows the path to the `Gulpfile.js` file according to which the tree is built.


### To sort the tasks in a tree by their names

Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name .

By default, a tree shows the tasks in the order in which they are defined in `Gulpfile.js` (option Definition order ) .

## Running Gulp Tasks

To run a task

Double click the required task. Alternatively select it in the tree and press  or choose Run <task name> on the context menu.



To run the default task

Select the root node in the tree, and choose Run default on the context menu of the selection.

To navigate to the definition of a task

Select the required task in the tree, and choose Jump to source on the context menu of the selection.


To run several tasks







Use the multiselect mode: hold  (for adjacent items) or  (for non-adjacent items) keys and select the required tasks, then choose Run on the context menu of the selection.

The task execution output will be displayed in the [Run tool window](#) .

## Toolbar

ItemTooltipDescription

	Add Gulpfile	Click this button to have a tasks tree for another <code>Gulpfile.js</code> file built. Choose the required <code>Gulpfile.js</code> file from the pop-up list. IntelliJ IDEA builds a tasks tree and shows it under a separate node.
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	<b>Remove Gulpfile</b>	Click this button to remove the tasks tree under the selected node.
	<b>Reload tasks</b>	Click this button to have the tasks tree under the selected node re-built. You may need a tree re-built after updating the corresponding <code>Gulpfile.js</code> file because Gulp.js does not apply changes to trees on the fly.
	<b>Collapse all</b>	Click this button to hide all the tasks trees and have only <code>Gulpfile.js</code> nodes displayed.
		<p>Click this button to configure the current view and to change the viewing modes of the tool window, see <a href="#">Viewing Modes</a> for details. Note that most of the menu items are options that you can turn on or off. An option which is on has a check mark to the left of its name. The Gulp - specific options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Gulp Settings: choose this menu item to open the <a href="#">Gulp Settings dialog</a> and re-configure the current settings for Gulp and for the <a href="#">Node interpreter</a>, see <a href="#">Gulp</a>.</li> <li>– Sort by: choose this menu item to configure the order in which tasks are shown in trees. Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name.</li> </ul> <p>By default, a tree shows the tasks in the order in which they are defined in <code>Gulpfile.js</code> (option Definition order).</p>
	<b>Hide</b>	Click this button to hide the tool window. To have it displayed again, choose View   Tool Windows   Grunt on the main menu. The tool window appears again showing all the previously built trees of tasks.

## Context Menu of a Tree

### ItemDescription


<b>Gulp Settings</b>	Choose this menu item to open the Gulp Settings dialog box and view or edit the <code>Node.js</code> configuration
<b>Jump to Source</b>	Choose this menu item to open the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> file for which the current tree is built.
<b>Reload tasks</b>	Choose this menu item to have the tree of tasks under the selected node re-built.
<b>Copy Path</b>	Choose this menu item to save the path to the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> file according to which the current tree was built to the clipboard.
<b>Remove Gulpfile.js</b>	Choose this menu item to remove the tree of tasks under the selected node.

## Context Menu of a Task or a Target

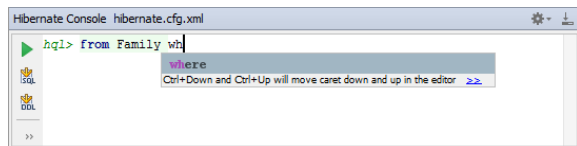
### ItemDescription


<b>Run &lt;task name&gt;</b>	Choose this menu item to run the selected task.
<b>Debug &lt;task name&gt;</b>	Choose this menu item to debug the selected task.
<b>Edit &lt;task name&gt; settings</b>	Choose this menu item to open the Run/Debug Configuration dialog box and edit the predefined settings for the selected task.
<b>Jump to Source</b>	Choose this menu item to open the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> file for which the current tree is built and navigate to the definition of the selected task.

From the [Persistence tool window](#) (for a session factory or any node within it):

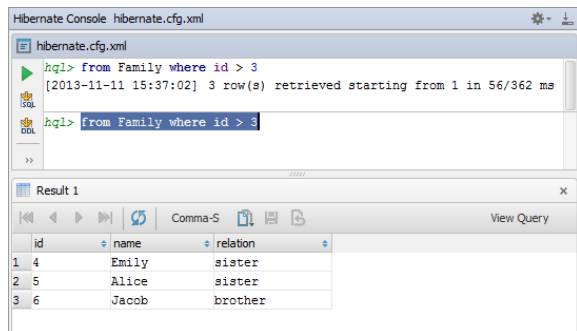
-  on the title bar
- Console from the context menu
- `Ctrl+Shift+F10`


When you open the Hibernate Console tool window, first, the input pane opens. This is where you compose your HQL queries.

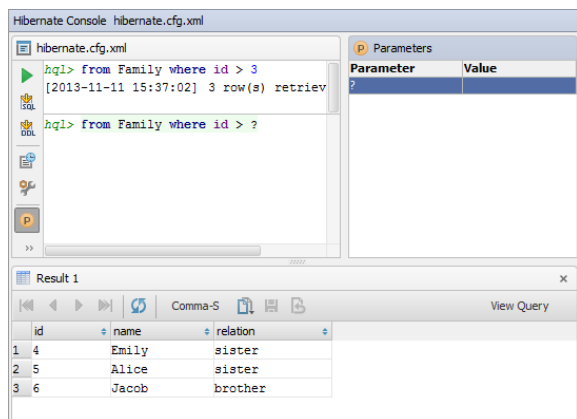


When you run your first query () , the output pane opens above the input pane. Basically, this is the log of operations performed in the console.

If your query retrieves data (e.g. `from` , `select` ), also the Result pane opens showing the retrieved data in table format.



Additionally, you can open the Parameters pane () to manage parameters in your queries.



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- [Result pane](#)
- [Parameters pane](#)

See also, [Working with the Hibernate console](#) .







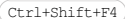
## Toolbar icons and shortcuts

Most of the functions in the Hibernate Console tool window are accessed by means of the toolbar icons and associated keyboard shortcuts.

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Execute Query	<code>Ctrl+Enter</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to run the current query.
	Generate SQL	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Enter</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to generate an SQL equivalent of the current query. The generated SQL statement will be shown in the output pane.
	Generate DDL	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Enter</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to generate DDL SQL statements ( <code>CREATE TABLE</code> , <code>ALTER TABLE</code> and <code>DROP TABLE</code> ) for all the objects (classes) associated with the corresponding session factory. The generated statements will be shown in the output pane.
		<code>Ctrl+Alt+E</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to open a dialog that shows all the queries that you have run in the console.

See also, [Running auto-memorized queries](#) .

 Settings		Use this icon to open the <a href="#">Database page</a> of the Settings dialog to view or edit the settings for the database, Hibernate and JPA consoles, data editors and the Database tool window.
 View Parameters		Use this icon to open or close the <a href="#">Parameters pane</a> .
 Restore Layout		Use this icon to restore the original tool window layout (after the rearrangements that you have made).
 Terminate Process		Use this icon or shortcut to terminate execution of the current query.
 Close		Use this icon or shortcut to close the console.


## Output pane

This pane shows the queries that you have run as well as the information about their execution. When errors occur, the corresponding information is also shown in this pane.

For most of the events the following information is provided:

- Timestamp, that is, when the event took place.
- For data manipulation operations - how many rows were affected (e.g. changed or deleted). For data retrieval operations - how many rows were retrieved.
- Duration in milliseconds.

Use the following context menu commands:

- Copy () to copy the text selected in the output pane to the clipboard.
- Compare with Clipboard to compare the text selected in the output pane with the contents of the clipboard.
- Clear All to clear all the contents of the output pane.


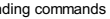


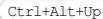

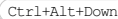



## Result pane



This pane shows the data retrieved from the database in table format. You can sort the data as well as perform other, associated tasks.

- [Main functions](#)
- [Using the header row](#)

Most of the functions in the Result pane are accessed by means of controls on the toolbar, context menu commands for the data cells, and associated keyboard shortcuts.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		These icons and corresponding commands are for switching between the result set pages, i.e. the pages that show the retrieved data. A fixed number of rows shown simultaneously is referred to as a <b>result set page</b> . If this number is less than the number of rows that satisfy the query, only a subset of all the rows is shown at a time.  In such cases, you can use  to switch between the subsets. (If all the rows are currently shown, these icons and the corresponding commands are inactive.)  The result set page size is set on the <a href="#">Database page</a> of the Settings dialog.
 First Page		Use this icon or command to switch to the first of the <a href="#">result set pages</a> to see the first series of rows.
 Previous Page		Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the previous <a href="#">result set page</a> to see the previous series of rows.
 Next Page		Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the next <a href="#">result set page</a> to see the next series of rows.
 Last Page		Use this icon or command to switch to the last of the <a href="#">result set pages</a> to see the last series of rows.
 Reload Page		Use this icon, command or shortcut to refresh the current table view. Use this function to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.</li><li>- Apply the <a href="#">Result set page size</a> setting after its change.</li></ul>

 Tab-se...d (TSV) Data Extractor: <current_format>		Use this button or command to open a menu in which you can select an output format for your data. In addition to output formats, there are also the following options and commands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Allow Transposition. For delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV): If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. ) , the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.</li><li>- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or saving data (<a href="#">Copy</a> , <a href="#">Dump Data   To File</a> , <a href="#">Dump Data   To Clipboard</a> ), don't include auto-increment fields.</li><li>- Add Table Definition (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or</li></ul>
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saving data, add the table definition (CREATE TABLE).

- Configure CSV Formats. Open the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- Go to Scripts Directory. Switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.

Copy All To Clipboard /  
Save All To File

- Copy All To Clipboard. Use this command to copy the table data onto the clipboard.
- Save All To File. Use this command to save the table data in a file. In the dialog that opens, specify the location and name of the file.

Note:

- The data extractor which is currently [active](#) is applied.
- If only a subset of corresponding rows is currently shown, all the appropriate rows are copied to the clipboard or saved in a file anyway. (The number of rows currently shown may be limited by the Result set page size parameter.)

Save LOB

Use this command to save the large object ([LOB](#)) currently selected in the table in a file.

Reset View

Use this command to restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data. As a result, the data, generally, becomes unsorted, the columns appear in the order they are defined in the corresponding query, and all the columns are shown.

View Query

Use this button to view the query which was used to generate the table. To close the pane where the query is shown, press [Escape](#).

Go To | Row



[Ctrl+G](#)



Use this command or shortcut to switch to a specified row. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number to go to.



Using the header row. In the Result pane, you can use the cells in the header row (i.e. the row where column names are shown) for:



- [Sorting data](#)
- [Reordering columns](#)
- [Hiding and showing columns](#)

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.




Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this:  name . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.


If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance:  name  1. The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)


When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order:  name  1.




Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is resorted. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled:  name .

Here is an example of a table where data are sorted by two of its columns.

	 id	 name	 relation
1	3	Dylan	brother
2	6	Jack	brother
3	1	Harry	father
4	2	Chloe	mother
5	5	Alice	sister
6	4	Emily	sister

To restore the initial "unsorted" state for the table, click  and select Reset View.

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row. To restore the initial order of columns, click  and select Reset View.

	 member_id	 relation	 name
1	5	sister	lice
2	1	mother	hloe
3	3	brother	ylan
4	4	sister	mily
5	2	father	arry

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column.

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:

- Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List.

- Press [Ctrl+F12](#).

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.

	member_id	name
1	5	Alice
2	1	Chloe
3	3	Dylan
4	4	Emily
5	2	Harry
6	6	Jack


2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press `Space` .

3. Press `Enter` or `Escape` to close the list.

To show all the columns, click  and select Reset View .

See also, [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Parameters pane

The Parameters pane shows the parameters detected in the input pane and lets you edit their values. To open or close this pane, use  on the toolbar.

Parameter values can be specified just as text or numbers, or as [Groovy](#) expressions that contain object references and method calls. For example, the value for the `date` parameter in the query

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.date > :date
```

could be specified as

```
new java.sql.Date(System.currentTimeMillis() - 24*3600*1000)
```

To start editing a value, switch to the corresponding table cell and start typing. To indicate that you have finished editing a value, press `Enter` or switch to a different cell. To quit the editing mode and restore an initial value, press `Escape` .

When you select a row in the table, the corresponding parameter is highlighted in the input pane.

Alt+8















Use this tool window to analyze and navigate through hierarchies of classes, calls, methods.

**Warning!** The tool window is available only after you have [built a hierarchy](#) for the first time.


The contents of the tool window are not automatically updated as you navigate through the source code or switch between the editor tabs.

The tool window shows the results of the latest hierarchy command and is updated when you run the next hierarchy command, unless the tab with one of the previously built hierarchies is [pinned](#).

## Toolbar buttons

Item	Description	Available In
	When this button is pressed, the hierarchical tree shows both the parent and child classes of the selected class, which is marked with an arrow  in the tree of results.	Class hierarchies
<b>Tip</b> For the interfaces this button is disabled.		
	Depending on the hierarchy type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For class hierarchies - when this button is pressed, the tool window shows all classes that extend the selected class.</li> <li>For call hierarchies - when this button is pressed, the tool window shows the callees of the selected method.</li> </ul>	Class hierarchies Call hierarchies
	Depending on the hierarchy type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For class hierarchies - when this button is pressed, the tool window shows the hierarchy of each supertype of the current class.</li> <li>For call hierarchies - when this button is pressed, the tool window shows the callers of the selected method.</li> </ul>	Class hierarchies Call hierarchies
	When this button is pressed, the elements within a tree are sorted alphabetically.	All hierarchies
Scope	Use this drop-down list to limit the scope of the current hierarchy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project - IntelliJ IDEA traces usages of the method across the project.</li> <li>Test - IntelliJ IDEA traces usages of the method across the test classes.</li> <li>All - IntelliJ IDEA traces usages of the method across the project and the libraries.</li> <li>This class - the scope is limited to the current class.</li> </ul> <p>In addition to the pre-configured scopes, you can define your own one: select <a href="#">Configure</a> from the drop-down list, and define the required scope in the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box that opens.</p>	Call hierarchies
In a method hierarchy, the tree-views of the following classes are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> - where this method is defined.</li> <li> - where this method is not defined, but defined in the superclass.</li> <li> - where this method should be defined, because the class is not abstract.</li> </ul>		
	If you made any changes of the classes or the class structure, they become visible in the Hierarchy tool window only after you press this button.	All hierarchies
	Toggle the Autoscroll to source mode. When the button is pressed, every time the node is focused, the corresponding line of source code is highlighted in the editor.	All hierarchies
	When this button is pressed, the current tab will not be overwritten; instead, the results of the next command will be displayed in a new tab.	All hierarchies
	Click this button to export a hierarchy into a text file in the specified location.	All hierarchies
	Click this button to close the selected tab of results.	All hierarchies
	Click this button to show reference page.	All hierarchies



- You can access the tool window this way only when it is already opened through Analyse | Inspect Code .
- After you deactivate the tool window manually by clicking the Close button , the tool window is available again only through Analyse | Inspect Code .

The Inspection Results tool window displays inspection results on separate tabs.




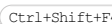



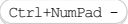



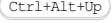










The left-hand pane of each tab shows a tree view of the inspections for which problems are found. The right-hand pane shows summary information for an item selected in the left-hand pane.

On this page:

- [Toolbar buttons](#)
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






## Toolbar buttons

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to run the inspection and show the results on the same tab.
		Click this button to close the current tab or the tool window.
		Expand all nodes
		Collapse all nodes
		Navigate to the next item.
		Navigate to the previous item.
		Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.
		If this toggle is on, the problems are grouped into Errors and Warnings. Otherwise, the problems are grouped by inspections.
		Turns grouping by directories on or off.
		When this toggle is on, the resolved and excluded items are not shown.
		Turns the Autoscroll to source option on or off. When the option is on and you select an item, the corresponding source file opens in the editor and the appropriate fragment is highlighted.
		Click this button to <a href="#">export the inspection results into XML or HTML format</a> .
		Click this button to <a href="#">edit the current inspection settings</a> .
		Click this button to <a href="#">resolve the problem</a> for the selected inspection item by choosing one of the available quick fixes from the list.

## Context menu commands


### Item ShortcutDescription

Jump to Source		Open the file that contains the selected problem in the editor and place the cursor at the beginning of the corresponding code fragment.
Exclude		Exclude the selected items from further examination. Excluded nodes are shown strikethrough. If the filter toggle  is on, the excluded nodes are hidden.
Include		Include previously excluded items in the list of results. All nested subelements are included too.
		Select one of the suggested solutions.
Suppress problem / Suppress problem for class		Suppress the inspection for the selected problem or the selected class.
Edit Settings		Change the settings for the selected inspection or group of inspections in the <a href="#">Errors</a> dialog.
Disable inspection		Disable alerts for the selected inspection in the active tab of results. If the filter toggle  is on, the nodes for disabled inspections are hidden. See also, <a href="#">Disabling and Enabling Inspections</a> .
Run inspection on		Rerun the selected inspection and display the results on a new tab.

## Inspection report

The inspection report is shown in the right-hand pane of the results tab when an inspection node is selected in the left-hand

pane. The report may include the following:


- Problem resolution: A button for each of the available solutions. Clicking a button invokes the corresponding fix. If no buttons are present, you have to fix the problem yourself.
- Suppress: Click this button to reveal the list of inspection suppress options.
- Problem synopsis: A brief description of the problem.
- Disable inspection: Disable alerts for the selected inspection in the active tab of results. If the filter toggle  is on, the nodes for disabled inspections are hidden.  
See also, [Disabling and Enabling Inspections](#) .
- Run inspection on...: Rerun the selected inspection and display the results on a new tab.

This tool window shows deployment descriptors associated with JavaEE Application facets . (The tool window is not available if there are no such facets in your project.)

## Context menu

### CommandDescription

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Jump to Source (  ) Open the selected descriptor file in the editor. (Alternatively, you can double-click the file.)

To open this tool window:

View | Tool Windows | Java Enterprise

See also, [Showing a tool window](#).

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The Java Enterprise tool window lets you look at your project from the Java EE perspective.

The tool window includes a set of panes where the "Java EE contents" of a selected item are shown in a pane to the right. If appropriate, the Javadoc HTML documentation (or, sometimes, a diagram) is shown for an item in the rightmost pane.

The toolbar buttons are used to show or hide categories of items (e.g. the modules or CDI beans), or to change the way the items are shown.



The context menus include commands for switching between the panes ([Previous](#) or [Next](#)) and opening items in the editor ([Edit](#)).

You can filter the information in most of the panes by specifying the corresponding search string.
















- [Toolbar icons](#)
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## Toolbar icons

With very few exceptions, the toolbar icons are toggles that can be on or off.

The first two icons ( and ) are available always. The rest of the icons appear only for certain Java EE technologies and frameworks (e.g. CDI, WebSocket).

### IconDescription

	<p>The state of the icon defines the level on which the Java EE technologies and frameworks are shown. When on, the technologies are shown on the first level (i.e. in the leftmost pane). In this case, if  is on, and the modules are shown in the pane to the right, you can select a technology and see, for example, in which modules the selected technology is used.</p> <p>When off, the technologies are shown on the second level. That is, your modules appear in the leftmost pane, and the technologies in the pane to the right. In this case, you can select a module and see which of the technologies are used in the selected module.</p>
	<p>If  is on, this icon is used to show or hide the modules. In this case, the modules, if shown, appear in the second pane from the left.</p>
	<p>For CDI: Use this icon to show or hide CDI beans.</p>
	<p>For CDI: Use this icon to show or hide producer methods and fields.</p>
	<p>Depending on the technology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- For CDI: Use this icon to switch between showing a diagram or documentation in the rightmost pane. If on, the dependency injection diagrams are shown for selected items. Otherwise, the Javadoc HTML documentation is shown.</li><li>- For WebSocket: Use this icon to change the way the endpoint classes are shown and ordered. If off, the information for the classes is shown in the following order: the class name first and then the endpoint URL (if available). The classes in this case are ordered by their names.  If on, the endpoint URLs are shown first and are followed by the class names. The classes in this case are ordered by the endpoint URLs.</li><li>- For RESTful Web Services: use this icon to change the way resource classes and their methods are shown and ordered. If off, the information for the classes and methods is shown in the following order: the names first and then the resource URLs. The classes and methods in this case are ordered by their names.  If on, the resource URLs are shown first and the information is ordered by the URLs.</li></ul> <p>Note that the resource classes may be shown or hidden by means of . To show or hide the methods, use .</p>
	<p>For CDI: Use this icon to show or hide the <code>InjectionPoint</code> types. Note that if  is on, the injection points are shown on the diagrams in the rightmost pane, and this icon becomes inactive.</p>
	<p>For WebSocket: Use this icon to show or hide the classes annotated with <code>@ServerEndpoint</code>.</p>
	<p>For WebSocket: Use this icon to show or hide the classes annotated with <code>@ClientEndpoint</code>.</p>
	<p>For RESTful Web Services: Use this icon to show or hide the resource classes. If off, there is a pane showing the classes. When you select a class, its methods are shown in the pane to the right. So, in this case, the methods are grouped by the classes in which they are defined.  If on, the classes are not shown. The methods belonging to different classes are all shown in the same pane and at the same time.</p>
	<p>For RESTful Web Services: Click this icon and then the necessary option to show or hide the methods annotated with</p>

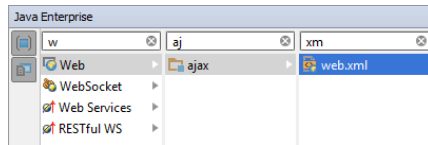
## Context menu commands

### CommandShortcutDescription


Previous	Left	Use this command or shortcut to switch to the pane to the left.
Next	Right	Use this command or shortcut to switch to the pane to the right.
Edit	Enter	Use this command or shortcut to switch to the editor to view or edit the source code for the selected item. For a module, this command results in showing the module settings in the <a href="#">Project Structure dialog</a> .

## Filtering information

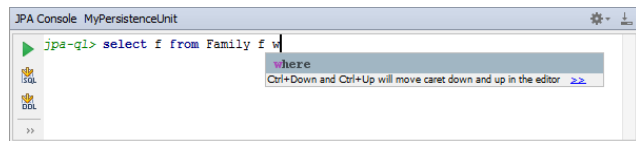
When in the pane of interest, just start typing. As a result, only the items whose names contain the specified string will be shown.




From the [Persistence tool window](#) (for a persistence unit or any node within it):

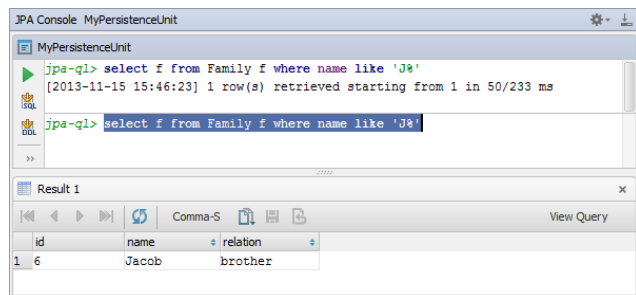
-  on the title bar
- Console from the context menu
- `Ctrl+Shift+F10`


When you open the JPA Console tool window, first, the input pane opens. This is where you compose your JPQL queries.

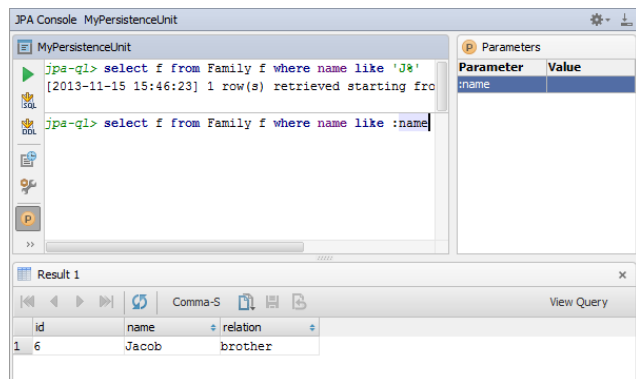


When you run your first query () , the output pane opens above the input pane. Basically, this is the log of operations performed in the console.

If your query retrieves data (e.g. `select` ), also the Result pane opens showing the retrieved data in table format.



Additionally, you can open the Parameters pane () to manage parameters in your queries.



On this page:






- [Toolbar icons and shortcuts](#)
- [Output pane](#)
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- [Parameters pane](#)





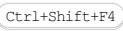
See also, [Working with the JPA console](#) .

## Toolbar icons and shortcuts

Most of the functions in the Hibernate Console tool window are accessed by means of the toolbar icons and associated keyboard shortcuts.

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Execute Query	<code>Ctrl+Enter</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to run the current query.
	Generate SQL	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Enter</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to generate an SQL equivalent of the current query. The generated SQL statement will be shown in the output pane.
	Generate DDL	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Enter</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to generate DDL SQL statements ( <code>CREATE TABLE</code> , <code>ALTER TABLE</code> and <code>DROP TABLE</code> ) for all the objects (classes) associated with the corresponding persistence unit. The generated statements will be shown in the output pane.
		<code>Ctrl+Alt+E</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to open a dialog that shows all the queries that you have run in the console. See also, <a href="#">Running auto-memorized queries</a> .
	Settings		Use this icon to open the <a href="#">Database page</a> of the Settings dialog to view or edit the settings for the database, Hibernate and JPA consoles, data editors and

		the Database tool window.
 View Parameters		Use this icon to open or close the <a href="#">Parameters pane</a> .
 Restore Layout		Use this icon to restore the original tool window layout (after the rearrangements that you have made).
 Terminate Process		Use this icon or shortcut to terminate execution of the current query.
 Close		Use this icon or shortcut to close the console.


## Output pane

This pane shows the queries that you have run as well as the information about their execution. When errors occur, the corresponding information is also shown in this pane.

For most of the events the following information is provided:

- Timestamp, that is, when the event took place.
- For data manipulation operations - how many rows were affected (e.g. changed or deleted). For data retrieval operations - how many rows were retrieved.
- Duration in milliseconds.

Use the following context menu commands:

- Copy () to copy the text selected in the output pane to the clipboard.
- Compare with Clipboard to compare the text selected in the output pane with the contents of the clipboard.
- Clear All to clear all the contents of the output pane.





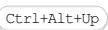

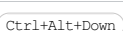





## Result pane

This pane shows the data retrieved from the database in table format. You can sort the data as well as perform other, associated tasks.

- [Main functions](#)
- [Using the header row](#)

Most of the functions in the Result pane are accessed by means of controls on the toolbar, context menu commands for the data cells, and associated keyboard shortcuts.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		<p>These icons and corresponding commands are for switching between the result set pages, i.e. the pages that show the retrieved data.</p> <p>A fixed number of rows shown simultaneously is referred to as a <b>result set page</b> . If this number is less than the number of rows that satisfy the query, only a subset of all the rows is shown at a time.</p> <p>In such cases, you can use  to switch between the subsets. (If all the rows are currently shown, these icons and the corresponding commands are inactive.)</p> <p>The result set page size is set on the <a href="#">Database page</a> of the Settings dialog.</p>
 First Page		Use this icon or command to switch to the first of the <a href="#">result set pages</a> to see the first series of rows.
 Previous Page		Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the previous <a href="#">result set page</a> to see the previous series of rows.
 Next Page		Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the next <a href="#">result set page</a> to see the next series of rows.
 Last Page		Use this icon or command to switch to the last of the <a href="#">result set pages</a> to see the last series of rows.
 Reload Page		Use this icon, command or shortcut to refresh the current table view. Use this function to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.</li> <li>- Apply the <a href="#">Result set page size</a> setting after its change.</li> </ul>
 <code>Tab-se...d (TSV)</code> Data Extractor: <current_format>		<p>Use this button or command to open a menu in which you can select an output format for your data.</p> <p>In addition to output formats, there are also the following options and commands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Allow Transposition. For delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV): If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. ) , the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.</li> <li>- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or saving data (<a href="#">Copy</a> , <a href="#">Dump Data   To File</a> , <a href="#">Dump Data   To Clipboard</a> ) , don't include auto-increment fields.</li> <li>- Add Table Definition (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or saving data, add the table definition (CREATE TABLE).</li> <li>- Configure CSV Formats. Open the <a href="#">CSV Formats dialog</a> that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).</li> <li>- Go to Scripts Directory. Switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table</li> </ul>

data into various output formats are stored.

Copy All To Clipboard /  
Save All To File

- Copy All To Clipboard. Use this command to copy the table data onto the clipboard.
- Save All To File. Use this command to save the table data in a file. In the dialog that opens, specify the location and name of the file.

Note:

- The data extractor which is currently **active** is applied.
- If only a subset of corresponding rows is currently shown, all the appropriate rows are copied to the clipboard or saved in a file anyway. (The number of rows currently shown may be limited by the Result set page size parameter.)

Save LOB

Use this command to save the large object (**LOB**) currently selected in the table in a file.

Reset View

Use this command to restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data. As a result, the data, generally, becomes unsorted, the columns appear in the order they are defined in the corresponding query, and all the columns are shown.

View Query

Use this button to view the query which was used to generate the table. To close the pane where the query is shown, press **Escape**.

Go To | Row


**Ctrl+G**

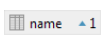
Use this command or shortcut to switch to a specified row. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number to go to.

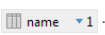
Using the header row. In the Result pane, you can use the cells in the header row (i.e. the row where column names are shown) for:

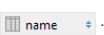
- [Sorting data](#)
- [Reordering columns](#)
- [Hiding and showing columns](#)

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.

Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this: . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.


If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance: . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)


When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order: .

Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is restored. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled: .

Here is an example of a table where data are sorted by two of its columns.

	id	name	relation
1	3	Dylan	brother
2	6	Jack	brother
3	1	Harry	father
4	2	Chloe	mother
5	5	Alice	sister
6	4	Emily	sister

To restore the initial "unsorted" state for the table, click  and select Reset View.

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row. To restore the initial order of columns, click  and select Reset View.

	member_id	relation	name
1	5	sister	Alice
2	1	mother	Chloe
3	3	brother	Dylan
4	4	sister	Emily
5	2	father	Harry

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column.

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:
  - Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List.
  - Press **Ctrl+F12**.

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.

	member_id	name
1	5	Alice
2	1	Chloe
3	3	Dylan
4	4	Emily
5	2	Harry
6	6	Jack

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press **Space**.




3. Press `Enter` or `Escape` to close the list.

To show all the columns, click  and select Reset View .

See also, [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

## Parameters pane

The Parameters pane shows the parameters detected in the input pane and lets you edit their values. To open or close this pane, use  on the toolbar.

Parameter values can be specified just as text or numbers, or as [Groovy](#) expressions that contain object references and method calls. For example, the value for the `date` parameter in the query

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.date > :date
```

could be specified as

```
new java.sql.Date(System.currentTimeMillis() - 24*3600*1000)
```

To start editing a value, switch to the corresponding table cell and start typing. To indicate that you have finished editing a value, press `Enter` or switch to a different cell. To quit the editing mode and restore an initial value, press `Escape` .

When you select a row in the table, the corresponding parameter is highlighted in the input pane.

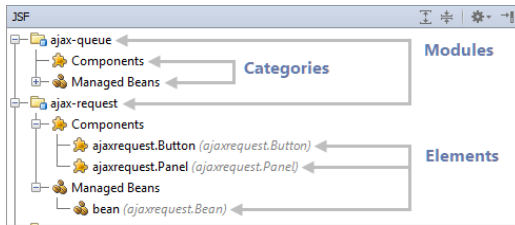
To open this tool window:

View | Tool Windows | JSF

See also, [Showing a tool window](#).

Note that this tool window is available only if there is a [library](#) that implements JSF in the [dependencies](#) of one or more of your [modules](#).

The JSF tool window provides a categorized hierarchical view of your JSF resources.



At the top of the hierarchy are your modules. One level below are categories.

The categories correspond to JSF element types (managed beans, converters, components, etc.).

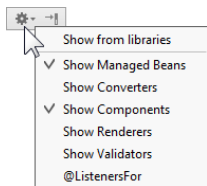
You can show or hide the categories. You can also open the elements shown in the tool window in the editor.

– [Showing and hiding categories](#)

– [Opening elements in the editor](#)

## Showing and hiding categories

To show or hide a category, click on the title bar, and then click the necessary Show option.



The Show from libraries option is for showing the library elements referenced in your code.

## Opening elements in the editor

You can open the elements shown in the JSF tool window in the editor. To do that, select the element of interest and press

.

To open the elements which are the "leaves" of the tree (i. e. the ones at the bottom of the hierarchy), you can also use a double click.

 - Start a local server link.

In this tool window, start and stop the JSTestDriver Server to run unit tests against and capture the browser to execute unit tests in.

## Prerequisites

The tool window becomes available when the following prerequisites are met:

1. The **JSTestDriver** plugin is downloaded, installed, and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. The current project contains at least one [test runner configuration files](#).

## Options

Item	Tooltip and shortcut	Description
	Run a local server	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA launch the default JSTestDriver server.
	Stop the local server	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA stop the currently running JSTestDriver server.
Capture a browser using the URL		This read-only field shows the URL address to access the Remote Console of the JSTestDriver. Copy the URL address and open it in the browser of your choice.
		The icons indicate available browsers. The icon that corresponds to the browser you just opened, is active. Click the icon to get ready for executing tests.

This tool window is marked with the icon .







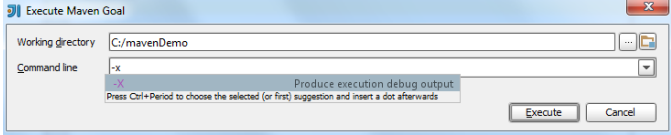







Use the Maven Projects tool window to view the available Maven projects, download sources and Javadocs, and execute phases of the build lifecycle. The tool window displays nodes for each Maven project, with the Lifecycle and Plugins subnodes. If at least one of the `pom.xml` files contains profile definition, the Profiles node is added to the tool window. This node contains all profiles defined in the Maven projects. The Maven Projects tool window also displays the Dependencies node if dependencies are added to your project.

In this section:

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## Toolbar Buttons

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to synchronize all Maven projects with the IntelliJ IDEA project. See <a href="#">Importing tab</a> of the Maven Integration dialog box.
	Click this button to launch Maven goals for generating sources and resources for the source and test directories, and read the resulting directory structure. According to the results of such generation, the IntelliJ IDEA folders are properly marked as the <a href="#">source or test roots</a> . See <a href="#">import settings</a> .
	Click this button to download missing sources and documentation. Select the desired download option from the submenu.  You can set up automatic downloading of sources and documentation at the <a href="#">Importing</a> page of the Maven Integration dialog.
	Click this button to add a Maven project. Select the desired <code>pom.xml</code> file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
	Click this button to execute the selected phase of the build lifecycle or a plugin goal. If several goals are selected, they will be executed in the same order as in the tree. Note that by default this button is disabled, to activate it you need to select a build phase or a plugin goal to run.
	Click this button to execute a maven goal using a command line. 
	Click this button to toggle the offline mode.
	Click this button to turn on the Maven option <i>Skip test mode</i> , and omit running unit tests.
	Click this button to show the dependencies of the current Maven project in a <a href="#">UML pop-up frame</a> .
	Click this button to collapse all nodes under the selected Maven project.
	Click this button to configure the settings of the current Maven project in the <a href="#">Maven Integration</a> dialog box.
	Click this button to show reference page.
	Click this button to show the menu of the show options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Group Modules : select this option to group the nodes by directories.</li> <li>– Show Ignored Projects :when this option is selected, the ignored nodes are shown in the tool window with a strikethrough. Otherwise, the ignored nodes are hidden.</li> <li>– Show Basic Phases Only : when this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA shows only the basic build phases; otherwise, the complete list of phases is shown.</li> <li>– Always Show ArtifactId : select this option to display the artifactId that is specified in the pom.xml of your Maven project.</li> <li>– Show version : when this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA displays the version of your Maven project that is specified in the pom.xml.</li> <li>– Show Toolbar - select this option to show the toolbar for your Maven projects.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Pinned, Docked, Floating, Windowed, Split Mode</a></li> <li>– Group Tabs - deselect this option to see the views on separate tabs if more than one view is available in a tool window.</li> <li>– Move to - select this option to move the Maven Projects tool window to either top, left or right.</li> <li>– Resize - select this option to resize the Maven Projects tool window.</li> </ul>

## Context Menu Commands of a Lifecycle Phase

### CommandDescription

Create <project>[phase]	Choose this command to <a href="#">create run/debug configuration</a> for the selected phase of a lifecycle.
Run <project>[phase]	Choose this command to run the selected phase of a lifecycle with the phase-specific run/debug configuration.
Debug <project>[phase]	Choose this command to debug the selected phase of a lifecycle with the phase-specific run/debug configuration.
Execute before Make, Execute after Make	Choose these commands to set the respective flags for the selected phase of a lifecycle. So doing, <i>Before Make</i> and <i>After Make</i> comments appear next to the name of the node.

Execute before Rebuild, Execute after Rebuild	Choose these commands to set the respective flags for the selected phase of a lifecycle. In this case <i>Before Rebuild</i> and <i>After Rebuild</i> comments appear next to the name of the node.
Execute before Run/Debug	Choose this command to specify a run/debug configuration, prior to which the selected phase of a lifecycle should be executed. So doing, <i>Before Run</i> comment appears next to the name of the node.
Assign Shortcut	Choose this command to associate the selected phase with a keyboard shortcut. So doing, the comment with the shortcut appears next to the name of the node.

## Context Menu Commands of a Maven Project

This section describes only those context menu commands that are not available from the toolbar.

### CommandDescription

Ignore Project / Unignore Project	Choose the Ignore Projects command to ignore project in build, or, on the contrary, include in build the previously ignored project.  Ignored projects are not imported into IntelliJ IDEA.
Remove Project	Choose this command to delete the selected Maven modules from the Maven structure. So doing you can opt to delete the corresponding Maven module from the IntelliJ IDEA project as well.
Create / Open 'settings.xml'	Choose this command to create 'settings.xml' or 'profile.xml', or open such file if it has already been created.
Create / Open 'profiles.xml'	
Show Effective POM	Choose this command to generate the effective POM as an XML for this build, with the active profiles and super POM factored in. The effective POM displays the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the default project source folders structure</li> <li>- the output directory</li> <li>- plug-ins required</li> <li>- repositories</li> <li>- a reporting directory which Maven will be using while executing the desired goals</li> </ul>
Jump to source	Open in the editor the <code>pom.xml</code> file for the selected Maven project.

Alt+0

IntelliJ IDEA parses the output and displays it in a convenient format in the Messages window, letting you navigate to the source of the problem whenever possible.













**Note** The [Messages](#) tool window is only available if there are actually some messages to show.




On this page:

- [Toolbar Buttons](#)
- [Results Context Menu](#)

## Toolbar Buttons

ItemTooltip Description and shortcut

	Rerun <a href="#">Ctrl+F5</a>	Click this button to rerun compilation. The button is not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
	Rerun Pub Command	Click this button to run the last executed pub command. The button is available only in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
	Pause output	Click this button to pause the compilation process. This button is enabled when compilation is in progress. The button is not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
	Stop/Stop Pub Process	Click this button to terminate compilation or pub process. This button is enabled when compilation or a process is in progress.
	Close <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+F4</a>	Click this button to terminate the process and close the console.
	Previous/Next Message <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Up</a> <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Down</a>	Navigate to the previous/next message. The buttons are not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
	Export to Text File <a href="#">Alt+O</a>	Save the current console contents. In the Export dialog, specify the target file or copy information to the Clipboard. Before saving, you can also edit the information to be saved. The button is not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
	Toggle tree/text mode	If this button is pressed, the output is displayed as plain text.  If this button is released, the output is displayed as a tree view. The button is not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
	Show all messages	When this button is pressed, the only error messages are displayed. The button is not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
 	Expand all <a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad Plus</a>  Collapse all <a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad -</a>	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed. The buttons are not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.
	Hide warnings	When this button is pressed, the tree of messages shows error messages only. The button is not available in Dart projects, see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details.

	Autoscroll to source	If this button is pressed, the file that contains the selected error automatically opens in the editor, with the caret at the appropriate line. The button is not available in <b>Dart</b> projects , see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details .
	Compiler properties	Configure the <a href="#">compiler settings</a> . The button is not available in <b>Dart</b> projects , see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details .
	Help	Use this button to navigate to the help topic for the tool window. The button is not available in <b>Dart</b> projects , see <a href="#">Using Pub</a> for details .

## Results Context Menu

The menu items are not available in **Dart** projects , see [Using Pub](#) for details .

Item	Shortcut	Description
Jump to source	F4	Navigate to the selected item in the editor.
Copy	Ctrl+C	Take the line at caret to the clipboard.
Exclude from Compile		Skip the erroneous line in the next compilation.
Exclude from Validation		Choose this command to omit this warning in the next compilation.

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This tool window is available every time you perform the Analyze Module Dependencies command and displays module dependencies as they are defined in the module settings. If any cyclic dependencies are encountered in the selected module, they are specially marked in the tool window. In this tool window, you can change direction of the dependencies, and perform more detailed analysis of the source code.

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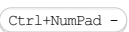
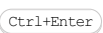
- [Toolbar Buttons](#)
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## Toolbar Buttons

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to close the current tab.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Specify Dependency Analysis Scope</a> dialog box and <a href="#">analyze dependencies</a> .
	Click this button to change direction of the dependencies.
	Click this button to open the reference.

## Context menu commands

Item	Shortcut	Description
Expand All		Fold or unfold all nodes.
Collapse All		
Open Module Settings		Open settings of the selected module in the <a href="#">Modules page</a> of the <a href="#">Project Structure</a> dialog.
		
Analyzè Dependencies		Choose one of these commands to perform analysis of dependencies. In the <a href="#">Specify Dependency Analysis Scope</a> dialog box, specify scope of analysis.
Analyzè Backward Dependencies		
Analyzè Cyclic Dependencies		



- the tool window can be accessed this way only after you have opened it using the Show npm Scripts command.

On this page:

- [Accessing the npm Tool Window](#)
- [Building a Tree of npm Scripts](#)
- [Running npm Scripts](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Context Menu of a Tree](#)
- [Context Menu of a Script](#)

## Accessing the npm Tool Window

The tool window is available only when:



1. The [Node.js](#) runtime environment is installed on your computer.
2. The [NodeJS](#) repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
3. At least one `package.json` file is available in the current project.

The tool window opens when you invoke `npm` by choosing Show npm Scripts on the context menu of a `package.json` in the Project tool window or of a `package.json` opened in the editor. Use the tool window to run `npm scripts`.

As soon as you invoke `npm`, it starts building a tree of scripts defined within the `scripts` property of the `package.json` file on which it was invoked. If you have several `package.json` files in your project, you can build a separate script tree for each of them and run scripts without abandoning the previously built trees. Each tree is shown under a separate node.

## Building a Tree of npm Scripts

To build a tree of scripts, do one of the following:

- Select the required `package.json` file in the Project tool window or open it in the editor and choose Show npm Scripts on the context menu.
- In the npm tool window, click  on the toolbar and choose the required `package.json` file from the list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a scripts tree under it. The title of the node shows the path to the `package.json` file according to which the tree is built.
- To re-build a tree, switch to the required node and click  on the toolbar.


### To sort the scripts in a tree by their names

Click  on the toolbar, choose Sort by on the menu, and then choose Name.



By default, a tree shows the scripts in the order in which they are defined in `package.json` (option Definition order).

## Running npm Scripts

### To run a script

Double click the required script. Alternatively select it in the tree and press  or choose Run <script name> on the context menu.





### To run several scripts

Use the multiselect mode: hold  (for adjacent items) or  (for non-adjacent items) keys and select the required scripts, then choose Run on the context menu of the selection.


The tool window shows the npm script output, reports the errors occurred, lists the packages or plugins that have not been found, etc. The name of the last executed script is displayed on the title bar of the tool window.


## Toolbar

### ItemTooltipDescription


	Add	Click this button to have a tree of scripts for another <code>package.json</code> file built. Choose the required <code>package.json</code> file from the pop-up list. IntelliJ IDEA adds a new node and builds a tree of scripts under it.
	Remove	Click this button to remove the tree of scripts under the selected node.
	Reload scripts	Click this button to have the tree of scripts under the selected node re-built. You may need a tree re-built after updating the corresponding <code>package.json</code> file because <code>npm</code> does not apply changes to trees on the fly.
	Collapse all	Click this button to hide all the scripts trees and have only <code>package.json</code> nodes

displayed.

 Click this button to configure the current view and to change the viewing modes of the tool window, see [Viewing Modes](#) for details. Note that most of the menu items are options that you can turn on or off. An option which is on has a check mark to the left of its name. The `npm`-specific options are:

- `npm Settings`: choose this menu item to open the [npm Settings dialog](#) and re-configure the current settings for `npm` and for the `Node interpreter`, see [NPM](#).
- `Sort by`: choose this menu item to configure the order in which scripts are shown in trees. Click  on the toolbar, choose `Sort by` on the menu, and then choose `Name`.

By default, a tree shows the scripts in the order in which they are defined in `package.json` (option `Definition order`).

 **Hide** Click this button to hide the tool window. To have it displayed again, choose `View | Tool Windows | Grunt` on the main menu. The tool window appears again showing all the previously built trees of tasks.

## Context Menu of a Tree

### ItemDescription

<code>npm Settings</code>	Choose this menu item to open the <code>npm Settings</code> dialog box and view or edit the <code>Node.js</code> configuration
<code>Jump to Source</code>	Choose this menu item to open the <code>package.json</code> file for which the current tree is built.
<code>Reload scripts</code>	Choose this menu item to have the tree of scripts under the selected node re-built.
<code>Copy Path</code>	Choose this menu item to save the path to the <code>package.json</code> file according to which the current tree was built to the clipboard.
<code>Remove package.json</code>	Choose this menu item to remove the tree of scripts under the selected node.

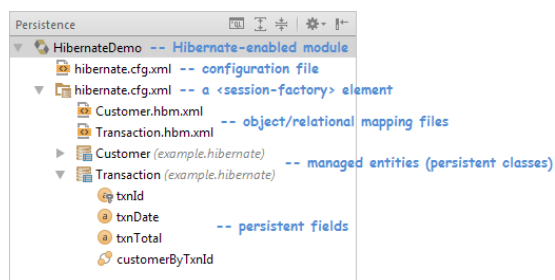
## Context Menu of a Script

### ItemDescription

<code>Run &lt;script name&gt;</code>	Choose this menu item to run the selected script.
<code>Edit &lt;script name&gt; settings</code>	Choose this menu item to open the <code>Run/Debug Configuration</code> dialog box and edit the predefined settings for the selected script.
<code>Jump to Source</code>	Choose this menu item to open the <code>package.json</code> file for which the current tree is built and navigate to the definition of the selected script.

The Persistence tool window shows your JPA and Hibernate project items.

At the top hierarchical level are JPA- and Hibernate-enabled modules. One level below are configuration files, and <persistence-unit> and <session-factory> elements. Further down in the hierarchy are mapping files, persistent classes, etc.



The tool window lets you create new items such as configuration files, <persistence-unit> and <session-factory> elements, persistent classes and fields, navigate to related source code in the editor, open consoles and entity-relationship diagrams, and more.

## Title bar icons

### ItemDescription

	Select a persistence unit or session factory (or any of the subordinate elements) and click this icon to open the <a href="#">JPA</a> or <a href="#">Hibernate console</a> . See also, <a href="#">Working with the JPA console</a> and <a href="#">Working with the Hibernate console</a> .
	Expand all the nodes.
	Collapse all the nodes.

## Context menu commands

### ItemDescription

ER Diagram	For a persistence unit or session factory: open an entity-relationship diagram for the selected persistence unit or session factory.
Console (  )	For a persistence unit or session factory: open the <a href="#">JPA</a> or <a href="#">Hibernate console</a> for the selected persistence unit or session factory. See also, <a href="#">Working with the JPA console</a> and <a href="#">Working with the Hibernate console</a> .
Assign Data Sources	For a persistence unit or session factory: associate the selected persistence unit or session factory with a database or DDL <a href="#">data source</a> . See <a href="#">Associating persistence units and session factories with data sources</a> .
Assign Naming Strategies	For a session factory: associate the selected session factory with a Naming Strategy implementation.
New (  )	Create a new item such as a persistent class, or configuration or mapping file, etc. See <a href="#">Using the New command</a> .
Jump to Source (  )	Open the selected file in the editor and switch to the corresponding code fragment.
Generate Persistence Mapping	Generate persistent classes and object/relational mappings for them. See <a href="#">Generating managed entity classes and O/R mappings</a> .

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## Accessing the Phing Build Tool Window

- Open a Phing build file in the editor or select it in the [Project](#) tool window, and then choose Add as Phing build file on the context menu of the selection.
- Choose *View | Tool Windows | Phing Build* on the main menu. The tool window can be accessed after you have opened it through the context menu of a Phing build file in the editor or in the Project tool window.

In this tool window:

- Specify the location of the `phing.bat` file.
- Configure a list of Phing build files for packaging, deploying, or testing PHP applications.
- Appoint targets to be executed before running or debugging according to specific configurations.
- Run entire build files and specific build targets.

The functionality of the Phing tool window is available through the toolbar buttons > and the context menu of a build file or target.


## Toolbar


**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

	Add	Click this button add a new script to the list. In the Select Phing Build Script dialog box, that opens, choose the desired file.
	Remove	Click this button to remove the selected build file from the list.
	Run	Click this button to run the selected build file or target.
	Expand all	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA show a tree of targets defined in the selected build file.  
	Collapse all	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA collapse all the targets in the selected build file.  
	Properties	Click this button to have the Phing Properties dialog box opened. In this dialog box, specify the location of the <code>phing.bat</code> file. If necessary, configure the build procedure and the format of the output by specifying <a href="#">command line arguments</a> in the Command Line Options text box. If the set of arguments is too large to fit in the text box, click the  button or press  and type the desired arguments in the Command Line Options dialog box, that opens.  The button is only available if the list of build files is not empty.


## Context Menu

Item	Description	Available for
Run Build	Choose this option to have the selected build file executed.	Build files
Run Target	Choose this option to have the selected build target executed.	Build targets
Jump to Source	Choose this option to navigate to the source code of the selected build file or to the definition of the selected target.	Build files Build targets
Remove	Choose this option to remove the selected build file from the list.	Build files
Before Run/Debug	Choose this option to have the selected build target always executed before running or debugging the project according to specific run/debug configurations. In the Execute Target Before Run/Debug dialog box that opens, select the <a href="#">configurations</a> before which you want the target executed.	Build targets
Assign shortcut	Choose this option to open the <a href="#">Keymap dialog box</a> and configure a keyboard shortcut for the selected target as described in <a href="#">Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts</a> .	Build targets
Mark to hide	Choose this option to make the selected target <b>hidden</b> and thus suppress showing it in the build file tree. This may be helpful when you have targets some that are only called by other ones and are never run alone. <b>Hidden</b> targets do not become visible when you expand the node of a specific build file or click Expand All button  . To remove the <b>hidden</b> status of a target:  Select the build file in which it is defined and click the Settings button  on the	Build targets

1. Click this button to have the Phing Properties dialog box opened. In this dialog box:
  - Specify the location of the `phing.bat` file.
  - If necessary, configure the build procedure and the format of the output by specifying [command line arguments](#) in the Command Line Options text box. If the set of arguments is too large to fit in the text box, click the  button or press `Shift+Enter` and type the desired arguments in the Command Line Options dialog box, that opens.
  - In the Hiding Targets tab, mark targets for hiding and remove the `hidden` status. Among the targets defined in a build file, you may have some that are only called by other targets and are never run alone. You can suppress showing such targets in the build file tree by marking them as `hidden`.
2. In the [Phing Settings](#) dialog box that opens, switch to the Hiding targets tab where the Hide checkboxes next to the names of the `hidden` targets are selected. Clear the Hide checkboxes next to the targets for which you want the status `hidden` removed.


Properties 

Click this button to have the Phing Properties dialog box opened. In this dialog box:

- Specify the location of the `phing.bat` file.
- If necessary, configure the build procedure and the format of the output by specifying [command line arguments](#) in the Command Line Options text box. If the set of arguments is too large to fit in the text box, click the  button or press `Shift+Enter` and type the desired arguments in the Command Line Options dialog box, that opens.
- In the Hiding Targets tab, mark targets for hiding and remove the `hidden` status. Among the targets defined in a build file, you may have some that are only called by other targets and are never run alone. You can suppress showing such targets in the build file tree by marking them as `hidden`.

Build files

build targets

`Hidden` targets do not become visible when you expand the node of a specific build file or click [Expand All](#) button .

The button is only available if the list of build files is not empty.

The dialog box opens when you click the Settings button  on the toolbar of the **Phing Build** tool window.

In this dialog box:



- [Enable Phing integration](#) in the current project.
- [Configure Phing build properties externally](#) to pass them through a command line.
- [Show/hide](#) targets in a specific file.

On this page:

- [General Area](#)
- [Properties Tab](#)
- [Hiding Targets Tab](#)

## General Area


### ItemDescription

Path to Phing executable	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>phing.bat</code> file. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.
Command line options	In this text box, specify the additional command line arguments to be passed to Phing when the build is launched. If necessary, click the  and type the desired options in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each option on a new line. When you close the dialog box, they are all displayed in the Command line options text box with spaces as separators.

## Properties Tab

Use this tab to configure a list of [property elements](#) externally. These properties are passed to Phing through a command line when build execution is launched and therefore they are every time re-calculated dynamically.

### ItemDescription

Add	Click this button to have an empty line for a new property element added to the list.
Remove	Click this button to remove the selected element from the list.
Property	In this text box, type the name of the property element.
Value	In this text box, specify the value of the element to be passed during build execution. Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Type the value manually.</li><li>– To use <a href="#">IntelliJ IDEA macros</a>, click the Insert macro button  and configure a list of relevant macro definitions in the <a href="#">Macros</a> dialog box that opens. To add a macro, select it in the list and click Insert .</li></ul>

## Hiding Targets Tab

In this tab, specify which targets defined in the currently selected build file you want to have shown or hidden in the file tree view.

Among the targets defined in a build file, you may have some that are only called by other targets and are never run alone. You can suppress showing such targets in the build file tree by marking them as **hidden** .

**Hidden** targets do not become visible when you expand the node of a specific build file or click Expand All button  .

### ItemDescription

Target	This field shows a list of all the targets defined in the current build file.
Hide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When this checkbox next to the name of a target is selected, the target is not shown in the tree view of the file.</li><li>– When this checkbox is cleared, the corresponding target is displayed in the tree view of the file.</li></ul>

You can mark a target as **hidden** both directly from the Phing Build tool window or from the Phing Settings dialog box. However, the **hidden** status can be removed **only** through the Phing Settings dialog box.









This tool window is activated automatically if the Make project automatically option is enabled in [Compiler settings](#) . IntelliJ IDEA automatically compiles the project each time project files change on your disk (for example on save or autosave, or when you get the latest project revision from your version control system) and, if any problems are detected, they are displayed in the Problems tool window.

The Problems tool window only displays compiler errors that occurred as the result of the automatic make operation. On each automake, the list is updated with new errors, and old errors are deleted. Note that if automake is enabled, and you launch the make operation manually, the errors from this operation will also be displayed in the Problems tool window as well as in the [Messages](#) tool window.

**Note** The [Problems](#) tool window appears only if [auto make option](#) is enabled and your code contains a compilation error.

## Toolbar

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

	<b>Previous message</b> <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Up</a>	Click this button to jump to the previous message.
	<b>Next Message</b> <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Down</a>	Click this button to jump to the next message.
	<b>Export to Text File</b> <a href="#">Alt+O</a>	Click this button if you want to export the contents of the tool window to a text file. Specify the name of the target file in the dialog that opens, and click Save .
	<b>Help</b>	Click this button to open IntelliJ IDEA help.
 	<b>Expand all</b> <a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad Plus</a>  <b>Collapse all</b> <a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad -</a>	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
	<b>Autoscroll to Source</b>	If this option is enabled, when you select a message in the Problems tool window, the focus in the editor automatically switches to the corresponding line in the source code.
	<b>Compiler Properties</b>	Click this button to open <a href="#">compiler settings</a> .

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**Note**

- Views
- Title bar context menu
- Title bar buttons
- Content pane
- Context menu commands for the content pane items
- File status highlights

The Project tool window lets you look at your project from various viewpoints and perform the tasks such as creating new items (directories, files, classes, etc.), opening files in the editor, navigating to the code fragment of interest, and more.

Most of the functions in this tool window are accessed as context menu commands in the content pane and associated shortcuts.

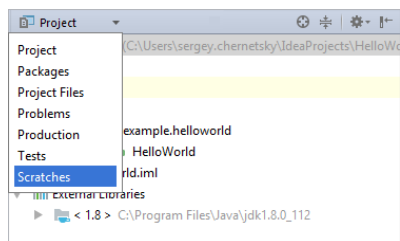
## Views


The tool window provides a number of views.

Different views emphasize different project aspects and, generally, define which items are shown and how:

- Project view. In this view, all the project items along with their dependencies (SDKs and libraries) are shown. The emphasis is on the directory structure (though the packages are also shown).
- Packages view. The emphasis is on the package structure of the project. The modules, SDKs and libraries, by default, are not shown.
- Scopes views ( Project Files , Problems , etc.). What is shown in the content pane is limited to the corresponding predefined or user-defined [scope](#) . In other respects, depending on the currently selected view options, a scope view may resemble the Project or the Packages view.
- Scratches view. This view lets you manage your [scratch files](#) and [database consoles](#) .

The necessary view is selected from the list in the left-hand part of the title bar or, if the views are represented by tabs, by clicking the corresponding tab.



To configure a view, use the corresponding options in the [title bar context menu](#) . The necessary options can also be accessed by clicking  on the title bar.

## Title bar context menu

The context menu that appears by right-clicking on the title bar, provides settings for project [views](#) , [viewing modes](#) , as well as for switching between the views, resizing the tool window, and more .

The following table lists and briefly explains the available commands and options.

Item	Shortcut	Description
Select Next View or Tab	Alt+Right	These are the commands for switching between different <a href="#">views</a> .
Select Previous View or Tab	Alt+Left	
Show List of Views or Tabs	Alt+Down	
Edit Scopes		Use this command to open the <a href="#">Scopes dialog</a> in which you can create and edit used-defined <a href="#">scopes</a> . Note that this command is available only if the current view is a scope view.
Flatten Packages		If this option is off, the packages are shown as a hierarchy. If this option is on, all the packages appear at the same level and are identified by their qualified names.



**Compact Empty Middle Packages / Hide Empty Middle Packages**

This option lets you specify how or whether empty packages are to be shown. (Empty packages are ones that contain nothing but other packages.)

If the option is on, empty packages are shown compacted or not shown at all (hidden).

Option	Flatten Packages: OFF	Flatten Packages: ON
Compact Empty Middle Packages: OFF		
Compact Empty Middle Packages: ON		
Hide Empty Middle Packages: OFF		
Hide Empty Middle Packages: ON		

**Abbreviate Qualified Package Names**

This option is available only if the Flatten Packages option is on. If the option is on, most of the initial <name>. fragments in qualified package names are abbreviated.

Option	Abbreviate Qualified Names: OFF	Abbreviate Qualified Names: ON
Abbreviate Qualified Names: OFF		

**Show Members**

If this option is on, the files in the tree that contain classes turn into nodes. When such node is unfolded, the contained classes with their fields, methods, and other members of the selected item are shown.

Option	Show Members: OFF	Show Members: ON
Show Members: OFF		

**Autoscroll to Source**

If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will automatically open the selected item in the editor.

**Autoscroll from Source**

If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA automatically locates documents that you open in the editor in the Project tool window.

**Sort by Type**

If the option is off, the items (files, classes, etc.) are sorted alphabetically. If the option is on, the files are sorted by their extensions. The .java files appear in the following order: interfaces, classes, enumerations, etc.

**Folders Always on Top**

If the option is on, all the folders are shown before the files. Otherwise, all the items are sorted alphabetically, and the files and folders appear intermixed.

**Show Excluded Files**

This option is available only in the Project view. (In other views, excluded files are never shown.) Turn this option on or off to show or hide [excluded folders and files](#).

Option	Show Excluded Files: OFF	Show Excluded Files: ON
Show Excluded Files: OFF		

**File Nesting...**

Click this option to open the [File Nesting Dialog](#) and configure presentation of files with the same names.

**Show Modules**

This option is available only in the Packages and scope views. (In the Project view, modules are always shown.) Turn this option on or off to show or hide modules.

**Show Libraries Contents**

This option is available only in the Packages view. (In the Project view, libraries are always shown; in the scope views, libraries are never shown.) Turn this option on or off to show or hide libraries and their contents.

Note that within the Libraries category are the libraries included in module dependencies and also the SDKs associated with your modules.

**Pinned, Docked, Floating, Windowed, Split Mode**

These options let you control general appearance and behavior of the tool window. See [Viewing Modes](#).

**Remove from Sidebar**

This command hides the tool window, removes the associated [tool window button](#) from the tool window bar and removes the tool window from the [quick access menu](#) (☰ or ☰).

To open the tool window again (and restore the associated features), use the main menu: View | Tool Windows | <Window Name> .

**Group Tabs**

If this option is on, there is a list in the left-hand part of the title bar from which you can select the necessary view. If this option is off, the views are represented by tabs which appear in the left-hand part of the title bar.



**Move to**

To associate the tool window with a different [tool window bar](#) , select this command, and then select the destination tool window bar ( Top , Left , Bottom or Right ).

**Resize**



To resize the tool window by moving one of its borders, select this command, and then select the necessary Stretch to option.




Note that this command is not available for the floating mode.

**Hide**  Use this command to hide the tool window.


## Title bar buttons

### ItemShortcutDescription

  If the [views](#) are currently shown as tabs (the [Group Tabs](#) option is off), this button appears to the right of the last visible tab.


 If the first or the last of the available views is currently selected, this button is shown as  or  .

Click this button to open the list of views, for example, to select a different view.

 Click this icon to navigate from a file in the editor to the corresponding node (file, class, field, method, etc.) in the Project tool window.

This icon is not available if the [Autoscroll from Source](#) option is currently on.


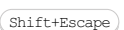
  Use this icon or shortcut to collapse all the nodes.


 Click this button to open the menu for configuring the current [view](#) and changing the tool window [viewing modes](#) .

Note that most of the menu items are options that you can turn on or off. An option which is on has a check mark to the left of its name.

The available options are a subset of the [title bar context menu](#) items. Depending on the current view, the menu may include the following options:

- [Edit Scopes](#)
- [Flatten Packages](#)
- [Compact or Hide Empty Middle Packages](#)
- [Abbreviate Qualified Package Names](#)
- [Show Members](#)
- [Autoscroll to Source](#)
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  Use this icon or shortcut to hide the tool window.







When used in combination with the  key, clicking this icon hides all the tool windows attached to the same [tool window bar](#) .

## Content pane



The content pane shows the project items such as directories, files, etc.

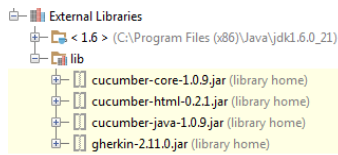
The icons for the main categories (node types) are shown and briefly explained in the following table. The icons used for the main file types are listed in [File Types Recognized by IntelliJ IDEA](#) ; the icons for the main symbols (classes, fields, methods, etc.) are shown in [Symbols](#) .


### ItemDescription

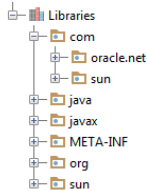
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|  | A module.   |
|  | A package.  |
|  | A folder (directory). Different folder types have different colors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- An "ordinary" folder  .</li><li>- A source folder  .</li><li>- A test source folder  .</li></ul> |

Libraries, a category for grouping the SDKs associated with your modules and the libraries included in module dependencies.  
When the Project view is selected, there is one such node for the whole project which is labeled External Libraries .

The subcategories in this case are the SDKs (for example, JSDKs ) and individual libraries () .



When the Packages view is selected, the corresponding node or nodes are labeled Libraries . If the Show Modules and the Show Libraries Contents options are selected, there is an individual Libraries node for each of the modules. The main subcategory in this case is a package () .

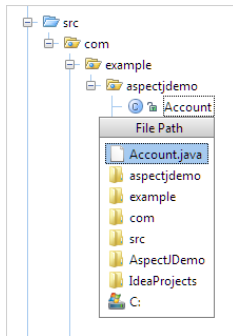


## Context menu commands for the content pane items


When you right-click an item in the content pane, the context menu for this item is shown. This menu provides access to all the functions available for the selected item:

Item	Shortcut	Description
New	Alt+Insert	Use this command to create a new item (module, package, directory, file, class, etc.) within the selected one (project, module, directory or package) in the Scratches view, this command also lets you create a database console.
Add Framework Support		For a module: use this command to add support for certain frameworks and technologies in the selected module. (The <a href="#">Add Frameworks Support dialog</a> will open.)
Cut	Ctrl+X	Use this command to move the selected item or items from the current location to the clipboard.
Copy	Ctrl+C	Use this command to copy the selected item or items to the clipboard.
Copy Path(s)	Ctrl+Shift+C	Use this command to copy the full path(s) of the selected item or items to the clipboard.
Copy Relative Path	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+C	Use this command to copy a relative path to the selected item to the clipboard.
Paste	Ctrl+V	Use this command to insert the contents of the clipboard into the selected location.
Jump to Source	F4	Use this command to open the selected file in the editor. If the file is already open, the corresponding editor tab will become active.
Open Module Settings	F4	Use this command to see the settings for the selected module. These will be shown on the <a href="#">Modules page</a> in the <a href="#">Project Structure dialog</a> .
Find Usages	Alt+F7	Use this command to find the usages of the selected item. (The <a href="#">Find Usages dialog</a> will open.)
Find in Path	Ctrl+Shift+F	Use this command to perform a text search. ( <a href="#">Find in Path dialog</a> will open.)
Replace in Path	Ctrl+Shift+R	Use this command to perform text search-and-replace. ( <a href="#">Replace in Path dialog</a> will open.)
Analyze		Use this command to access the functions related to code <a href="#">inspection</a> and <a href="#">analysis</a> .
Refactor		Use this command to perform one of the <a href="#">refactorings</a> available for the selected item.
Add to Favorites		Use this command to add the selected item to an existing or new list of favorite items. See <a href="#">Managing Your Project Favorites</a> .
Show Thumbnails	Ctrl+Shift+T	Use this command to view thumbnails for image files located in the selected directory. (The <a href="#">Thumbnails</a> tool window will open.)
Browse Type Hierarchy	Ctrl+H	For a file (normally, a class): use this command to see the class hierarchy for the selected file (class). (The <a href="#">Hierarchy tool window</a> will open.) See also, <a href="#">Viewing Structure and Hierarchy of the Source Code</a> .
Reformat Code	Ctrl+Alt+L	Use this command to reformat the source code in the selected file or in all files in the current directory. (The <a href="#">Reformat Code dialog</a> will open.) See also, <a href="#">Reformatting Source Code</a> .
Optimize Imports	Ctrl+Alt+O	Use this command to optimize imports (i.e. to remove unnecessary <code>import</code> statements) in the selected file or in all files in the current directory. (The <a href="#">Optimize Imports dialog</a> will open.) See also, <a href="#">Optimizing Imports</a> .

Delete	Delete	Use this command to delete the selected item. Use with care!
Change Dialect (<CurrentDialect>)		For SQL files and database consoles: change the SQL dialect associated with the file or console.
Remove Module	Delete	Use this command to remove a module from your project. Note that the files that make up the module are not physically removed from the disk.
Make Module '<name>'		Use this command to make the current module. See <a href="#">Compilation Types</a> and <a href="#">Reviewing Compilation and Build Results</a> .
Compile '<name>'	Ctrl+Shift+F9	Use this command to compile the selected source file or all the source files in the selected directory. See <a href="#">Compilation Types</a> and <a href="#">Reviewing Compilation and Build Results</a> .
Run '<item_name>'	Ctrl+Shift+F10	For an SQL file or database console: execute all the statements contained in the selected file or console.
Local History		Use this command to view local history for the selected file or directory, or to create a label for the current version of your project. See <a href="#">Local History</a> and <a href="#">Using Local History</a> .
Synchronize '<item_name>'		Use this command to synchronize the selected item with its version saved in the file system. (If you change a file or directory contents externally, IntelliJ IDEA, under certain circumstances, may not be aware of the corresponding changes unless you use this command.)
Show in Explorer		Use this command to open a file browser (e.g. Windows Explorer or Finder) and show the selected item there.
File Path	Ctrl+Alt+F12	Use this command to open the File Path menu. This menu shows the path from the file system root to the selected element with individual directories as the menu items.




When you select an item in this menu (e.g. a directory), a file browser (e.g. Windows Explorer or Finder) opens, and the selected item is shown there.











Compare With	Ctrl+D	Use this command to compare the selected file or directory with another file or directory. Select the other file or directory the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . See <a href="#">Comparing Folders</a> and <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Folders</a> .
Compare File with Editor		Use this command to compare the selected file with the file open on an active editor tab. See <a href="#">Comparing Files</a> and <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> .
Load/Unload Modules		<a href="#">Temporarily ignore unused modules</a>
Mark Directory As		Use this command to make the selected directory a source root or a test source root , to make the directory excluded, etc. The necessary category for the directory is selected from the submenu.
Mark as Plain Text		Use this command to exclude the selected file from project, so it is ignored by inspections, code completion, navigation, etc. The file will be indicated with a special icon  and shown as plain text in the editor. For more details, see <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .
Diagrams	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U or Ctrl+Alt+U	Use this command to open a diagram (e.g. a UML diagram) for the selected item. For more information, see <a href="#">Diagram Reference</a> .
Update Copyright		Use this command to update the copyright notice for the selected files and folders. See <a href="#">Generating and Updating Copyright Notice</a> .
WebServices		Use this command to access the functions related to developing Web services. See <a href="#">Web Services</a> and <a href="#">Web Service Clients</a> .

## File status highlights

If [VCS integration is enabled](#) for the current project, IntelliJ IDEA uses colors to denote VCS file status in the Project tool window. The following table presents information about the meaning of the colors.

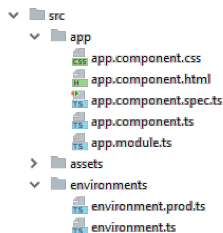
Color	File Status	Description
Black	Up to date	File is unchanged.

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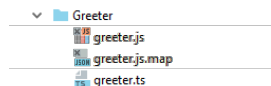
Gray	Deleted	File is scheduled for deletion from the repository.  <a href="#">privatent.txt</a>
Blue	Modified	File has changed since the last synchronization.  <a href="#">Advice.java</a>
Green	Added	File is scheduled for addition to the repository.  <a href="#">ResultTest.java</a>
Violet	Merged	File is merged by your VCS as a result of an update.  <a href="#">VcsHistoryDialog.java</a>
Brown	Unversioned	File exists locally, but is not in the repository, and is not scheduled for adding.  <a href="#">Test.xml</a>
Olive	Ignored	File will be ignored in any VCS operation.  <a href="#">Test.html</a>
Light brown	Hijacked	File is <a href="#">modified without checkout</a> . This status is valid for the files under Perforce, ClearCase and VSS. modified without checkout .  <a href="#">HelpTOC.xml</a>
Red	Merged with conflicts	During the last update, file was merged with conflicts.  <a href="#">HistoryTestCase.java</a>
Lilac	Externally deleted	File is deleted locally, but was not scheduled for deletion, and still exists in the CVS repository.  <a href="#">test1.txt</a>
Dark cyan	Switched	The file is taken from a different branch than the whole project. This status is valid for CVS and SVN.  <a href="#">test1.txt</a>

The dialog box opens when you click File Nesting on the [context menu of the title bar in the Project tool window](#) .

In this dialog box, configure presentation of files with the same names but different suffixes. Such bunches of files may appear in framework-specific projects, for example, if you use [Angular Material Design components](#) :



Also consider transpilation of TypeScript into JavaScript with sourcemaps generated:



IntelliJ IDEA can present such file bunches as plain structures or show parent files as folders (nests) with their child files inside. To configure file nesting, set correspondence between the suffixes of parent files and the suffixes of the child files.

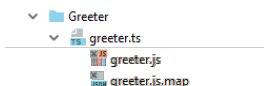
IntelliJ IDEA provides a set of predefined rules. You can edit these rules as well as define your own custom ones.

**Tip** Note that the nesting rules are applied only to files with the same names within the same directory. If the names of two files match a pattern but the files are stored in different directories IntelliJ IDEA does not visually "move" any of them.

### ItemDescription

Show files with the same names as nested according to the rules below

- When the checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA recognizes children files based on the patterns from the list and shows them grouped under the corresponding parents. Compare the presentation of the above TypeScript example with file nesting enabled:



- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA shows parents and children at the same level.

Add (+) Click this button to add a new row and specify the "parent" file suffix and the matching "child" file suffix.

Remove (-) Click this button to remove the selected rule from the list.

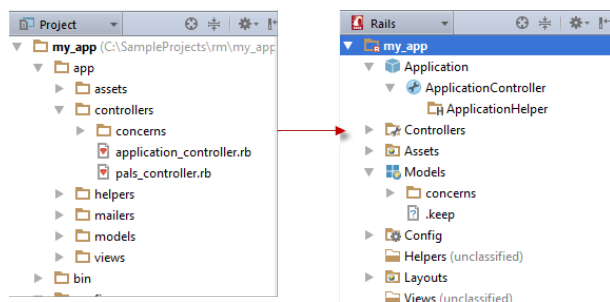
Use the default ruleset (🔄) Click this button to discard all your custom patterns and reload the default rules.

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


This feature is only supported when the Ruby plugin is installed.

Project Tool Window | View as | Rails

The special Rails view shows logical project structure displaying Controllers, Models, Views, DB migrations, etc as Rails elements rather than files and directories. From the Rails view, you can gain quick access to the application elements and their contents (controller methods, associated and partial views, etc.)



**When using the Rails view, note the following:**

- The Rails view doesn't display the `excluded directories`, `.idea`, and `script` directories.
- Controller views that don't have associated Rails actions, are shown under the corresponding controller class node.
- All non-view files from controller's `views` folder are shown under the corresponding controller class node.
- All layouts are shown under top-level Layouts node .
- Helpers (unclassified) node  contains all files, except for the helpers that correspond to controllers by naming conventions.
- Views (unclassified) node  contains all files and folders except for the controller's `views` folders.
- db (unclassified) node  contains all files and folders except for the `migrate` folder. Instead, migrations are shown in the Models | Migrations node.

Use the REST Client tool window for [testing a RESTful Web Service](#) . The tool window is intended for composing and submitting test requests to Web service methods based on the service API, as well as for viewing and analyzing server responses.

Please note the following:

- View | Tool Windows | REST Client - the tool window can be accessed this way after you have opened it using the Tools | Test RESTful Web Service command.
- The tool window is available only when the **REST Client** bundled plugin is enabled. The plugin is active by default. If not, activate it in the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.

IntelliJ IDEA supports integration between the source code and the contents of the REST Client tool window controls.

On this page:

- [Common Request Settings](#)
  - [Toolbar](#)
- [Request Tab](#)
- [Cookies Tab](#)
- [Response Tab](#)
- [Response Headers Tab](#)

## Common Request Settings

In this area, choose the request method and specify the data to compose the [request URI](#) from.

The server response code and the content length are shown in the upper-right corner of the REST Client tool window.


### ItemDescription

**HTTP method** In this drop-down list, specify the [request method](#) . The available options are:

- [GET](#)
- [POST](#)
- [PUT](#)
- [PATCH](#)
- [DELETE](#)
- [HEAD](#)
- [OPTIONS](#)







**Host/port** In this text box, type the URL address of the host where the target Web service is deployed and the port it listens to. By default, the port number is `80` . If another port is used, specify it explicitly in the format `<host URL>:<port number>` .

**Path** In this drop-down list, specify the relative path to the target method.




You can enter the entire URL address of a method to test in the Host/port text box. Regardless of the chosen **HTTP method** , upon pressing  IntelliJ IDEA will split the URL address into the **host/port** and the path to the method. The extracted relative path will be shown in the Path text box and the extracted parameters will be added to the list in the Request Parameters pane of the Request tab.

## Toolbar

### ItemTooltip Description and shortcut

	Submit Request	Click this button to submit the generated test request to the server.  <b>Note</b> If a server is not trusted, IntelliJ IDEA shows a dialog box suggesting to accept the server, or reject it. If you accept the server as trusted, IntelliJ IDEA writes its certificate to the trust store. On the next connect to the server, this dialog box will not be shown.
	Replay Recent Requests	Click this button to have a Recent Requests pop-up list displayed and select the relevant request. The fields are filled in with the settings of the selected request. Click the Submit Request button  .
	Export Request	Click this button to have the current request settings saved in an XML file so they are available in another IntelliJ IDEA session. In the dialog box that opens, specify the name of the file to save the settings in and its parent folder. When necessary, you can retrieve the saved settings and run the request again.
	Import Request	Click this button to have the settings of a previously saved request retrieved from an XML file. In the dialog box that opens, select the relevant XML file.
	Generate Authorization Header	Click this button to open the Generate Authorization Header dialog box and specify your user name and password for accessing the target RESTful Web service through. Based on these credentials IntelliJ IDEA will generate an authentication header which will be used in <a href="#">basic authentication</a> . Learn more at <a href="http://www.ics.uci.edu/~fielding/pubs/dissertation/rest_arch_style.htm">http://www.ics.uci.edu/~fielding/pubs/dissertation/rest_arch_style.htm</a> .



	Update resource paths from code	Click this button to synchronize the contents of the Path drop-down list with the @Path annotations.
	Configure HTTP Proxy	Click this button to specify proxy server settings in the dialog box that opens.
	Close	Close the REST Client tool window.
	Help	Show this page.


## Request Tab

Use this tab to specify the parameters to be passed to the service in the generated test request either through the query string for `GET` requests or through the request body for other request types. Also configure interaction between the client side and the Web service by specifying the format of data that the service and the client accept.

### ItemDescription

**Headers**

In this pane, specify the technical data included in the [request header](#) . These data are passed through header fields and define the format of the input parameters ([accept](#) field), the response format ([content-type](#) field), the caching mechanism ([cache-control](#) field), etc.




To add a field to the list, click Add  , then specify the field name in the Name text box and the field value in the Value drop-down list.

The set of fields and their values should comply with the Web service API. In other words, the specified input format should be exactly the one expected by the Web service as well as the expected response format should be exactly the one that the service returns.

For `accept` , `content-type` , and some other fields IntelliJ IDEA provides a list of suggested values. Choose the relevant format type from the Value drop-down list.

**Request Parameters**

In this pane, specify the parameters to be passed to the target method through a query string inside the URL. This approach is used for requests of the type `GET` . By default, the pane shows an empty list with one line.

- To add a parameter, click Add  , then specify the name of the parameter in the Name text box and the value of the parameter in the Value drop-down list.
- To delete a parameter from the list, select it and click Remove  .
- To suppress sending the specified query string parameters and disable the controls in the Request Parameters pane, press the Don't send anything toggle button  .

The set of parameters and their types should comply with the Web service API, in particular, they should be exactly the same as the input parameters of the target method.

- select this checkbox This may be helpful, for example, if you want to test passing parameters through other request methods in the request body but still preserve the data typed in the Query string parameters pane.

**Request Body**

The pane is disabled when the `GET` , `DELETE` , `HEAD` , or `OPTIONS` request method is selected. In this pane, specify the input parameters to be passed to the target method inside a [request message body](#) .



- Empty: choose this option to send a request with an empty body.
- Text: choose this option to send a request with a string of parameters with values. Specify the parameters in the text box next to the option.
- File contents: choose this option to have the parameters inserted in the request body from a local text file. Specify the source text file in the File to send field.
- File upload(multipart/form-data): choose this option if you want to pass a binary file as a parameter, which requires that the file be converted. Specify the source binary file in the File to send field.

## Cookies Tab

Use this tab to create, save, edit, and remove cookies, both received through responses and created manually. The **name** and **value** of a cookie is automatically included in each request to the URL address that matches the **domain** and **path** specified for the cookie, provided that the **expiry date** has not been reached.

The tab shows a list of all currently available cookies that you received through responses or created manually. The cookies are shown in the order they were added to the list. When you click a cookie, its details become editable and are displayed in text boxes.

### ItemDescription

<b>Name</b>	In this fields, specify the name of the cookie to be included in the request.
<b>Value</b>	In this field, specify the value of the cookie to be included in requests.
<b>Domain</b>	In this field, specify the host and port the requests to which must be supplied with the <b>name</b> and <b>value</b> of the cookie.
<b>Path</b>	In this field, specify the path of the URL the requests to which must be supplied with the <b>name</b> and <b>value</b> of the cookie.
<b>Expiry date</b>	In this field, specify the expiry date of the cookie.
	Click this button to add a new row to the list and define a new cookie in it.
	Click this button to remove the selected cookie from the list.

## Response Tab

Use this tab to view responses from the Web service. By default, responses are shown in the plain text form. Use the icons of the tab to have them displayed in the editor in the HTML, XML, and JSON formats.

Item	Tooltip	Description
	View as HTML	Click this button to open a new tab in the main editor window and display there the response as HTML.
	View as XML	Click this button to open a new tab in the main editor window and display there the server response as XML.
	View as JSON	Click this button to open a new tab in the main editor window and display there the server response as JSON.
	Open in browser	Click this button to view the response in your default Web browser.

## Response Headers Tab

The tab shows the technical data provided in the [headers of Web service responses](#).

The functionality described on this page and in the chapter [Working with Web Servers: Copying Files](#) is available only in the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host






Use this tool window to view the folder structure of the target FTP/FTPS/SFTP servers and the data uploaded to them.

## Getting Access to the Remote Host Tool Window

- View | Tool Windows | Remote Host - the tool window can be accessed this way after you have opened it using the Tools | Deployment | Browse Remote Host command.
- The tool window is available only when the **Remote Hosts Access** bundled plugin is enabled. The plugin is active by default. If not, activate it in the [Plugins settings](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.



## Toolbar

### ItemTooltip and Shortcut

Item	Description
Remote host	From this drop-down list, select the desired remote host configuration.
	Shift+Enter Click the browse button to <a href="#">add a new server</a> .
	Collapse All Click this button to have all nodes in the view collapsed. Ctrl+NumPad -
	Refresh Click this button to refresh the view. Ctrl+F5
	Close Click this button to close the tool window. Ctrl+Shift+F4
	Help Click this button to show this reference page. F1

## Context Menu

### ItemDescription

Upload Here	Choose this option to have the files from the currently opened project uploaded according to the selected configuration. If the action is invoked from the context menu of a file, the corresponding local file is uploaded. If the action is invoked from a folder, the entire folder is uploaded.
Download from here	Choose this option to download the selected file or folder to the currently opened. The existing local files will be updated and the missing files will be created.
New	Choose this option to create a new remote file or folder in the selected folder. The option is available only from the context menu of a folder.
Rename	Choose this option to rename the selected file or folder.
Delete	Choose this option to remove the selected file or folder.
Cut	Choose this option to copy the name of the selected file or folder to the clipboard and remove the file or folder from the tree.
Copy	Choose this option to copy the name of the selected file or folder to the clipboard.
Paste	Choose this option to insert the previously copied name of a file or a folder into the tree.
Edit Local File	When you select a file and choose this option, IntelliJ IDEA opens its local copy in the editor and moves the focus to the corresponding. The option is available only when the project with the corresponding local file is currently opened in the editor.
Sync with Local	Choose this option to compare the selected remote folder with its local version. In the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Folders</a> that opens, explore the differences and synchronize the files, where applicable, as described in <a href="#">Comparing two folders in the Difference Viewer</a> . See <a href="#">Comparing Deployed Files and Folders with Their Local Versions</a> for details.
Compare with Local Version	Choose this option to compare the selected remote file with its local version. In the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> dialog box, that opens, explore the differences and apply them, if necessary, using the  and  buttons. For details, see <a href="#">Viewing Differences Between Files</a> . See <a href="#">Comparing Deployed Files and Folders with Their Local Versions</a> for details.
Edit Remote File	Choose this option to edit the selected file in the IntelliJ IDEA editor without adding it to the currently opened project. See <a href="#">Editing Individual Files on Remote Hosts</a> for details.
Copy Path	
Exclude Path	Choose this option to exclude the selected folder from upload/download, see <a href="#">Excluding Files and Folders from Upload/Download</a> for details.

Copy Path Choose this option to copy the absolute path to the selected file or folder on the server to the clipboard.

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The Run tool window displays output generated by your application. If you are running multiple applications, each one is displayed in a tab named after the [run/debug configuration](#) applied.

The appearance of each tab depends on the type of the application being run and can include additional toolboxes and panes.

The main toolbar of the Run tool window lets you rerun, stop, pause, or terminate an application. The following table contains descriptions of the buttons that are common for most applications.

## Run Toolbar

**Item**  
**Tooltip**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

Item	Tooltip	Description
	Rerun	Click this button to stop the current application and run it again.
	Ctrl+F5	When an application is stopped (  ) , this button toggles to  .
	Rerun	Click this button to rerun the current application.
	Ctrl+F5	This button appears, when an application is stopped (  ). When an application is running, this button toggles to  .
	Pause Output	Click this button to have the process output paused. Note that the button is not available for <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js</a> , <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome</a> , and <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: NodeUnit</a> .
	Dump Threads	Click this button to dump all threads of the current process showing their status in the Sun format. Note that the button is not available for <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js</a> , <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome</a> , and <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: NodeUnit</a> .
	Exit	Click this button to terminate the current process gracefully using in-process internal mechanisms. Note that the button is not available for <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js</a> , <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome</a> , and <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: NodeUnit</a> .
	Stop	Click this button to terminate the current process externally by means of the standard <code>shutdown</code> script. Clicking the button once invokes <code>soft kill</code> allowing the application to catch the <code>SIGINT</code> event and perform graceful termination (on Windows, the <code>Ctrl+C</code> event is emulated). After the button is clicked once, it is replaced with  indicating that subsequent click will lead to force termination of the application, e.g. on Unix <code>SIGKILL</code> is sent.
	Restore Layout	Click this button to to have the changes to the current layout abandoned and return to the default state.
	Pin	Use to pin or unpin the tab. If a tab is pinned, the results for the next command are shown on a new tab.
	Close	Click this button to close the selected tab of the Run tool window and terminate the current process.
	Ctrl+Shift+F4	
	Help	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.
	F1	







## Context Menu Commands

**Item**  
**Description**

Compare with Clipboard	Opens the Clipboard vs Editor dialog box that allows you to view the differences between the selection from the editor and the current clipboard content. This dialog is a <a href="#">regular comparing tool</a> that enables you to copy the line at caret to the clipboard, find text, navigate between differences and manage white spaces.
Fold Lines Like This	Opens the <a href="#">Console</a> dialog that allows you defining the lines to be folded to hide extraneous information.
Copy URL	Choose this command to copy the current URL to the system clipboard. This command only shows on a URL, if it is included in an application's output.
Create Gist	Choose this command to open the Create Gist dialog box.
Clear All	Clears the output window.

## Console Toolbar

**ItemTooltip Description and shortcut**








	Up/down the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate up or down in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.  <b>Ctrl+Alt+Up</b>
	Use soft wraps	Click this button to toggle the soft wrap mode of the output.  <b>Ctrl+Alt+Down</b>
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to navigate to the bottom of the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Print	Click this button to send the console text to the default printer.
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all text from the console. This function is also available on the context menu of the console.
	Toggle tasks executions/text mode	Click this button to view Gradle task execution in a tree mode.

### Karma Server tab

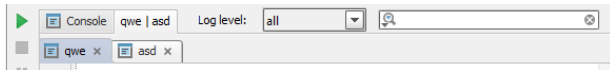
The tab is shown only when you run JavaScript unit tests using the Karma test runner. Use the tab to view and analyze information from the server. For details, see [Karma](#).

This console shows which of the configured and marked for deployment [artifacts](#) are successfully deployed and which are not. Use the console to deploy and undeploy artifacts and configure their execution on the server.

**ItemTooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**Shortcut**

	Artifact is deployed successfully	This icon next to an artifact indicates that the artifact has been successfully deployed to the server.
	Artifact is not deployed	This icon next to an artifact indicates that the artifact has not been deployed to the server yet or has been undeployed from the server.
	Deploy All	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA deploy all the artifacts from the list of items to be deployed in the Deployment tab of the <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration</a> dialog box.
	Undeploy	Click this button to have the selected artifact undeployed from the server.
	 Refresh Deployment Status	Click this button to synchronize the deployment status indications for artifacts with the server.
	Update Resources On Frame Deactivation	<p>Click this button if you want the application to be updated automatically when you switch from IntelliJ IDEA to a different application. (Switching to a different application is referred to as <a href="#">frame deactivation</a> .)</p> <p>This button is a toggle that turns the corresponding option on or off. If enabled, the application assets to be updated are defined by the current setting of the On frame deactivation option in the <a href="#">active run/debug configuration</a> .</p> <p>Note that by changing the state of the button you also change the setting of On frame deactivation in the current run/debug configuration. For example, if you disable the button, the setting changes to Do nothing .</p>

The Logs tab is available, if [logging](#) has been activated in the current Run/Debug configuration. This tab is named after the log file. If there are multiple log files enabled for a run/debug configuration, the tab's name is composed of all the log file names delimited with the "|" characters; so doing, each specific log is displayed in its own tab:



## Log level


The logs can contain messages of the following types:


- All
- information
- warnings
- errors

Use the drop-down list of available message types to filter the log output and navigate through the messages.

## Search

Use the text field to type a string to find, and press  to start the search.

Click  to reveal to history of searches.

Click  to clear the text field.

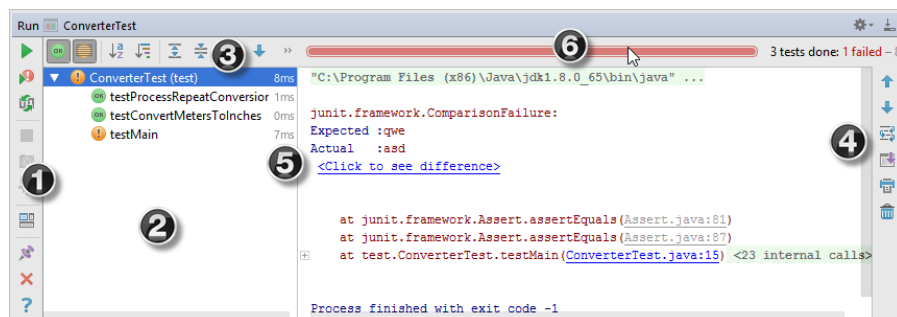


In this section:

- Basics
- Run toolbar
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## Basics

The Test Runner tab opens in the [Run](#) tool window when a testing session begins, and features the same [toolbar buttons](#).



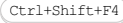




1. The [Run toolbar](#) is almost the same as that for the [Run](#) tool window, but features testing-specific buttons.
  2. The left-hand pane shows the tree view of all tests within the current run/debug configuration.
    - The root node represents the test selected to run.
    - The nested nodes represent the hierarchy of test suites and test cases.
    - The leaf nodes represent the individual tests.
- The status of each test is indicated by an [icon](#). Double-click a node to open the respective test class or test method in the editor.
3. The [testing toolbar](#) provides controls that enable you to monitor the tests and analyze results. Some of the commands are duplicated on the [context menus](#) of the test tree nodes.
  4. The [Output](#) pane shows the output of the current test suit.
  5. The inline statistics show the list of executed tests with the execution time of each test.
  6. The color of the status bar indicates whether the tests have passed successfully. If at least one of the tests fails, the status bar turns red.

## Run toolbar








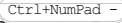
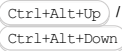









ItemTooltip  
and  
Shortcut


	Rerun	Click this button to rerun the current process. The process reruns always in the same console regardless of whether this console is pinned or not.  <a href="#">Ctrl+F5</a>
	Rerun Failed Tests	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA execute failed tests. If you press <a href="#">Shift</a> and click this button, you can choose whether you want to Run the tests again, or Debug, i.e. rerun the failed tests in the Debug mode.
	Toggle auto-test	Press this toggle-button to turn on the <a href="#">autotest-like runner</a> . As a result, any test in the current run configuration tab restarts automatically on changing the related source code, without clicking the Rerun button . The button is not shown for Mocha and Jest tests. To activate the auto-rerun functionality for these test runners, add the <code>--watch</code> flag in the Extra Mocha options / Extra Jest options field of the <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Mocha</a> or <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Jest</a> dialog box respectively.
	Dump Threads	Click this button to dump all threads of the current process showing their status in the Sun format.  <a href="#">Ctrl+Break</a>
	Exit	Click this button to terminate the current process gracefully using in-process internal mechanisms. This button is available for GWT applications only.
	Stop	Click this button to terminate the current process externally by means of the standard mechanisms.  <a href="#">Ctrl+F2</a>
	Restore Layout	Click this button to to have the changes to the current layout abandoned and return to the default state.

	Pin	When this button is pressed, the current tab will not be overwritten; instead, the results of the next command will be displayed in a new tab.
		Click this button to close the selected tab of the Run tool window and terminate the current process.
		Click this button to show reference.

## Testing toolbar

**ItemTooltip and Shortcut**








	Show Passed	Click this button to show tests that passed successfully.
	Show Ignored	Click this button to show the ignored tests in the tree view of all tests within the current run/debug configuration or test class.
	Sort alphabetically	Click this button to sort tests in alphabetical order.
	Sort by duration	Click this button to sort tests by duration.
	Expand All/Collapse All	Click these buttons to have all nodes in the tree view of tests expanded. These buttons are only available if the tested application contains more than test case.
	  Previous/next Failed Test  	Click these buttons to navigate between the failed tests.
	Show coverage per test	Click this button to <a href="#">have the code coverage results shown</a> in the Project tool window. The button is available after all the tests are executed provided that <a href="#">code coverage is enabled</a> in the current run configuration.
	Export Test Results	Click this button to have the results of the selected test saved in a file. In the <a href="#">Export Test Results</a> that opens, specify the file to save the output in and the format in which the data will be saved. If you want to view the test results later, choose the <a href="#">XML</a> format. To view saved test results later, click  and specify the XML file where they are stored.
	Import Test Results	Click this button to view the test results that you previously saved in an <a href="#">XML</a> file or the results that IntelliJ IDEA has kept in its internal history. The pop-up menu that opens shows a list of internally saved results of test sessions, each item is supplied with the name of the run configuration and a time stamp. <div data-bbox="459 1294 671 1420" style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;">  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> TestMain (3/15/2016 5:37 PM)</li> <li> TestMyClass (3/15/2016 5:37 PM)</li> <li> JUnitTest (3/15/2016 5:26 PM)</li> <li>Import From File ...</li> </ul> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To view the results of a testing session from the IntelliJ IDEA history, select the item with the suitable run configuration and time stamp.</li> <li>- To load the previously exported results, choose Import from file and then choose the required XML file in the dialog box that opens.</li> </ul> <p>The loaded test results are shown in the tab and the name of the corresponding run configuration is displayed on the title bar. To re-run the tests from the loaded session, click .</p>

	<p>Click this cog button to access the context menu with the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Track Running Test: turn this option on to monitor execution of the current test. If a test suite contains multiple tests, the tree view of tests expands to show sequential test methods, as they are executed.</li> <li>- Show Inline Statistics: turn this option on to have the statistics shown next to a test result, displaying the time used for executing each test.</li> <li>- Scroll to Stacktrace: turn this option on to have the console scroll to the beginning of the trace of the last failed test.</li> </ul> <p>If you click the root node (the test package) in the tree view with this option turned off, the console will show the very beginning of the test. This option is helpful when a test package contains multiple test classes and test methods. If some of the tests fail, you can scroll in the console to the beginning of a stack trace of an exception or assertion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Open Source at Exception: use this option to explore the results of a test that fails as an error, throwing an uncaught exception.</li> </ul> <p>If you double-click the failed test class or method in the tree view with this option turned on, the respective test class or method will open in the editor, with the caret placed at the line that caused the problem.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Autoscroll to Source: turn this option on to have the currently selected test in the tree view synchronized with the editor automatically.</li> </ul>
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- Select First Failed Test When Finished: turn this option on to have the first failed test automatically selected in the tree view upon completing the tests.
- Include Non-Started Tests into Rerun Failed

## Test status icons







### IconDescription

	Test error. This status is assigned to tests that caused an exception from the tested source code.
	Test failed. If at least one test receives this status, then all its parents are marked as failed.
	Test ignored. In the PHP context, this icon indicates a skipped test.
	Test in progress.
	Test passed successfully.
	Test terminated. This status is assigned to tests that were cancelled by clicking the Stop button  . If at least one test receives this status, then all unfinished tests and their parents are marked as terminated.

## Output pane


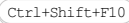
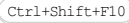
This pane shows output of each test, generated at runtime, including all the messages sent to the output stream, and the error messages. The following table shows the toolbar buttons and context menu commands available for the Output pane.

### ItemKeyboardDescription Shortcut

	Up the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate up in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Down the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate down in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Use Soft Wraps	Click this button to toggle the soft wrap mode of the output.
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to navigate to the bottom of the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Print	Click this button to configure printing out the console output in the Print dialog box that opens.
Clear All		Choose this item on the context menu to have all messages for the selected test deleted.
Copy Content		Choose this item on the context menu to have the current contents of the Output pane placed to the Clipboard.
Compare with Clipboard		Choose this item on the context menu to invoke the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> which shows the current contents of the Clipboard in the left-hand pane and the contents of the Output pane for the selected test in the right-hand pane.

## Context menu commands

### CommandKeyboardDescription shortcut

View assertEquals Difference		Choose this command to show the <a href="#">Differences viewer</a> for the strings being compared.  This command is only available when an assertion has failed.
Run <test name>		Run the selected test with the current <a href="#">temporary run/debug configuration</a> or choose another configuration from the subordinate context menu.
Debug <test name>		Debug the selected test with the current <a href="#">temporary run/debug configuration</a> or choose another configuration from the subordinate context menu.
Run <test name> with Coverage		Run the selected test and collect coverage data in accordance with the current <a href="#">temporary run/debug configuration</a> .
Create <test name>		<a href="#">Create a run/debug configuration</a> on the base of the selected test.

Save <test name>

Save the temporary run/debug configuration

Jump to Source

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Choose this command to move the focus to the editor, to the definition of a test class, or a test method.

Show Source

Ctrl+Enter

Choose this command to open source code in the editor, but leave the focus with the Test Runner tab.

Navigate to testdata

If a test class has a file with testdata, IntelliJ IDEA selects this file in the Project tool window .



The dialog box opens when you click the Export Test Results button  in the [Test Runner tab](#) of the [Run tool window](#).

In this dialog box, choose the format in which you want the test output saved and the file to save the test results in.

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**ItemDescription**

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Export format	In this area, choose the desired output format. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- HTML</li><li>- XML</li><li>- Custom, apply XSL template: choose this option to have the results presented according to your own code style. Select the relevant <code>*.xsl</code> code style definition file in the file chooser.</li></ul>
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


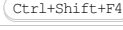




Output	In this section, specify the target file name ( File name ), and directory ( Folder ).
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Open exported file in browser	Select this checkbox to automatically open the above defined file with the test results in the default browser.
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A Groovy shell is a command-line application that lets you evaluate Groovy expressions, functions, define classes and run Groovy commands. The Groovy shell can be launched in Groovy projects.

Item	Tooltip and Shortcut	Description
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	Stop 	Click this button to stop the current process. Clicking the button once invokes <code>soft kill</code> allowing the application to catch the <code>SIGINT</code> event and perform graceful termination (on Windows, the <code>Ctrl+C</code> event is emulated). After the button is clicked once, it is replaced with  indicating that subsequent click will lead to force termination of the application, e.g. on Unix <code>SIGKILL</code> is sent.
	Close 	Click this button to close the selected tab of the Run tool window and terminate the current process.
	Execute Groovy Code (  )	Run code, entered in the console.
	Help 	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.



Interactive Groovy console can be launched in any project.

Note that if dependencies in your project contain a Groovy library then the specified Groovy library will be used to launch the Groovy console. If the dependencies do not contain a Groovy library then the bundled Groovy library of the Groovy version 2.3.9 will be used.

## Editor for Groovy Console

Use the editor for the interactive Groovy console to write and evaluate your code.







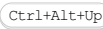
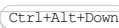








### ItemDescription

	Click this icon to run the code entered in the editor in the Groovy console. You can view the results in the run tool window for Groovy console.
	Click this icon to see the module in which the Groovy console was launched. It might be helpful for multi-module projects.

## Run Tool Window for Groovy Console

Use this tool window to view the results of the Groovy console execution.

### ItemTooltip Description and Shortcut

	Stop  	Click this button to stop the current process. Clicking the button once invokes <code>soft kill</code> allowing the application to catch the <code>SIGINT</code> event and perform graceful termination (on Windows, the <code>Ctrl+C</code> event is emulated). After the button is clicked once, it is replaced with  indicating that subsequent click will lead to force termination of the application, e.g. on Unix <code>SIGKILL</code> is sent.
	Close  	Click this button to close the selected tab of the Run tool window and terminate the current process.
	Up/down the Stack Trace    	Click this button to navigate up or down in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Use soft wraps	Click this button to toggle the soft wrap mode of the output.
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to navigate to the bottom of the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Print	Click this button to send the console text to the default printer.
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all text from the console. This function is also available on the context menu of the console.
	Execute Groovy Code (  )	Run code, entered in the console.
	Help  	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.

Note that the Play console is available for Play 1.x framework in the IntelliJ IDEA version 11.0. For later versions of IntelliJ IDEA refer to [Play 2.x](#) framework and its features.

The Tools | Play with Playframework command and the Play Framework tab or view in the Run tool window are available only under the following conditions:

- The Play framework Support [plugin](#) is enabled. See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
- A Play application is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA. (In technical terms, the directory `<play_dir>\framework\lib` and the file `<play_dir>\framework\play-<version>.jar` are included in the [dependencies](#) of the [module](#) that represents your Play application.)











Use the Play Framework tab or view for running commands of the `play` command-line utility (the Play console) and performing other, related tasks.

The console workspace is divided into two parts. In the upper part, the console output is shown. The lower part is for the input; this is where you type the `play` commands (omitting the leading `play` ). The parts are separated with a horizontal line.

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Context menu for the output area](#)
- [Context menu for the input area](#)

## Toolbar

### IconShortcutDescription

	<code>Ctrl+F2</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to stop the Play application which is currently running (the one previously started by means of the <code>play run</code> command).
	<code>Ctrl+F4</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to close the Play Framework tab or view. If the Play application is currently running, you can also select to stop it in the dialog that opens.
	<code>Enter</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to run the current <code>play</code> command.
	<code>F1</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help topic.
	<code>Ctrl+Alt+Up</code>	
	<code>Ctrl+Alt+Down</code>	
		Use this icon to turn the <a href="#">soft wrapping</a> mode in the console on or off.
		Use this icon to scroll down to the end of the console output.
		Use this icon to send the console output to the default printer.
		Use this icon to clear all the contents of the output area.

## Context menu for the output area

### CommandShortcutDescription

Copy	<code>Ctrl+C</code>	Use this command or shortcut to copy the selected text fragment to the clipboard. Note that this command is available only if something is currently selected in the output area.  If nothing is selected, you can still use <code>Ctrl+C</code> to copy all the contents of the output area to the clipboard.
Copy Reference	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+C</code>	Use this command or shortcut to place the text <code>\Play Framework:1</code> onto the clipboard.
Compare with Clipboard		Use this command to compare selected text or all the contents of the output area (if nothing is currently selected) with the contents of the clipboard.
Search with Google		Use this command to search the Internet for the selected text fragment using Google. Note that this command is available only if something is currently selected in the output area.
Fold Lines Like This		Use this command to create a new folding pattern based on the current line. See also, <a href="#">Console</a> .
Clear All		Use this command to clear all the contents of the output area.

## Context menu for the input area

### CommandShortcutDescription

Cut	<code>Ctrl+X</code>	Use this command or shortcut to remove the selected text fragment from the
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input area and to place it onto the clipboard.

Note that this command is available only if something is currently selected in the input area.


If nothing is selected, you can still use `Ctrl+X` to remove the whole command (without the leading `play`) and to place it onto the clipboard.

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Copy	<code>Ctrl+C</code>	Use this command or shortcut to copy the text fragment selected in the input area to the clipboard. Note that this command is available only if something is currently selected in the input area.  If nothing is selected, you can still use <code>Ctrl+C</code> to copy the whole command (without the leading <code>play</code> ) to the clipboard.
Copy Reference	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+C</code>	Use this command or shortcut to place the text <code>\Play Framework:1</code> onto the clipboard.
Paste	<code>Ctrl+V</code>	Use this command or shortcut to paste the last of the clipboard entries into the input area.
Paste from History	<code>Ctrl+Shift+V</code>	Use this command or shortcut to open the Choose Content to Paste dialog. This dialog lets you select the clipboard entry to be pasted into the input area.
Paste Simple	<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+V</code>	Use this command or shortcut to paste the last of the clipboard entries into the input area as plain text.
Compare with Clipboard		Use this command to compare selected text with the contents of the clipboard. If nothing is currently selected, the whole <code>play</code> command (without the leading <code>play</code> ) is used for comparison.
Search with Google		Use this command to search the Internet for the selected text fragment using Google. Note that this command is available only if something is currently selected in the input area.
Fold Lines Like This		Use this command to create a new folding pattern based on the current line. See also, <a href="#">Console</a> .

**Warning!** This page only appears when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Tools | Run manage.py task

\*.ipynb file toolbar | 

This tool window shows results of running the tasks of the `manage.py` utility.

**ItemDescription**



Click this button to run the previous task of the `manage.py` utility in a new tab.



Click this button to terminate the running process. After that, you can rerun it again.



Click this button to close the active tab.

**Note** This window is available only for modules with a Seam facet.

The Seam tool window provides a structured view of your Seam resources. These include annotated Java classes, the appropriate xml files, and the libraries referenced in your Seam components.





The resources are grouped by modules. The modules are the top hierarchical elements in the tree view.

You can expand and collapse the nodes in the tree view, access the dependency diagrams for your Seam components, and open the elements shown in the tool window in the editor.

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Context menu](#)
- [Opening elements in the editor](#)

## Toolbar

Use the toolbar buttons to expand and collapse the nodes in the tree view.

Item/Tooltip	Shortcut	Description
	Expand All	 Click this button to expand all the nodes.
	Collapse All	 Click this button to collapse all the nodes.

## Context menu

### Command/Description

Show Seam Components Dependencies	Use this command to open the diagram that shows the Seam components and dependencies between them for a selected module.
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## Opening elements in the editor

You can open the elements shown in the Seam tool window in the editor. To do that, select the element of interest and press

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To open the elements which are the "leaves" of the tree (i. e. the ones at the bottom of the hierarchy), you can also use a double click.

The Spring tool window lets you look at your project from the Spring perspective. It consists of two tabs:

- [Beans tab](#)
- [MVC tab](#)

Each tab consists of a set of panes where the contents of the selected item is shown in the pane to the right. The documentation (and, if applicable, a diagram) for the selected item is shown in the rightmost pane.

The toolbars in each tab control the amount and the type of data to be displayed.

The [context menu](#) commands allow you to switch between the panes and open items in the editor.

You can [filter the information](#) in the panes by entering a search string.

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## Beans tab

The Beans tab allows you to view definitions for the Spring beans used in your project, and see how they are related to other beans.

The leftmost pane shows a list of modules that your project consists of. When you select a module, the list of filesets (contexts) appears on the right. The next pane shows the list of configuration files included in the selected context. The next pane shows the list of Spring beans defined in the selected configuration file. The rightmost pane shows documentation for the selected bean, and a diagram that shows this bean's relation to other beans.

### Beans tab toolbar

#### IconTooltipDescription

	Show modules	Select this option if you want the panes showing the modules, contexts and configuration files to be displayed. If this option is disabled, only the beans pane showing all beans used in your project is displayed.
	Show filesets	Select this option if you want the panes showing the filesets (contexts) and configuration files to be displayed. If this option is disabled, only the modules pane and the beans pane are displayed.
	Show configuration files	Select this option if you want the panes showing the configuration files to be displayed. If this option is disabled, only the modules pane, the filesets pane and the beans pane are displayed.
	Show Implicit Beans	Select this option if you want implicit beans to be displayed in the beans pane. Implicit beans are service beans added by the Spring framework and are not defined explicitly by the user.
	Show Infrastructure Beans	Select this option if you want infrastructure beans to be displayed in the beans pane. Infrastructure beans are service beans that form the structure of a context by pointing to configuration files where other beans are defined.
	Show Bean Documentation	Select this option if you want documentation for the selected bean to be displayed in the rightmost pane. The documentation pane shows the type of the selected bean (Spring Bean, specific namespace element, @Component, @Repository, etc.), the bean class, some bean attributes (prototype, @Qualifier, etc.), and the path to the file where this bean is declared.
	Show Bean Graph	Select this option if you want a diagram showing how the selected bean is related to other beans to be displayed in the rightmost pane.

## MVC tab



The MVC tab allows you to view controller mappings for the Spring MVC framework.

The leftmost pane shows a list of modules that your project consists of. When you select a module, the list of controllers that belong to this module appears on the right. The next pane shows the mappings defined for the selected controller. The rightmost pane shows documentation for the selected mapping.

### MVC tab toolbar

#### IconTooltipDescription

	Show modules	Select this option if you want the panes showing the modules to be displayed. If this option is disabled, only the controllers pane and the mappings pane are displayed.
	Show controllers	Select this option if you want the controllers pane to be displayed. If this option is disabled, only the modules pane and the mappings pane are displayed.

	Request Method	Click this icon to filter mappings by the HTTP method. Only the mappings that implement the methods selected in the popup menu are displayed in the mappings pane.
	Show documentation	Select this option if you want documentation for the selected mapping to be displayed in the rightmost pane. The documentation pane shows the mapping between the URL and the file that must be opened for this URL, and the HTTP method that this mapping implements.

## Context menu commands

The context menu is available in all panes of the [Spring Tool Window](#) and the [Spring Tool Window](#) except for the documentation pane.

### CommandShortcutDescription

Previous		Use this command to switch to the pane on the left of the current one.
Next		Use this command to switch to the pane on the right of the current one.
Edit		Use this command to view or edit the source code for the selected item in the editor. If a module is selected, this command opens this module's settings in the <a href="#">Project Structure</a> dialog.

## Filtering information

You can filter data in any pane of the [Beans tab](#) and the [MVC tab](#) except for the documentation pane. Place the cursor in a pane and start typing. As a result, only the items whose names contain the specified string will be displayed.

## Beans icons

The icons before the name of each bean in the list indicate the bean type:

-  : beans defined in XML files.
-  : Spring auto-discoverable beans declared through `@Component` annotations.
-  : service beans added by the Spring framework and not defined explicitly by the user.

The tool window is available only when the `Spy-js` plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).




















The tool window opens when you launch a run configuration of the type `Spy-js` or `Spy-js for Node.js`. As soon as the `Spy-js` tool captures an event, it shows the event itself, its details, and stack-traces. By clicking an event, you can open the `trace file`, which is a prettified `source file` with the script that the event launched.

The tool window consists of a common toolbar and two tabs with panes:

- [Trace Run Tab](#)
- [Trace Proxy Server Tab](#)

## Toolbar

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

	Rerun 	Click this button to stop the current trace session and run it again. When the session is canceled externally by clicking  , the button toggles to  . Note that after the session restarts, you have to refresh the traced page in the browser to start capturing events.
	Rerun 	This button substitutes for  if the previous trace session was canceled externally by clicking  . Click  to initiate a new session. Note that after the session restarts, you have to refresh the traced page in the browser to start capturing events.
	Stop 	Click this button to terminate the current process externally by means of the standard <code>shutdown</code> script. Clicking the button once invokes <code>soft kill</code> allowing the application to catch the <code>SIGINT</code> event and perform graceful termination (on Windows, the  event is emulated). After the button is clicked once, it is replaced with  indicating that subsequent click will lead to force termination of the application, e.g. on Unix <code>SIGKILL</code> is sent.
	Restore Layout	Click this button to to have the changes to the current layout abandoned and return to the default state.
	Pin	Use to pin or unpin the tab. If a tab is pinned, the results for the next command are shown on a new tab.
	Close 	Click this button to close the selected tab of the Run tool window and terminate the current process.
	Help 	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.

The tab consists of a toolbar and three panes: Events Pane , Event Stack Pane , and Quick Evaluation Pane .













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## Events Toolbar



Use the buttons on the toolbar to control the range of events to capture, configure their presentation, and navigate through the list of captured events.


Item	Tooltip and shortcut	Description
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	Expand all Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Click this button to have all the nodes in the list expanded.
	Collapse all Ctrl+NumPad -	Click this button to have all the nodes in the list collapsed.
	Up the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate to the previous traced page in the stack trace.
	Down the Stack Trace	Click this button to navigate to the next traced page in the stack trace.
	Autoscroll to source	Press this toggle button to have the list in the Events pane automatically synchronized with the Editor . <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- When the button is pressed: as soon as you click an event in the Events pane, the details of the event are displayed in the Event Stack pane and the script that is invoked by the event is opened in the editor automatically.</li><li>When you navigate through the Event Stack with the Autoscroll to Trace mode turned on, the corresponding files are also automatically opened in the editor with the calling functions highlighted.</li><li>- When the button is released: the script that is invoked by the event is opened in the editor only upon double-clicking the event in the Event Stack pane.</li></ul>
	Capture Events	Click this button to configure the range of events to be captured and shown in the Events list. <p>By default, the <b>Spy-js</b> tool captures all events on all opened Web pages, excluding <b>https secure</b> web sites, unless you have specified a URL address explicitly in the run configuration. The Events pane of the <b>Spy-js</b> tool window shows all captured events. If for some reasons you do not want to have all events captured, you can suppress capturing some of them by applying user-defined event filters. When you click  , the pop-up list shows all the available filters, the currently applied filter is marked with a tick. By default the Capture All predefined filter is applied.</p> <p>To stop capturing events without stopping the application, choose <b>Mute All</b> . The application is still running but the Events pane shows the last captured event. This is helpful if you want to analyze a script and therefore need it to be displayed in the Events pane instead of being removed as new events are captured.</p> <p>To define a custom event filter:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Click  , and then choose <b>Edit Capture Exclusions</b> from the list.</li><li>2. In the <b>Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog</b> that opens, click <b>Add</b>  on the left-hand pane.</li><li>3. In the right-hand pane, specify the filter name in the <b>Exclusion name</b> field and configure a list of exclusion rules.<p>To add a rule, click  , the <b>Add Condition to Exclusion</b> dialog box opens. Type a pattern in the <b>Value/pattern</b> text box, in the <b>Condition type</b> drop-down list specify whether the pattern should be applied to event types or script names. Note that <a href="#">glob pattern matching</a> is used. When you click <b>OK</b> , IntelliJ IDEA brings you to the <b>Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog</b> .</p><p>To edit a rule, select it in the list, click  , and update the rule in the dialog box that opens. To remove a rule, select it in the list and click <b>-</b> .</p></li></ol> <p>To activate a filter, set a tick next to the required filter in the list.</p>
		Click this button to remove all or some events from tracing and have the corresponding trace files closed in the editor. Choose one of the following options on the drop-down list that is displayed:

- Remove all: choose this option to cancel tracing of all captured events without closing the trace files in the editor.
- Close all trace files: choose this option to have all trace files in the editor closed but keep tracing the corresponding event. To remove an event or script from tracing and close the corresponding trace files in the editor, choose Remove on the context menu of the event or script.
- Remove all inactive: choose this option to remove all nodes for pages that are not active anymore (for example, because the pages have been closed in browser).
- Save trace: choose this option to save an image of the current session. The `.json` files that store the calls and properties of the session are compressed into a `zip` archive. Upon request, when you choose Load trace, the `.json` files are extracted from the archive and loaded into Spy-js.
- Load trace: choose this option to have a previously saved image of a tracing session loaded into Spy-js. The `.json` files that store the calls and properties of that session are extracted and imported. Note that a loaded image does not restore the session because no scripts are actually executed. All you can do is analyze the flow and properties of previously executed code.
- Close all trace files on session stop: choose this option to have all trace files in the editor closed when you click the Stop button  to stop the tracing session externally by means of the standard `shutdown` script. Clicking the button once invokes `soft kill` allowing the application to catch the `SIGINT` event and perform graceful termination (on Windows, the `Ctrl+C` event is emulated). After the button is clicked once, it is replaced with  indicating that subsequent click will lead to force termination of the application, e.g. on Unix `SIGKILL` is sent.
- Enable Spy-js autocomplete and magnifier: choose this option to have the basic completion list expanded with runtime data ( `Spy-js autocompletion` ) and to get the possibility to evaluate expressions without actually running a debugging session ( `Spy-js magnification` ). By default, the functionality is turned off. The term `Spy-js autocompletion` denotes expanding the `basic completion list` with suggestions retrieved from the runtime data. The `Spy-js autocompletion` functionality is available from `source` files for the code that has already been executed (highlighted green in the corresponding trace file).

When you position the caret at a symbol in the source file and press `Ctrl+Space`, Spy-js retrieves data from the browser or from the running Node.js application and merges it with the basic completion list according to the following rules:

1. If an object both is present on the basic completion list and is retrieved from the runtime, the variant that provides more information about parameters, attributes, their type, etc. remains on the list.
2. Objects retrieved by `Spy.js` are shown on top of the list and marked with the  icon. If a retrieved object is specific for a browser, the object is marked with the  icon and with the icon of this browser.

The term `Spy-js magnification` denotes `evaluating expressions` without actually running a debugging session. When you click the expression in question or position the caret at it and press `Ctrl+Alt+F8`, a tooltip is displayed below the expression showing the expression value. If `Spy-js` retrieves several values, click  icon in the tooltip to expand the list of values.

The magnification functionality is available from source files for both executed and not yet executed code.

- `Spy-js` supports `source maps`, which means that you can now jump from the Event Stack pane right to the original source code in `ECMAScript 6`, `TypeScript` or `CoffeeScript` and observe what code fragments were executed. Use the following options to configure the way source maps are treated:
  - Enable source map look-up: choose this option to enable navigation to the `ECMAScript 6`, `TypeScript` or `CoffeeScript` source code using the source maps generated during compilation.
  - Enable source map generation: choose this option to generate source maps for everything to map the instrumented code. Choose this option if you are going to debug the original code in `Chrome Dev Tools` or `Firefox FireBug` development tools.
  - Always open source mapped trace if available: choose this option to have `Spy-js` try to open the mapped trace file when you invoke navigation from an event to its caller.

## Events Pane

The pane shows a tree of captured events. The top-level nodes represent `documents` that are Web pages involved in tracing. When you hover the mouse over a `document`, IntelliJ IDEA displays a tooltip with the URL address of the `document`, the browser in which it is opened, and the operating system the browser is running on. The `document` node is also supplied with an icon that indicates the browser in which it is opened.

Under each `document` node, events detected on the page and scripts started from it are listed. Events of the same type are grouped into visual containers. The header of a container displays the name of the events grouped in it, the average execution time across all the events within the container, and the number of events inside the container. You can expand each node and inspect the individual events in it.

Script file names have different colour indicators to help distinguishing between them when working with the Event Stack pane. By hovering your mouse over a script file name, you can see the full script URL.

Once an event is clicked, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane. The stack is represented by a tree of function calls.

## Context Menu of a Document Node

### MenuDescription item

Remove	Choose this option to cancel tracing all the scripts on the selected page and remove the selected node with all the items under it from the Events pane. All the currently opened trace files remain opened in the editor.
Remove all children	Choose this option to delete the items under the selected page but keep tracing it so that new events from the page are still received. The document node itself remains in the Event pane, and all the currently opened trace files remain opened in the editor.
Remove and close trace file(s)	Choose this option to cancel tracing all the scripts on the selected page, remove the selected node and all the items under it from the Events pane, and close the corresponding trace files in the editor.




Close trace file(s)	Choose this option to close all the currently opened trace files that correspond to the selected document node and items under it. The document node and the items under it remain in the Events pane.
Refresh the page in browser	Choose this option to reload the page that corresponds to the selected document node. Tracing of the selected node is abandoned, a new document node for tracing the same page is created, and the old node becomes <i>inactive</i> .
Try closing the page in browser	Choose this option to close the page that corresponds to the selected node. Tracing of the selected node is abandoned, and the node becomes <i>inactive</i> .
Show application dependency diagram	Choose this option to build a diagram with the dependencies within the entire application. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The diagram is opened in a separate editor tab. The nodes in the diagram represent your project files, while the edges represent the fact that there's one or more functions in the source file that invoke functions in the target file.</li> <li>– To examine the details of a node or an edge, select the node or the edge in question and view its Details tree in a dedicated pane in the upper right-hand corner of the editor. The pane displays the connecting function combinations, along with event(s) the calls are made within and the number of calls made.</li> </ul>

## Context Menu of an Event or Script

### MenuDescription item

Mute event	Choose this option to add an event to an exclusion filter on the fly.
Mute script	Choose this option to add a script to an exclusion filter on the fly.
Remove	Choose this option to cancel tracing the selected event or script, remove the selected item from the Events pane, but leave the corresponding trace files opened in the editor.
Add label	Choose this option to set a timestamp label. Timestamp labels help you to analyze your code execution within a specific period of time. For example, you can set two timestamp labels and view which events were captured between them. Or on the contrary, you can locate the events that were not captured within a certain period of time although you expected them to be and thus detect performance problems.
Show event dependency diagram	Choose this option to build a diagram with the dependencies in which the event selected event is invoked. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The diagram is opened in a separate editor tab. The nodes in the diagram represent your project files, while the edges represent the fact that there's one or more functions in the source file that invoke functions in the target file.</li> <li>– To examine the details of a node or an edge, select the node or the edge in question and view its Details tree in a dedicated pane in the upper right-hand corner of the editor. The pane displays the connecting function combinations, along with event(s) the calls are made within and the number of calls made.</li> </ul>






## Configuring the Range of Events to Capture

By default, the **Spy-js** tool captures all events on all opened Web pages, excluding **https secure** web sites, unless you have specified a URL address explicitly in the run configuration. The Events pane of the Spy-js tool window shows all captured events. If for some reasons you do not want to have all events captured, you can suppress capturing some of them by applying user-defined event filters. All the available filters are listed upon clicking the Capture Events button  on the toolbar, the currently applied filter is marked with a tick. By default the Capture All predefined filter is applied.


To stop capturing events without stopping the application, choose Mute All. The application is still running but the Events pane shows the last captured event. This is helpful if you want to analyze a script and therefore need it to be displayed in the Events pane instead of being removed as new events are captured.

You can define new custom filters or add event patterns to existing filters on the fly.

### Defining a new event filter

1. Click the Capture Events button  on the toolbar, and then choose Edit Capture Exclusions from the list.
2. In the **Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog** that opens, click Add  on the left-hand pane.
3. In the right-hand pane, specify the filter name in the Exclusion name field and configure a list of exclusion rules.
  - To add a rule, click , the Add Condition to Exclusion dialog box opens. Type a pattern in the Value/pattern text box, in the Condition type drop-down list specify whether the pattern should be applied to event types or script names. Note that [glob pattern matching](#) is used. When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA brings you to the **Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog**.
  - To edit a rule, select it in the list, click , and update the rule in the dialog box that opens. To remove a rule, select it in the list and click .

### Activating a filter

- Click  and set a tick next to the required filter in the list. If no filters are configured or none of the available filters fits the task, create a new filter as described above.

### Adding an event to an exclusion filter on the fly

While navigating through the tree of already captured events in the Events pane, you may come across some events or scripts that you definitely do not want to trace. You can create a filter as described above but in this case you will have to leave the pane. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can create an exclusion rule based on any event or

script, as soon as you have detected such event or script, right from the Events pane. The rule will be either added to the currently applied filter or a new filter will be created if the current setting is Capture All .

- To add an event to an exclusion filter on the fly, select the event to exclude and choose Mute <event name> event or Mute <script name> file .

If a user-defined filter is currently applied, the new rule is added to it silently. If Capture All is currently active, the [Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog](#) opens, where you can create a new filter based on the selected event or script or choose an existing filter and add the new rule to it.

## Event Stack Pane

Once an event in the Events pane is clicked, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane. The stack is represented by a tree of function calls. Each tree node represents the invoked function. Node text contains the total execution time, the script file name and the function name. When you click a node, the Quick Evaluation pane shows additional function call details, parameter values and return value, occurred exception details if there was one during the function execution.

The pane is synchronized with the editor, so you can navigate from an item in the stack tree to the corresponding **trace file** or **source file** .

- A **trace file** is a write-protected prettified version of the script selected in the Events pane or the script whose function is double clicked in the Event Stack pane. A **trace file** is named `<file name>.js.trace` . When you double click an item in the stack tree or select it and choose Jump to Trace on the context menu of the selection, the corresponding **trace file** opens in the editor with the cursor positioned at the clicked function. Another approach is to press the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button and select various stack nodes. In this case, the trace file opens when you click an event or script in the Events pane.

You can not only jump to a function but also to the place in the code where it was called from. To do that, select the required item and choose Jump to Caller on the context menu.

The contents of the file are highlighted to display the code execution path of the selected stack node.

- When you are tracing an application with **ECMAScript6** , **CoffeeScript** , and **TypeScript** code, **Spy-js** also generates **mapped trace files** . These are **EcmaScript6** , **TypeScript** , or **CoffeeScript** trace files with the extensions `.ts.trace` , `.coffee.trace` , or `.js.trace` . The fragments of code in these files are highlighted as if they were really executed.

- You can also navigate to the **source file** displayed as is, without prettifying, by selecting an item in the Event Stack pane and choosing Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection. If the traced site is mapped with a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA detects the corresponding local file according to the mapping and opens this file in the editor. If you are tracing a site that is not mapped to a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA opens the read-only **page source** , just as if you chose View Page Source in the browser.

When the traced site is mapped with a IntelliJ IDEA project, IntelliJ IDEA opens the **source file** on any attempt to edit the opened **trace file** .

## Context Menu of a Script or Function

### ItemDescription

- Jump to Caller Choose this option to navigate to the fragment in the **trace file** from where the currently selected item was called. When you are tracing an application with **ECMAScript6** , **CoffeeScript** , and **TypeScript** code, IntelliJ IDEA opens either the **trace JavaScript** file or the **mapped trace file** (TypeScript, CoffeeScript, or ECMAScript6):
- If the Always open source mapped trace if available option is selected, the corresponding mapped trace file opens.
  - If the Always open source mapped trace if available option is not selected, the JavaScript trace file opens.

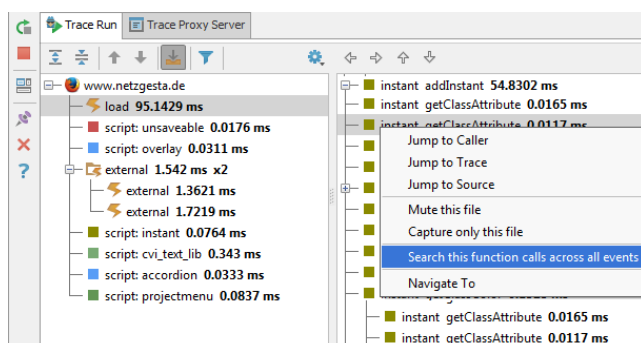
- Jump to Trace Choose this option to navigate to the definition of the currently selected item in the **trace file** .

- Jump to Source Choose this option to navigate to the definition of the currently selected item in the **source file** .





- Mute this File Choose this option to add the selected script to an exclusion filter on the fly, see [Configuring the Range of Events to Capture](#) .

- Capture only this file

- Search this function calls across all events Choose this option to navigate between the calls of a function within the whole trace (across all the traced events). This means that if you are tracing 5 pages in the browser and the Events pane, accordingly, shows 5 document nodes, IntelliJ IDEA searches for the calls of the selected function under all these nodes and displays the number of found calls of the function in the Status bar. The number of found calls is displayed in the Status bar, and the toolbar shows four previously hidden navigation chevron buttons.



Use the chevron buttons to navigate within the found calls:

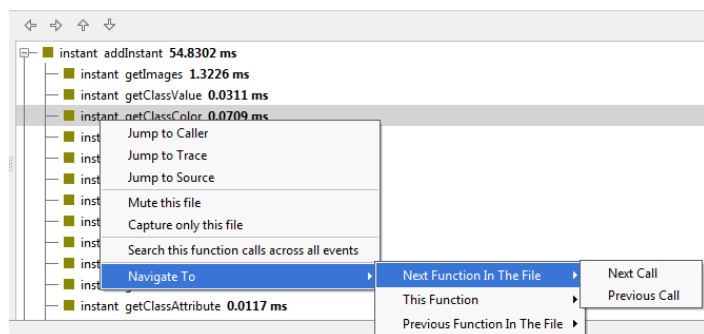
- To jump to the first detected call, click .
- To jump to the last detected call, click .
- To jump to the next detected call, click . The Status bar shows a message: Occurrence <number> of <total number of detected calls>
- To jump to the previous detected call, click .

The search results are reset and the search toolbar is hidden when you invoke another advanced search or navigation.

Also keep in mind that the number of call occurrences is calculated when you choose the Search this function calls across all events option. As you analyze the detected calls, the time passes, new events are captured, and the first detected call can happen to be already removed from the stack which means that it is no longer available for navigation.

**Navigate to** Use the options under this item to move through the whole stack based on calls and locate the functions that have not been called, that is, locate the fragments of code that have not been executed and analyze the reason for them to be skipped.

The following six actions are available: move to the next/previous call of the next/current/previous function in a trace file. The full list of actions is available from the context menu in the Event Stack pane. Moving to the next and previous calls of the selected function, to the previous call of the previous function, and to the next call of the next function are also available from the navigation toolbar of the Event Stack pane.



When you choose one of these actions, the cursor jumps to the call in the stack. If the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button is pressed, the corresponding trace file opens automatically with the cursor positioned at the call.

## Synchronization between the Panes and the Editor

The Events and Event Stack panes are synchronized: when you click an event or script in the Events pane, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane. To have also the corresponding trace file opened in the editor, press the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button on the toolbar.

The Event Stack pane is synchronized with the editor: when you click an item in the stack tree twice, the corresponding trace file opens in the editor with the cursor positioned at the clicked function.

To synchronize the Events pane directly with the editor, press the Autoscroll to Trace toggle button on the toolbar. In this case, as soon as you click a node in the Events pane, its call stack is displayed in the Event Stack pane and the corresponding trace file is opened in the editor. With the Autoscroll to Trace mode turned on, when you navigate through the Event Stack the corresponding files are also automatically opened in the editor with the corresponding functions highlighted.

## Quick Evaluation Pane


When you click a node in the Event Stack pane, the Quick Evaluation pane shows additional function call details, parameter values and return value, occurred exception details if there was one during the function execution.

## Context Menu of Function Call Details

The context menu is available from all items displayed in the pane.

### ItemDescription




Inspect	Choose this option to open the Inspect dialog box.
Copy Value	Choose this option to copy the value of the selected node to the clipboard.
Compare Value with Clipboard	Choose this option to open the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> which displays the value of the selected node and the value in the clipboard so you can compare them.
Copy Name	Choose this option to copy the name of the selected node to the clipboard.




The dialog box opens when you click the Capture Events button  toolbar button in the Events pane of the [Spy-js Tool Window](#). In this dialog box, define custom filters to configure the range of events displayed and traced in the tool window. See [Spy-js](#) for details.

The dialog box consists of two panes. The left-hand, Exclusions, pane shows a list of already existing user-defined event filters. The right-hand, Exclusion, pane shows the details of the filter selected in the Exclusions pane.

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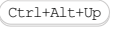

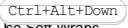



Exclusions pane	<p>The pane shows a list of all currently available user-defined filters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To define a new event filter, click  on the toolbar, then specify the filter name and exclusion rules in the Exclusion pane.</li><li>- To create a filter based on an already existing one, make a copy of the source filter by selecting it and clicking , and then rename and edit the copy as required in the Exclusion pane.</li><li>- To temporarily disable a filter, clear the checkbox next to it.</li><li>- To remove a filter from the list, select it and click .</li></ul>
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Exclusion pane	<p>On this pane, configure custom event filters. For each filter, specify its name and create a list of exclusion rules.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To add a rule, click , the Add Condition to Exclusion dialog box opens. Type a pattern in the Value/pattern text box, in the Condition type drop-down list specify whether the pattern should be applied to event types or script names. Note that <a href="#">glob pattern matching</a> is used. When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA brings you to the <a href="#">Spy-js Capture Exclusions Dialog</a>.</li><li>- To edit a rule, select it in the list, click , and update the rule in the dialog box that opens.</li><li>- To remove a rule, select it in the list and click .</li></ul>
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The tab consists of a toolbar and the console area that shows system information and error messages, information about the status of the **Spy-js** session, the availability of the proxy server, the currently active frames ("workers"), etc.

## Trace Proxy Server Toolbar

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

	Stop Trace Proxy Server	Click this button to terminate the currently running process externally by means of the standard <code>shutdown</code> script.
	Up/Down the Stack Trace	Use these buttons to navigate through the stack trace from one reported error to another. These buttons are available only when errors are reported, for example, if the configuration file is corrupted.  
	Use soft wraps	Click this button to toggle the soft wrap mode of the output.  
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to navigate to the bottom of the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location in the source code.
	Print	Click this button to send the console text to the default printer.
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all text from the console. This function is also available on the context menu of the console.

## Structure tool window

This tool window displays the structure of a file currently opened in the editor and having the focus, or selected in the Project tool window.

For diagrams, this tool window shows the diagram preview.

View | Tool Windows | Structure

Alt+7

## File Structure pop-up window

This pop-up window displays the structure of a file, currently opened in the editor and having the focus.

Navigate | File Structure

Ctrl+F12

Both views help quickly navigate through the files' structure. Refer to the section [Navigating with Structure Views](#).

This section describes the buttons on the title bar of the tool window and the options on the context menu of the title bar. Turn these options on and off to have elements of certain types hidden or shown and configure the way they are presented.

The buttons on the title bar are common for all language contexts. The set of options on the context menu depends on the context.





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**Tip** Refer to the section [Symbols](#) for the member icons in the tree view of a file in the Structure tool window.

## Title Bar








The buttons on the title bar are common for all language contexts.

### ItemTooltipDescription








	<b>Collapse All</b> Ctrl+NumPad -	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window collapsed.
	<b>Expand All</b> Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window expanded.
		Click this button to open the context menu and configure the appearance of the tool window, its <a href="#">viewing mode</a> , and the way it presents the structure of the current file by turning the menu items on or off.
	<b>Hide</b> Shift+Escape	Click this button to hide the tool window.

## Java

### Icon TooltipDescription



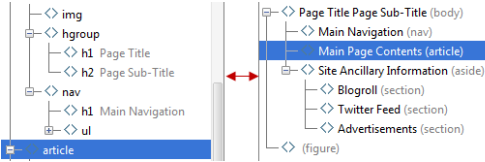




	<b>Sort by Visibility</b>	Click this button to have the items sorted by their visibility in the following order:  public - protected - package local - private.
	<b>Sort Alphabetically</b>	Click this button to have the elements within a class sorted alphabetically.
<b>Tip</b> When both  (Sort by Visibility) and  (Sort Alphabetically) buttons are pressed, the items in the view are grouped according to their visibility levels. Within each visibility level group, the items are sorted alphabetically. When both buttons are released, the items are shown in the order they appear in the code.		
	<b>Group Methods by Defining Type</b>	Click this button to have all the methods that override/implement the methods of a particular class/interface grouped under the node that corresponds to this class/interface.
	<b>Show Properties</b>	Click this button to show getters, setters, and fields in the tree view.
	<b>Show Inherited</b>	Click this button to display all the methods and fields inherited by the current class and accessible from it. The

inherited members are displayed gray to distinguish them from the members defined in the current class.

	Show Anonymous	Click this button to have the inner anonymous classes shown in the tree view.
	Show Fields	Click this button to have all fields (properties) shown in the tree.
	Show non-public	Click this button to have all non-public class members displayed.  Turn off the option to hide all non-public members.
	Collapse All <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window collapsed.
	Expand All <code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window expanded.
	Autoscroll to Source	Click this button to enable automatic navigation to the line of source code that corresponds to the selected node when the focus switches to the editor.
	Autoscroll from Source	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically move the focus in the Structure tool window to the node that corresponds to the code where the cursor is currently positioned in the editor.









## HTML, XML

### IconTooltipDescription

	Sort Alphabetically	Click this button to have the elements within a class sorted alphabetically.
	HTML5 Outline	Click this button on to view HTML 5 outline of a HTML file:  
	Collapse All <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window collapsed.
	Expand All <code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window expanded.
	Autoscroll to Source	Click this button to enable automatic navigation to the line of source code that corresponds to the selected node when the focus switches to the editor.
	Autoscroll from Source	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically move the focus in the Structure tool window to the node that corresponds to the code where the cursor is currently positioned in the editor.

## JavaScript, TypeScript, CoffeeScript, ActionScript

### IconTooltipDescription







	Sort Alphabetically	Click this button to have the elements within a class sorted alphabetically.
	Group Methods by Defining Type	Click this button to have all the methods that override/implement the methods of a particular class/interface grouped under the node that corresponds to this class/interface.
	Show Fields	Click this button to have all fields (properties) shown in the tree.
	Show Inherited	Click this button to display all the methods and fields inherited by the current class and accessible from it. The inherited members are displayed gray to tell them from the members defined in the current class.
	Collapse All <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window collapsed.
	Expand All <code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window expanded.
	Autoscroll to Source	Click this button to enable automatic navigation to the line of source code that corresponds to the selected node when the focus switches to the editor.
	Autoscroll from Source	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically move the focus in the Structure tool window to the node that corresponds to the code where the cursor is currently positioned in the editor.

## Properties

### IconTooltipDescription

	Sort Alphabetically	Click this button to have the elements within a property file sorted
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alphabetically.

	Sort by Type	Click this button to have the elements within a class sorted according to their types.
	Group by prefix	Click this button to have the elements within a property file grouped according to their prefixes.
	Collapse All <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window collapsed.
	Expand All <code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window expanded.
	Autoscroll to Source	Click this button to enable automatic navigation to the line of source code that corresponds to the selected node when the focus switches to the editor.
	Autoscroll from Source	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically move the focus in the Structure tool window to the node that corresponds to the code where the cursor is currently positioned in the editor.

## PHP

### Title Bar











Besides the buttons that are common for all language contexts, the title bar in the PHP context contains two additional toggle buttons.

#### IconTooltipDescription

PHP	Toggle this button to view the hierarchy of PHP elements. The button is always present on the toolbar but is enabled only when the current PHP class or file contains fragments of HTML code.
HTML	Toggle this button to view the hierarchy of HTML elements in a PHP class or file. The button is only available if the current PHP class or file contains fragments of HTML code.

### Context Menu

#### IconTooltipDescription

	Sort by Visibility	Click this button to have the items sorted by their visibility in the following order:  public - protected - package local - private.
	Sort Alphabetically	Click this button to have the elements within a class sorted alphabetically.
	Show Inherited	Click this button to display all the methods and fields inherited by the current class and accessible from it. The inherited members are displayed gray to distinguish them from the members defined in the current class.
	Show Includes	Click this button to have all files included through <code>include</code> or <code>require</code> statements shown in the tree.
	Show Fields	Click this button to have all fields (properties) shown in the tree.
	Show Constants	Click this button to have constants shown in the tree.
	Collapse All <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window collapsed.
	Expand All <code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code>	Click this button to have all the nodes in the tool window expanded.
	Autoscroll to Source	Click this button to enable automatic navigation to the line of source code that corresponds to the selected node when the focus switches to the editor.
	Autoscroll from Source	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically move the focus in the Structure tool window to the node that corresponds to the code where the cursor is currently positioned in the editor.



The Struts Assistant tool window appears when you open a project that contains a module with enabled [Struts support](#). Use this tool window to [manage elements](#), [tiles](#), and [validators](#) in a Struts application.

The Struts Assistant tool window has three tabs:

- The [Struts tab](#) for [managing Struts elements](#) in the `struts-config.xml` configuration file.
- The [Tiles tab](#) for managing Struts tiles in the `tiles-defs.xml` definition file.
- The [Validator tab](#) for defining action-specific validation rules.






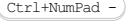
The Struts Assistant tool window displays three views:

- The Structure Tree shows the structure of the Struts configuration file `struts-config.xml` depending on the current tab.
- The Properties Table shows the attributes of the node selected in the Structure Tree.
- The Struts Web Flow Diagram graphically presents the relations among the elements of your application.  
The Struts Web Flow Diagram appears in the Struts tab only.

The views are synchronized. If a node is selected in the Structure Tree, the Properties Table shows the node's attributes. If a node has a corresponding diagram object, this diagram object is selected as well.

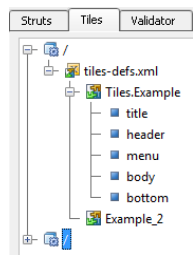
## Common Toolbar Buttons

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

	Autoscroll to Source	Click this button to enable navigation from the selected element in the Structure Tree to the corresponding source code block in the <code>struts-config.xml</code> configuration file (opening it, if necessary).
	Autoscroll from Source	Click this button to enable navigation from a source code block in the <code>struts-config.xml</code> configuration file to the corresponding node in the Structure Tree.
	Expand all	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
	Collapse all	
		
		


The tab is available from the [Struts Assistant tool window](#).

Use this tab to [manage the Struts tiles](#) in your application.






## Root node tiles-defs.xml

**ItemName**    **Description**  
and  
**tooltip**

	tiles-defs.xml	The root node of the application tiles' structure tree.
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Context menu (same for all nodes)

	Jump to source	Select this menu item to switch to the code block in the <code>tiles-defs.xml</code> file, text view, that corresponds to the selected item in the tree.
	Expand All	Click this button to expand all nodes.
	Collapse All	Click this button to collapse all nodes.

## Tile definition

**ItemName**    **Description**  
and  
**tooltip**

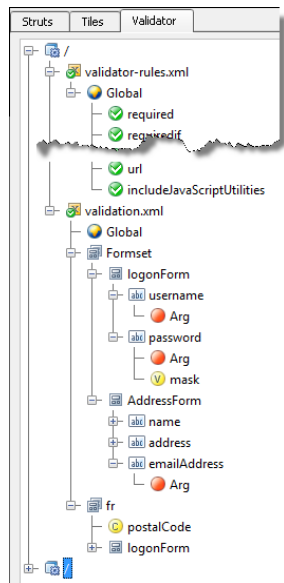
	Tile	The node under which an application tile is defined.
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Context menu

	Add Put	Select this menu item to add a new <code>&lt;put&gt;</code> element to the tile definition.
	Add Put List	Select this menu item to add a list of <code>&lt;put&gt;</code> elements to the tile definition.
	Remove Definition	Select this menu item to remove the tile definition.

The tab is available from the [Struts Assistant tool window](#).

Use this tab to define [validation procedures](#) for specific actions.



## validator-rules.xml node

**ItemName**   **Description**  
and  
**tooltip**

	validator-rules.xml	The node under which the definitions of standard validation routines are placed.
Context menu (same for all nodes)		
	Jump to source	Select this menu item to switch to the code block in the <code>validator-rules.xml</code> file, text view, that corresponds to the selected item in the tree.
	Expand All	Click this button to expand all nodes.
	Collapse All	Click this button to collapse all nodes.
	Global	The node under which the definitions of global validation routines are placed.
Context menu		
	Add Constant	Select this menu item to add a constant to the selected validation routine.
	Add Validator	Select this menu item to add a standard routine validator.
	Remove	Select this menu item to remove the entire Global node or Global/Validator the selected Validator.
	validation.xml node	

The tab is available from the [Struts Assistant tool window](#).

Use this tab to [manage Struts elements](#) in the `struts-config.xml` configuration file.

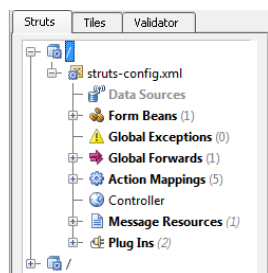
The tab displays three views:

- [Structure Tree](#)
- [Properties Table](#)
- [Web Flow Diagram](#)

The views are synchronized. If a node is selected in the Structure Tree, the Properties Table shows the node's attributes. If a node has a corresponding diagram object (for example, an Action cell or a Forward edge), this diagram object is selected as well.

## Structure Tree

The view shows the [Struts elements](#) that are used in your application as nodes of a structure tree. As you create, edit, and remove these nodes and their subordinate items, these changes are immediately reflected in the `struts-config.xml` configuration file.



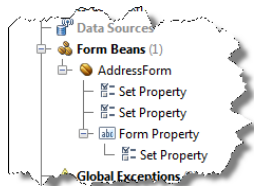
### ItemName Description and tooltip

	struts-config.xml	The root node of the application structure tree.
Context menu (the same for all nodes)		
	Jump to source	Select this menu item to switch to the code block in the <code>struts-config.xml</code> file, text view, that corresponds to the selected item in the tree.
	Expand All	Click this button to expand all the nodes in the tree.
	Collapse All	Click this button to collapse all the nodes in the tree.

The view shows the following Struts element nodes:

- [Form Beans Node](#)
- [Global Exceptions Node](#)
- [Global Forwards Node](#)
- [Action Mappings Node](#)
- [Controller Node](#)
- [Message Resources Node](#)
- [Plugins Node](#)


## Form Beans Node




### ItemName Description and tooltip


	Form Beans	Under this node, manage form beans and their properties. The following actions are available through the context menu of the Form Beans node:
	Add Form	Select this menu item to add a new form

Bean	bean to the application.
Remove Form Beans	Select this menu item to remove all the form beans from the application.

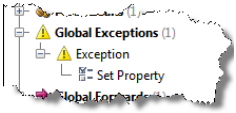
 **Form Bean** A form bean node.  
The following actions are available through the context menu of a Form Bean :

Add Form Property	Select this menu item to add a form property to the bean.
Add Set Property	Select this menu item to add a set property to the bean or to a form property.
Remove Bean/ Form Property/ Set Property	Select this menu item to remove the entire bean or its form or set property.


 **Form Property** Bean's form property.


 **Set Property** A set property of the bean or a form property.

### Global Exceptions Node




**ItemName and tooltip**

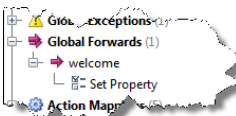
	<b>Global Exceptions</b> Under this node, manage global exceptions and their properties. The following actions are available on the context menu of the Global Exceptions node:
Add Global Exception	Select this menu item to add a new global exception to the application.
Remove Global Exceptions	Select this menu item to remove all the global exceptions from the application.

 **Global Exception** A global exception node.  
The following actions are available on the context menu of a Global Exception :


Add Set Property	Select this menu item to add a set property to the global exception.
Remove Exception/ Set Property	Select this menu item to remove the entire global exception or its set property.

 **Set Property** A set property of the global exception.

### Global Forwards Node




**ItemName and tooltip**

	<b>Global Forwards</b> Under this node, manage global forwards and their properties. The following actions are available on the context menu of the Global Forwards node:
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Add Global	Select this menu item to add a new global
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Forward forward to the application.

Remove Global Forwards Select this menu item to remove all the global forwards from the application.

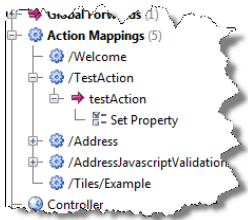
 Global Forward A global forward node. The following actions are available on the context menu of a Global Forward :

Add Set Property Select this menu item to add a set property to the global forward.


Remove Exception/Set Property Select this menu item to remove the entire global forward or its set property.

 Set Property A set property of the global forward.

## Action Mappings Node




**ItemName and tooltip**

 Action Mappings Under this node, manage the action mappings within the application, mapping properties, forwards, and exceptions. The following operations are available on the context menu of the Action Mappings node:

Add Action Select this menu item to add a new action to the application.

Remove Action Mappings Select this menu item to remove all the action mappings from the application.


 Action An action node. The following operations are available on the context menu of an Action :


Add Exception Select this menu item to add an exception to the Exceptionaction.

Add Forward Select this menu item to add a forward to the Forward action.

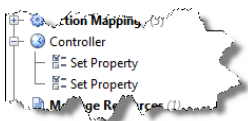
Add Set Property Select this menu item to add a set property to the action or actions's forward or action's exception.

 Exception An exception defined within the action.


 Global Forward A forward within the action.

 Set Property A set property of the action, or action's forward, or action's exception.

## Controller Node



**ItemName and tooltip**

 Controller Under this node, manage the properties of the application controller. The following operations are available on the context menu of the Controller node:

Add Set Property Select this menu item to add a set property

Property to the controller.

Set A set property of the controller.  
Property




Remove Select this menu item to remove the Controller/controller or its set property from the application.

Set  
Property

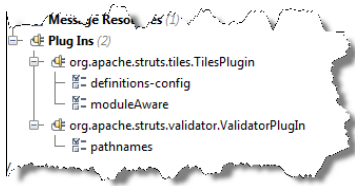
## Message Resources Node





**ItemName and tooltip**

	<b>Message Resources</b>	<p>Under this node, manage the message resources of the application.</p> <p>The following operations are available on the context menu of the Message Resources node:</p> <hr/> <p>Add Message Resource Select this menu item to add a message resource to the application.</p> <hr/> <p>Remove Message Resources Select this menu item to remove the all message resources from the application.</p>
	<b>Message Resource</b>	<p>A message resource of the application.</p> <p>The following operations are available on the context menu of a Message Resource :</p> <hr/> <p>Add Set Property Select this menu item to add a set property to the message resource.</p> <hr/> <p>Remove Message Resources/ application. Select this menu item to remove the message resource or its set property from the application.</p> <p>Set Property</p>
	<b>Set Property</b>	<p>A set property of the message resource.</p>

## Plugins Node



**ItemName and tooltip**

	<b>Plugins</b>	<p>Under this node, manage the application plugins.</p> <p>The following operations are available on the context menu of the Plugins node:</p> <hr/> <p>Add Plugin Select this menu item to add a new plugin to the application.</p> <hr/> <p>Remove Plugins Select this menu item to remove all plugins from the application.</p>
	<b>Plugin</b>	<p>A plugin node.</p> <p>The following operations are available on the context menu of a Plugin :</p> <hr/> <p>Add Set Property Select this menu item to add a set property to the plugin.</p> <hr/> <p>Remove Plugin/Set Property Select this menu item to remove the entire plugin or its set property.</p>



Set A set property of the plugin.  
Property

## Properties Table

The view shows the attributes of the node selected in the Structure Tree.

### ItemDescription

Name	The names of the attributes of the element selected in the Structure Tree.
Value	The values of the attributes of the element selected in the Structure Tree.





## Web Flow Diagram

The view graphically presents the relations among the elements of your application. The diagram features common [graph](#) [view](#) elements.

Forwards and exceptions are displayed as directed graph edges.

## Icons used on the Web Flow Diagram

### ItemDescription

	Struts Action
	Struts JSP page
	Struts global forward
	Struts global exception



The dialog opens in various cases when you need to select a class that implements a specific element.

The dialog contains two tabs:

– [Search by Name](#)

– [Project](#)

## Search by Name Tab

Use the tab to search a relevant class by specifying its name or part of the name.

### ItemDescription

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Search pattern area      In this text field, type a part of the name of the relevant class.

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Search results area      The area shows a list of the classes that meet the search pattern. The contents of the area change dynamically as you type.

## Project Tab

Use this tab to select the relevant class in the project tree.

Ctrl+Shift+T

The Thumbnails tool window provides the functions similar to those of an image browser. It shows thumbnails for folders and image files, and lets you perform related navigation and image management tasks.

To open the tool window, use the [Show Thumbnails command](#) in the [Project Tool Window](#) ( [Ctrl+Shift+T](#) ). Then, unless you close the tool window, you can show and hide it as described in the section [Manipulating the Tool Windows](#) .

- [Title bar context menu](#)
- [Title bar icons](#)
- [Toolbar icons](#)
- [Content pane: context menu commands](#)

## Title bar context menu

The title bar context menu provides the options for controlling the tool window viewing modes. It also contains the commands for associating the tool window with a different tool window bar, resizing and hiding the tool window.

To access the menu, right-click the window name ( Thumbnails ).



Note that most of the menu options may alternatively be accessed by means of the [title bar icons](#) .

### Item ShortcutDescription

Pinned, Docked, Floating, Split Mode	These options let you control general appearance and behavior of the tool window, see <a href="#">Viewing Modes</a> .
Move to	To associate the tool window with a different <a href="#">tool window bar</a> , select this command, and then select the destination tool window bar ( Top , Left , Bottom or Right ).
Resize	To resize the tool window by moving one of its borders, select this command, and then select the necessary Stretch to option. Note that this command is not available in the floating mode.
Hide	<a href="#">Shift+Escape</a> Use this command to hide the tool window.

## Title bar icons



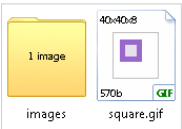


### Item ShortcutDescription

	Use this icon to open the menu for changing the tool window <a href="#">viewing modes</a> .
	<a href="#">Shift+Escape</a> Use this icon or shortcut to hide the tool window . When used in combination with the <a href="#">Alt</a> key, clicking this icon hides all the tool windows attached to the same <a href="#">tool window bar</a> .

## Toolbar icons

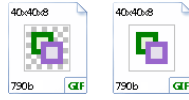
The toolbar icons provide access to the most frequently used functions available in the tool window. The same and other functions are available as [context menu commands](#) in the content pane.

### Item ShortcutDescription

	<a href="#">Backspace</a> Use this icon or shortcut to move one level up in the folder hierarchy. The path to the current folder is shown on the title bar to the right of the tool window name.
	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+NumPad Plus</a> Use this icon or shortcut to turn the Recursive option on or off. If this option is off, subfolders of the current folder and image files located in the root of the current folder are shown.  If this option is on, the subfolders are not shown; the image files located in the current folder and all its subfolders are shown.  The following picture shows the contents of the same folder with the Recursive off and on.
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Recursive: OFF</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Recursive: ON</p>  </div> </div>	
	Use this icon to show or hide a "chessboard". The "chessboard" (a checkered area) is shown underneath the images so that you can see transparent image areas for <a href="#">.gif</a> and

.png files.

The following picture shows the same thumbnail with the "chessboard" shown and hidden.



Ctrl+F4

Use this icon to close the tool window.

## Content pane: context menu commands

When you right-click an item in the content pane, the context menu for this item is shown.

The following table lists and briefly explains the main context menu commands for thumbnails. Other commands, functionally, are similar to those in the [Project Tool Window](#).

### Item ShortcutDescription

Browse	Enter	For a folder: use this command to view the folder contents (subfolders and images). The same command may alternatively be accessed by double-clicking a folder.
Jump to Source	F4 or Enter	For an image file: use this command to view the selected file in the editor. The same command may alternatively be accessed by double-clicking an image thumbnail.
Level up	Backspace	Use this command to move one level up in the folder hierarchy.
Recursive	Ctrl+Alt+NumPad Plus	Use this command to turn the <a href="#">Recursive option</a> on or off.
Show or Hide Chessboard		Use this command to show or hide the <a href="#">chessboard</a> .
Close thumbnails	Ctrl+F4	Use this command to close the tool window.
Jump to External Editor	Ctrl+Alt+F4	For an image file: use this command to open the image in an external editor.

Alt+6

IntelliJ IDEA constantly scans your project for comments in the source code that match the [TODO patterns](#) defined on the Editor | TODO page of IntelliJ IDEA settings ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#)), and displays results in the TODO tool window.

The TODO tool window is marked with the icon  and consists of the following tabs:

- Project tab that show the TODO items for the whole project.
- Current File tab.
- Scope Based tab that enables viewing TODO items pertaining to a certain scope, selected from the drop-down list, and ignoring the other items.
- Current Changelist, if [version control integration](#) is enabled.








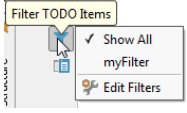

This tool window helps you view, sort, and group the TODO items in a convenient way as well as to navigate to the related source code.

On this page:




- [Toolbar buttons](#)
- [Context menu commands](#)

## Toolbar buttons

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
and  
shortcut

	Previous TODO	Navigate to the previous TODO item.
	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Up</a>	
	Next TODO	Navigate to the next TODO item.
	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Down</a>	
	Help	Use this icon or shortcut to open the corresponding help page.
	<a href="#">F1</a>	
	Expand all	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
	Collapse all	
	<a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad Plus</a>	
	<a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad -</a>	
	Autoscroll to Source	Toggle the Autoscroll to source mode. When this button is pressed, every time the node is focused, the corresponding line of source code is highlighted in the editor.
	Filter TODO items	Click this button to select the desired filter from the list, or invoke the <a href="#">TODO dialog</a> and edit the list of TODO patterns and filters as required.
		
	Preview Usages	If this button is pressed, a pane to the right shows the source code of the selected file, with the corresponding TODO item highlighted.

**Tip** The following buttons are available in the Project and Scope Based tabs.

	<a href="#">Ctrl+D</a>	If this button is pressed, the TODO items show under the corresponding module or library node.
	<a href="#">Ctrl+P</a>	If this button is pressed, the TODO items show under the corresponding packages.
	<a href="#">Ctrl+F</a>	If this button is pressed, the TODO items show as a flat list. Thus, if a package is somewhere deep within your project, you do not need to dig deep into the hierarchy.

## Context menu commands

**Item** **Keyboard** **Description**  
**Shortcut**

Jump to Source

Navigate to the selected usage in the

F4 source code.

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Local History

Show Local History submenu for the selected search result. Refer to the [Local Version Control](#) procedures for details.

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<VCS>

Show menu of the VCS, associated with the directory. See [Version Control Procedures](#) and [Reference](#) for details.


## Title bar context menu and buttons


You can right-click on the window title bar and use the context menu to configure its [viewing mode](#), associate the window with a different [tool window bar](#), or resize and hide the window.

You can also use the toolbar buttons:

### Icon ShortcutDescription

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 Click this button to access a subset of the context menu commands that let you configure window's [viewing mode](#).

 [Shift+Escape](#) Use this command to hide the tool window. You can also use it in combination with the [Alt](#) key to hides all tool windows attached to the same [tool window bar](#).

IntelliJ IDEA shows this tool window only when the TypeScript Language Service is activated on the [TypeScript page](#) as described in [TypeScript](#). Use this tool window to view the errors detected by the TypeScript Language Service and the built-in TypeScript compiler.

## Errors


The tab lists the discrepancies in the code detected by the TypeScript Language Service. The list is updated dynamically as you change your code.

- By default, the list contains only the errors from the file in the active editor tab and the full path to this file is displayed at the top. To show the errors across the entire project, press the Show project errors toggle button  on the toolbar. The tab shows error messages grouped by files in which they were detected.
- To navigate to the code in question, select the corresponding error message and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.

## Compile Errors










**Tip** The default compilation scope is entire project. To change this default settings, choose the relevant scope from the Compile scope list on the [TypeScript page](#).

The tab lists the errors that occurred during compilation.

- By default, the list is updated dynamically as you edit your code. To change this setting, clear the Recompile on changes checkbox on the [TypeScript page](#).
- By default, the list contains only the errors from the file in the active editor tab. To view the compilation errors across the entire compilation scope, click  on the toolbar and choose Compile All from the list. The error messages are shown grouped by files in which they were detected.
- To navigate to the code in question, select the corresponding error message and choose Jump to Source on the context menu.

## Toolbar

**ItemTooltip** **Description**  
and  
**shortcut**

	Compile	Click this button and choose the range of files to compile. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– To run the compiler in all the files from the default scope, choose Compile All. The default scope is specified in the Compile scope field on the <a href="#">TypeScript page</a>.</li> <li>– To run the compiler in the file opened in the active editor tab, choose the path to the file.</li> <li>– To use the scope defined in a <code>tsconfig.json</code> file, choose the path to the required one.</li> </ul>
	Configure	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Typescript page</a> and edit the TypeScript settings.
	Restart TypeScript Service	Click this button to clear the tabs and run the TypeScript Language Service anew.
	Help	Click this button to open the <a href="#">TypeScript tool window page</a> .
	Show project errors	By default, this toggle button is released and the tab shows the errors from the current TypeScript file. Press this toggle button to show the errors across the entire project.
	Close <code>Ctrl+Shift+F4</code>	Click this button to terminate the compiler and the TypeScript Language Service and close the tool window.
 	Expand all <code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code>  Collapse all <code>Ctrl+NumPad -</code>	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all the error messages from the currently active pane.

## Context Menu

The context menu is common for the Errors and the Compile Errors tabs.

**ItemDescription**

Jump to Choose this option to open the file where the selected error was detected and navigate to the fragment of code which

source caused the error.

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Copy Choose this option to copy the selected error message with the information on the file, the line, and the column where the error was detected.

## Console

The tab shows the log of the TypeScript Language Service since the tool window was opened.

Alt+9

This tool window is available if [version control integration is enabled](#) for your project.

The tool window accommodates several views/tabs, which display VCS-related information and allow you to manage changelists, perform VCS-specific actions, view changes made by other team members, etc.:

- [Console](#) tab: this tab shows the results of executing VCS-related commands.
- [Local Changes](#) tab: this tab is always present and shows the list of files that have been modified locally and have not been committed to the repository yet.
- [History](#) tab: this tab is added to the Version Control tool window when the Show History command is invoked through VCS | <specific\_VCS> .
- [Integrate to Branch Info View](#) tab: this view is available after running integration with the Run status after update setting specified.
- [Log](#) tab: this tab is only available if you are using Git or Mercurial as your version control system. It shows all changes committed to all branches of the local and remote repositories, or to a specific branch or repository.
- [Repository and Incoming](#) tabs: the Repository tab shows the changes committed to the repository under the VCS roots within the current project. The Incoming tab shows the changes committed to the repository by other team members, and not checked out locally.
- [Shelf](#) tab: this tab is added to the tool window when you [shelve](#) a change or a changelist.
- [Update Info](#) tab: this tab becomes available when [local information is synchronized](#) with the server.

## Title bar context menu and buttons

You can right-click on the window title bar and use the context menu to configure its [viewing mode](#) , associate the window with a different [tool window bar](#) , or resize and hide the window.

You can also use the toolbar buttons:

### Icon ShortcutDescription

✱-	Click this button to access a subset of the context menu commands that let you configure window's <a href="#">viewing mode</a> .
←	Use this command to hide the tool window. You can also use it in combination with the <a href="#">Alt</a> key to hides all tool windows attached to the same <a href="#">tool window bar</a> .



The tab displays:

- Version control-related commands generated based on the settings you specify through the IntelliJ IDEA interface.
- The results of executing version control-related commands.

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Version Control: Local Changes Shelf Log Console Update Info: 6/7/2016 1:02 PM ▾
13:02:23.121: [help-sources] git -c core.quotePath=false status --porcelain -z --untracked-files=no -- .
13:02:27.189: [help-sources] git -c core.quotePath=false status --porcelain -z --untracked-files=no -- .
13:02:47.970: [help-sources] git -c core.quotePath=false pull --progress --no-stat -v --progress origin master
POST git-upload-pack (945 bytes)
remote: Counting objects: 515, done. [K
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (253/253), done. [K
Receiving objects: 100% (515/515), 1.49 MiB | 1.12 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (314/314), completed with 56 local objects.
remote: Total 515 (delta 272), reused 147 (delta 147), pack-reused 115 [K
From https://github.com/ZeBrains/help-sources
 * branch          master       -> FETCH_HEAD
 2b64ca1..a48ba85  master       -> origin/master
13:02:56.372: [help-sources] git -c core.quotePath=false status --porcelain -z --untracked-files=no -- .
13:03:00.479: [help-sources] git -c core.quotePath=false status --porcelain -z --untracked-files=no -- .
13:03:19.304: [help-sources] git -c core.quotePath=false status --porcelain -z --untracked-files=no -- .
  
```

## Toolbar

**Item Tooltip and Shortcut**

	Up the stack trace / Down the stack trace	Click these buttons to navigate up or down in the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location.
	Ctrl+Alt+Up	
	Ctrl+Alt+Down	
	Use Soft Wraps	Click this button to toggle the soft wrap mode of the output.
	Scroll to the end	Click this button to navigate to the bottom of the stack trace and have the cursor jump to the corresponding location.
	Print	Click this button to send the console text to the default printer.
	Clear All	Click this button to remove all text from the console. This function is also available on the context menu of the console.

## Context Menu Commands

**Item Description**

Compare with Clipboard	Opens the Clipboard vs Editor dialog box that allows you to view the differences between the selection from the editor and the current clipboard content. This dialog is a <a href="#">regular comparing tool</a> that enables you to copy the line at caret to the clipboard, find text, navigate between differences and manage white spaces.
Fold Lines Like This	Opens the <a href="#">Console</a> dialog that allows you defining the lines to be folded to hide extraneous information.
Copy URL	Choose this command to copy the current URL to the system clipboard. This command only shows on a URL, if it is included in an application's output.
Create Gist	Choose this command to open the Create Gist dialog box.
Clear All	Clears the output window.

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The Local Changes tab lists all files that have been modified locally and have not yet been committed to the repository.

**Tip** You can assign a custom shortcut for the Show Local Changes action in Settings | Keymap | Version Control Systems to open the Local Changes tab.















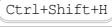






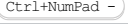




Use this tab to [commit](#) and [revert](#) changes, [manage changelists](#), [view differences](#), [view changes in UML Class diagram](#), and [clean up](#) locked folders.






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## Toolbar



**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**Shortcut**

	Refresh 	Click this button to refresh the status of all files in your workspace, modified both through IntelliJ IDEA or through any other application.
<p><b>Note</b> If you are using <a href="#">Perforce</a> as your version control system, only the status of files modified through IntelliJ IDEA will be updated. This approach improves performance, as it does not require connecting to the server, but it does not let you get an update on the changes made outside IntelliJ IDEA, for example through the p4v client application. If you want to get an update on all changes to your workspace, use the <a href="#">Force Refresh</a> option.</p>		
	Force Refresh	This button is only available if you are using <a href="#">Perforce</a> as your version control system.
Click this button to refresh the status of files in your workspace, both modified through IntelliJ IDEA or through other applications.		
	Commit Changes	Click this button to <a href="#">check in</a> the selected change or changelist. You can also attach and detach <a href="#">Perforce jobs</a> to/from changelists via the <a href="#">Commit Changes</a> dialog.
	Revert 	Click this button to roll back the selected changes.
	New Changelist 	Click this button to <a href="#">create a new changelist</a> .
	Delete Changelist 	Click this button to delete the selected changelist. Note that you cannot delete the default changelist.
	Set Active Changelist	Click this button to <a href="#">make the selected changelist active</a> . The active changelist is highlighted.
	Move to Another Changelist 	Click this button to <a href="#">move</a> the selected file to another changelist.
	Shelve Silently 	Click this button to <a href="#">shelve</a> the selected file or changelist silently, without displaying the <a href="#">Shelve Changes</a> dialog.
	Show Diff 	Click this button to view the differences between your local version of the selected file and its latest version in the repository.
	Show Changes 	Use this button to show classes from the selected changelist in a UML Class diagram (for details see <a href="#">Viewing Changes as Diagram</a> ).
	 	Click these buttons to <a href="#">expand</a> or <a href="#">collapse</a> all nodes.
	Group by Directory 	Click this button to display the changed files grouped by directories. If the button is released, the changed files are grouped by changelists.
	Copy 	Click this button to copy the path to the selected file to the clipboard.

	Show Ignored Files	Click this button to show the Ignored files node with the list of existing <a href="#">files ignored by the VCS</a> .
	Configure Ignored Files	Click this button to <a href="#">configure the list of files</a> that will be ignored by your version control system.
	Preview Diff	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA open or close the <a href="#">Preview Diff pane</a> to compare the current file with the latest committed revision.
		Click this button to show the corresponding IntelliJ IDEA help page.
















## Changelists pane

This pane shows all your changelists, and the files that have been modified in each changelist.


If new files have been added to your project that have not yet been checked-in to a version control system, the Unversioned Files node appears under which all such files are listed. If you have a large number of unversioned files (over 50), they are not displayed in the changelists pane. Instead, the Click to browse link appears. Click this link to open the Unversioned Files dialog to review the list of unversioned files. You can quickly delete unversioned files from the Changelists pane or the Unversioned Files dialog by pressing  , or add them to the VCS by pressing  .

## Context menu of a selection

### Item ShortcutDescription

	Commit Changes	NA	Select this option to <a href="#">check in</a> the selected file or changelist. You can also attach and detach <a href="#">Perforce jobs</a> to changelists via the <a href="#">Commit Changes</a> dialog.
	Revert		Select this option to roll back the selected changes.
	Move to Another Changelist		Select this option to <a href="#">move</a> the selected item to another changelist.
	Show Diff		Select this option to view the differences between your local copy and the latest version in the repository.
	Jump to Source		Select this option to open the selected file(s) in the editor.
	New Changelist		This option is only available if a changelist is selected. Select this option to <a href="#">create a new changelist</a> .
	Delete Changelist	NA	This option is only available if a changelist is selected. Select this option to delete the selected changelit.
	Delete	NA	This option is only available if single files are selected, not a changelist.
	Check Out	NA	This option is only available if a file under the Modified without Checkout node is selected. Use this option to check out the selected file from the repository.
	Add to VCS	NA	This option is only available if a file under the Unversioned Files node is selected. Use this option to add the selected files to your version control system.
	Ignore	NA	This option is only available if a file under the Unversioned Files node is selected. Use this option to <a href="#">ignore</a> the selected file if you want to leave it unversioned.
	Create Patch	NA	Select this option to <a href="#">create a patch</a> .
	Shelve Changes	NA	Select this option to <a href="#">shelve the selected changes</a> .
	Shelve in Perforce	NA	This option is only available if you are using Perforce as a version control system.  Select this option to shelve your changes in Perforce. You will be asked to select which files you want to shelve and provide a description. After you've shelved your changes, the corresponding changelist will appear. You can unshelve it any time from the changelist's context menu.
	Refresh		Select this option to refresh the status of files in your workspace.
	Local History	NA	Select this option and choose one of the following from the popup menu: – Show History : select this option to <a href="#">View local history</a> of the selected file or folder. – Put Label : select this option to <a href="#">add a label</a> to the current version of the selected file or folder.
	<Specific version control system>	NA	Select this option to invoke a popup menu with options specific for the version control system you are using.


## Preview Diff Pane



This pane opens when you click the Preview Diff button  on the toolbar. In this pane you can examine the changes made to the selected file compared to its base revision.



The pane consists of two areas:

- The affected code as it was in the base revision.
- The affected code as it is after a change has been made.


### ItemTooltip Description and Shortcut

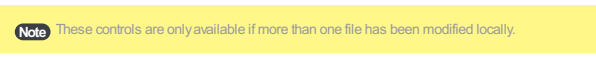
 Previous Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference.



Difference / Next When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to click the arrow buttons  /  once more and compare other files, depending on the [Go to the next file after reaching last change](#) option in the [Differences Viewer settings](#) .


Difference  


This behavior is supported only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the [Version Control](#) tool window.


 Compare Click these buttons to compare the local copy of the previous/next file with its update from the server.

Previous/Next File  **Note** These controls are only available if more than one file has been modified locally.

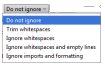
 Jump to Source Click this button to open the selected file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer .



Viewer type  Use this drop-down list to choose the desired viewer type. The side-by-side viewer has two panels; the unified viewer has one panel only.

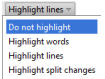
Both types of viewers enable you to

- Edit code. Note that one can change text *only* in the right-hand part of the default viewer, or, in case of the unified viewer, in the lower ("after") line, i.e. in your local version of the file.
- Perform the Apply/Append/Revert actions.

Whitespace  Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text.

- Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This option is selected by default.
- Trim whitespaces : (`"\t"`, `" "`) , if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line.
  - If two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.
  - If two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the [By word](#) mode.
- Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.
- Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored:
  - all whitespaces (as in the 'Ignore whitespaces' option)
  - all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only
  - all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.

For example, changing `a b c` to `a \n b c` is not highlighted in this mode.
- Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).


Highlighting mode  Select the way differences granularity is highlighted.


The available options are:


- Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted
- Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted
- Highlight split changes : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.

For example, `A \n B` vs. `A X \n B X` will be treated as two changes instead of one.


- Do not highlight : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.

 Collapse unchanged fragments Click this button to collapse all unchanged fragments in both files. The amount of non-collapsible unchanged lines is configurable in the Diff & Merge settings page.


 Synchronize scrolling Click this button to simultaneously scroll both differences panes; if this button is released, each of the panes can be scrolled independently.


 Editor settings Click this button to invoke the list of available settings. Select or clear this options to show or hide whitespaces, line numbers and indent guides, to use or disable the use of soft wraps, and to set the highlighting level.

These commands are also available from the context menu of the differences viewer gutter.

 Show diff in external tool Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the [External Diff Tools](#) settings page.

This button only appears on the toolbar when the Use external diff tool option is enabled in the [External Diff Tools](#) settings page.

 Help Click this button to show the corresponding help page.



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Annotate

This option is only available from the context menu of the gutter.

Use this option to explore who introduced which changes to the repository version of the file in question, and when. The annotations view lets you see detailed information for each line of code, such as the version from which this line originated, the ID of the user who committed this line, and the commit date.

You can [configure the amount of information displayed in the annotations pane](#) .

For more details on annotations, refer to [Viewing Changes Information](#)

The most useful shortcuts in the Diff Pane are the following:

#### ShortcutDescription

<code>Ctrl+Shift+D</code>	Use this keyboard shortcut to show the popup menu of the most commonly user diff commands.
<code>Ctrl+Tab</code>	Use this keyboard shortcut to switch between the left and the right panes.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Tab</code>	Use this keyboard shortcut to select the position obtained by <code>Ctrl+Tab</code> in the opposite pane.
<code>Ctrl+Z</code> / <code>Ctrl+Shift+Z</code>	Use this keyboard shortcut to undo/redo a merge operation. Conflicts will be kept in sync with the text.

Alt+9

This tab is only available if you are using [Git](#) or [Mercurial](#) for version control.

This tab shows all changes committed to all branches of the local and remote repositories, or to a [specific](#) branch or repository.

The log is updated automatically in the background mode on every change (a commit, fetch, rebase, etc.), even if the Log tab is closed.

**Tip** You can assign a custom shortcut for the Show VCS Log action in Settings | Keymap | Version Control Systems to open the Log tab.

The tab contains the following panes:

- The [Commits](#) pane is located on the left of the tool window and shows the commits to all or [selected](#) branches from the local and remote repositories.
- The [Changed Files](#) pane is located on the right of the tool window and shows the list of files that were modified within the selected commit.
- The [Commit Details](#) pane is located on the right under the [Changed Files](#) pane and shows the details of the selected commit.

## Commits Pane

The commits pane consists of the following areas:

- [Commits](#)
- [Toolbar](#) (some of the toolbar commands are duplicated in the [context menu](#)).

## Commits

This area shows a list of all commits performed to the selected branch, or to all branches. For each commit, the list shows the commit message, the author, and the commit date. The latest commit in each branch is supplied with a label with the name of the branch in which it was performed.

There are the following labels:

- local (Mercurial) and regular (Git/Mercurial) for tags.
- tip (Mercurial) for the latest revision in the repository.
- HEAD (Git/Mercurial) for the current working revision.



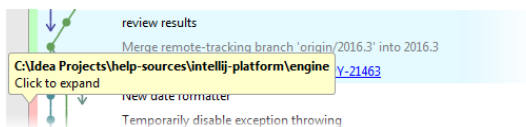
For Git, the color of the label depends on the branch type (local or remote).

For Mercurial, there are different color labels for bookmarks, open heavy branches and closed heavy branches.

Note that clicking an arrow takes you to the next commit in a long branch:



In multi-repository projects, the colored stripe on the left indicates which root the selected commit belongs to (each root is marked with its own color). Hover the mouse cursor over the colored stripe to invoke a tip that shows the root path:



You can also enable the [Show Root Names](#) option if you want to expand the Roots column with full root names.








Committed changelists often correspond to issues in tracking systems. You can jump to such issues in a browser right from the Commits pane. This functionality is available if:


- The [pattern](#) of the bug tracking system is specified in the [Issue Navigation](#) Settings dialog box.
- The corresponding issue number is mentioned in the commit message.

After issue navigation has been configured, issue numbers in commit messages are rendered as links. Clicking such link brings you to the corresponding page of your issue tracker.

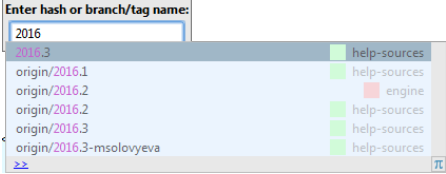
# Toolbar

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
and  
**Shortcut**


	N/A	Use this text box to search through the list of commits. You can enter full commit names or messages or their fragments, revision numbers, or regular expressions. To finalize the search, press <code>Enter</code> or move the focus away from the search field.  <b>Tip</b> You can quickly switch the focus to the search field by pressing <code>Ctrl+L</code> .
	N/A	Click this button to show previous search patterns.
	N/A	Click this button to clear the search and return to the full list of commits.
	N/A	Click this button to invoke the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Regex</b>: if this option is selected, anything you type in the search field is treated as a <b>regular expression</b>, for example, <code>#\d+</code>.</li> <li>– <b>Match Case</b>: if this option is selected, only entries with the matching case count.</li> </ul>
<b>Branch</b>	N/A	Use this drop-down list to filter commits by the branch. If you want to see commits from all local and remote branches, select <b>All</b> .
<b>User</b>	N/A	Use this drop-down list to filter commits by the author. To view all commits by a specific author, click <b>Select</b> and start typing the author's name. To view commits by all users, select <b>All</b> .
<b>Date</b>	N/A	Use this drop-down list to filter commits by a time-frame or a specific date. To view commits made on a specific date, click <b>Select</b> and specify the date. To view commits made on all dates, select <b>All</b> .
<b>Paths</b>	N/A	Use this drop-down list to filter commits by the folder (for projects that have one root), or by the root and folder (for multi-root projects). To view commits to a specific folder, click <b>Select Folders</b> and specify the folder name. For multi-repository projects, you can also select the check-box next to one or several roots in the <b>Roots</b> section.
	IntelliSort	If this option is enabled, you get a more convenient way to view merges by displaying the incoming commits first, directly below the merge commit.
	Show long edges	If this option is enabled, long branches are displayed in full, even if there are no commits in them. If this option is disabled (by default), long branches are replaced with a down arrow.
	Refresh	Click this button to refresh the list of commits.  <code>Ctrl+F5</code>

 **Go to Hash/Branch/Tag** `Ctrl+F`

Click this button and specify a hash, tag or branch you want to jump to.




You can select a reference with the same name from different repositories. The name of each repository is displayed on the right along with its color indicator.


 **Cherry-pick (for Git)** **Graft (for Mercurial)**

Click this button to [apply changes from the selected commit to the current branch](#).

**Note** This button is disabled if the selected commit is already contained in the current branch.

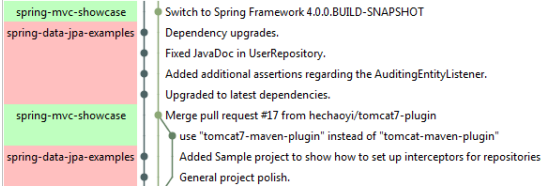
 **Highlight non-picked commits**

This command is only available if you are using Git as your version control system. Click this button to highlight the commits from the selected branch that have not yet been applied to the current branch.

 **Quick settings**

Click this button to invoke one of the following commands:

- **Show Root Names**: enable this option if you want to expand the **Roots** column on the left showing full root names in a multi-repository project.



- **Compact References View**: if this option is enabled, branch references for a single commit are displayed in a collapsed view: `origin/171.3780`  
If you want to expand each branch reference on a line, deselect this option: `origin/171.3780` `idea/171.3780.29`
- **Show Tag Names**: enable this option if you want tag names to be displayed in addition to the tag icon:  
`idea/171.3780.29`

If this option is disabled, you can still view a tag name by hovering the mouse over the tag icon.

- Collapse Linear Branches : enable this option to collapse all branches on the graph so that a dotted line is shown instead of successive commits.





It is also possible to collapse an individual expanded branch by clicking it.

- Expand Linear Branches : enable this option to expand all collapsed branches to show successive commits on the graph.

It is also possible to expand an individual collapsed branch by clicking it.

- Highlight : select which types of commits you want to highlight:
  - My Commits : if enabled, your commits are highlighted in bold font.
  - Merge Commits : if enabled, merge commits are grayed out.
  - Current Branch : if enabled, commits to the current branch are highlighted with a blue background.

## Context menu commands

Item	Description	Available in
Copy Revision Number 		Use this command to copy the revision number of the selected commit to the clipboard. Git
		Mercurial
Create Patch 		Use this command to <a href="#">create a patch</a> based on the selected commit. Git
		Mercurial
Cherry-pick (Git)	Use this command to <a href="#">apply the changes from the selected commit to the current branch</a> . Git	
Graft (Mercurial) 		Mercurial
Checkout Revision	Use this command to check out the state of files recorded in the selected commit. Git	
Update to Revision	Use this command to change your working copy parent revision to the selected commit. New commits will carry on from the revision (commit) you update to. Mercurial	
New Branch		Use this command to create a new branch based on the selected commit. Git
		Mercurial
New Tag		Use this command to add a new tag to the selected commit. Git
		Mercurial
Branch <branch_name> / Branches	<p>This command appears for all branches that point to the selected commit ( Branch &lt;branch_name&gt; if there is one branch, or Branches if there are multiple branches) and provides the same options as the ones available from the <a href="#">Branches popup and submenu</a> :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Checkout as new local branch</li> <li>- Compare</li> <li>- Rebase onto</li> <li>- Merge</li> <li>- Delete</li> </ul> <p>If the <a href="#">Control repositories synchronously</a> option is enabled, and the selected branch exists in multiple repositories, an additional menu option named In All Repositories appears that allows you to perform the same operations in all repositories simultaneously.</p>	Git
		Mercurial
Reset Current Branch to Here	Use the command to reset the current branch head to the selected commit. In the Git Reset dialog that opens, select the mode in which the working tree will be updated. Git	
Undo Commit	This command is only available for the commits made by you, and allows you to revert the changes and undo the selected commit. Git	
Open in GitHub 	Use this command to open the page that corresponds to the selected commit on <a href="#">GitHub</a> . Git	
MQ	<p>Use this submenu to manage <a href="#">Mercurial Queues</a> :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Import : use this command to turn the selected changeset into a patch.</li> <li>- Goto patch : use this command to open the MQ: &lt;project_name&gt; tab that shows a queue of patches that have not been applied yet.</li> <li>- Rename Patch : use this command to rename the selected patch.</li> <li>- Finish Patches : use this command to turn the selected patch into a permanent changeset.</li> </ul>	Mercurial












## Changed files pane

This pane shows a list of files that were modified within the currently selected commit.

## Toolbar

Many of the options available in the toolbar are duplicated in the context menu.

**Item**  
**Tooltip**  
**and**  
**Shortcut**

Item	Tooltip	Shortcut
	Show Diff	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> where you can compare the current and the previous revision of the selected file.
		<span>Ctrl+D</span>
	Show Diff with Local	Click this button to show the differences between the selected revision of the selected file and its current local copy.
	Edit Source	Click this button to open the local copy of the selected file for editing.
		<span>F4</span>
	Open Repository Version	Click this button to open the repository version of the selected file for editing.
	Revert Selected Changes	Click this button to roll back the changes in the selected file.
	Show History for Revision	Click this button to open the <a href="#">History tab</a> for the selected file that lets you explore the history of all file revisions.
	Changes View Settings	Click this button to select the following options: – Show Details : click to show the <a href="#">Commit details pane</a> . – Show Changes to Parents : click to display changes to both parents for a merge commit to review merge results, and <a href="#">see how exactly conflicts were resolved</a> during a merge.
	Group by Directory	Click this button to transform a flat list of files into a tree of packages with files.
		<span>Ctrl+P</span>
	Expand All/Collapse All	Click this button to expand/collapse all nodes. Note that these buttons are only available only when tree-view is enabled.
		<span>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</span>

## Commit Details

This area is displayed when the [Show Details](#)  option is enabled.
















This area shows the details on the commit selected in the [Commits](#) list, such as the commit message, hash, author, the link to the author's email, date, time, root and branches.

If the selected commit is contained in more than six branches, only the first six are displayed and the Show All link appears that you can click to expand a complete list of branches.

The History tab is added to the [Version Control tool window](#) on invoking the Show History command for a file or directory through the menu of a particular VCS. A new tab is created for each file or directory with the following name: History: <file\_name> . The set of toolbar buttons differs slightly depending on your version control system.

All commands available from the toolbar are also available from the context menu of a selection.






**ItemTooltip  
and  
Shortcut**

ItemTooltip	Description	Shortcut
	Compare Click this button to compare the selected revision of a file with its previous revision in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> .	Ctrl+D
	Show Diff with Local Click this button to compare the selected revision of a file with its local copy in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> .	
	Create Patch Click this button to create a patch from the selected revision.	
	Get Click this button to retrieve the selected revision. If the local copy has already been modified, IntelliJ IDEA prompts to overwrite the local version, or cancel the operation.	
	Annotate Click this button to open the selected revision of a file in the editor with annotations.	
	Show All Affected Files Click this button to open the Paths Affected in Revision dialog where you can view all files that were modified in the selected revision.	Shift+Alt+A
	Copy Revision Number Click this button to copy the revision number of the commit that the selected file belongs to to the clipboard.	
	Compare all classes from revision on UML Click this button to view all classes of the selected revision as a UML Class diagram. See section <a href="#">Viewing Changes as Diagram</a> .	Ctrl+Shift+D
	Open in GitHub Click this button to open the page that corresponds to the selected commit on <a href="#">GitHub</a> .	
	Show All Branches Click this button to display changes from branches other than the current one.	
	Show Branches <b>Note</b> This option is only available if you are using Perforce for version control. Click this button to show branches.	
	Show All Revisions Submitted In Selected Changelist <b>Note</b> This option is only available if you are using Perforce for version control. Click this button to display the list of all revisions committed in the same changelist as the selected revision of a file.	
	Refresh Click this button to refresh the current information.	
	Show Details Click this button to show the commit message for the selected revision.	
	Close Click this button to close the current history tab.	Ctrl+Shift+F4

This view is available after running integration with the Run status after update setting specified. The view displays a list of files or packages affected by the latest integration. The items are displayed under the following nodes:

- Modified
- Merged
- Not in repository
- Locally added

**ItemTooltip  
and  
shortcut**

		Click this button, to group information within nodes by packages. If the button is released, files are presented in plain lists.
	Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Click this button to expand all nodes.
	Ctrl+NumPad -	Click this button to collapse all nodes.
		Click this button to close the view.
	F1	Click this button to show the corresponding reference page.

Alt+9

The Repository and Incoming tabs are only available for non-distributed version control systems (i.e. all VCSs supported by IntelliJ IDEA except for Git and Mercurial).

The Repository tab shows the changes committed to the repository under the VCS roots within the current project. The Incoming tab shows the changes committed to the repository by other team members, and not yet checked out locally. Both tabs display the information stored in the history cache. The number of changelists displayed depends on the [cache scope](#).

Each tab contains the following panes:

- The [Changelists](#) pane shows changelists.
- The [Changed Files](#) pane shows the list of files that were modified and committed within the selected changelist.

Note that if you are using SVN 1.5 or higher both on the server and in the local working copies, the Repository tab also features a [Merge Info](#) pane that configures the view in the other two panes and provides control over integration between branches.











## Changelists Pane







The pane shows the changelists committed and stored in the history cache. When you click a changelist, the files affected by the selected commit are displayed in the [Changed Files](#) pane.

Committed changelists often correspond to issues in tracking systems. You can have such issues opened in the browser right from the Changelists pane. This functionality has the following prerequisites:

- The [pattern](#) of the bug tracking system is specified in the [Issue Navigation](#) Settings dialog box.
- The corresponding issue number is mentioned in the commit message.











After issue navigation has been configured, issue numbers in commit messages are rendered as links. Clicking such link brings you to the corresponding page of your issue tracker.




Item Tooltip and Shortcut	Description	Available In
	Refresh  Ctrl+F5	Click this button to refresh the information in the view.  Both tabs
	Show Details  Ctrl+Q	Click this button to show the following information on the selected changelist: – Changelist number – User and client name – Date and time of commit  Both tabs
	Create Patch	Click this button to <a href="#">create a patch</a> based on the selected changelist.  Repository tab
	Revert Changes	Click this button to create a <i>reverse patch</i> for the selected changelist and roll back the changes made previously. You can use this action to revert changes committed by any user. The Select Target Changelist dialog box opens.  Note that if the reverse patch applies to a version committed earlier, this rollback attempt may fail because of the conflicts with the later changes.  Repository tab
	Clear	Click this button to clear the history cache. The commits list will be emptied. To restore it, click <a href="#">Refresh</a> .  Repository
	Edit Revision Comment	Click this button to edit the message for the selected commit.  Repository
	Update Project  Ctrl+T	Click this button to <a href="#">update the project</a> to the latest available version.  Incoming tab
	Expand All  Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Click this button to expand all nodes.  Both tabs
	Collapse All  Ctrl+NumPad -	Click this button to collapse all nodes.  Both tabs
	Copy	Click this button to copy the commit message of the selected changelist to the Clipboard.  Both tabs

	 Help	Click this button to show the corresponding help topic.	Both tabs
	 Highlight Integrated	Click this button to have the Merge Info pane displayed. The button is enabled only when both the server side and the client side use Subversion 1.5.	Repository tab
Filter by		Use this drop-down list to hide the changelists that are of no interest to you, and only view only the changelists that satisfy a certain criterion. The following options are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- User : select this option to filter the commits by the user.</li> <li>- Structure : select this option to filter the commits by the target module or folder.</li> <li>- Client : select this option to filter the commits by the computer from which they were made.</li> <li>- None : select this option to turn off filtering and return to the default view.</li> </ul>	Both tabs
Group by		Use this drop-down list to group changelists following a certain criterion. The following options are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Date : select this option to group the commits by date.</li> <li>- User : select this option to group the commits by users.</li> <li>- Client : select this option to group the commits by the computer from which they were made.</li> </ul>	Both tabs
Search		Use this text box to enter a search pattern and locate the commits whose commit messages matches the specified string. As you type, the list dynamically reduces to show the changelists with the commit messages that match the specified pattern. To save the search pattern, press Enter .  To view the list of recent search patterns, click the  button.  To clear the list of search patterns, click the  button.	Repository tab

## Changed files pane

ItemTooltip  
and  
Shortcut

ItemTooltip and Shortcut	Description	
	Show Diff	Click this button to show the differences between the current and the previous revision of the selected file.  
	Show Diff with Local	Click this button to show the differences between the selected revision of the selected file and its current local copy.
	Edit Source	Click this button to open the local copy of the selected file for editing.  
	Open Repository Version	Click this button to open the repository version of the selected file.
	Revert Selected Changes	Click this button to revert the changes to the selected file and roll back to its previous revision.
	Integrate to Branch	Click this button to integrate the changes from the selected file to the target branch.
	Compare Subversion Properties	This option is only available if you are using <a href="#">Subversion</a> as your version control system. Click this button to view the differences in file properties between the current version and the previous revision.
	Show History	Click this button to open the History view of the selected file in the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window.

	<b>Group by Directory</b>	Click this button to transform a flat list of files into a tree of packages with files.
	<b>Expand All</b>	Click this button to expand all nodes. The button is available only when the files in the pane are displayed grouped by directories.
	<b>Collapse All</b>	Click this button to collapse all nodes. The button is available only when the files in the pane are displayed grouped by directories.

















## Merge Info pane

The pane is available only if you are using SVN 1.5 or higher both on the server and in the local working copies.

In this pane, specify a pair of branches whose integration with each other you want to monitor. The Changelists pane will show the changelists related to the specified branches and provide the information on the [integration status](#) of each changelist.

You can specify several pairs of branches if several projects or roots are involved.

### Item Tooltip Description and Shortcut

	<b>From</b>	Specify the URL address of the source branch. IntelliJ IDEA suggests the URL address selected in the Checkout from Subversion dialog box.
	<b>To</b>	Do the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the path to the target branch. Click  or press <b>Shift+Enter</b> to open the Select Branch dialog box.</li> <li>Specify the path to the local working copy to which you will apply patches created based on the selected changelists. Click  to open the Configure Working Copy Paths dialog box and select a working copy.</li> </ul>
	<b>Highlight Integrated</b>	Click this button to have each changelist in the Changelists pane supplied with an indication of whether it is integrated or not.
	<b>Integrate To Branch</b>	Click this button to integrate the selected changelist into the working copy. The Integrate To Branch dialog box opens.
	<b>Undo Integrate To Branch</b>	Click this button to revert the last integration of the selected changelist into the working copy.
	<b>Mark As Merged</b>	Click this button to indicate that the selected changelist is integrated into the working copy without actually integrating the changelist. The action affects the administrative information in the <code>.svn</code> folder. The icon next to the selected changelist changes from  to  .
	<b>Mark As Not Merged</b>	Click this button to indicate that the selected changelist is not integrated into the working copy without actually reverting integration. Update the administrative information in the <code>.svn</code> folder. The icon next to the selected changelist changes from  to  .
	<b>Filter Out Not Integrated</b>	Click this button to display only changelists that have not been integrated into the working copy.
	<b>Filter Out Integrated</b>	Click this button to display only changelists that have been integrated into the working copy.
	<b>Filter Out Others</b>	Click this button to hide extraneous changelists in the Changelists pane. Extraneous changelists are changelists that are <a href="#">managed in another VCS</a> or are located under another root.



Show Working Copies Click this button to open the [Subversion Working Copies Information](#) dialog box.

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Refresh Click this button to refresh the information in the Changelists pane.

This tab is added to the [Version Control tool window](#) when you [shelve](#) a change or a changelist, and is displayed until you permanently remove all shelved changes, including the already [unshelved](#) ones, and imported external patches.








By default, this tab shows all shelved changes that have not been unshelved yet. Changes are grouped into shelves. A shelf is a changelist created when you shelve changes. A shelf is identified by the commit message. You can have IntelliJ IDEA show the unshelved changes. They can be restored and re-applied as many times as necessary, until they are removed permanently.

For details, see [Shelving and Unshelving Changes](#) .

**Note** You can assign a custom shortcut for the Show Shelf action in [Settings | Keymap | Version Control Systems](#) .

## Toolbar





**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

	Show Diff <a href="#">Ctrl+D</a>	Choose this option to open the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> and compare the shelved version of a file with its current local version.
	Unshelve Silently <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+U</a>	Click this icon to unshelve changes silently, without displaying the Unshelve Changes dialog.
	Create Patch	Choose this option to create a patch file based on shelved changes. In the Create Patch dialog box that opens, specify the file to save the patch in, and the changes to create a patch from. By default, all changes from the shelf are selected. To view which changes are included, click the Selected link. For details, see <a href="#">Creating Patches</a> .
	Show/Hide already unshelved	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA show or hide all available shelved changes, both already applied and not. Note that this button is duplicated on the context menu.
	Preview Diff	Click this icon to compare the shelved version of the selected file with its local version in the Preview pane.
	Clean Already Unshelved	Click this icon to explicitly remove all unshelved changes if you are not going to reuse them.
	Shelf Settings	Click this icon to jump to the Shelf settings page where you can modify the default shelf location, and enable <a href="#">automatic shelving of base revisions of files</a> for <a href="#">Git</a> and <a href="#">Mercurial</a> .

## Context menu

The context menu is available by right-clicking a change, a change list, or anywhere in the tab.

**Item** **Shortcut** **Description**

	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+U</a>	Choose this option to apply changes from the selected shelf. In the <a href="#">Unshelve Changes</a> dialog that opens, specify the changelist you want to add the changes to. For details, see <a href="#">Shelving and Unshelving Changes</a> .
Unshelve		
Restore		Choose this option to re-activate the unshelved changes. By default, unshelved changes are no longer shown in the list of available shelved changes, therefore you first need to have IntelliJ IDEA display it by choosing Show Already Unshelved . You can restore any change as many times as you need until the change is permanently removed by choosing Delete . For details, see <a href="#">Shelving and Unshelving Changes</a> .
	<a href="#">Ctrl+D</a>	Choose this option to open the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> and compare the shelved version of a file with its current local version.
Show Diff		
		Choose this option to compare the shelved version of the selected file with its local version in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> .
Compare with Local		
		Choose this option to create a patch file based on shelved changes. In the Create Patch dialog box that opens, specify the file to save the patch in, and the changes to create a patch from. By default, all changes from the shelf are selected. To view which changes are included, click the Selected link. For details, see <a href="#">Creating Patches</a> .
Create Patch		
Import Patches		Choose this option to apply patches created externally or through IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, choose the files to import patches from. The imported patches are treated as shelved changes and are shown in the Shelf tab where you can unshelve them at any time.
Rename	<a href="#">Shift+F6</a>	Choose this option to modify the name of the selected shelved changelist.
Delete	Delete	Choose this option to permanently delete the selected shelved change. You can remove any change no matter whether it has been already unshelved or not. For details, see <a href="#">Shelving and Unshelving Changes</a> .



Show Already Unshelved

Choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA show all available shelved changes, both already applied and not. By default, unshelved changes are hidden. For details, see [Shelving and Unshelving Changes](#).

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Click this icon to explicitly remove all unshelved changes if you are not going to reuse them.











Clean Already Unshelved

This tab is available when [local information is synchronized](#) to the server.

**Item Tooltip  
and  
shortcut**

	Group by Packages	When this button is pressed, the update information within nodes is grouped by packages.
	Group by Changelists	When this button is pressed, the update information within nodes is grouped by changelists, and by the day the changelist has been committed. The Update Info tab is divided into two panes: the left pane shows the changelists, grouped by the check-in date, and the right pane shows the <a href="#">list of changed files</a> . Grouping by changelists is not available if the project is under Git or Mercurial control.
	Expand all	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
		
		Ctrl+NumPad Plus
	Collapse all	
		Ctrl+NumPad -
	Show Diff	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> , where you can compare the local copies of all the project files one after another with their updates from the server. Use the buttons Compare Next File  and Compare Previous File  to scroll through the list of updated files.
	Close	Click this button to close the tab.
		Ctrl+Shift+F4
	Help	Click this button to show reference page.
		F1

The controls of the Changed files pane appear when the button  is pressed.






	Show Diff	Click this button to show differences between the selected and the previous revision for the selected file in the Changes Files pane.
		Ctrl+D
	Show Diff with Local	Click this button to show differences between the selected revision of a file, and its current local copy.
	Edit Source	Click this button to open local copy of the selected file for editing.
		F4
	Open Repository Version	Click this button to open repository version of the selected file.
	Revert Selected Changes	Click this button to revert selected changes.
	Show History	Click this button to open the History view of the selected file in the <a href="#">History Tab</a> of the Version Control tool window.
	Group by Directory	When the button is not pressed, the pane shows a flat list of files. When the button is pressed, the pane shows files in their respective packages. In the latter case, expand and collapse buttons appear in the toolbar.
		Ctrl+P
	Expand all	Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.
		
		Ctrl+NumPad Plus
	Collapse all	
		Ctrl+NumPad -
	Select All	Click this button to select all files in the Changed Files pane.
		Ctrl+A

This tab is only available if your project is under [Mercurial](#) version control.

It displays all patches and allows you to manage the [Mercurial Queue](#).

You can drag-and-drop patches in the queue to change the order in which they will be applied.

## Toolbar and Context Menu

Item	Shortcut	Description	Available from
 Reload from file	Ctrl+F5	Use this command to refresh the list of patches from the <code>series</code> file. Note that when you drag-and-drop patches in the queue, the corresponding changes in the <code>series</code> file will only be saved when you switch to a different tab, or perform some other external action. This allows you to revert such changes simply by reloading from file.	Toolbar
 Goto	Shift+Alt+G	Use this command to apply the selected patch and all patches above it in the queue. The applied patches will become visible in the <a href="#">Log tab</a> and the changes will be registered in the working copy of the repository.	Toolbar Context menu
 Move and Push	Shift+Alt+P	Use this command to apply the selected patch without applying whatever other patches may be before it in the patch stack.	Toolbar Context menu
 Fold	Shift+Alt+D	Use this command to merge the selected non-applied patch with the topmost applied patch, and remove it from the list.	Toolbar Context menu
 Delete	Delete	Use this command to delete the selected patch from the series file	Toolbar
Apply Patch	N/A	Use this command to apply the selected patch. The <a href="#">Apply Patch</a> dialog will be displayed where you can select which changes you want to restore.	Context menu

The tool window opens when you take a snapshot and choose to open it. The tool window shows the collected profiling data. If the window is already opened and shows the profiling data for another session, a new tab is added. Tabs that were opened automatically are named after the run configurations that control execution of the applications and collecting the profiling data.

If you want to open and analyze some previously saved memory profiling data, choose **V8 Profiling - Analyze V8 Heap Snapshot** on the main menu and select the relevant `.snapshot` file. IntelliJ IDEA creates a separate tab with the name of the selected file.

The tool window has three tabs that present the collected information from different points of view.

On this page:

- [Containment](#)
- [Biggest Objects](#)
- [Summary](#)
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## Containment

The tab shows the objects in your application grouped under several top-level entries: **DOMWindow objects**, **Native browser objects**, and **GC Roots**, which are roots the **Garbage Collector** actually uses. See [Containment View](#) for details.

For each object, the tab shows its **distance from the GC root**, that is the shortest simple path of nodes between the object and the GC root, the **shallow size** of the object, and the **retained size** of the object. Besides the absolute values of the object's size, IntelliJ IDEA shows the percentage of memory the object occupies.

## Biggest Objects

The tab shows the most memory-consuming objects sorted by their **retained sizes**. In this tab, you can spot memory leaks provoked by accumulating data in some global object.





## Summary

The tab shows the objects in your application grouped by their types. The tab shows the number of objects of each type, their size, and the percentage of memory that they occupy. This information may be a clue to the memory state.

## Details Pane

Each tab has a Details pane, which shows the path to the currently selected object from GC roots and the list of object's **retainers**, that is, the objects that keep links to the selected object. Every heap snapshot has many "back" references and loops, so there are always many retainers for each object.

## Navigating through a Snapshot

- To help differentiate objects and move from one to another without losing the context, mark objects with text labels. To set a label to an object, select the object of interest and click  on the toolbar or choose **Mark** on the context menu of the selection. Then type the label to mark the object with in the dialog box that opens.
- To navigate to the function or variable that corresponds to an object, select the object of interest and click  on the toolbar or choose **Edit Source** on the context menu of the selection. If the button and the menu option are disabled, this means that IntelliJ IDEA has not found a function or a variable that corresponds to the selected object. If several functions or variables are found, they are shown in a pop-up suggestion list.
- To jump from an object in the Biggest Objects or Summary tab or Occurrences view to the same object in the Containment tab, select the object in question in the Biggest Objects or Summary tab and click  on the toolbar or choose **Navigate in Main Tree** on the context menu of the selection. This helps you investigate the object from the containment point of view and concentrate on the links between objects.
- To search through a snapshot:
  1. In the Containment tab, click  on the toolbar.
  2. In the [V8 Heap Search Dialog](#) that opens, specify the search pattern and the scope to search in. The available scopes are:
    - **Everywhere**: select this checkbox to search in all the scopes. When this checkbox is selected, all the other search types are disabled.
    - **Link Names**: select this checkbox to search among the object names that V8 creates when calling the **C++ runtime**, see <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/11202824/what-is-in-javascript>. In the [V8 Heap Tool Window](#), link names are marked with the `%` character (`%<link name>`).
    - **Class Names**: select this checkbox to search among functions-constructors.
    - **Text Strings**: select this checkbox to perform a textual search in the contents of the objects.
    - **Snapshot Object IDs**: select this checkbox to search among the unique identifiers of objects. V8 assigns such a unique identifier in the format `<id>` to each object when the object is created and preserves it until the object is destroyed. This means that you can find and compare the same objects in several snapshots taken within the same session. In the [V8 Heap Tool Window](#), object IDs are marked with the `@` character (`@<object id>`).

- Marks: select this checkbox to search among the labels you set to objects manually by clicking  on the toolbar of the Containment tab.









The search results are displayed in the Details pane, in a separate Occurrences of '<search pattern>' view. To have the search results shown grouped by the search scopes you specified, press the Group by Type toggle button on the toolbar.

When you open the dialog box next time, it will show the settings from the previous search.

## Toolbar

The toolbar is common for all tabs and most of the toolbar buttons are available in all tabs.


### ItemDescriptionAvailable in

	Click this button to set a label to the selected object. This helps you differentiate objects and move from one to another without losing the context.	Containment tab, Biggest Objects tab, Summary tab, Details pane, Occurrences view
	Click this button to find a function in a snapshot: in the <a href="#">V8 Heap Search Dialog</a> that opens, specify the search pattern and the scope to search in. The available scopes are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Everywhere: select this checkbox to search in all the scopes. When this checkbox is selected, all the other search types are disabled.</li> <li>– Link Names: select this checkbox to search among the object names that V8 creates when calling the C++ runtime , see <a href="http://stackoverflow.com/questions/11202824/what-is-in-javascript">http://stackoverflow.com/questions/11202824/what-is-in-javascript</a> . In the <a href="#">V8 Heap Tool Window</a> , link names are marked with the % character ( % &lt;link name&gt; ).</li> <li>– Class Names: select this checkbox to search among functions-constructors.</li> <li>– Text Strings: select this checkbox to perform a textual search in the contents of the objects.</li> <li>– Snapshot Object IDs: select this checkbox to search among the unique identifiers of objects. V8 assigns such a unique identifier in the format to each object when the object is created and preserves it until the object is destroyed. This means that you can find and compare the same objects in several snapshots taken within the same session. In the <a href="#">V8 Heap Tool Window</a> , object IDs are marked with the @ character ( @&lt;object id&gt; ).</li> <li>– Marks: select this checkbox to search among the labels you set to objects manually by clicking  on the toolbar of the Containment tab.</li> </ul>	Containment tab
	Click this button to jump from an object in the Biggest Objects or Summary tab or Occurrences view to the same object in the Containment tab. This helps you investigate the object from the containment point of view and concentrate on the links between objects.	Biggest Objects tab, Summary tab,  Occurrences view
	Click this button to navigate to the function or variable that corresponds to the selected object.	Containment tab, Occurrences view
	Press this toggle button to have the search results shown grouped by the search scopes you specified.	Occurrences view
	Click this button to open the reference page for the tool window.	All
	Click this button to close the tool window.	All

## Context Menu of an Object


### ItemDescription

Mark	Choose this option to set a label to the selected object. This helps you differentiate objects and move from one to another without losing the context.
Navigate in Main Tree	Choose this option to jump from an object in the Biggest Objects or Summary tab or Occurrences view to the same object in the Containment tab. This helps you investigate the object from the containment point of view and concentrate on the links between objects.
Jump to Source	Choose this option to navigate to the function or variable that corresponds to the selected object.

The dialog box opens when you click  on the toolbar in the [V8 Heap Tool Window](#). Use the dialog box to find constructors, object IDs, character strings, etc. in a snapshot. The search results are displayed in the Details pane, in a separate Occurrences of '<search pattern>' view.

#### ItemDescription

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Search	In this text box, type the search pattern to look for. Select the Case Sensitive checkbox if necessary.
Scope	<p>In this area, specify the type of objects to limit the search to. When the Everywhere checkbox is selected, all the other search types are not available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Everywhere: select this checkbox to search in all the scopes. When this checkbox is selected, all the other search types are disabled.</li><li>- Link Names: select this checkbox to search among the object names that V8 creates when calling the C++ runtime, see <a href="http://stackoverflow.com/questions/11202824/what-is-in-javascript">http://stackoverflow.com/questions/11202824/what-is-in-javascript</a>. In the <a href="#">V8 Heap Tool Window</a>, link names are marked with the % character ( %&lt;link name&gt; ).</li><li>- Class Names: select this checkbox to search among functions-constructors.</li><li>- Text Strings: select this checkbox to perform a textual search in the contents of the objects.</li><li>- Snapshot Object IDs: select this checkbox to search among the unique identifiers of objects. V8 assigns such a unique identifier in the format to each object when the object is created and preserves it until the object is destroyed. This means that you can find and compare the same objects in several snapshots taken within the same session. In the <a href="#">V8 Heap Tool Window</a>, object IDs are marked with the @ character ( @&lt;object id&gt; ).</li><li>- Marks: select this checkbox to search among the labels you set to objects manually by clicking  on the toolbar of the Containment tab.</li></ul>

The tool window is opened automatically when you stop the **Node.js** application you are profiling. If the window is already opened and shows the profiling data for another session, a new tab is added. Tabs that were opened automatically are named after the run configurations that control execution of the applications and collecting the profiling data.

If you want to open and analyze some previously saved profiling data, choose **V8 Profiling - Analyze V8 Profiling Log** on the main menu and select the relevant V8 log file `isolate-<session number>`. IntelliJ IDEA creates a separate tab with the name of the log file.










Based on the collected profiling data, IntelliJ IDEA builds three call trees and displays each of them in a separate pane. Having several call trees provides the possibility to analyze the application execution from two different points of view: on the one hand, which calls were time consuming ("heavy"), and on the other hand, "who called whom".

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## Toolbar

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description** **Available**  
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	Jump to source	Click this button to navigate to the function definition.	Top Calls Bottom-up Top-down
	Filter	Click this button to filter out light calls and have IntelliJ IDEA display only the calls that indeed cause performance problems. Using the slider, specify the minimum <b>Total%</b> or <b>Parent%</b> value for a call to be displayed and click Done .	Top Calls Bottom-up Top-down
	Expand Heavy Traces	When a tab for a profiling session is opened, by default the nodes with heaviest calls are expanded. While exploring the trees, you may like to fold some nodes or expand other ones. Click this button to restore the original tree presentation.	Top Calls Bottom-up Top-down
 	Expand All/ Collapse All	Click these buttons to expand or collapse all the nodes in the current pane.	Top Calls Bottom-up Top-down
	Export to text file/ Export Timeline Chart	Click this button to save the call tree in the current pane to a text file or the current timeline chart to a <code>.png</code> file. Then specify the target file in the dialog box that opens.	All
	Help	Click this button to navigate to the Help topic for the tool window.	All
	Close	Click this button to close the V8 Profiling tool window.	All
	Zoom	Click this button to open the selected fragment of the flame chart in a separate tab and have the selected fragment enlarged to fit the tab width so you can examine the fragment with more details.	Flame Chart

## Context Menu

The context menu is available only from items in the Top Calls , Bottom-up , and Top-down panes.

**Item** **Description**

Copy Call	Choose this option to copy the name of the selected function and the name of the file where it is defined to the Clipboard.
Copy	Choose this option to copy the name of the selected function, the name of the file where it is defined, and the measurements data. This may be helpful if you want to compare the measurements for a function from two sessions, for example, after you make some improvements to the code.
Compare with Clipboard	Choose this option to compare the selected with the contents of the Clipboard in the <a href="#">Difference Viewer</a> that opens.
Expand Node/	Choose these options to expand or collapse the selected tree node.

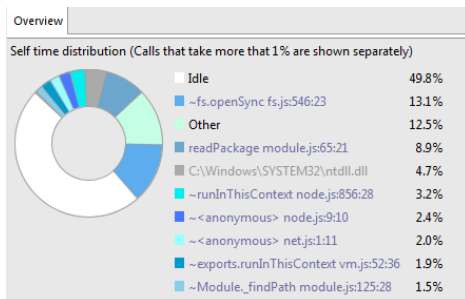
Collapse Node

## Top Calls Pane

The Top Calls pane shows a list of performed activities sorted in the descending order by the **Self** metrics. For each activity IntelliJ IDEA displays its **Total**, **Total%**, and **Self%** metrics. For each function call, IntelliJ IDEA displays the name of the file, the line, and the column where the function is defined.

Calls	Total	Total %	Self %
Unknown <total>	1153	98%	0%
JavaScript	730	62%	62%
Function: ~<anonymous> jcs:1:11	730	62%	62%
Function: ~_rng uuid.js:20:29	83	7%	7%
Function: ~ScriptBreakPoint.set native debug.js:266:40	59	5%	5%
Function: ~exports.runInThisContext vm.js:68:36	45	3%	3%
Function: ~runInThisContext node.js:733:28	40	3%	3%
Function: ~FrameMirror.evaluate native mirror.js:895:40	16	1%	1%
Function: ~fs.statSync fs.js:707:23	14	1%	1%
LazyCompile: ~test native regexp.js:129:20	6	0%	0%
LazyCompile: ~captureStackTrace native messages.js:808:27	6	0%	0%
Function: ~fs.lstatSync fs.js:702:24	6	0%	0%
Function: ~fs.openSync fs.js:440:23	5	0%	0%
LazyCompile: Join native array.js:68:14	4	0%	0%

The diagram in the Overview pane shows distribution of self time for calls with the **Self%** metrics above 1%.



## Bottom-up Pane

The Bottom-up pane also shows the performed activities sorted in the descending order by the **Self** metrics. Unlike the Top Calls pane, the Bottom-up pane shows only the activities with the **Total%** metrics above 2 and the functions that called them.

This is helpful if you encounter a **heavy** function and want to find out where it was called from.

For each activity IntelliJ IDEA displays its execution time in **ticks** and the **Of Parent** metrics. For each function call, IntelliJ IDEA displays the name of the file, the line, and the column where the function is defined.

## Top-down Pane

The Top-down pane shows the entire call hierarchy with the functions that are execution entry points at the top. For each activity IntelliJ IDEA displays its **Total**, **Total%**, **Self**, and **Self%** metrics. For each function call, IntelliJ IDEA displays the name of the file, the line, and the column where the function is defined. Some of the functions may have been optimized by V8, see [Optimizing for V8](#) for details.

- The functions that have been optimized are marked with an asterisk (\*) before the function name.
- The functions that possibly require optimization but still have not been optimized are marked with a tilde (~) character before the function name. Though optimization may be delayed by the engine or skipped if the code is short-running, a tilde (~) points at a place where the code can be rewritten to achieve better performance.

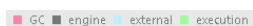
Calls	Total	Total %	Self	Self %
Function: listOnTimeout timers.js:94:23	1084	92%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.runMain module.js:488:26	1084	92%	0	0%
Function: Module_load module.js:268:24	1084	92%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.load module.js:339:33	1070	91%	0	0%
Function: ~Module_extensions.js module.js:4	1069	90%	0	0%
Function: ~Module_compile module.js:36	1069	90%	0	0%
Function: ~<anonymous> jcs:1:11	1065	90%	730	62%
Function: ~require module.js:372:1	296	25%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.require mo	296	25%	0	0%
Function: Module_load moi	296	25%	0	0%
Function: ~Module.load	292	24%	0	0%
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Function: ~<	273	23%	0	0%

## Flame Chart

Use the multicolor chart in the Flame Chart tab to find where the application paused and explore the calls that provoked these pauses. The chart consists of four areas:



- The upper area shows a timeline with two sliders to limit the beginning and the end of a fragment to investigate.
- The bottom area shows a stack of calls in the form of a multicolor chart. When called for the first time, each function is assigned a random color, whereupon every call of this function within the current session is shown in this color.
- The middle area shows a summary of calls from the **Garbage Collector**, the engine, the external calls, and the execution itself. The colors reserved for the **Garbage Collector**, the engine, the external calls, and the execution are listed on top of the area:



- The right-hand pane lists the calls within a selected fragment, for each call the list shows its duration, the name of the called function, and file where the function is defined.

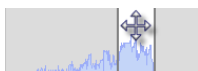
## Selecting a Fragment in the Timeline

To explore the processes within a certain period of time, you need to select the fragment in question. You can do it in two ways:


- Use the sliders:



- Click the **window** between two sliders and drag it to the required fragment:



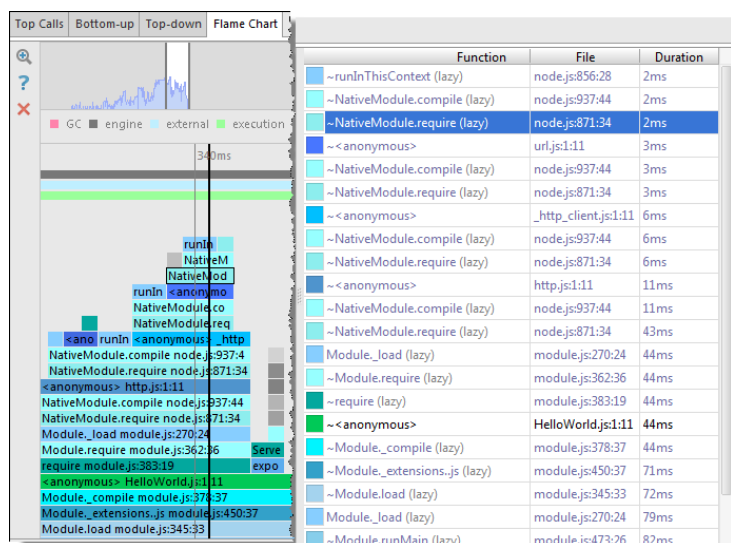
In either case, the multicolor chart below shows the stack of calls within the selected fragment.

To enlarge the chart, click the selected fragment and then click the Zoom button  on the toolbar. IntelliJ IDEA opens a new tab and shows the selected fragment enlarged to fit the tab width so you can examine the fragment with more details.

## Synchronization in the Flame Chart

The bottom and the right-hand areas are synchronized: as you drag the slider in the bottom area through the timeline the focus in the right-hand pane moves to the call that was performed at each moment.

Moreover, if you click a call in the bottom area, the slider moves to it automatically and the focus in the right-hand pane switches to the corresponding function, if necessary the list scrolls automatically. And vice versa, if you click an item in the list, IntelliJ IDEA selects the corresponding call in the bottom area and drags the slider to it automatically.



IntelliJ IDEA supports navigation from the right-hand area to the source code of called functions, to the other panes of the tool window, and to areas in the flame chart with specific metrics.

- To jump to the source code of a called function, select the call in question and choose Jump to Source on the context menu of the selection.
- To switch to another pane, select the call in question, choose Navigate To on the context menu of the selection and then choose the destination:
  - Navigate in Top Calls
  - Navigate in Bottom-up
  - Navigate in Top-down

IntelliJ IDEA switches to the selected pane and moves the focus to the call in question.

- To have the flame chart zoomed at the fragments with specific metrics of a call, select the call in question, choose Navigate To on the context menu of the selection, and then choose the metrics:
  - Navigate to Longest Time
  - Navigate to Typical Time
  - Navigate to Longest Self Time
  - Navigate to Typical Self Time

You can also navigate to the stacktrace of a call to view and analyze exceptions. To do that, select the call in question and choose Show As Stacktrace . IntelliJ IDEA opens the stacktrace in a separate tab, to return to the Flame Chart pane, click V8 CPU Profiling tool window button in the bottom tool window.

This tool window shows your deployment descriptors, servlets, filters, listeners, and web resource directory contents. (The tool window is not available if there are no Web facets in your project.)

## Main context menu commands

### CommandDescription

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Jump to Source ( Open the selected file in the editor. (Alternatively, you can double-click the file.)

**F4** )

New ( If a Web facet is selected: Create a new servlet, filter or listener. If a directory is selected: Create a new file or directory.

**Alt+Insert** )

From the Welcome screen (if no project is currently open): Import Project

File | New | Project from Existing Sources

File | New | Module from Existing Sources

From the Project Structure dialog: Modules | [+](#) | Import Module

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Use this wizard to import existing sources into IntelliJ IDEA and, as a result, to create a new [project](#) ( New | Project from Existing Sources ) or to add a [module](#) (or a number of modules) to an existing project ( New | Module from Existing Sources ).

- [Origin of the Sources](#)
- [Import Existing Sources. Project Name and Location](#)
- [Import Existing Sources. Source Root Directories](#)
- [Import Existing Sources. Libraries](#)
- [Import Existing Sources. Module Structure](#)
- [Import Existing Sources. Project SDK](#)
- [Import Existing Sources. Frameworks](#)
- [Import from Bnd/Bndtools. Page 1](#)
- [Import from Eclipse. Page 1](#)
- [Import from Eclipse. Page 2](#)
- [Import from Flash Builder. Page 1](#)
- [Import from Flash Builder. Page 2](#)
- [Import Project from Gradle. Page 1](#)
- [Import from Maven. Page 1](#)
- [Import from Maven. Page 2](#)
- [Import from Maven. Page 3](#)
- [Import from Maven. Page 4](#)
- [Import Project from SBT. Page 1](#)

If the sources that you are importing come from [Bnd/Bndtools](#) , [Eclipse](#) , [Flash Builder](#) , [Gradle](#) , or [Maven](#) , select Import project from external model or Import module from external model , and select Bnd/Bndtools , Eclipse , Flash Builder , Gradle , or Maven respectively.

Otherwise, select Create project from existing sources or Create module from existing sources .


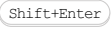
Specify the project name and location.

#### ItemDescription

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Project name Specify the name of the project to be created.

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Project location Specify the path to the directory in which your sources, libraries and other assets of interest are located.  
You can click  (  ) and select the necessary directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Note that the specified directory will act as the project root directory. (In technical terms, this is where the `.idea` directory will be created. For more information, see [Configuring projects](#) .)

This page shows the directories in which source files are found. Potentially, these directories may be your [source root directories](#) .

Use the checkboxes to select the directories which you want to include in your project as the source root directories .

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**ItemDescription**

Mark All

Use this button to select all the directories.

Unmark All

Use this button to deselect all the directories.

This page lets you select and configure the [libraries](#) to be included in your project.

In the left-hand pane, under Libraries , the list of libraries and archives found in the specified location are shown. When you highlight an item in this pane, its contents are shown in the right-hand pane under Library contents .

Use the checkboxes to select the libraries which you want to include in your project. Use other controls available on this page to rename the libraries, and also split or merge them (see below).

**ItemDescription**

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Click this icon to rename the selected (highlighted) library or archive.

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Click this icon to join several selected (highlighted) libraries or archives into a new library.

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Click this button to split the selected (highlighted) library into two parts. In the Split Library dialog, select the files to be extracted into the new library.



This page lets you select and configure the [modules](#) to be included in your project.

In the left-hand pane, under Modules , the modules that potentially may be included in your project are shown. When you highlight a module in this pane, its dependencies are shown in the right-hand pane under Module dependencies . (If you highlight a number of modules, their aggregated dependencies are shown.)

Use the checkboxes to select the modules which you want to include in your project. Use other controls available on this page to rename the modules, and also split or merge them (see below).

#### ItemDescription



Click this icon to rename the selected (highlighted) module.



Click this icon to join several selected (highlighted) modules into a new one.



Click this icon to split the selected (highlighted) module into two parts. In the Split Module dialog, select the [content roots](#) to be assigned to the new module.

Specify the [SDK](#) to be used in your project .

If the necessary SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it in the pane under [+](#) and [-](#) (in the left-hand part of the page).

Otherwise, click [+](#) and select the [SDK type](#) . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the installation folder of the desired SDK.  
(By this time, the corresponding SDK must already be installed on your computer. If it isn't, download and install it first.)

If within the specified location IntelliJ IDEA finds the files that are indicators of certain frameworks and technologies, you can choose to enable support for these frameworks and technologies. To select the necessary frameworks and technologies, use the corresponding checkboxes.

#### ItemDescription

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- Group by
- Specify how the files-indicators should be grouped:
- Type. The files are grouped by frameworks and technologies. The files that belong to the same technology appear in the same group. Group names correspond to the names of the frameworks and technologies.
  - Directory. The files are grouped by their locations. The files located in the same directory appear in the same group.

Use this page to select a Bnd/Bndtools project to import.

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**ItemDescription**

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Select Bnd/Bndtools projects to import	Use this area to select a Bnd/Bndtools project that you want to import.
Select all	Click this button to select all the checkboxes next to Bnd/Bndtools projects for importing.
Unselect all	Click this button if you want to clear all the checkboxes next to Bnd/Bndtools projects.
Open Project Structure after import	Select this checkbox to open the <a href="#">Project Structure</a> dialog right after you import your project.

Use this page to define the source workspace and the target location for the imported Eclipse projects.

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**ItemDescription**

Select Eclipse project directory	Specify the path to the Eclipse workspace that contains projects to be imported. You can type the path, or click the ellipsis button and locate the desired directory in the Select Path dialog.
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IntelliJ IDEA project and module files location	<b>OptionDescription</b>
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Create module files near .classpath files	If you select this option, an IntelliJ IDEA module per each Eclipse project will be created in the respective projects directory; the IntelliJ IDEA project in the specified format will be created in the root of the Eclipse workspace, or Eclipse project directory.
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Keep project and module files in	If you select this option, enter the target location of the *.iml files to be created from the imported Eclipse projects, or click the ellipsis button, and navigate to the desired location.
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Project file format	Choose <a href="#">file-based</a> or <a href="#">directory-based format</a> of saving project.
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Link created IntelliJ IDEA modules to Eclipse project files	Check this option to automatically keep the Eclipse projects and IntelliJ IDEA modules synchronized.
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Detect test sources	Specify the list of roots, where test sources should be sought for. Refer to the <a href="#">Compiler</a> section for the wildcards syntax.
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Use this page to browse the projects detected in the selected Eclipse workspace and choose the ones to be imported to the IntelliJ IDEA project.

**ItemDescription**

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Select Eclipse projects to import    In the list of projects detected in the specified root, select the ones to be imported. Each Eclipse project will be converted into an IntelliJ IDEA module.

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Open Project Structure after import    Select this checkbox to have the [Project Structure](#) dialog box opened when the import is completed.

Specify the Flash Builder projects to be imported and associated settings.

#### ItemDescription

Flash Builder workspace or project...	<p>Specify the location of a file or directory that you want to use as a source of import. This can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- A Flash Builder workspace or project directory</li><li>- A <code>.project</code> file</li><li>- A <code>.fxp</code> or <code>.fxpl</code> file</li><li>- A <code>.zip</code> file that contains an ActionScript project or projects.</li></ul> <p>Type the path to the necessary file or directory right in the field, or click  and select the desired file or folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
Project name	<p>When creating a project: specify the name of the IntelliJ IDEA <a href="#">project</a> to be created.</p>
Project location	<p>When creating a project: specify the project location. (This is where the <code>.idea</code> directory or a <code>.ipr</code> file will be created, see <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> . Besides, if you are importing an archive ( <code>.fxp</code> , <code>.fxpl</code> , or <code>.zip</code> ), the archive will be extracted into this folder or its subfolder.)</p> <p>Edit the path in the field or click  and select the desired folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)</p>
Create subfolder...	<p>When creating a project: this option is available if there is only one project within the Flash Builder source that you are importing. In such a case, you have an option of creating a subfolder in the <a href="#">project folder</a> and placing the imported project there.</p> <p>If the source contains two or more projects, the individual subfolders will be created for each of them.</p>
Project format	<p>When creating a project: if necessary, change the suggested <a href="#">project format</a> .</p>
Extract project to or	<p>When importing into an existing project: if you are importing an archive ( <code>.fxp</code> , <code>.fxpl</code> , or <code>.zip</code> ), you can specify where the archive should be extracted. If the source contains two or more projects, individual subfolders in the specified location will be created for each of them.</p>
Multiple projects found...	<p>Edit the path in the field or click  and select the desired folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (You can create a new folder in that dialog, e.g. by using  .)</p>

If you are importing a Flash Builder workspace, this page shows the projects detected therein. Select the projects that you want to import.

**ItemDescription**

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Select Flash Builder projects to import      Select the projects that you want to import.

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Open Project Structure after import      Select this checkbox to have the [Project Structure dialog](#) opened when the import is completed.



## ItemDescription

Gradle project	Specify the address of the <code>build.gradle</code> file of the project you want to import. Type the path manually, or click the browse button  and locate the desired file in the file chooser dialog.
Create directories for empty content roots automatically	Select this option to add a <code>src</code> directory to your project automatically when you import a project from Gradle model.
Create separate module per source set	Select this checkbox to use the <a href="#">source set</a> feature in resolving your Gradle projects.
Use default gradle wrapper (not configured for the current project)	Select this option to use Gradle wrapper. Using Gradle wrapper lets you get automatic Gradle download for the build. It also lets you build with the precise Gradle version.
Use customizable gradle wrapper	Select this option to configure a Gradle wrapper inside your <code>build.gradle</code> file. In this case IntelliJ IDEA ensures that the configured customizable wrapper settings are used for working with Gradle.
Use local gradle distribution	Select this option to run local build scripts.
Gradle home	By default, IntelliJ IDEA displays the path to the Gradle installation, as defined in the <code>GRADLE_HOME</code> environment variable, or specified as the <a href="#">Gradle home project setting</a> . If the path is unknown, or you want to use a different Gradle installation, click the browse button  and locate the desired directory in the path chooser dialog.
Project format	Select the format in which you want to store your project. For the details on the two available formats, refer to the <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> section.
Global Gradle Settings	Use this area to set global Gradle settings. You can select from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Offline work - use this checkbox to work with Gradle in the offline mode. In this case Gradle will use dependencies from the cache. Gradle will not attempt to access the network to perform dependency resolution. If required dependencies are not present in the dependencies' cache, a build execution will fail.</li><li>– Service directory path - use this field to override the default Gradle home location directory.</li><li>– Gradle VM options - use this field to specify VM options for your Gradle project. When specifying the options, follow these rules:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"</code> .</li></ul></li></ul>

Use this page to specify the import preferences. The default import settings are defined in the [Maven Integration dialog](#).

#### ItemDescription


Root directory	Specify the directory where the Maven projects you want to import are located.
Search for projects recursively	Select this checkbox to make import look for the nested <code>pom.xml</code> files.
Project format	Select the format in which you want to store your project. For the details on the two available formats, refer to the <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> section.
Keep project files in	Select this checkbox to specify the desired location for storing project and module files.
Import Maven projects automatically	Select this checkbox if you want IntelliJ IDEA to perform reimport automatically each time you change your <code>pom.xml</code> .
Create IntelliJ IDEA modules for aggregator projects (with 'pom' packaging)	Clear this checkbox to skip creating IntelliJ IDEA modules. You might want to do that if the Maven project you import is an aggregator, and its <code>packaging</code> element has the value <code>pom</code> .
Create module groups for multi-module Maven projects	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will create a module group from an aggregative Maven project, with the nested modules included in this group.
Keep source and test folders on reimport	If this checkbox is selected, the source and test folders are kept when you reimport a project.
Exclude build directory (PROJECT_ROOT/target)	Clear this checkbox to disable the automatic exclusion of target folders.  Note if a <code>/target</code> directory contains <code>/target/generated-sources</code> , then the <code>/target</code> directory cannot be excluded since <code>/target/generated-sources</code> directory is marked as <code>sources</code> . Other subdirectories in the <code>/target</code> directory are excluded.
Use Maven output directories	If this checkbox is not selected, the build is created in the regular IntelliJ IDEA's output directory <code>USER_HOME\IdeaProjects\&lt;project&gt;\classes\Production\</code> .  If this checkbox is selected, the build is generated in the Maven's output directory, and the results of IntelliJ IDEA's compilation are reused. However, IntelliJ IDEA itself does not reuse Maven build results and performs compilation <i>from scratch</i> .
Generated sources folders	Specify the directory of your source root when you reimport a project.  You can select one of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Detect automatically This is a default option. When you select this option, IntelliJ IDEA automatically detects the location of the generated sources. IntelliJ IDEA also detects which directory to mark as a source root.  Note that IntelliJ IDEA searches for the generated sources only in <code>target/generated-sources</code> and <code>target/generated-sources/*</code> directories.</li><li>- target/generated-sources This option enables you to mark the directory as a source root manually.</li><li>- subdirectories of "target/generated-sources" This option enables you to mark a subdirectory as a source root manually.</li></ul>
Phase to be used for folders update	Select Maven phase to be used for folders update. This might be useful if you adjust your plugins so that the additional sources are loaded at some phase.
Automatically download	Specify the automatic download of sources and documentation comments into a local repository when you open a Maven project.  You can select one or both of the following checkboxes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Sources</li><li>- Documentation</li></ul>
Dependency types	Use this field to specify dependency types that you want to include in your import.
Environment settings	Click this button to specify <a href="#">Maven Environment</a> settings.

Use this page to specify Maven environment settings.

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**ItemDescription**

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Maven home directory	Use this drop-down list to select a bundled Maven version that is available (for Maven2, version 2.2.1 and for Maven3, version 3.0.5) or the result of resolved system variables such as <code>MAVEN_HOME</code> or <code>MAVEN2_HOME</code> . You can also specify your own Maven version that is installed on your machine. You can click  and select the necessary directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
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User settings file	Specify the path to the file that contains user-specific configuration for Maven.
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Local repository	By default, the field shows the path to the local directory under the user home that stores downloads and contains the temporary build artifacts that you have not yet released.
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Override	Select this checkbox next to a field where you need to specify a different directory, click the ellipsis button and select the desired path.
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Use this page of the wizard to select the Maven profiles to be applied to the new project.

**ItemDescription**

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Select profiles

Check the build profiles to be applied to the new project.

Use this page to select the Maven project to be imported into the new IntelliJ IDEA project.

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**ItemDescription**

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Select Maven projects to import      In the list of Maven projects, detected in the specified root, check the projects to be imported.

Open project structure after import      Check this option to open the [Project Structure dialog](#) after completing the import.

Use this page to create a name for your new IntelliJ IDEA project.

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**ItemDescription**

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Project name Specify the name of your IntelliJ IDEA project.


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Project file location Specify the location of your project directory where IntelliJ IDEA stores the configuration data for your project and its components.

You can use ellipsis button to navigate to the appropriate directory.

Use this page to specify SBT import project settings.

#### ItemDescription

SBT project	Specify the name of the project that you import.
Use auto-import	Select this checkbox to resolve all changes made to the SBT project automatically every time you refresh your project.
Create directories for empty content roots automatically	Select this checkbox to add an <code>src</code> directory to your project.
Download sources and docs	Select this checkbox to download dependencies and their sources for your project.
Download SBT sources and docs	Select this checkbox to download SBT dependencies and their sources for your project. The dependencies are used in build files such as <code>build.sbt</code> .
Project SDK	Use this field to specify SDK to be used in your project.  If the project SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select it from the list. Otherwise, click New and select the installation folder of the desired IntelliJ IDEA version.
Global SBT settings	Use this area to set global SBT settings.
JVM	Use this area to set JVM. You can choose from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– From project JDK - use this option if you want to use a default JVM from your project's JDK.</li><li>– Custom - use this option if you want to use a custom JVM.</li></ul>
JVM Options	Use this area to set the following JVM options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Maximum heap size, MB - use this field to specify the maximum heap size available to the process that launches the compiler. The default 768 Mb is suitable for most of the purposes.</li><li>– VM parameters - use this field to type the string to be passed to the VM when IntelliJ IDEA launches the compiler. If you need more room to type, click  to open the VM parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.</li></ul>
Launcher (sbt-launch.jar)	Use this area to specify the SBT launcher. You can choose from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Bundled - select this option if you want to use a default launcher located the plugin directory. The latest version of the launcher is usually available.</li><li>– Custom - select this option if you want to use a custom launcher. Specify the path to the location of your custom launcher.</li></ul>

This part contains descriptions of the following dialogs:

- [Manage Composer Dependencies Dialog](#)
- [Add Frameworks Support dialog](#)
- [Add New Field or Constant](#)
- [Analyze Stacktrace Dialog](#)
- [Artifacts to Deploy dialog](#)
- [Bookmarks Dialog](#)
- [Breakpoints](#)
- [Build File Properties](#)
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- [Code Duplication Analysis Settings](#)
- [Color Picker](#)
- [Composer Settings Dialog](#)
- [Configure Library Dialog](#)
- [Confirm Drop dialog](#)
- [Create Jar from Modules Dialog](#)
- [Create Library dialog](#)
- [Create New Constructor](#)
- [Create New Method](#)
- [Create New PHPUnit Test](#)
- [Create Run/Debug Configuration for Gradle Tasks](#)
- [Create Table and Modify Table dialogs](#)
- [Create Test](#)
- [CSV Formats dialog](#)
- [Data Sources and Drivers dialog](#)
- [Database Color Settings dialog](#)
- [Differences Viewers](#)
- [Docker Registry dialog](#)
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- [Edit Library dialog](#)
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- [Evaluate Expression](#)
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- [Export to HTML](#)
- [File Cache Conflict](#)
- [Find and Replace in Path](#)
- [Find Usages Dialogs](#)
- [Generate Ant Build](#)
- [Generate equals\(\) and hashCode\(\) wizard](#)
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- [Generate JavaDoc Dialog](#)
- [Generate toString\(\) Dialog](#)
- [Generate toString\(\) Settings Dialog](#)
- [Getter and Setter Templates Dialog](#)
- [Generate Getter Dialog](#)
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- [Gradle Project Data To Import Dialog](#)
- [I18nize Hard-Coded String](#)
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- Play Configuration Dialog
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- Productivity Guide
- PSI Viewer
- Pull Image dialog
- Push Image dialog
- Recent Changes Dialog
- Refactoring Dialogs
- Run/Debug Configurations Dialog
- Reformat File Dialog
- Reformat Code on Directory Dialog
- Rules Alias Definitions Dialog
- Register New File Type Association Dialog
- Resource Bundle Editor
- Save File as Template Dialog
- Save Project As Template Dialog
- Select Path Dialog
- Setup Library dialog
- Specify Dependency Analysis Scope Dialog
- Specify Code Duplication Analysis Scope
- Specify Code Cleanup Scope Dialog
- Specify Inspection Scope Dialog
- Structural Search and Replace Dialogs
- Type Migration Dialog
- Web Server Debug Validation Dialog

In this dialog box, appoint the packages to be added to the current project.

#### ItemDescription

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**Available packages** From this list, select the package that you need in your project. The list shows all the available packages, the packages that are already installed are marked with a tick. Use the search field, if necessary: start typing the search string, as you type, the list dynamically reduces to show the packages that match the entered pattern. The Description read-only text box briefly explains the functionality of the selected package.

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**Version to install** From this drop-down list, select the package version. The contents of the list depend on the specific package.

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**Install** When you click this button, IntelliJ IDEA starts downloading the appointed package. When the process is completed, IntelliJ IDEA creates a new folder under the vendor node stores the downloaded package in it, and adds the package to the list in the `require` section of `composer.json`.

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**Settings** In this area, specify the advanced installation options:

- PHP interpreter: choose one of the configured PHP interpreters from the list.
- Command line parameters: in this text box, type the additional command line parameters. For example, to have a dependency added to the `require-dev` section instead of the default `require` section, type `--dev`. For more information about Composer command line options during installation, see <https://getcomposer.org/doc/03-cli.md>.

From the [Project Tool Window](#) : right-click a module folder and select Add Framework Support .

Select the technologies, frameworks and languages to be supported, and specify the associated settings. For general info, see [Configuring projects](#) .

- [Web Application](#)
- [Struts](#)
- [Struts 2](#)
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- [WebServices Client](#)
- [Batch Applications](#)
- [CDI: Contexts and Dependency Injection](#)
- [DM Server](#)
- [EJB: Enterprise JavaBeans](#)
- [Google Web Toolkit](#)
- [JavaEE Application](#)
- [RESTful WebServices](#)
- [Tapestry](#)
- [Spring](#)
- [Spring MVC, Spring Batch, or other Spring framework](#)

## Web Application

Select the checkbox to enable generic [Web application](#) development support. See also, [Enabling Web Application Support](#)

### ItemDescription

Version	Select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported.
Create web.xml	For version 3.0 or later: select this checkbox to create the <a href="#">deployment descriptor</a> file <code>web.xml</code> . (For earlier versions, this file is always created.)

## Struts

Select the checkbox to enable [Apache Struts](#) 1.x support. See also, [Preparing to Use Struts](#) .

### ItemDescription

Version	Select the Struts version to be supported. If you also choose to download the library files that implement Struts (the Download option), the selected version will define which files you will be able to download.
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Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements Struts. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected Struts version. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li><li>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</li><li>- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li></ul>
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Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Struts 2

Select the checkbox to enable [Apache Struts 2](#) support. See also, [Preparing to Use Struts 2](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Struts 2. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Struts 2. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## WebServices

Select the checkbox to enable [Web Services](#) development support. See also, [Preparing to Develop a Web Service](#) .

### ItemDescription

Generate sample server code	Select this checkbox to have a sample <code>HelloWorld</code> class created in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ).
Configure	Click this link to specify the settings for WS engines that you want to use. (The <a href="#">Web Services dialog</a> will open.)

## JSF

Select the checkbox to enable [JavaServer Faces](#) (JSF) support. See also, [Preparing for JSF Application Development](#) .

### ItemDescription

Version	Select the JSF version to be supported.
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements JSF. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement JSF. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li><li>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</li><li>- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li></ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## Primefaces, Richfaces, Openfaces, or Icefaces

Select the checkbox to be able to use the corresponding JSF component library ([PrimeFaces](#) , [RichFaces](#) , [OpenFaces](#) , or [ICEfaces](#) ). See also, [Preparing for JSF Application Development](#) .

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)


- Download. Select this option to download the corresponding JSF component library files. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Google App Engine

Select the checkbox to be able to use [Google App Engine](#) . See also, [Creating Google App Engine Project](#) .

#### ItemDescription

Google App Engine SDK	Specify the path to the Google App Engine SDK for Java installation directory. You can click  and select the corresponding directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Persistence	If necessary, select the <a href="#">App Engine Datastore implementation</a> to be supported (JDO or JPA).
Download	If the path to Google App Engine SDK is not specified, you can click this link to open the <a href="#">Google App Engine Downloads page</a> . (This page lets you download the latest version of Google App Engine SDK for Java.)

## Groovy

Select the checkbox to enable [Groovy](#) support.

Select an existing Groovy library or create a new [library](#) for Groovy:


- Use library. Select the Groovy library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).
- Create. If Groovy is already installed on your computer, you can create a [library](#) for Groovy and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the Groovy installation directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

## Hibernate

Select the checkbox to enable [Hibernate](#) support. See also, [Enabling Hibernate Support](#) .


#### ItemDescription

Create default hibernate configuration and main class	Select this checkbox to have a Hibernate configuration file <code>hibernate.cfg.xml</code> and a class with the <code>main()</code> method created.
Import database schema	Select this checkbox to have a database schema imported automatically.
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements Hibernate. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).</li><li>– Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the  key for multiple selections.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Hibernate. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li><li>– Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</li><li>– Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li></ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## JavaEE Persistence

Select the checkbox to enable [Java Persistence API](#) (JPA) support. See also, [Enabling JPA Support](#) .

#### ItemDescription

persistence.xml version	Select the version of the <code>persistence.xml</code> file that you want to use. If you also choose to download the library files that implement JPA (the Download option), the selected version will define which files you will be able to download.
Import database schema Libraries	Select this checkbox to have a database schema imported automatically. Optionally, select the JPA implementation-specific database scheme to be imported from the list above the checkbox. <p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements JPA. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).</li><li>– Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the  key for multiple selections.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected JPA version. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li></ul>

- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## JBoss Drools

Select the checkbox to enable [JBoss Drools](#) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Drools. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, or download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Drools. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## OSGi

Select the checkbox to enable [OSGi](#) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements OSGi. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement OSGi. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## SQL Support

Select the checkbox to enable [SQL](#) support.

### ItemDescription

Default Dialect	Select the SQL dialect to be used by default for the module. Select Project Default to use the default project SQL dialect.
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## Thymeleaf

Select the checkbox to enable [Thymeleaf](#) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Thymeleaf. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Thymeleaf. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## WebServices Client

Select the checkbox to enable Web Services client development support. See also, [Enabling Web Service Client Development Support](#).

### ItemDescription

Generate sample client code	Select this checkbox to have sample client code generated in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ). To generate the code, IntelliJ IDEA will ask you to specify the corresponding <a href="#">WSDL</a> file.
Configure	Click this link to specify the settings for WS engines that you want to use. (The <a href="#">Web Services dialog</a> will open.)

## Batch Applications

Select the checkbox to enable [Batch Applications](#) development support.

### ItemDescription

Create batch.xml	Select the checkbox to create a <code>META-INF\batch.xml</code> mappings file (one with the <code>&lt;batch-artifacts&gt;</code> root element).
Create Sample Job Xml	Select the checkbox to create a sample job XML file ( <code>META-INF\batch-jobs\job.xml</code> ).
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements the batch framework. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files (<code>.jar</code>) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>. (Use the <code>Ctrl</code> key for multiple selections.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a>.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Download. Select this option to download the files that implement the batch framework. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a>.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li></ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## CDI: Contexts and Dependency Injection

Select the checkbox to enable [Contexts and Dependency Injection](#) (CDI) support.

You'll need a [library](#) that implements CDI. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, or download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files (`.jar`) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#). (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#).)
- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement CDI. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#).)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## DM Server

Select the checkbox to be able to use [SpringSource dm Server](#) and develop dm Server-targeted applications.

### ItemDescription

Server	Select the server to be used from the list (if the corresponding server is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). To define a server in IntelliJ IDEA, click Add and specify the server settings in the Spring dmServer dialog that opens.
Facet	Select the deployment artifact type that the module will implement (the Spring DM <a href="#">facet</a> type in IntelliJ IDEA terms): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Bundle, an OSGi bundle. IntelliJ IDEA will create:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– The <code>META-INF\MANIFEST.MF</code> file for the bundle.</li></ul></li></ul>

- A dm Bundle [artifact configuration](#) .
- A project-level [library](#) for the dm Server API. This library will be added to the [module dependencies](#) .
- A dm Server-oriented [run/debug configuration](#) .

If necessary, specify [additional options](#) .

- PAR or Plan, a dm Server PAR or plan. Specify the [associated settings](#) .
- Configuration, a configuration artifact. Specify the [artifact name](#) .

For more information on dm Server deployment artifacts, see "Deployment Architecture" and "Developing Applications" in [SpringSource dm Server Programmer Guide](#) .

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#### Bundle options

**Spring DM Support** Select this checkbox to enable [Spring](#) support (to create a Spring facet in IntelliJ IDEA terms). As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create the following files:

- META-INF\spring\module-context.xml
- META-INF\spring\osgi-context.xml

At this step you are not suggested to download the library files that implement Spring. However, you will be able to do that after the module has been created by using the corresponding quick fix in the Project Structure dialog.

**Web module** Select this checkbox to enable generic [Web application](#) development support (to create a Web facet in IntelliJ IDEA terms). Specify the associated settings:

- Version. Select the version of the Servlet specification to be supported.
- Create web.xml. For version 3.0 or later: select this checkbox to create the [deployment descriptor](#) file `web.xml` . (For earlier versions, this file is always created.)

As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create `web\WEB-INF\web.xml` (for version 3.0 or later - if so specified).

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#### PAR or Plan options

**Name** For a PAR, this is the application identifier ( `Application-SymbolicName` ), for a plan - the plan name (the `name` attribute of the `<plan>` element).

**Version** The application or the plan version ( `Application-Version` or the `version` attribute of the `<plan>` element).

**Plan** Select this option to create a plan. IntelliJ IDEA will create:

- A `.plan` XML file.
- A dm Plan artifact specification.

**Platform Archive (PAR)** Select this option to create a PAR. IntelliJ IDEA will create:

- The `META-INF\MANIFEST.MF` file for the PAR.
- A dm Platform Archive artifact specification.

**Scoped** For a plan: select this checkbox to make the plan scoped (corresponds to `scoped="true"` within the `<plan>` element).

**Atomic** For a plan: select this checkbox to make the plan atomic (corresponds to `atomic="true"` within the `<plan>` element).

**Nested bundles** Use the controls in this area to manage other dm Server deployment artifacts within the PAR or plan. (In IntelliJ IDEA, these are represented by other modules within the same project if those modules have suitable dm Server facets. A PAR may include OSGi bundles and configuration artifacts; a plan - OSGi bundles, configuration artifacts, PARs and other plans).

- Add. Use this button to add the artifacts to the list. Select the necessary artifacts (IntelliJ IDEA modules) in the dialog that opens.
- Remove. Use this button to remove the selected artifacts from the list.
- Up. For a plan: use this button to move the selected artifact one line up in the list. (The order of artifacts defines their deployment order.)
- Down. For a plan: use this button to move the selected artifact one line down in the list.
- Versions. For a plan: use this button to specify the version or the range of versions for the selected artifact (corresponds to the `version` attribute of the `<artifact>` element).

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#### Configuration option

**Name** Specify the OSGi name of the artifact (at the deployment stage, corresponds to the name of the file).

## EJB: Enterprise JavaBeans

Select the checkbox to enable [Enterprise JavaBeans](#) (EJB) support. See also, [Enabling EJB Support](#) .

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#### ItemDescription

**Version** Select the EJB version to be supported.  
If you also choose to download the library files that implement EJB (the Download option), the selected version will define which files you will be able to download.

**Libraries** You'll need a [library](#) that implements EJB. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)



Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected EJB version. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)
- Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Google Web Toolkit

Select the checkbox to be able to use [Google Web Toolkit](#) (GWT). See also, [Enabling GWT Support](#) .

### ItemDescription

GWT SDK	Specify the path to the GWT SDK installation directory. You can click <input type="text"/> and select the corresponding directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Create sample application	Select this checkbox to have a sample application created. Specify the package for the application classes in the field underneath.
Download GWT	If the path to GWT SDK is not specified: you can click this link to open the <a href="#">Google Web Toolkit Downloads page</a> . (This page lets you download a GWT SDK.)

## JavaEE Application

The features that become available when you select this checkbox are mainly related to packaging your [Java EE application](#) in an Enterprise Application Archive ([EAR](#) ). For more information, see [Enabling Java EE Application Support](#) .

### ItemDescription

Version	The Java EE version.
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## RESTful WebServices

Select the checkbox to enable [RESTful](#) Web Services (client and server) development support. See also, [RESTful WebServices](#) .

### ItemDescription

Generate server code	Select this checkbox to have a sample <code>HelloWorld</code> server class created in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ).
Generate client code	Select this checkbox to have a sample <code>HelloWorldClient</code> class created in your source folder (e.g. <code>src</code> ).
Libraries	<p>You'll need a <a href="#">library</a> that implements the JAX-RS API. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( <code>.jar</code> ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a <a href="#">library</a> and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . (Use the <input type="text"/> key for multiple selections.)</li></ul> <p>Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the <a href="#">Edit Library dialog</a> will open, for the library that you have just created - the <a href="#">Create Library dialog</a> .)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Download. Select this option to download the files that implement the JAX-RS API. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a <a href="#">library</a> .)</li><li>Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> will open.)</li><li>- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.</li></ul> <p>Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.</p>

## Tapestry

Select the checkbox to enable [Apache Tapestry](#) support. See also, [Enabling Tapestry Support](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Tapestry. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA). Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the  key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Tapestry. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Spring

Select the checkbox to enable [Spring](#) support. See also, [Spring](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements Spring. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer, or postpone setting up the library until a later time.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement Spring. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)
- Set up library later. Select this option to postpone setting up the library until a later time.

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

## Spring MVC, Spring Batch, or other Spring framework

Select a checkbox to add support for a particular Spring framework (e.g. [Spring MVC](#) , [Spring Batch](#) , etc.). See also, [Spring](#) .

You'll need a [library](#) that implements the selected framework. You can choose to use an existing library, create and use a new one, or download the library files if they are not yet available on your computer.

- Use library. Select the library to be used from the list (if the corresponding library is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA).  
Create. If the corresponding library files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a [library](#) and use that new library. To do that, click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)

Optionally, click Configure to edit the selected library. (For an existing library the [Edit Library dialog](#) will open, for the library that you have just created - the [Create Library dialog](#) .)

- Download. Select this option to download the library files that implement the selected Spring framework. (The downloaded files will be arranged in a [library](#) .)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Configure. Click this button to edit the settings for the library selected next to Use library or the one that is about to be downloaded.

Alt+Insert

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**ItemDescription**

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Visibility	From this drop-down list, select the desired visibility modifier.
Type	Specify the type of the new field. Note that <a href="#">code completion</a> works here. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching options. Non-existent type is marked as a syntax error.
Name	Specify the name of the new field.
Initializer	Specify the initial value of the new field. Note that such value should correspond to the declared type. For example, if the type is String , the suggested initializer should be enclosed in quotes. Note that <a href="#">code completion</a> works here. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching options. Non-existent type is marked as a syntax error.
Static	Select this checkbox to add <code>static</code> to the field declaration.
Final	Select this checkbox to add <code>final</code> to the field declaration.
Preview	This read-only area shows the draft declaration as you fill in the dialog fields.

Use this dialog box to reach a navigable console stack trace for external applications. From each message in this stack trace, you can navigate right to the source code that caused the reported problem.

**ItemDescription**

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Unscramble stacktrace	Select this checkbox to unscramble the external stack trace, if your source code is scrambled.
Unscrambler	Here you can select the unscrambler tool. IntelliJ IDEA ships with the Zelix Klass Master unscrambler plugin. You can develop your own plugin to unscramble stack trace of the code being processed with any other obfuscator.
Log file	Specify the location of the unscrambler log file.
Put a stack trace or a complete thread dump here	Paste here the external stack trace or thread dump.
Automatically detect and analyze thread dumps copied to the clipboard outside of IntelliJ IDEA.	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will monitor and analyze the contents of the clipboard. You can select this checkbox only once and your clipboard will be scanned every time you switch to IntelliJ IDEA. As soon as something looking like a stack trace gets copied to the clipboard, IntelliJ IDEA will show this stack trace in the corresponding tool window.
Show changed in last <this_many> days	Select this checkbox to specify the time period in which you want to check last changes in stack traces. The default time period is set to 31 days.
Normalize	If the stack trace text is corrupted (lines are cut or wrapped, or too long, etc.) after processing with some software (for example, bug tracker or mail client), click this button to restore the normal stack trace structure.

Move the [artifacts](#) that you want to deploy to a server to the pane under Chosen .

**ItemDescription**

Add	Move the artifacts selected in the Available pane to the Chosen pane.
Remove	Move the artifacts selected in the Chosen pane to the Available pane.
Add all	Move all the artifacts to the Chosen pane.
Remove all	Remove all the artifacts from the Chosen pane.

Shift+F11

Use this dialog to navigate between bookmarks, and manage the collection of anonymous bookmarks and bookmarks with mnemonics in a project.

## Toolbar options

ItemShortcutDescription

  Click to add/edit description for the selected bookmark.

  Click to delete the selected bookmark.

  Use these buttons to reorder bookmarks.



The left pane of the Bookmarks dialog displays the list of bookmarks created with the brief description, if any. The order of bookmarks in the collection defines the order in which Navigate | Bookmarks | Next/Previous Bookmark command visits the bookmarks. The right pane displays the preview of the file where the selected bookmark is toggled.

To close the dialog box, press .

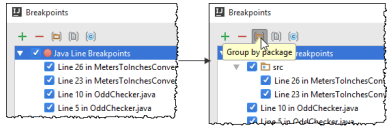
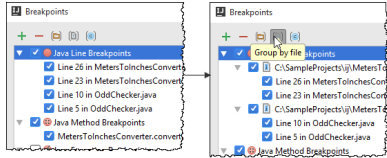
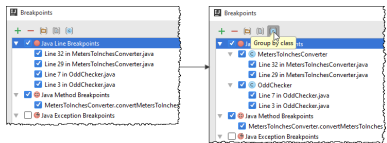
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## Toolbar

Item	Tooltip and shortcut	Description
	Add Breakpoint	Click to show the list of available <a href="#">breakpoint types</a> . Select the desired type to create a new breakpoint.
	<span>Alt+Insert</span> Remove Breakpoint	Click this button to remove selected breakpoints.
	Group by Package	Click this button to display breakpoints under their respective packages, rather than under their types: 
	Group by File	Click this button to display breakpoints under their respective files, rather than under their types: 
	Group by Class	Click this button to display breakpoints under their respective classes, rather than under their types: 

## Breakpoint options

The controls of this part of the Breakpoints dialog depend on the type of the selected breakpoint.

### OptionDescriptionTypes of breakpoints

**Suspend**  Select this checkbox to enable suspend policy for a breakpoint. For Line/ Method/ Exception breakpoints and Field Watchpoints select one of the radio buttons to specify the way the running of the program is paused when a breakpoint is reached. If you work with Flex or JavaScript breakpoints, you only need to specify whether you want to suspend program execution when the breakpoint is hit.

If the checkbox is not selected, no threads are suspended.




#### SuspendDescription policy

All	When a breakpoint is hit, all threads are suspended.
Thread	When a breakpoint is hit, the thread where the breakpoint is hit, is suspended.
Make default	Click this button if you want the suspend policy specified for the breakpoint in question to be used as the default one for the subsequently created breakpoints.

**Tip** This button only appears, when Thread option is selected.


Line/Exception/Field/Method

- This feature is useful, for instance, to create a **master** breakpoint, which, being hit, enables lots of dependent ones. Another way to use is to obtain logging information or calculate some expression at a certain point (to be shown in the console) not interrupting the program execution.
- There are certain cases when IntelliJ IDEA will not stop at a breakpoint. Consider the following:
  1. Two breakpoints are set at the different methods of a class, and their suspend policy is set to All .
  2. When one of the breakpoints is hit, some step actions are performed.
  3. If at the time of stepping another thread hits the second breakpoint, IntelliJ IDEA will not stop there.

Condition	<p>Select this checkbox and specify a condition for hitting a breakpoint in the text field.</p> <p>A condition is a Java Boolean expression (including a method returning <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> ), for example, <code>str1.equals(str2)</code> .</p> <p>This expression should be valid at the line where the breakpoint is set, and is evaluated every time the breakpoint is reached. If the evaluation result is <code>true</code> , user-selected actions are performed.</p> <p>If the result is <code>false</code> , the breakpoint does not produce any effect. If the Debugger cannot evaluate the expression, it displays the Condition evaluation error message. You can select whether you would like to stop at this breakpoint or ignore it.</p> <p>Conditions for field/method/exception breakpoints are calculated in the context for the given field/method/exception.</p> <p>To the right of the Condition field, there is the button  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) that opens the multiline editor.</p> <p>Thus it's possible to enter multiline expressions, for example:</p> <pre data-bbox="311 929 766 1064">if (myvar == expectedVariable) {     System.out.println (myvar);     anotherVariable = true; } return true;</pre>	All types
Log message to console	<p>Select this checkbox if you want a log message to be displayed in the console output when the breakpoint is hit.</p>	All types
Evaluate and log	<p>Select this checkbox if you wish to evaluate a certain expression at this breakpoint and to export result to the console output.</p> <p>To the right of this field, there is the button  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) that opens the multiline editor.</p> <div data-bbox="295 1276 766 1433" style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>TIP</b> If the expression to be evaluated is incorrect when a particular breakpoint is reached, the console output displays an error message:</p> <pre>Unable to evaluate expression &lt;your_expression&gt;</pre> </div>	Line breakpoints
Remove once hit	<p>Select this checkbox, if the you want the breakpoint to be deleted after hitting it.</p>	All types
Disabled until selected breakpoint is hit	<p>From the drop-down list, select the breakpoint in question. The option <code>None</code> corresponds to the always <b>enabled</b> breakpoint.</p> <p>Besides that, you can also choose the behavior of this breakpoint, when the selected one is hit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Disable again</li> <li>- Leave enabled</li> </ul>	All types
<b>Filters</b>		
Catch class filters	<p>Select this checkbox if you want to filter out where the exceptions are caught.</p> <p>Define a catch class filter in two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Click the Browse button  and configure the filter in the <b>Class Filters</b> dialog box that opens.</li> <li>- Type the filter manually in the text box. Use the following syntax:           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Use spaces to separate catch class names and patterns from each other.</li> <li>b. The catch classes to be excluded should have a minus in preposition.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p>For example, the filter <code>-java.* -sun.*</code> means that the corresponding exception breakpoint should not be triggered for the exceptions caught inside <code>java</code> and <code>sun</code> packages.</p>	Exception
Instance filters	<p>An instance filter is used to limit breakpoint hits only with particular</p>	Line/Exception/Field/Method



object instances using instance IDs. The instance ID value can be introduced manually or using the Instance Filters dialog box called by clicking the ellipsis button. Existing instance filters are indicated by the instance ID delimited with spaces.

<p>Class filters</p>	<p>Select this checkbox to have the breakpoint behave differently in relation to particular classes. Define the class filter to appoint the classes where you want the breakpoint to be hit and the classes where the breakpoint should not be triggered.</p> <p>Classes in a filter can be identified by their names or by means of class patterns .</p> <p>A class pattern is a string that may start or end with an asterisk (*). The asterisk in a pattern means any number (including zero) of any characters. The patterns are matched against fully qualified class names.</p> <p>The breakpoint behavior is different in relation to classes specified by their names or using class patterns.</p> <p>A filter specified through a class name points at the class itself as well as at all its subclasses (i.e. the classes directly or indirectly extending this one).</p> <p>A filter specified through a class pattern points at the classes whose fully qualified names match the pattern. The subclasses of such classes are selected only if their fully qualified names also match the specified pattern.</p> <p>You can define a class filter in two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Click the Browse button  and configure the filter in the <a href="#">Class Filters</a> dialog box that opens.</li> <li>- Type the filter manually in the text box. Use the following syntax: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use spaces to separate class names and class patterns from each other.</li> <li>- The classes to be excluded should have a minus in preposition.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>For example, the filter <code>package1.Class1 *s2 -package3.Class3</code> means that the corresponding breakpoint:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Should be triggered in the class <code>package1.Class1</code> and all its subclasses, and also in the classes whose fully qualified class names end in <code>s2</code> .</li> <li>- Should not be triggered in the class <code>package3.Class3</code> and all its subclasses.</li> </ul>	<p>Line/Exception/Field/Method</p>
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<p>Pass count</p>	<p>Specify the integer number, on which hit of the breakpoint it should be triggered. After the specified number of passes, the breakpoint is hit. This function is helpful for debugging loops or methods called several times. When the execution process comes to a breakpoint, where Pass count is set, the debugger reduces the count value by 1 and compares it to zero. If the comparison result is <code>true</code> , the breakpoint is hit. If it is <code>false</code> , no other actions are performed until the next breakpoint is reached.</p> <p>The Pass count condition can be satisfied only once. In other words, if you have a loop inside a method and the Pass count condition has been honored once, the breakpoint will not be hit the next time the said method is called.</p> <p>This option is only enabled, when Condition , Instance filters and Class filters options are disabled.</p>	<p>Line/Exception/Field/Method</p>
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<p>Watch</p>		
<p>Field access</p>	<p>Stands for triggering breakpoint every time the field is accessed.</p>	<p>Field watchpoints</p>
<p>Field modification</p>	<p>This checkbox is selected when simple read attempts shouldn't cause the breakpoint to trigger.</p>	<p>Field watchpoints</p>
<p>Method entry</p>	<p>Stands for triggering breakpoint every time the method is entered.</p>	<p>Method breakpoints</p>
<p>Method exit</p>	<p>Stands for triggering breakpoint every time the method is exited.</p>	<p>Method breakpoints</p>
<p>Notifications</p>		
<p>Caught exception/Uncaught exception</p>	<p>Specify in which cases you will be notified about hitting an exception breakpoint.</p>	<p>Exception breakpoints</p>

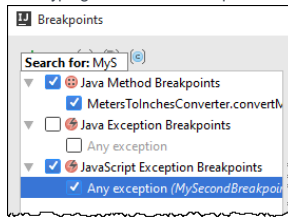
## Context menu commands

Command	Description
<p>Move to group</p>	<p>Point to this command to <a href="#">move the selected breakpoint to a new group</a> , to one of the existing groups ( <code>&lt;group name&gt;</code> ), or out of a group ( <code>&lt;no group&gt;</code> ).</p>
<p>Edit description</p>	<p>Choose this command to <a href="#">enter or change description of a breakpoint</a> .</p>


## Speed search of a breakpoint

### To find a particular breakpoint

- Start typing address or description of the target breakpoint.



IntelliJ IDEA highlights the line with the matching address or description.

The dialog box opens when you select the Class Filters checkbox and click the Browse button  in the [Breakpoints](#) dialog box.

Use this dialog box to configure class filters that determine in which classes a specific breakpoint will be hit and in which classes this breakpoint should not be triggered.

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#### ItemDescription

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**Class Filter** In this area, configure the set of classes where the selected breakpoint must be hit. Specify the classes either explicitly or using a [class pattern](#) .

A class pattern is a string that may start or end with an asterisk (\*). The asterisk in a pattern means any number (including zero) of any characters. The patterns are matched against fully qualified class names.

The breakpoint behavior is different in relation to classes specified by their names or using class patterns.

A filter specified through a class name points at the class itself as well as at all its subclasses (i.e. the classes directly or indirectly extending this one).




A filter specified through a class pattern points at the classes whose fully qualified names match the pattern. The subclasses of such classes are selected only if their fully qualified names also match the specified pattern.


- The list shows all the specified class names and class patterns. To have the breakpoint hit in the class or classes identified by a name or pattern, select the checkbox next to the corresponding item.
-  : click this button to open the Choose Class dialog box and specify a new class to be included in the filter. You can search for classes either by their names or using the project tree view.
-  : click this button to open the [New Filter](#) dialog box, where you can type the class pattern.
-  : click this button to have the selected item deleted from the list. Accordingly, the breakpoint will be no longer hit in the class or classes that match the removed name or pattern.

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**Class Exclusion Filter** In this area, configure the set of classes where hitting the selected breakpoint is suppressed. Specify the classes either explicitly or using a [class pattern](#) .

**Filter**

- The list shows all the specified class names and class patterns. To suppress hitting the breakpoint in the class or classes identified by a name or pattern, select the checkbox next to the corresponding item.
-  : click this button to open the Choose Class dialog box and specify a new class to be included in the exclusion filter. You can search for classes either by their names or using the project tree view.
-  : click this button to open the [New Filter](#) dialog box, where you can type the class pattern.
-  : click this button to have the selected item deleted from the list. Accordingly, hitting the breakpoint in the class or classes that match the removed name or pattern will no longer be suppressed.

The dialog box opens when you click  in the Class Filter or Class Exclusion Filter area of the [Class Filters](#) dialog box.

In this dialog box, specify **class patterns** that identify the classes to be included in the currently configured class filter.

A class pattern points at the classes whose fully qualified names match the pattern. The subclasses of such classes are included in a filter only if their fully qualified names also match the specified pattern.

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**ItemDescription**


Enter the filter pattern In this text box, specify the **class pattern** . A class pattern may start or end with an asterisk (\*), which stands for any number (including zero) of any characters. The patterns are matched against fully qualified class names.

**Tip** You can type a pattern manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Class dialog box, locate the classes to be defined through the pattern, and compose the pattern based on this prompt. You can search for classes both by their names or in the project tree view.

Use this dialog to configure the behavior of Ant build scripts.

#### ItemDescription

Maximum Heap Size	Use this field to change the amount of memory allocated to the Ant build process. Increase this value if the Ant process runs out of memory.
Maximum Stack Size (MB)	Use this field to change the stack memory size. The default value is 2 MB.
Make build in background	<p>If this option is enabled, build process runs in background. Otherwise, the modal progress dialog is displayed.</p> <p><b>Warning!</b> Compilation requires significant processor resources and can result in serious slow-down of performance. When build process runs in the background, you can find IntelliJ IDEA not responding to your actions.</p>
Close message view if no error occurred	If this option is enabled, Ant Messages window does not open for the successful builds.
Properties tab	Use this tab to specify the runtime properties that should be passed to the build script. These properties are equivalent to the ones defined after the <code>-D</code> option of the command line. A property is defined as a pair "name-value". The value can be hardcoded, or dynamically evaluated at runtime from a macro.
Add	Use this button to create a new entry in the list of runtime properties.
Remove	Use this button to delete the selected property from the list.
Execution tab	Use this tab to configure how IntelliJ IDEA will launch the build script.
Run with Ant	In this option group you can determine the Ant version to run the selected <code>build.xml</code> .
Use project default Ant	Click this radio button to run the default Ant version.
Use custom Ant	Click this radio button to run Ant version of your choice. From the combo box, you can select any Ant version that has been configured and registered with IntelliJ IDEA. Use the ellipsis button to modify Ant configuration.
Set Default	Click this button to configure the default Ant.
Ant command line	Use this field to supply command line arguments. You can include any arguments, except <code>-logger</code> . The arguments should be preceded with dashes and separated with spaces.
Run under JDK	Use this field to define JDK to use for running Ant target. By default, you can select the project or module JDK. Use the ellipsis button to configure JDK.
Additional Classpath tab	Use this tab to add libraries and directories that Ant loads at runtime.
Add	Click this button to add a directory of archive to the Classpath.
Add All In Directory	Click this button to add a directory with all its contents to the Classpath.
Move Up/Down	Use these buttons to change the order of classpath entries. The order of entries in the dialog defines the order in which Ant loads the resources.
Remove	Click this button to delete selected entry from the list.
Filters tab	Use this tab to configure which build targets show in the Ant Build tool window, when filtering is applied. The tab displays a list of build targets of the selected build file. The left column displays the names of the build targets, the right column contains optional description of the target. If a target is checked, it will show up in the Ant Build tool window after pressing  ; otherwise such target will be hidden.


The dialog box opens when you click the Upload to Web Server checkbox in the [Run/Debug Configuration](#) dialog box and click the Browse button  next to it.

Use the dialog box to configure a list of folders and files to be uploaded according to previously defined mappings and to edit these mappings, if necessary.

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**ItemDescription**

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Add	Click this button to have a new row added to the list and specify the item to upload. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  to select the desired location in the Choose Path dialog box, that opens.
Remove	Click this button to remove the selected entry from the list.
Edit Mappings	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Deployment</a> dialog box, where you can define mappings between local folders and the corresponding paths on the FTP/SFTP server.

Use this dialog to define the sensitivity of search, and set limitation that will help you avoid reporting about every similar code construct. Your preferences are specified in a language-specific context.

#### ItemDescription

CSS – Do not show duplicates containing less than <number> CSS properties : Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the results window.

CoffeeScript – Anonymize Variables: when this checkbox is selected, two identical functions that use different variable names are considered duplicates, for example:

```
var test01 = function(a,b){
  return (a*b)
}

var test01 = function(a,b){
  return (a*b)
}
```

– Anonymize Functions  
– Anonymize Literals

– Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).  
– Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.  
The values are set as arbitrary weights based on the element size calculated with additive algorithm. The larger is the element, the higher is the calculated value.

ECMA Script level 4 – Anonymize Variables: when this checkbox is selected, two identical functions that use different variable names are considered duplicates, for example:

```
var test01 = function(a,b){
  return (a*b)
}

var test01 = function(a,b){
  return (a*b)
}
```

– Anonymize Functions  
– Anonymize Literals

– Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).  
– Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.  
The values are set as arbitrary weights based on the element size calculated with additive algorithm. The larger is the element, the higher is the calculated value.

Groovy – Anonymize Variables: when this checkbox is selected, two identical functions that use different variable names are considered duplicates, for example:

```
var test01 = function(a,b){
  return (a*b)
}

var test01 = function(a,b){
  return (a*b)
}
```

– Anonymize Functions  
– Anonymize Literals

– Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).  
– Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.  
The values are set as arbitrary weights based on the element size calculated with additive algorithm. The larger is the element, the higher is the calculated value.

HTML

- Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).

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Java

On this page, configure your preferences of search in Java constructs.

- Selecting each of the check boxes defines which should be anonymized.
- Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).
- Visible from outside of the scope only: If this checkbox is selected, verify that the discarded subelement is valid outside the current construct. If the subelement is senseless, it cannot be discarded and should not be considered duplicated.
- Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.  
The values are set as arbitrary weights based on the element size calculated with additive algorithm. The larger is the element, the higher is the calculated value.

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JavaScript

- Anonymize Variables: when this checkbox is selected, two identical functions that use different variable names are considered duplicates, for example:

```
var test01 = function(a,b){
    return (a*b)
}

var test01 = function(a,b){
    return (a*b)
}
```

- Anonymize Functions
- Anonymize Literals
- Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).
- Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.  
The values are set as arbitrary weights based on the element size calculated with additive algorithm. The larger is the element, the higher is the calculated value.

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JSON

- Anonymize Variables: when this checkbox is selected, two identical functions that use different variable names are considered duplicates, for example:

```
var test01 = function(a,b){
    return (a*b)
}

var test01 = function(a,b){
    return (a*b)
}
```

- Anonymize Functions
- Anonymize Literals
- Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).
- Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.  
The values are set as arbitrary weights based on the element size calculated with additive algorithm. The larger is the element, the higher is the calculated value.

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PHP

- Anonymize Variables: when this checkbox is selected, two identical functions that use different variable names are considered duplicates, for example:



```

var test01 = function(a,b){
return (a*b)
}

var test01 = function(a,b){
return (a*b)
}

```

- Anonymize Functions
- Anonymize Literals

TypeScript

- Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).
- Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.
- Consider duplicate subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs

```

var test01 = function(a,b){
return (a*b)
}

var test01 = function(a,b){
return (a*b)
}

```

- Anonymize Functions
- Anonymize Literals

- Do not show duplicates simpler than: Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the result window. By default, the constructs less than 10 units are not included (and this limitation cannot be changed).
  - Anonymize uncommon subexpressions simpler than: Set the value of the subelements within language constructs that can be considered similar, to show the construct as duplicate in the result window. The larger is the number, the larger constructs are taken as similar by IntelliJ IDEA.
- The values are set as arbitrary weights based on the element size calculated with additive algorithm. The larger is the element, the higher is the calculated value.

XHTML

- Do not show duplicates containing less than <number> tags : Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the results window.
- Anonymize values of tags and attributes

XML


- Do not show duplicates containing less than <number> tags : Set the size of duplicated language constructs that are shown in the results window.
- Anonymize values of tags and attributes

Ctrl+Shift+A

Use this dialog to find the exact RGB, HSB and hex values of any color component.

**ItemDescription**


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	Click this eyedropper to navigate to the object and obtain its color RGB or HSB as well as its color hex values.
Color mixer	Use this area to select a color.
Stack of colors	This area displays colors that were last selected.
Brightness	Move the slider upwards to make to colors in the Color mixer area brighter; move the slider down to make colors darker.
Choose	Click this button to select a color from the Color Mixer area, or the Stack of colors .
Cancel	Click this button to omit saving the color information.

In this dialog box, choose the instance of [Composer](#) to use in the current project among all the instances configured in IntelliJ IDEA. For more details, see [Enabling and configuring the use of Composer Dependency Manager in IntelliJ IDEA](#).

**ItemDescription**

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Path to composer.phar	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>composer.phar</code> archive to use in the current project. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA parses the contents of the specified file for Composer commands.
Click here to download from getcomposer.org	Click this link to have IntelliJ IDEA download <code>composer.phar</code> from the official storage and specify the folder to store the archive in. This instance of Composer will be available in the current project only. To use it in the command line mode, <a href="#">configure it as a command line tool</a> .

Use this dialog to edit the [library](#) name and to manage the library contents.



The set of the available controls depends on whether you are working with a Java or ActionScript/Flex library, or a JavaScript library.

– [Controls for a Java or ActionScript/Flex library](#)

– [Controls for a JavaScript library](#)

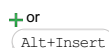
## Controls for a Java or ActionScript/Flex library

### ItemDescription

 or  This button may be available for a library that implements a certain framework or technology (e.g. JSF, Spring) in cases when IntelliJ IDEA can make version-specific file replacements in the library.


In such cases, when you click this button, the [Downloading Options dialog](#) opens in which you can select the necessary library version, and also the files to be downloaded.


As a result, the files in the library will be replaced with the downloaded files.




 Use this icon or shortcut to add items (classes, sources, documentation, etc.) to the library. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the necessary files and folders. For a Java library, these may be individual `.class` and `.java` files, directories and archives (`.jar` and `.zip`) containing such files as well as directories with Java native libraries (`.dll`, `.so` or `.jnlib`). For an ActionScript/Flex library, these may be raw ActionScript 3 libraries, `.swc`, `.jar` and `.zip` files, the directories containing such files, and so on.

IntelliJ IDEA will analyze the selected files and folders, and automatically assign their contents to the appropriate library categories (Classes, Sources, Documentation, Native Library Locations, etc.).

When IntelliJ IDEA cannot guess the category (e.g. when you select an empty folder), a dialog will be shown, in which you will be able to specify the category yourself.

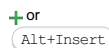
 To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.

 Click this icon to make certain library items "excluded" (see [Excluded library items](#)). In the dialog that opens, select the items that you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore (folders, archives and folders within the archives), and click OK.

 or   :  
– The selected "ordinary" library items are removed from the library.  
– The selected excluded items (see [Excluded library items](#)) become "ordinary" items, i.e. their excluded status is cancelled. The items themselves will stay in the library.

## Controls for a JavaScript library

### ItemDescription

 Use this icon or shortcut to add items to the library. Select one of the following options:  
– Attach Files or Directories. Select this option to add JavaScript files. In the dialog that opens, select the necessary files and folders. These may be individual JavaScript files and the directories containing such files.  
IntelliJ IDEA will analyze the selected files and folders, and automatically assign the JavaScript files to the appropriate categories. [Minified files](#) will be assigned to the Release category; ordinary (uncompressed) files will be assigned to the Debug category.

When IntelliJ IDEA cannot guess the category (e.g. when you select an empty folder), a dialog will be shown, in which you will be able to specify the category (Release or Debug) yourself.

– Attach Debug Version(s). Select this option to add a single uncompressed JavaScript file or a directory containing such files.


Note that IntelliJ IDEA won't analyze the contents of the selected files. If you select a [minified JavaScript file](#) or a directory containing minified JavaScript files, the corresponding file or files will still be added to the library.




– Attach Release Version(s). Select this option to add a single [minified JavaScript file](#) or a directory containing such files.

Note that IntelliJ IDEA won't analyze the contents of the selected files. If you select an ordinary (uncompressed) JavaScript file or a directory with such files, the corresponding file or files will still be added to the library.

– Specify Documentation URL. Select this option to make external online documentation available in IntelliJ IDEA. Specify the documentation URL in the dialog that opens.

– Download Documentation. For jQuery: select this option to download and include jQuery documentation in the library.


 Click this icon to make certain library items "excluded" (see [Excluded library items](#)). In the dialog that opens, select the folders that you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore, and click OK.

 or   :  
– The selected "ordinary" library items are removed from the library.  
– The selected excluded items (see [Excluded library items](#)) become "ordinary" items, i.e. their excluded status is cancelled. The items themselves will stay in the library.

From the [Database tool window](#) :

Edit | Drop , Drop from the context menu, or  .

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Click OK to remove the selected item or items, or click  to copy the SQL statement or statements into the [database console](#) .

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**ItemDescription**

**SQL Preview**    The statement or statements to be run to remove the selected item or items. If necessary, you can edit the statements right in this pane.  
The statements are executed when you click OK .

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    Copy the statements into the corresponding database console and close the dialog.

Specify the settings for your Java archive (JAR).

**ItemDescription**

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Module	The module to be packaged.
Main class	The fully qualified name of your main application class, the one with a <code>main()</code> method.
JAR files from libraries	The way the JAR files from the module libraries are processed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– extract to the target JAR . The JAR contents are decompressed and then packaged together with the module output in a single JAR.</li><li>– copy to the output directory and link via manifest . The JAR files are copied to the artifact output directory as is. The references to the JARs are added to the <code>Class-Path</code> header field of the <code>MANIFEST.MF</code> file that is packaged in the same JAR as the module output.</li></ul>
Directory for META-INF/MANIFEST.MF	The path to the directory in which <code>META-INF/MANIFEST.MF</code> is generated.
Include tests	Include the module's compiled test classes.

Specify the [library](#) name, [level](#) and contents.

#### ItemDescription


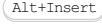
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**Name** Use this field to edit the library name.

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**Level** Select the [library level](#) (global, project or module).


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 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add items (classes, sources, documentation, etc.) to the library. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the necessary files and folders. For a Java library, these may be individual `.class` and `.java` files, directories and archives (`.jar` and `.zip`) containing such files as well as directories with Java native libraries (`.dll`, `.so` or `.jnlib`). For an ActionScript/Flex library, these may be raw ActionScript 3 libraries, `.swc`, `.jar` and `.zip` files, the directories containing such files, and so on.


IntelliJ IDEA will analyze the selected files and folders, and automatically assign their contents to the appropriate library categories (Classes, Sources, Documentation, Native Library Locations, etc.).

When IntelliJ IDEA cannot guess the category (e.g. when you select an empty folder), a dialog will be shown, in which you will be able to specify the category yourself.

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 To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.

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 Click this icon to make certain library items "excluded" (see [Excluded library items](#)). In the dialog that opens, select the items that you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore (folders, archives and folders within the archives), and click OK.

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 or  When you click this icon or press `Delete`:

- The selected "ordinary" library items are removed from the library.
- The selected excluded items (see [Excluded library items](#)) become "ordinary" items, i.e. their excluded status is cancelled. The items themselves will stay in the library.

Alt+Insert

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**ItemDescription**

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**Parameters**

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**Type** Specify the parameter type.  
Note that [code completion](#) works here. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching options. Non-existent type is marked as a syntax error.

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**Name** Specify the parameter name.

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**Add/Remove** Use these buttons to add/remove parameters.

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**Move Up/Down** Use these buttons to reorder parameters by moving them up or down in the parameter list.

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**Visibility** Select one of the options to change visibility scope of the constructor.

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**Exceptions**

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**Add/Remove** Use these buttons to add/remove exceptions. For each new exception, specify its type.  
Note that [code completion](#) works here. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching options. Non-existent type is marked as a syntax error.

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**Move Up/Down** Use these buttons to reorder exceptions by moving them up or down in the list.

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**Signature Preview** This read-only area shows the draft constructor signature as you fill in the dialog fields.



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**ItemDescription**

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Name	Use this field to modify the method name.
Return type	Use this field to modify the method return type. <a href="#">Code completion</a> ( <code>Ctrl+Space</code> ) is available in this field, in the Type column of the Parameters area, and in the exception type list in the Exceptions area.
Parameters	
Type	Specify the parameter type. Note that <a href="#">code completion</a> works here. As you type, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching options. Non-existent type is marked as a syntax error.
Name	Specify the parameter name.
Add/Remove	Use these buttons to add/remove parameters.
Move Up/Down	Use these buttons to reorder parameters by moving them up or down in the parameter list.
Visibility	Select one of the options to change visibility scope of the method.
Abstract	If this checkbox is selected, the <code>abstract</code> modifier is added to the method signature.
Exceptions	
Add/Remove	Use these buttons to add/remove exceptions thrown by the method. For each new exception, specify its type.
Move Up/Down	Use these buttons to reorder exceptions by moving them up or down in the list.
Signature Preview	This read-only area shows the draft method signature as you fill in the dialog fields.

Use this dialog to configure generation of PHPUnit test class stubs.

The dialog box is available when the [PHPUnit](http://www.phpunit.de/manual/current/en/installation.html) tool is installed on your machine and enabled in IntelliJ IDEA. For more information, see <http://www.phpunit.de/manual/current/en/installation.html> and [Testing with PHPUnit](#).

#### ItemDescription

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
Class To Test	In this area, specify the production class to generate a test class for. Type the fully qualified name of the class in the Fully Qualified Name text box. The specified name will be used to propose the Test Class Name. To use completion, press Control+Space and choose the relevant production class from the pop-up list.
Test Class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name: in this text box, specify the name of the test class to generate. IntelliJ IDEA automatically composes the name from the production class name as follows: <code>&lt;production class&gt;Test.php</code>.</li><li>- Namespace: in this text box, specify the namespace the test class will belong to. IntelliJ IDEA completes the namespace automatically based on the value of the Directory text box. When the Directory text box is changed, the value of the Namespace text box is changed accordingly. To use completion, press Control+Space and choose the relevant namespace from the pop-up list.</li><li>- Directory: in this text box, specify the directory where the file with the test class will be stored. By default, it is the directory where the production class is stored. To specify another folder, click the Browse button and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. To use completion, press Control+Space and choose the relevant folder from the pop-up list.</li><li>- File Name: in this text box, specify the name of the file that will be created for the test class definition. By default, the name is the same as the test class name. However, if several production classes are defined in one single file, for each generated test class IntelliJ IDEA will create a separate file.</li></ul>


This dialog lets you create a run/debug configuration for the selected Gradle task. It appears when you right-click the task in the Gradle tool window and select `Create [task-name]`.

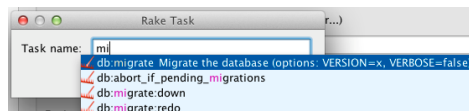
#### ItemDescription

Name	This field shows the name of your Gradle project and the Gradle task that you have selected in the <a href="#">Gradle tool window</a> for the configuration.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Gradle Project	<p>Use this field to specify the location of your Gradle project. You can either enter it manually or click the <a href="#">Browse</a> button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</p> <p>You can also click button to select an available Gradle module from the list of registered Gradle modules in your existing IntelliJ IDEA project. The list has a tree structure that might be useful if you have a Gradle multi-module project.</p>
Tasks	This field shows the selected Gradle task. You can add other tasks to the selected one. Use spaces to separate one task from another.
VM Options	<p>Use this field to specify VM options for your Gradle project.</p> <p>If you need more room to type, click next to the field to access the VM options dialog where the text entry area is larger.</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul>
Script Parameters	<p>Use this field as the Gradle command line to specify options for Gradle tasks.</p> <p>For the information on the syntax, see <a href="#">Gradle command line options</a>. Please note that some of the Gradle commands options are not supported in IDE. In this case you will receive an error message indicating the problem.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

#### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut









	 Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Run External tool.</b> Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li><li>– <b>Make.</b> Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– <b>Make, no error check.</b> The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– <b>Build Artifacts.</b> Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li><li>– <b>Run Another Configuration.</b> Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– <b>Run Ant target.</b> Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li></ul>

- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

- [Upper part: GUI](#)
- [SQL Script](#)
- [Options](#)

## Upper part: GUI

The upper part of the dialog provides a GUI for defining the table structure, and associated constraints and indexes.

## SQL Script

The pane under SQL Script shows the statement or statements to be run to achieve the result you have specified using the GUI.

You can use this pane just as a preview. You can also edit the statement or statements right there.

## Options

### ItemDescription

Execute in database	<p>Change data structure in your database by running the statement or statements. Execute. Execute the statements right away. If associated changes in database consoles are possible, the corresponding preview is shown. See <a href="#">Previewing changes</a> .</p> <p>Preview. Preview potential associated changes prior to executing the statements.</p>
Replace existing DDL	<p>Replace the definition (usually, a <code>CREATE</code> statement) in the corresponding database console or SQL file with the statements shown under SQL Script .</p> <p>Replace. Perform the replacement right away. If associated changes are possible, the corresponding preview is shown.</p> <p>Preview. Preview potential associated changes prior to performing the replacement.</p>
Open in editor	<p>Copy the statements into the corresponding database console or SQL file.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Modify existing objects. In the generated set of statements, <code>ALTER</code> statements are preferred to <code>CREATE</code> statements.</li> <li>- Create modified objects. The changes you have made using the GUI are translated into a minimal set of <code>CREATE</code> and other statements.</li> <li>- Create all objects. The generated set always includes the <code>CREATE TABLE</code> statement, as if the whole table were created anew.</li> </ul> <p>To Editor. Switch to the corresponding editor tab right away. If associated changes are possible, the corresponding preview is shown prior to copying the statements.</p> <p>Preview. Preview potential associated changes.</p>

Alt+Enter - Create Test

Ctrl+Shift+T - Create New Test

#### ItemDescription

Testing library	Use this drop-down list to select the test framework to use.
Fix	This button is available, when a library for the selected testing framework is missing. Click this button to add the jar archive of the selected testing framework to the list of module dependencies and libraries.
Class name	Enter the name of the test class to be generated, or accept default.
Superclass	For JUnit3, the superclass <code> junit.framework.TestCase </code> is suggested automatically. For the other supported frameworks, this field is blank.
Destination package	Specify the name of the package where the generated test class will be stored. You can select the desired package from the recent history drop-down list, or type it directly in the text field. So doing, if a package with the specified name does not exist, it will be created automatically. Clicking <code> ... </code> enables you to choose one of the existing packages within your project.
Generate	Select these checkboxes to include stub methods for test fixtures and annotations into the generated test class.

`setUp()@Before`

`tearDown()@After`

Show inherited methods	Select this option to show all methods, including the inherited ones.
Generate test methods for	In the table, select the checkboxes next to the methods you want to generate test for.

To access this dialog:

– From any of the table views:

Right-click the table and select Data Extractor | Configure CSV Formats .

– From the [Database tool window](#) :

Right-click the table or view of interest, select Dump Data to File | Configure CSV Formats .










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This dialog lets you specify the settings for converting table data into delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV) and vice versa.

When working on the conversion settings, use the preview in the right-hand part of the dialog.

#### ItemDescription

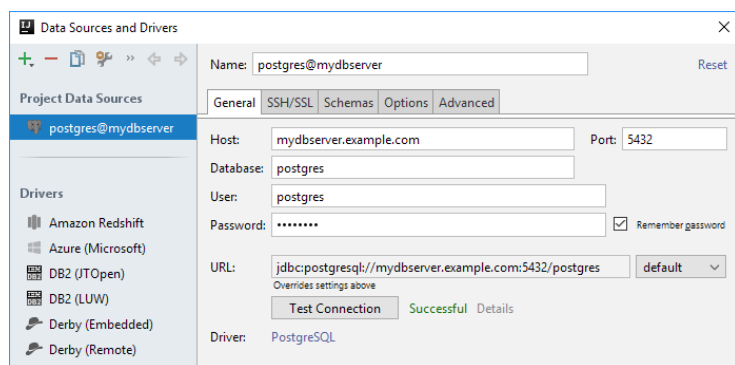
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Formats	The list of the available delimiter-separated values formats is shown. Each format is a named set of corresponding conversion settings. Select the format whose settings you want to view or edit. Use  ,  ,  and  to create, delete and reorder the formats;  to create a copy of the selected format.
Value separator	Select or type the character for separating individual values.
Row separator	Select or type the character for separating rows.
Null value text	The text to be used as a value if a cell contains <code>null</code> (an unknown value).
Add row prefix/suffix	Row prefix and suffix are character sequences which in addition to the row separator indicate the beginning and end of a row. If necessary, click the link and specify the row prefix and suffix in the fields that appear.
Quotation	Each line in the area under Quotation is a quotation pattern (see <a href="#">Quote values</a> ). A quotation pattern includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– The left quotation character, the one inserted before a value.</li><li>– The right quotation character, the one inserted after a value; usually, the same as the left quotation character.</li><li>– An escape method or character for the cases when the quotation character is part of a value. E.g. Escape: duplicate means that if a quotation character occurs within a value, it is doubled. (You can specify your own escape character instead.)</li></ul> <p>If there is more than one pattern, the first of the patterns is used.</p> <p>Use  ,  ,  and  to create, delete and reorder the patterns.</p> <p>To start editing an existing pattern, just click the pattern of interest.</p>
Quote values	Specify in which cases the values should be quoted (i.e. enclosed within quotation characters). <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When needed. A value is quoted only if it contains the value and/or the row separator.</li><li>– Always. Any value is quoted in its text representation.</li></ul>
Trim whitespaces	If this checkbox is not selected, the Unicode whitespace characters that precede and follow the value separators are treated as parts of the corresponding values. If this checkbox is selected, the corresponding whitespace characters are ignored or removed.
First row is header	If this checkbox is selected, the first row is treated as containing column names. The settings that appear under Header Format have the same meanings as the ones above but are applied to the first row.
First column is header	If this checkbox is selected, the first column is treated as containing row names.

To access this dialog from the [Database tool window](#):  or  on the toolbar

## Overview

This dialog lets you manage your [data sources](#) and database drivers.















**Note** A driver here is understood as a collection that includes [database driver](#) files, and also default options and settings for creating a DB data source.

## Left-hand pane

This pane shows your data sources and [drivers](#). When you select an item, its settings appear in the right-hand part of the dialog.

Use the toolbar icons, context menu commands and associated keyboard shortcuts to manage your data sources and drivers, and also to perform other, related tasks.

### Icon and ShortcutDescription command

		Use this icon, command or shortcut to create a new data source or driver. Select: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Android SQLite to create a data source for an SQLite database located on an Android device or emulator. For this option to be available, there must be an Android application module in your project and/or an Android SDK has to be defined in IntelliJ IDEA. See <a href="#">Android SQLite data source settings</a>.</li><li>– The name of DBMS to create a DB data source associated with the corresponding DBMS. If you have created your own drivers, you can also select a driver to use it as the basis for creating the data source. See <a href="#">DB data source settings</a>.</li><li>– DDL Data Source to create a DDL data source. See <a href="#">DDL data source settings</a>.</li><li>– Database Driver to create a driver. See <a href="#">Driver settings</a>.</li></ul>
		Use this icon, command or shortcut to remove the selected item or items from the list.
		Use this icon, command or shortcut to create a copy of the selected data source or driver.
		Use this icon, command or shortcut to view or edit the settings for the driver associated with the selected DB data source.
		Use this icon or command to move the selected DB data source to the global or project level. Global data sources are available in all your projects.
Change Driver		If more than one driver is available for the selected DB data source, use this command to associate the data source with a different driver.
Reset Changes		Use this command or shortcut to undo the changes made to the selected item.
Load Sources		For the selected DB data source or data sources, IntelliJ IDEA will load source code of database objects for the category of schemas that you select. The alternative way of setting this option - for each data source individually - is by using <a href="#">Load sources for</a> on the <a href="#">Options tab</a> .
Show Driver Usages		Use this command or shortcut to find the DB data sources that use the selected driver. The found data sources are shown in the Used By popup which lets you navigate to anyone of the found data sources.
		Use these icons to switch between the items you've been working with.

## Android SQLite data source settings

Specify the settings for the SQLite database located on an Android device or emulator.

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the data source.
Device	Specify where the target database is located. This may be an Android device connected to your computer or a



running Android device emulator.

If [none] is the only option in the list, connect the device to your computer or start the emulator. Unless you do that, you won't be able to configure the data source.

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Package name	Specify the name of the application package the target database is associated with. For more information about application packages <a href="#">Android documentation</a> . Select a package name suggested by IntelliJ IDEA or type its ID. For the database to be accessible, the corresponding application must be built as debuggable and installed on the device or the emulator.  IntelliJ IDEA run configurations, by default, build Android applications in the debug mode. Alternatively, you can <a href="#">generate the APK in the debug mode</a> .
Storage	Select: – Internal if the database is stored in the internal memory of the device or the emulator. – External if the database is stored in the external memory of the device or the emulator.
Database	If the database is stored in the internal memory, specify the database name. One of the names suggested by IntelliJ IDEA may do. If the database is stored in the external memory, specify the database location relative to the memory root. This may be something like <code>Android/data/&lt;application_ID&gt;/&lt;database_name&gt;</code> .
Download	If the necessary SQLite driver files are missing, you can download them by clicking the Download link in the lower part of the dialog.

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## DB data source settings

### General tab

Shown on this tab are mainly the database connection settings.

The user interface is adjustable: the set of available controls depends on which option is selected in the list to the right of the [URL field](#) .


#### ItemDescription

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File	If your database is a local file, specify the path to that file. <input type="button" value="..."/> lets you select an existing database file.  <input type="button" value="+"/> lets you create a new database file.
Path	If your database is a local file or folder, specify the path to that file or folder. <input type="button" value="..."/> lets you select the database file or folder.  Create database. Select this option to create a new database. (This option may be unavailable.)
Host	Specify the hostname (domain name) or the IP address of the computer on which the database is located. If the database is on your local computer, specify <code>localhost</code> or <code>127.0.0.1</code> . If you are using SSH, the database host must be accessible by the specified domain name or IP address from the computer on which the SSH proxy runs. See <a href="#">SSH/SSL tab</a> .
Port	Specify the database port number.
Database	Specify the name of the target database or schema.
User	Specify the name of the database user (i.e. your database user account name).
Password	Specify the password for the <a href="#">database user</a> .
Remember password	Select this checkbox if you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember the password. See <a href="#">Passwords</a> .
URL	Shown in this field is the URL that IntelliJ IDEA will use to connect to the database. The user interface for specifying the URL is different depending on which option is selected in the list to the right: – URL only. This option, generally, is for editing the database connection URL directly. When you select this option, only the following fields are available: <a href="#">User</a> , <a href="#">Password</a> and <a href="#">URL</a> .  You should edit the URL right in the field. Your user name and password, if necessary, are specified in the corresponding fields, or within the URL in the format appropriate for the JDBC driver that you are using. – When using any other of the options (the options are DBMS-specific), IntelliJ IDEA forms the database connection URL automatically using the info in the fields above the URL field. In all such cases, normally, you don't need to edit the URL (though you can if you want).
Test Connection	Click this button to make sure that the database connection settings are correct and IntelliJ IDEA can communicate with the target database.
Driver	Click the <driver name> link to switch to the settings for the associated driver.
Read-only	Select this checkbox if you want to protect the data source from accidental data modifications. As a result, you won't be able to modify the data in the <a href="#">Data editor</a> .  Whether data modifications will be possible by means of the <a href="#">consoles</a> depends on the DBMS: IntelliJ IDEA will try to set the database connection status to read-only. All the rest depends on the database driver, i.e. whether and to which extent the driver supports the read-only status.
Tx	The way transactions are committed: Auto or Manual . The selected option is used by default in the <a href="#">data editors</a> and

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[database consoles](#) associated with the data source.

- Auto sync
- If this option is off, the view of the data source in the Database tool window is synchronized with the actual state of the database only when you perform the [Synchronize command](#) ( or [Ctrl+Alt+Y](#) ).
- If this option is on, the view of the data source is automatically updated:
- When you change the data source settings. (Technically, when you click OK in the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.)
  - When you run DDL SQL statements in the [database consoles](#) associated with the data source.

Note that auto sync is performed for the overall database and, thus, may be time-consuming. So auto-synchronization is more suitable for "small" databases. If your database is "big", it's recommended that you sync its state manually (e.g. [Ctrl+Alt+Y](#) ), and only for the appropriate database parts such as separate tables.





## SSH/SSL tab

If the target database should be accessed using SSH or SSL, select the corresponding checkbox and specify the associated settings.

– [SSH](#)

– [SSL](#)


### ItemDescription

SSH	
Use SSH tunnel	Select this checkbox to set up and use an SSH tunnel for accessing a remote database via an SSH proxy.
Copy from	If there is already a data source for which the necessary SSH settings are specified, you can copy those settings from that data source. Click the link and select the data source to copy the settings from.
Proxy host	Specify the hostname (domain name) or IP address of the SSH proxy server that you are using. The SSH proxy server host must be accessible by the specified hostname or IP address from your local computer.
Port	Specify the port on which your SSH proxy server accepts SSH connections. The port number <code>22</code> suggested by IntelliJ IDEA is the standard port used by SSH servers. Change this number if your SSH proxy server uses a different port.
Proxy user	Specify the name of the SSH proxy user.
Auth type	Specify the user authentication type used by your SSH proxy. Select: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Password for password-based authentication.</li><li>– Key pair (Open SSH) for key-based authentication.</li></ul>
Proxy password	For password-based authentication: specify the password for the SSH proxy user. See also, <a href="#">Remember password</a> .
Private key file	For key-based authentication: specify the path to the file where the corresponding private key is stored. Type the path in the field, or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Passphrase	For key-based authentication: specify the passphrase for the private key if the key is locked with the passphrase.
Remember password	Select this checkbox if you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember the password or the passphrase. See <a href="#">Passwords</a> .
SSL. All the files specified in this section should be in PEM format. Which of the files you have to specify, depends on the SSL properties of your user account.	
Use SSL	Select the checkbox to use SSL when connecting to the server.
Copy from	If there is already a data source for which the necessary SSL settings are specified, you can copy those settings from that data source. Click the link and select the data source to copy the settings from.
CA file	Specify the path to SSL Certificate Authority (CA) certificate file. If used, this must be the same certificate as used by the server. Type the path in the field, or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Client certificate file	Specify the path to your (client) public key certificate file. Type the path in the field, or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Client key file	Specify the path to your (client) private key file. Type the path in the field, or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .

## Schemas tab

Select the databases and [schemas](#) to be shown in the Database tool window.

### ItemDescription

	Refresh the list of the databases and schemas.
<input type="text" value="Q test"/>	Specify the text for filtering the list. Only the databases and schemas whose names contain the specified text will be shown.

Pattern An alternative to selecting the databases and schemas by means of the checkboxes. `*.*` would mean all schemas in all databases. To get the info about the syntax to be used, place the cursor into the field and press `Ctrl+Q`.

## Options tab

The settings on this tab relate to filtering database objects, loading source code, etc.

### ItemDescription

Object filter	<p>You can limit the set of tables and other database objects shown in the Database tool window by specifying a filter. The filter is applied to "short" (i.e. unqualified) names of the database objects.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <p><code>f.*</code> Only the objects whose names start with <code>f</code> will be shown.</p> <p><code>table:[gh].*</code> The tables whose names start with <code>g</code> or <code>h</code> and all the objects in other categories will be shown.</p> <p><code>view:new_.*  routine:-[ps].*</code> The views whose names start with <code>new_</code>, the routines whose names start with the letters other than <code>p</code> or <code>s</code>, and all the objects in the categories other than views and routines will be shown.</p>
Plan table	<p>For Oracle: The name of the table that should be used to store the <a href="#">EXPLAIN PLAN</a> output information.</p>
Introspect using JDBC metadata	<p>You may want to select this checkbox (if available) to try to fix the problems with retrieving the database structure information from your database (e.g. when the schemas existing in your database or the database objects below the schema level are not shown in the Database tool window).</p> <p>This option defines which of the following alternative introspectors IntelliJ IDEA is using to retrieve the info about the database objects (DB metadata):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– A native introspector (may be unavailable for certain DBMSs). This introspector uses DBMS-specific tables and views as a source of metadata. In addition to "standard" info, it can retrieve DBMS-specific details and thus produce a more precise picture of your database objects.</li><li>– A JDBC-based introspector (available for all the DBMSs). This introspector uses the metadata provided by the corresponding JDBC driver. It can retrieve only standard info about the database objects and their properties.</li></ul> <p>The JDBC-based introspector should be used only when the native introspector fails (if this is the case, select the checkbox) or is not available (in such a case the checkbox is missing).</p> <p>(The native introspector may fail, for example, when your DB server version is older than the minimum version supported by IntelliJ IDEA, when you are using Amazon Redshift because it "pretends" that it's a Postgres while in fact it isn't, etc.)</p>
Load sources for	<p>IntelliJ IDEA will load source code of database objects for the selected category of schemas.</p> <p>You can change this setting for several data sources at once. To do that, select the data sources of interest in the left-hand pane of the dialog. Then, in the <a href="#">context menu</a>, point to <a href="#">Load Sources</a> and select the necessary option.</p>

## Advanced tab

On this tab, you can configure the database connection properties, and also specify the options and environment variables for the database driver JVM.

### ItemDescription

Name - Value	<p>The set of connection options passed to the database driver as key - value pairs at its start.</p> <p>When you select a cell in the Name column, the description of the corresponding option is shown underneath the table.</p> <p>To find an option of interest, just start typing its name.</p> <p>To start editing a value, click or double-click the corresponding Value field, or press <code>F2</code>.</p> <p>To add a row, start editing the values in the last row, where <code>&lt;user defined&gt;</code> and <code>&lt;value&gt;</code> are shown. A new row will be added to the table automatically.</p>
VM Options	<p>The options for the JVM in which the database driver runs. (The driver is started as a separate process in its own JVM.)</p> <p>Example. For certain Oracle Database versions (e.g. for version 9), there may be connection problems when you and your database server are in different time zones. Specifying the time offset for your timezone may help, e.g. <code>User.timezone=UTC+03:00</code>.</p> <p>Alternatively, you can try setting the variable <code>oracle.jdbc.timezoneAsRegion</code> to <code>false</code> in the <a href="#">Name - Value table</a>.</p>
VM Environment	<p>Environment variables for the database driver JVM.</p> <p>Example. Sometimes, when working with Oracle, your data and/or error messages don't display correctly. Many of such problems are encoding-related and can be solved by appropriately setting the <code>NLS_LANG</code> variable, e.g. <code>NLS_LANG=Russian_CIS.CL8MSWIN1251</code>. For more information, see e.g. <a href="#">Oracle NLS_LANG FAQ</a>.</p> <p>To start editing the variables, click <code>⌘</code>.</p>

For additional information, refer to your DBMS documentation.

## DDL data source settings

A DDL data source is defined by its name, and can reference one or more DDL files and/or another data source (a parent data source).

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the data source name.
DDL Files	<p>Use the controls in this area to compose the list of files that contain the necessary DDL definitions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ ( <a href="#">Alt+Insert</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to add a DDL SQL file or files to the data source definition. In the dialog that opens, select the necessary file or files.</li> <li>- ( <a href="#">Alt+Delete</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected file or files from the list.</li> <li>↑ ( <a href="#">Alt+Up</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected file one line up in the list.</li> <li>↓ ( <a href="#">Alt+Down</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected file one line down in the list.</li> </ul>
Extend	<p>If necessary, select another data source as a parent. As a result, the data source whose properties you are editing will "inherit" all the DDL definitions from its parent.</p> <p>If the parent data source is not needed, select &lt;none&gt; .</p>

## Driver settings

### Settings tab

Shown on this tab are mainly the defaults for the [General tab](#) .

#### ItemDescription

Class	The fully qualified name of the driver class to be used.
Dialect	<p>The SQL dialect associated with the corresponding data sources. Via the data sources this dialect will "propagate" to the <a href="#">database console</a> .</p> <p>In addition to particular dialects, also the following option is available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;Generic SQL&gt;. Basic SQL92-based support is provided including completion and highlighting for SQL keywords, and table and column names. Syntax error highlighting is not available. So all the statements in the input pane are always shown as syntactically correct.</li> </ul>
Tx	Auto or Manual . The default setting for the <a href="#">Tx (transaction control) option</a> .
Auto sync	The default setting for the <a href="#">auto sync option</a> .
Send application info	When connecting to a database server, IntelliJ IDEA sends the info about itself if this checkbox is selected.
JDBC drivers	<p>The <a href="#">JDBC driver</a> to be used to interact with a database. You can download and use a driver from the IntelliJ IDEA driver repository (see <a href="#">Use provided driver</a> ) or specify the driver that you already have available on your computer (see <a href="#">Additional</a> ).</p> <p>Use provided driver. If the checkbox is selected, the driver from the repository is used.</p> <p>To download and use the latest driver version, click the red &lt;driver name&gt; [latest] link. (If the link isn't red, the latest driver version has already been downloaded.)</p> <p>You can also specify that you want to use the latest available driver or the driver with a particular version number. To do that, right-click the link, point to the driver name, and select Latest or the version number. If the selected version has not been yet downloaded, it will be downloaded automatically.</p> <p>Additional. The files specified in this area are used in addition to the downloaded driver if the Use provided driver checkbox is selected, or instead of the downloaded driver otherwise.</p> <p>Say, you want to use the driver that is already available on your computer. In that case, you should clear the Use provided driver checkbox, click + and select the driver files (usually one or more <code>.jar</code> files) in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
URL templates	<p>The templates used to construct the database URL. The text in curly brackets represents variables, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>{host} the domain name or IP address of the database host.</li> <li>{port} the database port number.</li> <li>{database} the name of the database or schema.</li> </ul> <p>Optional fragments are in square brackets, e.g. [:{port}] .</p> <p>Template names correspond to the names of the options in the <a href="#">URL options list</a> .</p>

## Advanced tab

Shown on this tab are the default settings for the [Advanced tab](#) .

#### ItemDescription

Name - Value	<p>The default set of connection options passed to the database driver as key - value pairs at its start.</p> <p>To start editing a value, double-click the corresponding Value field.</p> <p>To add a row, start editing the values in the last row, where &lt;user defined&gt; and &lt;value&gt; are shown. A new row will be added to the table automatically.</p>
VM Options	The default options for the JVM in which the database driver runs. (The driver is started as a separate process in its own JVM.)

## Problems

If potential problems are detected, there is a number to the right of Problems . In that case, if you click Problems , you'll see

the list of problems as well as controls for fixing them.

From the [Database tool window](#) :

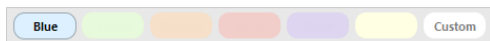
Select the element or elements of interest, and select Color Settings from the context menu.

Select the [color](#) , and specify how this color should be used (see [Shared](#) and [Override recursively](#) ). Use the checkboxes in the [Appearance Settings](#) section to enable or disable the database colors in various places in the UI.

#### ItemDescription

**Color** Click the color that you want to use for the element or elements selected in the Database tool window.  
If the color that you want is missing, click Custom and specify the color in the dialog that opens.

The color which is currently selected is marked with its name, e.g. Blue .



If you don't want to use any color, click [No Color](#) .

**Shared** Select the checkbox if you want to share the change of color you are about to make with your team. (The database color settings are shared through version control.)

In technical terms, the new color (for the selected element or elements) will be stored in

- `.idea/databaseColors.xml` or the `.ipr` file if the checkbox is selected.
- `.idea/workspace.xml` or the `.iws` file if the checkbox is not selected.

The `workspace.xml` or the `.iws` file, normally, is not shared through version control while the rest of IntelliJ IDEA configuration files are.

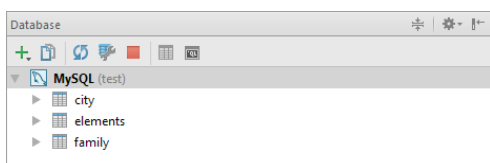
For more information on IntelliJ IDEA configuration files and their sharing, see [Configuring projects](#) .

**Override recursively** If the checkbox is selected, the selected color will be applied to the element itself and all its subordinate elements recursively.  
If the checkbox is not selected, the colors set individually for the subordinate elements won't change.

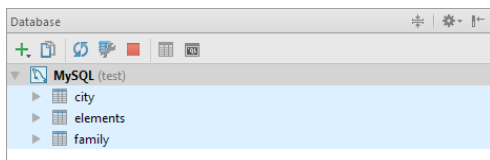
#### Appearance Settings

**Enable database colors** Clear the checkbox to (temporarily) disable the database colors everywhere in the UI.

**In Database tool window** Select the checkbox to use the database colors in the Database tool window.  
When this option is off, the tool window looks like this:

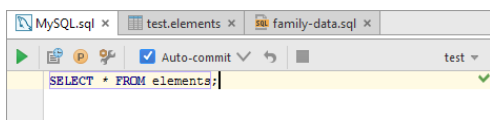


When this option is on, the tool window may look as shown below. (In this example, the blue color is set for the corresponding data source.)

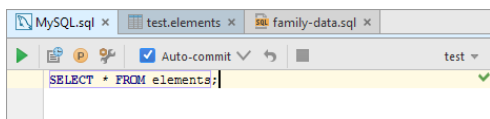


**In editor tabs** Select the checkbox to use the database colors for editor tabs (when working with a data editor and the input pane of a database console).

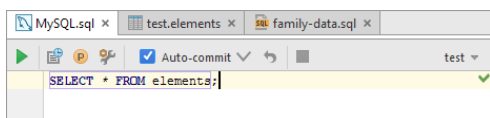
When this option is off, the tabs look like this:



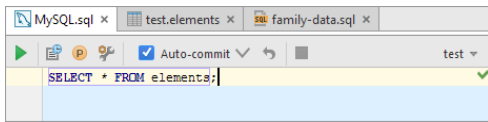
When this option is on, the tabs have the same color as the corresponding data source or table (e.g. blue):



**In console editors and grids** Select the checkbox to use the database colors for the editing area in database consoles and data editors.  
When this option is off, the editing area looks like this:



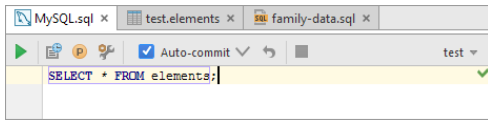
When this option is on, the background of the editing area has the same color as the corresponding data source (e.g. blue).



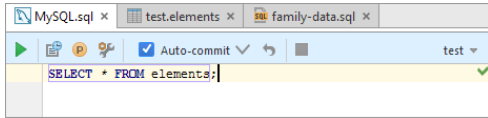
**In toolbars**

Select the checkbox to use the database colors for the toolbars of database consoles and data editors.

When this option is off, the toolbar looks like this:



When this option is on, the toolbar background has the same color as the corresponding data source (e.g. blue).



**No Color**

Click this button, if you don't want to use any color for the selected element or elements.

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Project tool window | context menu of a file | Compare File with Editor

Project tool window | context menu of a file | Compare Files

Version Control tool window | Local Changes tab | - 

Version Control tool window | context menu of a folder or file | Show Diff

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## Basics

This dialog is displayed every time you compare two files or two versions of a file (local changes or changes between local files and their revisions in a remote repository). You can compare files of any types, including binaries and `.jar` files.

Note that you can open the differences viewer without running IntelliJ IDEA. To do this, execute the following command:

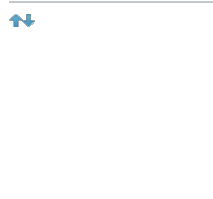
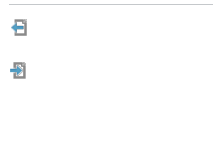
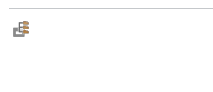

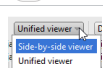
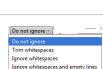
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<path to IntelliJ IDEA executable file> diff <path_1> <path_2>
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where `path_1` and `path_2` are paths to the files you want to compare.

The differences viewer provides a powerful editor that enables code completion, live templates, etc.

## Diff & Merge viewer

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**Shortcut**

	<p><b>Previous Difference / Next Difference</b></p> <p>Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference. When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to click the arrow buttons <code>F7</code> / <code>Shift+F7</code> once more and compare other files, depending on the <a href="#">Go to the next file after reaching last change</a> option in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer settings</a>.</p> <p><code>Shift+F7</code> <code>F7</code></p> <p>This behavior is supported only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window.</p>
	<p><b>Compare Previous/Next File</b></p> <p>Click these buttons to compare the local copy of the previous/next file with its update from the server.</p> <p><b>Note</b> These controls are only available if more than one file has been modified locally.</p> <p><code>Alt+Left</code> <code>Alt+Right</code></p>
	<p><b>Go To Changed File</b></p> <p>Click this button to display all changed files in a current change set (and navigate to them).</p> <p><code>Ctrl+N</code></p>
	<p><b>Jump to Source</b></p> <p>Click this button to open the selected file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer.</p> <p><code>F4</code></p>
<b>Viewer type</b>	<p></p> <p>Use this drop-down list to choose the desired viewer type. The side-by-side viewer has two panels; the unified viewer has one panel only. Both types of viewers enable you to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Edit code. Note that one can change text <i>only</i> in the right-hand part of the default viewer, or, in case of the unified viewer, in the lower ("after") line, i.e. in your local version of the file.</li> <li>- Perform the Apply/Append/Revert actions.</li> </ul>
<b>Whitespaces</b>	<p></p> <p>Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This</li> </ul>

option is selected by default.

- Trim whitespaces : ( "\t", " " ) , if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line.
  - If two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.
  - If two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the **By word** mode.
- Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.
- Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored:
  - all whitespaces (as in the 'ignore whitespaces' option)
  - all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only
  - all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.

For example, changing `a b c` to `a \n b c` is not highlighted in this mode.

- Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).

## Highlighting mode



Select the way differences granularity is highlighted.

The available options are:

- Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted
- Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted
- Highlight split changes : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.

For example, `A \n B` vs. `A X \n B X` will be treated as two changes instead of one.

- Do not highlight : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.

	Collapse unchanged fragments	Click this button to collapse all unchanged fragments in both files. The amount of non-collapsible unchanged lines is configurable in the Diff & Merge settings page.
	Synchronize scrolling	Click this button to simultaneously scroll both differences panes; if this button is released, each of the panes can be scrolled independently.
	Editor settings	Click this button to invoke the list of available settings. Select or clear this options to show or hide whitespaces, line numbers and indent guides, to use or disable the use of soft wraps, and to set the highlighting level. These commands are also available from the context menu of the differences viewer gutter.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Include into commit <code>Alt+I</code>	This checkbox only appears if you invoke the Differences Viewer from the <a href="#">Commit Changes dialog</a> with multiple changed files (all of which are deselected), and you explore the differences between them and hit the last difference in a file. Select this checkbox if you want to include the file you've reviewed into the commit.
	Move to Another Changelist <code>F6</code>	This button only appears if you invoke the Differences Viewer from the <a href="#">Commit Changes dialog</a> with multiple changed files (all of which are deselected), and you explore the differences between them and hit the last difference in a file. Click this icon to <a href="#">move</a> the file you've reviewed to another changelist.
	Show diff in external tool	Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page. This button only appears on the toolbar when the Use external diff tool option is enabled in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page.
	Help <code>F1</code>	Click this button to show the corresponding help page.
<code>Ctrl+Tab</code>		Use this keyboard shortcut to switch between the panes of the Differences viewer. The active pane has the cursor.
		Use these <b>chevron</b> buttons to apply differences between panes (in case of the side-by-side viewer) or between lines (in case of the unified viewer). The chevron buttons can change their behavior: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Click  to apply changes. This behavior is the default one.</li><li>- Press <code>Ctrl</code> to change  to  or  and append changes.</li></ul>
<b>Merge actions</b>		
	NA	Click this icon to invoke the list of options allowing you to compare different versions of a file to resolve a conflict. Note that Base refers to the file version that the local and the repository versions originated from (initially displayed in the middle pane), while Middle refers to the resulting version.
	Apply All Non-Conflicting Changes	Click this button to apply all non-conflicting changes. You can also make this behavior automatic, by selecting the checkbox Automatically apply non-conflicting changes in the Diff & Merge page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.



Apply Non-Conflicting Changes from the Left/Right Side

Click these buttons to merge non-conflicting changes from the left/right parts of the dialog.

N/A	Annotate	<p>This option is only available from the context menu of the gutter.</p> <p>Use this option to explore who introduced which changes to the repository version of the file in question, and when. The annotations view lets you see detailed information for each line of code, such as the version from which this line originated, the ID of the user who committed this line, and the commit date.</p> <p>You can <a href="#">configure the amount of information displayed in the annotations pane</a> .</p> <p>For more details on annotations, refer to <a href="#">Viewing Changes Information</a></p>
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## Keyboard shortcuts

### Keyboard Description shortcut

Ctrl+Shift+D	Use this keyboard shortcut to show the popup menu of the most commonly user diff commands.
Ctrl+Tab	Use this keyboard shortcut to switch between the left and the right panes.
Ctrl+Shift+Tab	Use this keyboard shortcut to select the position obtained by <a href="#">Ctrl+Tab</a> in the opposite pane.
Ctrl+Z / Ctrl+Shift+Z	Use this keyboard shortcut to undo/redo a merge operation. Conflicts will be kept in sync with the text.

## Context menu commands

This context menu is available in the middle of the editor:

### ItemDescription

Show Whitespaces	Select this check command to show whitespaces as the dots in the Differences Viewer .
Show Line Numbers	Select this check command to show line numbers in the Differences Viewer.
Show Indent Guides	Select this check command to have IntelliJ IDEA display vertical lines in the Differences Viewer to indicate positions of indents.
Use Soft Wraps	Select this check command to have IntelliJ IDEA wrap the lines of code, when the dialog box is resized.
Highlighting level	Use this menu item to select the highlighting level in the Differences Viewer. To learn more about the level of highlighting, refer to the description of the <a href="#">Status Bar</a> .
Annotate	Select this check command to <a href="#">annotate</a> the changes.

**Tip** This command is available only for the files under version control.

This context menu is available in both editors:

### ItemDescription

Accept/Append	Select these commands to <a href="#">accept or append</a> the lines shown in the Differences Viewer.
Compare with Clipboard	Select this command to compare the file in the respective pane of the Differences Viewer with the <a href="#">contents of the Clipboard</a> .
Annotate	Select this check command to <a href="#">annotate</a> the changes.

**Tip** This command is available only for the files under version control.

This context menu is available in the right-hand strip of the Differences Viewer:

### ItemDescription

Go to high-priority problems only/Go to next problem	Click one of these radio-buttons to define the way of navigating between the encountered problems.
Customize highlighting level	Click to show the slider to change the <a href="#">highlighting level</a> in the Differences Viewer.
Show code lens on scrollbar hover	Select this checkbox to switch the Differences Viewer to the <a href="#">lens mode</a> .



Project tool window | context menu of a folder | Compare Directory with

Project tool window | context menu of two selected folders | Compare Directories

Project tool window | context menu of a folder | Sync with Deployed to

Remote Host tool window | context menu of a folder | Sync with local

Database tool window | context menu of two selected items | Compare
















This window is displayed when you explore the differences between:










- Two local directories
- A remote folder and its local version

This dialog lets you explore the differences and synchronize the folders you are comparing.

**Tip** You can also open the difference viewer without running IntelliJ IDEA. This is done through the following command: `<path to IntelliJ IDEA> executable f11e> diff <path_1> <path_2>` where `path_1` and `path_2` are paths to the folders in question.









## Toolbar

Item	Tooltip and shortcut	Description	Available for
	 	Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference. When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to press  /  once more and compare other files.	Version control
<p><b>Tip</b> This feature becomes available only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window.</p>			
	Jump to Source	Click this button to open file in the editor's active tab. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer.	All
	 Refresh	Click this button to refresh the contents of the differences viewer.	All
	 Show new files on left side	Click this button to display items that are present in the first of the compared directories or database objects and are missing in the second one in the left pane.	All
	Show diff in external tool	Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> page. This button is only available if the Use external diff tool option is selected in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page.	All
	Show difference	Click this button to display items that are present in both folders or database objects but have different contents, timestamp, or size.	All
	Show equal files	Click this button to display items that are present in both directories or objects and have the same contents, timestamp, and size, depending on the parameter set in Compare by drop-down list.	All
	Show new files on right side	Press this toggle button to have IntelliJ IDEA show the items, that are present in the second of the compared directories or database objects and are missing in the first one.	All
Compare by		From this drop-down list, select the parameter to be used for comparison. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Binary Content</li><li>- Text (charset and line separators are ignored)</li><li>- Size</li><li>- Size and Timestamp</li></ul>	Local folders Local-remote folders
	Synchronize Selected	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the <a href="#">specified action</a> to the selected pair of	All

		items. Actions to be performed are shown in the * field.	
	Synchronize All	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the <a href="#">specified action</a> to all the pairs of items in the list. Actions to be performed are shown in the * field.	All
			
	Hide excluded files	Click this button to suppress showing files <a href="#">excluded from synchronization</a> .	Local-remote folders
Filter		Type the filtering string (for example, file or table name). Use * wildcard to replace any number of arbitrary characters. Note that filter applies on pressing  .	All
Path		These fields show the paths to the folders being compared. To change a directory, click the Browse button  and specify another directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .	Local folders Local-remote folders
		These read-only fields show the names of the data sources or tables being compared.	Data sources
	Help	Click this button to show reference page.	All
			

## List of items

The list shows the items from the compared objects that meet the comparison criterion specified in the [Compare by](#) drop-down list and the filtering criteria specified through the [toolbar buttons](#) .

ItemDescription	Available for	
Name	These read-only fields show the names of files, data source tables, or table fields under the object specified in the Path or  fields.	All
Size	These read-only fields show the sizes of files under the folders being compared.	Local folders Local-remote folders
Date	These read-only fields show the timestamps of files under the folders being compared.	Local folders Local-remote folders
*	The icon in this field indicates the action that will be applied to the pair of items in the current line upon clicking the Synchronize Selected  or Synchronize All  toolbar button. To change the currently selected action, click the icon.	All
<b>IconAction</b>		
	Copy the item in the left side to the right side, possibly overwriting the contents of the corresponding target item, if it already exists.	
	Copy the item in the right side to the left side, possibly overwriting the contents of the corresponding target item, if it already exists.	
	The items are treated identical with regard to the selected criterion of comparison. No action will be performed by default.	
	The items differ with regard to the selected criterion of comparison. No action will be performed by default. Explore the differences in the <a href="#">Differences Pane</a> and change the intended action by clicking the icon.	
	The item is present only in one of the folders and will be removed.	

## Differences pane





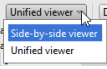
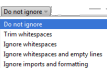
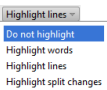



The differences pane is displayed only for files, data source tables, or table fields with the same names, which exist on both sides. For the files and DB objects that exist on one side only, the contents of the selected file/DB object is displayed.

If the files have read-only status, they are not editable in the differences pane.

## Diff viewer

ItemTooltip and Description


## Shortcut

	<p>Previous Difference / Next Difference</p> <p>Shift+F7</p> <p>F7</p>	<p>Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference.</p> <p>When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to click the arrow buttons <b>F7</b> / <b>Shift+F7</b> once more and compare other files, depending on the <a href="#">Go to the next file after reaching last change</a> option in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer settings</a>.</p> <p>This behavior is supported only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window.</p>
	<p>Compare Previous/Next File</p> <p>Alt+Left</p> <p>Alt+Right</p>	<p>Click these buttons to compare the local copy of the previous/next file with its update from the server.</p> <p><b>Note</b> These controls are only available if more than one file has been modified locally.</p>
	<p>Go To Changed File</p> <p>Ctrl+N</p>	<p>Click this button to display all changed files in a current change set (and navigate to them).</p>
	<p>Jump to Source</p> <p>F4</p>	<p>Click this button to open the selected file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer.</p>
Viewer type		<p>Use this drop-down list to choose the desired viewer type. The side-by-side viewer has two panels; the unified viewer has one panel only.</p> <p>Both types of viewers enable you to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Edit code. Note that one can change text <b>only</b> in the right-hand part of the default viewer, or, in case of the unified viewer, in the lower ("after") line, i.e. in your local version of the file.</li><li>– Perform the <a href="#">Apply/Append/Revert</a> actions.</li></ul>
Whitespace		<p>Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This option is selected by default.</li><li>– Trim whitespaces : (" \t", " ") , if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– if two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.</li><li>– if two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the <a href="#">By word</a> mode.</li></ul></li><li>– Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.</li><li>– Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– all whitespaces (as in the 'ignore whitespaces' option)</li><li>– all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only</li><li>– all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>For example, changing <code>a b c</code> to <code>a \n b c</code> is not highlighted in this mode.</p> <li>– Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).</li>
Highlighting mode		<p>Select the way differences granularity is highlighted.</p> <p>The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted</li><li>– Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted</li><li>– Highlight split changes : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.</li></ul> <p>For example, <code>A \n B</code> vs. <code>A X \n B X</code> will be treated as two changes instead of one.</p> <li>– Do not highlight : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.</li>
	<p>Collapse unchanged fragments</p>	<p>Click this button to collapse all unchanged fragments in both files. The amount of non-collapsible unchanged lines is configurable in the <a href="#">Diff &amp; Merge settings</a> page.</p>
	<p>Synchronize scrolling</p>	<p>Click this button to simultaneously scroll both differences panes; if this button is released, each of the panes can be scrolled independently.</p>
	<p>Editor settings</p>	<p>Click this button to invoke the list of available settings. Select or clear this options to show or hide whitespaces, line numbers and indent guides, to use or disable the use of soft wraps, and to set the highlighting level.</p> <p>These commands are also available from the context menu of the differences viewer gutter.</p>
	<p>Include into commit</p>	<p>This checkbox only appears if you invoke the Differences Viewer from the <a href="#">Commit Changes dialog</a> with multiple changed files (all of which are</p>


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deselected), and you explore the differences between them and hit the last difference in a file.

Select this checkbox if you want to include the file you've reviewed into the commit.

 Move to Another Changelist  
 This button only appears if you invoke the Differences Viewer from the [Commit Changes dialog](#) with multiple changed files (all of which are deselected), and you explore the differences between them and hit the last difference in a file. Click this icon to [move](#) the file you've reviewed to another changelist.

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 Show diff in external tool  
 Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the [External Diff Tools](#) settings page. This button only appears on the toolbar when the Use external diff tool option is enabled in the [External Diff Tools](#) settings page.






 Help  
 Click this button to show the corresponding help page.

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Ctrl+Tab

Use this keyboard shortcut to switch between the panes of the Differences viewer. The active pane has the cursor.





 Use these [chevron](#) buttons to apply differences between panes (in case of the side-by-side viewer) or between lines (in case of the unified viewer). The chevron buttons can change their behavior:

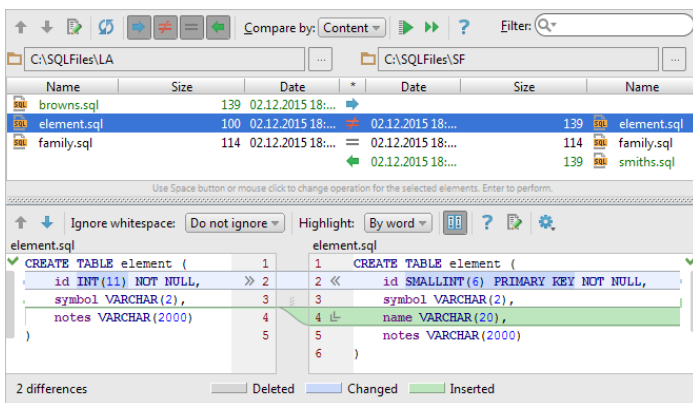
- Click  to apply changes. This behavior is the default one.
- Press  to change  to  or  and append changes.


## Context menu

This menu appears when you right-click an entry in the list of items. The commands in this menu define which action must be taken for the selected entry on clicking [Synchronize Selected](#) or [Synchronize All](#). The selected action appears in the \* column.





### Item IconDescription

Set Copy to Right/Left	 This command sets the specified icons in the * column to copy a file missing from one of the directories. If a file exists on one side, it will be copied; if it doesn't exist, then the file on the other side will not be deleted.
Set Delete	 This command sets the specified icons in the * column to delete file.
Set Do Nothing	Choose this command to remove an action icon.
Set Mirror to Right	 Choose this command to automatically set actions in the * column that will mirror the contents of the left folder in the right folder when you click Synchronize All.
Set Mirror to Left	 Choose this command to automatically set actions in the * column that will mirror the contents of the right folder in the left folder when you click Synchronize All.
Set Default	Choose this command to set the default action for the entry.
Warn When Delete	Select this option to display a warning when trying to delete a file that is located only in one of the two directories during their merge.




File comparison statuses and intended operations are shown in the column marked with an asterisk (\*). To assign or change an operation, use the context menu associated with the corresponding cell. Alternatively, click the cell or press  one or more times.


Applying operations:

-  () applies the operations to selected files.
-  () applies the operations to all the files.





### IconDescription


 The file exists only in the left-hand folder. The intended operation is to copy the file to the right-hand folder. If a file exists in both folders and you apply this operation, the file in the right-hand folder is overwritten.

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 For the selected comparison criterion, the files are not identical. No operation is assumed.  
Study the file differences in the lower part of the view. You can choose to overwrite one of the files by assigning and applying the corresponding operation. You can as well modify the file contents.


This may be done by typing or by using the following buttons and context menu commands:

-  or  or Replace . Replace the fragment with the one from the other pane.
-  or  or Insert . Insert the fragment into the other pane.
- Remove . Remove the corresponding fragment.


To undo the changes, use  .

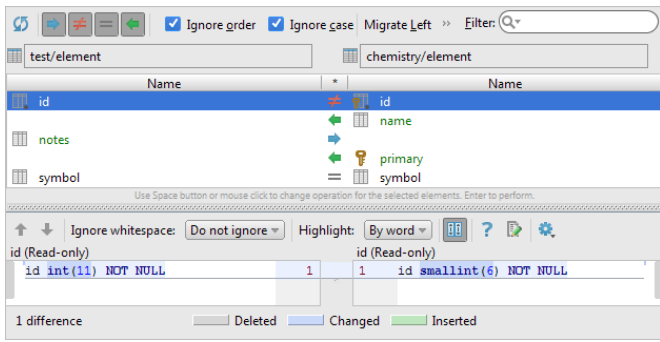
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 For the selected comparison criterion, the files are identical. No operation is assumed.

 The file exists only in the right-hand folder. The intended operation is to copy the file to the left-hand folder.  
If a file exists in both folders and you apply this operation, the file in the left-hand folder is overwritten.

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 Delete the file. The operation is not available for files that exist in both folders.



Comparison statuses are shown in the column marked with an asterisk (\*).

#### IconDescription

	The column, constraint or index exists only in the left-hand table.
	The items exist in both tables but their definitions are different. You can study the differences in the lower part of the view.
	The items are identical.
	The item exists only in the right-hand table.

#### Generating ALTER TABLE statements

You can generate a set of `ALTER TABLE` statements for making data definitions in the left-hand and the right-hand parts identical. Use one of the following buttons in the upper part of the view:

- Migrate Left. The statements for the left-hand table or tables are generated.
- Migrate Right. This buttons does the same but for the right-hand table or tables.

The `ALTER TABLE` statements are generated for the items marked , and . If you don't want to generate the statements for some of those items, right click the \* cell and select Set Do Nothing for all such items.

The primary purpose of the differences viewer for tables is to show the differences and similarities of data.

## Detect column insertion

When the tables have different number of columns, "extra columns" in the table with more columns are ignored. If the Detect column insertion option is on, the most different columns are ignored. On the following picture, the first column in the second table is the most different and so it is ignored. As a result, the second row is shown as containing the same data.

browns			smiths		
name	relation		member_id	name	relation
Emily	mother	1	1	Chloe	mother
Harry	father	2	2	Harry	father
Dylan	brother	3			

If the option is off, ignored are the last of the columns. On the following picture, the last column in the second table is ignored. So all the rows are shown as containing different data.

browns			smiths		
name	relation		member_id	name	relation
Emily	mother	1	1	Chloe	mother
Harry	father	2	2	Harry	father
Dylan	brother	3			

## Tolerance

Tolerance is how many columns may be different. With zero tolerance on the following picture, the first row is shown as containing different data.

browns			smiths		
name	relation		member_id	name	relation
Emily	mother	1	1	Chloe	mother
Harry	father	2	2	Harry	father
Dylan	brother	3			

With the tolerance of one on the following picture, the first row is shown as containing about the same data.

browns			smiths		
name	relation		member_id	name	relation
Emily	mother	1	1	Chloe	mother
Harry	father	2	2	Harry	father
Dylan	brother	3			

For this dialog to be available, the Docker integration plugin must be installed and enabled.

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Specify your [Docker](#) image repository user account settings.

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**ItemDescription**


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Name	The name for this set of settings.
Address	The image repository service URL, e.g. – registry.hub.docker.com for <a href="#">Docker Hub</a> – quay.io for <a href="#">Quay</a>
Username	The user name for your user account.
Password	Your password.
Email	The email address that you specified when creating your user account.
Server	The associated <a href="#">Docker configuration</a> (used to connect to the service to check that your user account settings are correct).



Select which library files you want to download. Specify the destination directory and also other settings such as the library name and [level](#) .

**ItemDescription**

Version	If available: select the library version you want to download. Note that your selection affects the set of files you can choose from (shown under <a href="#">Files to download</a> ).
Name	If necessary, edit the library name.
Level	If available: select the <a href="#">level</a> which the library should be assigned to (global, project or module).
Files to download	Use the checkboxes in this area to select the library files to be downloaded.
Download sources	If available: select this checkbox to download the source code for the library files.
Download javadocs	If available: select this checkbox to download Javadoc documentation for the library files.
Copy downloaded files to	Specify the path to the destination directory. To change the default path, click  and select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .

If a text file containing [delimiter-separated values](#) (e.g. CSV, TSV) is open in the editor, this dialog opens when you select the Edit as Table command.


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Specify how your delimiter-separated values should be converted into table format.

When working on the conversion settings, use the table preview in the right-hand part of the dialog.

#### ItemDescription

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Formats	Select your file format and check the table preview. If you haven't achieved the desired result yet, adjust the settings.  If you have changed the settings and want to save the changes, click this icon and select one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Save Changes. The settings are saved "under the same name", without creating a new format. (A format, in fact, is a named set of settings.)</li><li>– Save As. The settings are saved "under a different name": a new format is created and you can specify the name for that new format.</li></ul>
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Value separator	Select or type the character used for separating individual values.
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Row separator	Select or type the character that should be treated as a row separator.
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Null value text	The text to be used as a value if a cell contains <code>null</code> (an unknown value).
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Add row prefix/suffix	Row prefix and suffix are character sequences which in addition to the row separator indicate the beginning and end of a row. If necessary, click the link and specify the row prefix and suffix in the fields that appear.
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Quotation	Each line in the area under Quotation is a quotation pattern (see <a href="#">Quote values</a> ). A quotation pattern includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– The left quotation character, the one inserted before a value.</li><li>– The right quotation character, the one inserted after a value; usually, the same as the left quotation character.</li><li>– An escape method or character for the cases when the quotation character is part of a value. E.g. Escape: duplicate means that if a quotation character occurs within a value, it is doubled. (You can specify your own escape character instead.)</li></ul>
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If there is more than one pattern, the first of the patterns is used.

Use  ,  ,  and  to create, delete and reorder the patterns.

To start editing an existing pattern, just click the pattern of interest.

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Quote values	Specify in which cases the values should be quoted (i.e. enclosed within quotation characters). <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When needed. A value is quoted only if it contains the value and/or the row separator.</li><li>– Always. Any value is quoted in its text representation.</li></ul>
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Trim whitespaces	If this checkbox is not selected, the Unicode whitespace characters that precede and follow the value separators are treated as parts of the corresponding values. If this checkbox is selected, the corresponding whitespace characters are ignored or removed.
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First row is header	If this checkbox is selected, the first row is treated as containing column names. The settings that appear under Header Format have the same meanings as the ones above but are applied to the first row.
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First column is header	If this checkbox is selected, the first column is treated as containing row names.
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Use this dialog to change or delete the existing macros. Note that the dialog is not available, when there are no macros.

**ItemDescription**


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Existing macros list The left-hand pane of the dialog shows the list of existing macros.

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 Click this button to delete a recorded macro.


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 Click this button to change name of a recorded macro in the Rename Macro dialog.

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Actions list The right-hand pane shows the list of actions recorded for each macro. The list of actions for each macro is editable - you can remove unnecessary actions.


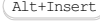
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 Click this button to delete an action from the macro.


Edit the [library](#) name and contents.




#### ItemDescription


Name	Use this field to edit the library name.
Change Version	<p>This button may be available for a library that implements a certain framework or technology (e.g. JSF, Spring) in cases when IntelliJ IDEA can make version-specific file replacements in the library.</p> <p>In such cases, when you click this button, the <a href="#">Downloading Options dialog</a> opens in which you can select the necessary library version, and also the files to be downloaded.</p> <p>As a result, the files in the library will be replaced with the downloaded files.</p>

 or 	<p>Use this icon or shortcut to add items (classes, sources, documentation, etc.) to the library.</p> <p>In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the necessary files and folders. For a Java library, these may be individual <code>.class</code> and <code>.java</code> files, directories and archives (<code>.jar</code> and <code>.zip</code> ) containing such files as well as directories with Java native libraries (<code>.dll</code> , <code>.so</code> or <code>.jnlib</code> ). For an ActionScript/Flex library, these may be raw ActionScript 3 libraries, <code>.swc</code> , <code>.jar</code> and <code>.zip</code> files, the directories containing such files, and so on.</p> <p>IntelliJ IDEA will analyze the selected files and folders, and automatically assign their contents to the appropriate library categories (Classes, Sources, Documentation, Native Library Locations, etc.).</p> <p>When IntelliJ IDEA cannot guess the category (e.g. when you select an empty folder), a dialog will be shown, in which you will be able to specify the category yourself.</p>
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	To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.
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	Click this icon to make certain library items "excluded" (see <a href="#">Excluded library items</a> ). In the dialog that opens, select the items that you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore (folders, archives and folders within the archives), and click OK .
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 or 	<p>When you click this icon or press  :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The selected "ordinary" library items are removed from the library.</li><li>- The selected excluded items (see <a href="#">Excluded library items</a> ) become "ordinary" items, i.e. their excluded status is cancelled. The items themselves will stay in the library.</li></ul>
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The dialog box opens when you click  next to the Path Mappings field in various cases (for example, in the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog , or when you configure a remote interpreter ).

If in the current run/debug configuration you use an interpreter accessible through SFTP connection or located on a Vagrant instance, the mappings are automatically retrieved from the corresponding deployment configuration or `Vagrantfile` and listed in the dialog box. The mappings are read-only.

- To add a custom mapping, click  and specify the path in the project and the corresponding path on the remote runtime environment in the Local Path and Remote Path fields respectively. Type the paths manually or click  and select the relevant files or folders in the dialog box that opens.
- To remove a custom mapping, select it in the list and click  .

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Use this dialog box to calculate values of expressions or code fragments during the debugging session.

**ItemDescription**

Expression	Use this field to edit the expression to be evaluated. If an expression is selected in the editor, this field displays selection. <b>Tip</b> This field is available in the Expression Mode .
Language	Choose Java or Groovy from the drop-down list, to enable recognition of the respective syntax of expressions. <b>Tip</b> This field is available only for Groovy scripts.
Statements to Evaluate	Type the group of statements to be evaluated. If a code fragment is selected in the editor, this field displays selection. <b>Tip</b> This field is available in the Code Fragment Mode .
Result	Here the results are displayed.
Evaluate	Click this button to evaluate the current expression or code fragment.
Close	Click this button to close the dialog box.
Code Fragment Mode	Click this button to toggle to the Code Fragment Mode .
Expression Mode	Click this button to toggle to the Expression Mode .

## ItemDescription

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Modules to export	This area shows the list of modules that have not been converted and switched to use the Eclipse format yet (the modules that have the IntelliJ IDEA module format <code>.iml</code> ). Select the modules you want to export by selecting the corresponding check-boxes.
Switch selected modules to Eclipse-compatible format	If this checkbox is selected, the modules selected in the Modules to export area, will be switched to the Eclipse-compatible format.
Export non-module libraries	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA creates a User Library configuration file for Eclipse ( <code>*.userlibraries</code> ), containing definitions of all external libraries, used in the project.  If this checkbox is not selected, the Path to resulting <code>.userlibraries</code> field is disabled.
Path to resulting <code>.userlibraries</code>	Specify the path to the generated <code>*.userlibraries</code> file. Note that this field is only available when the Export non-module libraries option is selected.

Use this dialog to save selected files in HTML format.

**ItemDescription**

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File <name>	Click this radio button to print the file currently selected in the Project view, or open in the editor.
Selected text	Click this radio button to print the text selected in the editor.
All files in the directory	Click this radio button to print all files in the current directory.
Include subdirectories	Select this checkbox to print the files in the subdirectories of the current directory.
Output directory	Specify fully qualified path to the directory, where the resulting HTML file will be stored.
Show line numbers	Select this checkbox to include line numbers in the resulting HTML file.
Generate hyperlinks to classes	Select this checkbox to replace class names with the hyperlinks to the respective classes.
Open generated HTML in browser	Select this checkbox to show HTML file in the default browser after export.



An external process has changed a file, opened and unsaved in IntelliJ IDEA, which results in two conflicting versions of a file. Resolve this conflict using the following options.

**ItemDescription**

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**Load FS Changes** Click this button to load the file version produced outside of IntelliJ IDEA, and overwrite your local changes.

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**Keep Memory Changes** Click this button to preserve the version produced in IntelliJ IDEA and stored in cache.

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**Show Difference** Click this button to invoke the [differences viewer](#) that shows the version in the file system to the left, and IntelliJ IDEA version to the right. You can merge differences as required and load the desired version to IntelliJ IDEA. By default, the cache version is saved.

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In the [Project tool window](#) and [Navigation Bar](#) : Find in Path or Replace in Path from the context menu for a directory.

Specify what you want to find and where. In the Replace in Path window, also specify the replacement text or pattern.

Use  and  to switch between the find and replace modes.

## Search pattern and replacement text options

### ItemDescription

Match case	Select this check box to have IntelliJ IDEA distinguish between upper and lowercase letters while searching.
Preserve case	<p>If you select this check box IntelliJ IDEA retains the case of the first letter and the case of the initial string in general. For example, <i>MyTest</i> will be replaced with <i>Yourtest</i> if you specify <i>yourtest</i> as the replacement. This check box is disabled, if the Case sensitive or Regular expressions check box is selected.</p> <p>This field is available only in the Replace in Path dialog.</p>
Words	<p>Select this check box to have IntelliJ IDEA search for whole words or their parts, (character strings separated with spaces, tabs, punctuation, or special characters). This check box is disabled, if the Regex check box is selected.</p>
Regex	<p>Select this check box if the specified search pattern should be treated as a <a href="#">regular expression</a> .</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"> <p> Click the ? mark next to the check box to view reference on regular expressions syntax. For more information on regular expressions and their syntax, refer to documentation for <a href="#">java.util.regex</a> .</p> </div>
	<p>Use this drop-down list to confine the search to a certain context, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– anywhere - select this option to search everywhere.</li> <li>– in comments - select this option to confine search to comments, ignoring the other occurrences.</li> <li>– In string literals - select this option to confine search to string literals, ignoring the other occurrences</li> <li>– Except... - select one of the exception options to perform search avoiding comments, string literals or both.</li> </ul>
File mask	<p>Select this checkbox to narrow down the search scope through file masks. In the drop-down list, select the desired mask or specify a new one using wildcards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Wildcards can include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– * to substitute a set of any characters,</li> <li>– ? to substitute a single character,</li> <li>– ! to exclude files. Mind that ! should go first in a particular file name pattern, for example, <code>!*.gant</code></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>You can specify multiple file masks, delimited with commas (for example, <code>*.xml,a?c.sql,!*.html</code> ).</p> <p>Note also, that negated pattern (for example, <code>!*.min.js</code> ) has implicit inclusion pattern <code>*</code> . This allows avoiding such constructs as <code>*,!*.min.js</code> for every file except minified javascript).</p> <p>If <a href="#">text to find is not entered</a> , and this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA find all files matching the specified mask, regardless of their contents.</p>
Search field	<p>In this field, specify the search pattern. Type the text manually or select one of the previously specified patterns from the drop-down list.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If you specify the search pattern through a regular expression, use the <code>\$n</code> format in back references (to refer to a previously found and saved pattern).</li> <li>– This field can be left empty. If there is no text to find, but the <a href="#">File mask</a> checkbox is selected, then search results include only the files matching the specified mask.</li> </ul> <p>Click  icon to see the list of recent search entries.</p>
Replace field	<p>In this field, specify the replacement text. Type the text manually or click  icon to select one of the previously specified replace entries from the drop-down list.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If you specify the replacement text through a regular expression, use the <code>\$n</code> format in back references.</li> <li>– To use a backslash character <code>\</code> in a regular expression, escape the meaningful backslashes by inserting <b>three extra backslashes</b> before them: <code>\\ \\ \</code> .</li> </ul> <p>This field is available only in the Replace in Path dialog.</p>
In Project	Select this option to search through the entire project.
Module	Select this option to search through a module within the project. IntelliJ IDEA displays a field with the name of the current module. If you have more than one module you can switch to another module using the drop-down list.
Directory	<p>Select this option to perform search within the specified directory. By default, the text area already contains the directory name where a file currently opened in the editor is located (if you call the dialog from the editor), or where a file selected in the tool window is located (if you call the dialog from the tool window), or the directory name selected in the tool window.</p> <p>Pressing the ellipsis button opens the <a href="#">Select Path</a> dialog, where you can select the necessary directory.</p>
	This icon is only available for the directory search. Select it to set the search to be performed in the chosen directory and its subdirectories.

Scope Select this option to search in a [scope](#) .  
You can choose one of the scopes from the drop-down list, or click the ellipsis button, and define a new scope in the [Scopes dialog](#) .

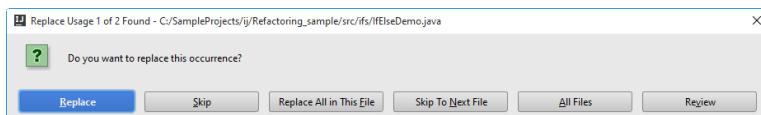
## Preview area

Use this area to check the preview of your search target.

You can press [Up](#) or [Down](#) keys to navigate between entries in the preview area without leaving the search field. You can press [F4](#) to get to the selected entry in the editor. You can also edit your entry right in the preview area. IntelliJ IDEA opens an editor for each search result so you can edit the result without leaving the Find in Path or Replace in Path window. Press [F3](#) to skip to the next matched entry in the preview editor. You can also press [Ctrl+F](#) to search through the current file or [Ctrl+R](#) to replace text in the current file.

### ItemDescription

- Click the down arrow to reveal the result presentation options.
  - Skip results tab with one usage - Select this checkbox to be navigated directly to the found string in the editor, when only one usage is found.  
The checkbox is available only in the Find in Path dialog box.
  - Open in new tab - If selected, sets the search results to be displayed in a separate tab.
- Open in Find Window
  - When you click this button in the Find in Path dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA displays the encountered occurrences of the search string in the [Find tool window](#) , selects the first occurrence and opens the file with this occurrence in the editor and moves the focus to it.
  - When you click this button in the Replace in Path dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA displays the encountered occurrences of the search string in the [Find tool window](#) , selects the first occurrence and opens the file with this occurrence in the editor and moves the focus to it.  
At the same time, IntelliJ IDEA opens the Replace Usage dialog box, with the full path to the encountered occurrence in the title bar:




Do one of the following:

- To have the selected occurrence replaced, click [Replace](#) .
- To preserve the selected occurrence and move to the next one, click [Skip](#) .
- To have all the occurrences of the search string in the currently active tab replaced, click [Replace All in This File](#) .
- To preserve the occurrences of the search string in the currently active tab (any) and move to the next file, click [Skip to Next File](#) .
- To have all the detected occurrences replaced, click [All Files](#) .
- To switch to the manual mode, click [Preview](#) . The [Replace Usage](#) dialog box closes and the focus moves to the [Find tool window](#). Do one of the following:
  - Browse through the list of detected occurrences, select the ones you want to replace and then click [Replace Selected](#) .
  - To have all the occurrences changed click [Replace All](#) .

In this section:

- [Find Usages](#)
- [Find Usages. Class Options](#)
- [Find Usages. Method Options](#)
- [Find Usages. Package Options](#)
- [Find Usages. Throw Options](#)
- [Find Usages. Variable Options](#)

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The dialog also opens when you click  in the Show Usages pop-up window which lists all the occurrences of the symbol at caret.

Use this dialog to configure the search procedure and scope when looking for occurrences of the following data:

- Fields, variables and parameters
- Classes, tags, attributes, and references in the HTML, XML, and CSS files
- Symbols at caret.
- Elements of \*.gsp files in the Grails views.


The search results are displayed in the [Find tool window](#).

#### ItemDescription

Skip results tab with one usage	Select this checkbox to be navigated directly to the found usage without the Find tool window displayed, when only one usage is found.
Scope	Specify the search <a href="#">scope</a> . Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list or click  to define a custom scope in the <a href="#">Scopes dialog</a> .
Open in new tab	Select this checkbox to have the results of each search shown on a separate tab of the Find tool window. If the checkbox is not selected, the search results will be shown on the current tab.


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This section describes the controls for specifying Class Usage Search and Interface Usage Search options in the Find Usages dialog box.

The dialog opens when you click  in the Show Usages pop-up window which lists all the occurrences of the symbol at caret.


#### ItemDescription

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Find	<p>In this area, specify the objects to search.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Usages - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all references of the class by its name.</li><li>– Usages of methods - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all calls of the selected class methods.</li><li>– Usages of fields - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for usages of selected class fields.</li><li>– Derived classes - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all classes that extend the selected class.</li></ul> <p><b>Tip</b> The checkbox is available for class usage search only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Implementing classes - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all classes that implement the selected interface.</li></ul> <p><b>Tip</b> The checkbox is available for interface usage search only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Derived interfaces - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all interfaces that extend the selected interface.</li></ul> <p><b>Tip</b> The checkbox is available for interface usage search only.</p>
Options	<p>In this area, configure the search procedure using the following controls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Search for text occurrences - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed in files registered in IntelliJ IDEA.</li><li>– Skip results tab with one usage - select this checkbox to be navigated directly to the found usage without the Find tool window displayed, when only one usage is found.</li></ul>
Scope	<p>In this area, specify the <a href="#">scope</a> of search. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  to open the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box, where you can define a custom scope.</p>
Open in new tab	<p>Select this checkbox to have the results of each search shown in a separate tab of the Find Results window. If the checkbox is cleared, the search results will overwrite the contents of the current tab.</p>


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This section describes the controls for specifying Method Usage Search options in the Find Usages dialog box.

The dialog opens when you click  in the Show Usages pop-up window which lists all the occurrences of the symbol at caret.

#### ItemDescription

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Find	<p>In this area, specify the objects to search.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Usages - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all references of the method by its name.</li><li>- Overriding methods - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all methods that override the selected method.</li><li>- Implementing methods - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all methods that implement the selected method.</li></ul>
Search for text occurrences	Select this checkbox to have text contents and comments involved in searching.
Skip results tab with one usage	Select this checkbox to be navigated directly to the found usage without the Find tool window displayed, when only one usage is found.
Scope	In this area, specify the scope of search. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  to open the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box, where you can define a custom scope.
Open in new tab	Select this checkbox have the results of each search shown in a separate tab of the Find Results window. If the checkbox is cleared, the search results will overwrite the contents of the current tab.

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This section describes the controls for specifying Package Usage Search options in the Find Usages dialog box.

#### ItemDescription

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Find	<p>In this area, specify the objects to search.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Usages - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all references of the package by its name in the source code.</li><li>- Usages of classes and interfaces - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed for all references of classes and interfaces from the selected package by their names in the source code.</li></ul>
Options	<p>In this area, configure the search procedure using the following controls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Search for text occurrences - if this checkbox is selected, the search is performed in files registered in IntelliJ IDEA.</li><li>- Skip results tab with one usage - select this checkbox to be navigated directly to the found usage without the Find tool window displayed, when only one usage is found.</li></ul>
Scope	<p>In this area, specify the <a href="#">scope</a> of search. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  to open the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box, where you can define a custom scope.</p>
Open in new tab	<p>Select this checkbox have the results of each search shown in a separate tab of the Find Results window. If the checkbox is cleared, the search results will overwrite the contents of the current tab.</p>



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Use this dialog box to find throw usages in the specified scope.

**ItemDescription**

Search for text occurrences	Select this checkbox to have text contents and comments involved in searching.
Skip results tab with one usage	Select this checkbox to be navigated directly to the found usage without the Find tool window displayed, when only one usage is found.
Scope	In this area, specify the <a href="#">scope</a> of search. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  to open the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box, where you can define a custom scope.
Open in new tab	Select this checkbox have the results of each search shown in a separate tab of the Find Results window. If the checkbox is cleared, the search results will overwrite the contents of the current tab.

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This section describes Field, Variable, or Parameter usage search options in the Find Usages dialog.


The dialog opens when you click  in the Show Usages pop-up window which lists all the occurrences of the symbol at caret.

#### ItemDescription

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**Skip results tab with one usage** Select this checkbox to be navigated directly to the found usage without the Find tool window displayed, when only one usage is found.

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**Scope** In this area, specify the [scope](#) of search. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list or click the [Browse](#) button  to open the [Scopes](#) dialog box, where you can define a custom scope.

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**Open in new tab** Select this checkbox have the results of each search shown in a separate tab of the Find Results window. If the checkbox is cleared, the search results will overwrite the contents of the current tab.

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Use this dialog box to configure the Ant build generation procedure.

**ItemDescription**

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Generate multiple-file ant build (requires ant 1.6 or later to execute)	Click this option to generate separate build files for every module plus one main file. The generated build files for the modules are stored in the directories that correspond to the <code>.iml</code> files, and the main file is stored under the project root.
Generate single-file ant build	Click this option to generate one build file for the whole project. This file is stored under the project root.
Backup previously generated files	Click this option to create backup copies of the previously generated Ant build files.
Overwrite previously generated files	Click this option to overwrite the previously generated Ant build files with the new ones.
Output file name	Use this field to enter the name of the output file.
Enable UI forms compilation (requires <code>javac2</code> ant task from IntelliJ IDEA distribution)	Select this checkbox, if you have used IntelliJ IDEA UI forms and need them to be created during the build process.
Use JDK definitions from project files	Select this checkbox to specify using particular Java SDK's for every module when building a project, as defined in the project settings. Clear the checkbox to have the Ant script use the Java SDK it runs on.
Inline runtime classpaths	This checkbox affects Ant build generation for the dependent modules. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is cleared (by default), then the generated runtime classpath will contain references to the runtime libraries of the dependency module.</li><li>– If this checkbox is selected, then the generated runtime classpath will contain copies of references to the libraries of the dependency module.</li></ul>
Use current IntelliJ IDEA instance for <code>idea.home</code> property	If this checkbox is selected, the <code>idea.home</code> property, referring to the current IntelliJ IDEA installation, is added to the file <code>&lt;project&gt;.properties</code> .

Use this wizard to generate equals() and hashCode() methods.

#### ItemDescription

##### Page 1

**Template** Use this drop-down list to select a predefined velocity template or click  to use [Templates Dialog](#) .

**Accept subclasses as parameter to equals() method** While generally in compliant to Object.equals() specification, accepting subclasses might be necessary for generated method to work correctly with frameworks, which generate Proxy subclasses, like Hibernate.

**Use getters during code generation** If this checkbox is selected, the getters are used in `equals()` instead of direct fields access: `getField()` vs `field` .  
Click Next to open the next page.

##### Page 2

**Choose fields to be included in equals()** Select the fields that should be used to determine equality. Each of the selected field's values will be compared, and objects will be considered equal only if all the field values specified here are equivalent.  
Click Next to open the next page.

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**Choose fields to be included in hashCode()** Select the fields to generate hash code. Note that only the fields that were included in the equals() method, can participate in creating hash code. All these fields are selected by default, but you can deselect them, if necessary.  
Click Next to open the next page.




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**Select all non-null fields** This page appears if any of the chosen fields are of non-primitive type in order to avoid generation of unnecessary checks. In other words, if a checkbox for any of these fields is selected, it is presumed that such field never has a null value and such check will not be included into generated methods.

Click Finish to complete the wizard and create equals() and hashCode() methods.





Use this page to select an existing velocity template from the list of available templates or create a custom template.

**ItemDescription**

	Click this icon to add a new custom template.
	Click this icon to delete a created custom template.
	Click this icon to copy the existing template.
Equals Template	This area displays a code sample for <code>equals()</code> of the selected template.
HashCode Template	This area displays a code sample for <code>hashCode()</code> of the selected template.

**ItemDescription**

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Input directory	In this text box, specify the fully qualified path to the directory with the sources to generate documentation for.
Output directory	In this text box, type the fully qualified path to the directory where the generated documentation will be stored. Alternatively, click  to open the <a href="#">dialog</a> , in which you can select the desired path or create a new directory by clicking  .
Private	Select this checkbox to set the <code>private</code> attribute to <code>true</code> .
Use	Select this checkbox to set the <code>use</code> attribute to <code>true</code> .
Source packages	Use the buttons  and  to create and manage the list of packages containing source files.
Open generated documentation in browser	Select this checkbox if you want IntelliJ IDEA to automatically open the generated documentation in the browser.

This dialog invokes [JavaDoc](#) utility. The controls of the dialog box correspond to the options and tags of this utility.

#### ItemDescription

Generate JavaDoc scope	Use this area to specify the subset of files, folders, packages etc. for which JavaDoc should be generated. This <a href="#">scope</a> can be the whole project, uncommitted files (when VCS is enabled), current file, custom scope etc.
Include test sources	Select this checkbox to have the documentation comments for the test files included in the generated JavaDoc.
Include JDK and library sources in <input type="text" value="sourcepath"/>	If this checkbox is selected, then paths to the JDK and library sources will be passed to the JavaDoc utility. Refer to <a href="#">documentation</a> for details.
Include link to JDK documentation	If this checkbox is selected, the references to the classes, packages etc. from JDK will turn into links, which corresponds to using the <a href="#">-link</a> option of the JavaDoc utility. This checkbox is only enabled when a link to the online documentation is specified in the Documentation Paths tab of the <a href="#">SDK</a> settings.  Refer to <a href="#">JavaDoc</a> documentation for details.
Output directory	In this text box, specify the fully qualified path to the directory where the generated documentation will be stored. Type the path manually or click the Browse button <input type="button" value="..."/> to open the Select Path dialog box where you can select the desired location. The specified value is passed to the <a href="#">-d</a> parameter of the JavaDoc utility. If the specified directory does not exist in your system, you will be prompted to create it. Note that unless the output directory is specified, the OK button is disabled.
Slider	In this area, specify the visibility level of members to be included in the generated documentation. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Private - select this level to have all classes and members included. The level corresponds to the <a href="#">-private</a> JavaDoc parameter.</li> <li>– Package - select this level to have all classes and members except private ones included. The level corresponds to the <a href="#">-package</a> JavaDoc parameter.</li> <li>– Protected - select this level to have only public and protected classes and members included. The level corresponds to the <a href="#">-protected</a> JavaDoc parameter.</li> <li>– Public - select this level to have only public classes and members included. The level corresponds to the <a href="#">-public</a> JavaDoc parameter.</li> </ul>
Generate hierarchy tree	Select this checkbox to have the class hierarchy generated. If this checkbox is cleared, the <a href="#">-notree</a> parameter is passed to JavaDoc.
Generate navigator bar	Select this checkbox to have the navigator bar generated. If this checkbox is cleared, the <a href="#">-nonavbar</a> parameter is passed to JavaDoc.
Generate index	Select this checkbox to have the documentation index generated. If this checkbox is cleared, the <a href="#">-noindex</a> parameter is passed to JavaDoc.
Separate index per letter	Select this checkbox to have a separate index file for each letter generated. If this checkbox is cleared, the <a href="#">-splitindex</a> parameter is passed to JavaDoc. The checkbox is available only if the Generate index checkbox is selected.
@use	Select this checkbox to have the use of class and package documented. When selected, the checkbox corresponds to the <a href="#">-use</a> JavaDoc parameter.
@author	Select this checkbox to have the <a href="#">@author</a> paragraphs included. When selected, the checkbox corresponds to the <a href="#">-author</a> JavaDoc parameter.
@version	Select this checkbox to have the <a href="#">@version</a> paragraphs included. When selected, the checkbox corresponds to the <a href="#">-version</a> JavaDoc parameter.
@deprecated	Select this checkbox to have the <a href="#">@deprecated</a> information included. When the checkbox is cleared, the <a href="#">-nodeprecated</a> parameter is passed to JavaDoc.
deprecated list	Select this checkbox to have the deprecated list generated. When the checkbox is cleared, the <a href="#">-nodeprecatedlist</a> parameter is passed to JavaDoc. The checkbox is available only if the @deprecated checkbox is selected.
Locale	In this text box, type the desired locale.
Other command line arguments	In this text box, type additional arguments to be passed to JavaDoc. Use the command line syntax.
Maximum heap size (Mb)	In this text box, type the maximum heap size in Mb to be used by Java VM for running JavaDoc.
Open generated documentation in browser	Select this checkbox to have the generated JavaDoc automatically opened in the browser.

**ItemDescription**

Template	Click this drop-down list to choose the template to use.
Settings	Click this button to show <a href="#">Generate toString() Settings Dialog</a> and set up the behavior and templates of the Generate toString() function.
Toolbar	
	Click this button to represent the fields in ascending or descending alphabetical order.
	Click this button to show classes.
	Click this button to expand all class nodes.
	Click this button to collapse all class nodes.
Class members tree view	Click the members to be included in the generated <code>toString()</code> method.
Insert @Override	If this checkbox is selected, the generated code is prepended with the annotation <code>@Override</code> .
OK	Click this button to generate the <code>toString()</code> method with the specified settings and close the dialog.
Select None	Click this button to generate the <code>toString()</code> method that consists of the method declaration and return statement only.
Cancel	Click this button to discard all changes and close the dialog.



On this page:

- [Settings tab](#)
- [Templates tab](#)
  - [Templates toolbar](#)
  - [Variables used in Velocity templates](#)

## Settings tab

### ItemDescription




Use fully qualified class name in code generation (\$classname)	If this checkbox is selected, the dumped classnames will include their package names. (The <code>\$classname</code> variable in the <a href="#">Velocity templates</a> )
Enable getters in code generation (\$method)	If this checkbox is selected, the code generator will have <code>\$methods</code> variable in the Velocity Macro Language. See <a href="#">example 2</a> .
Move caret to the generated method	If this checkbox is selected, the caret scrolls to the generated <code>toString()</code> method.
Sort elements	If this checkbox is selected, the members are sorted in the selected order (ascending or descending).
When method already exists	<p>In this section, choose the default conflict resolution policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Ask : Choose this option to ask for confirmation, if a <code>toString()</code> method already exists. IntelliJ IDEA shows the dialog box <code>Replace existing toString method</code> .</li> </ul> <p>The answer Yes results in generating the new <code>toString()</code> method in place of the existing one; the answer No results in creating a duplicate method.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Replace existing : Choose this option to automatically replace the existing <code>toString()</code> code.</li> <li>– Generate duplicating method : Choose this option to create a duplicate <code>toString()</code> method; so doing, the new method will have the name <code>toString()</code> ; the existing code will not be erased.</li> </ul>
Where to insert?	<p>In this section, choose the place to insert the generated <code>toString()</code> method. The possible options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– At caret .</li> <li>– After equals() and hashCode() : the generated <code>toString()</code> method will be inserted after the equals/hashCode, if present in the Java class; otherwise, the new method will be inserted at the current caret position.</li> <li>– At the end of class : the generated <code>toString()</code> method will be inserted as the last method.</li> </ul>
Exclude	<p>In this section, select the checkboxes next to the elements to be excluded from the <code>toString()</code> method generation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Exclude constant fields : If this checkbox is selected, then any constants won't be a part of the available fields for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude static fields : If this checkbox is selected, then any fields that have static modifiers won't be part of available fields for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude transient fields : If this checkbox is selected, then any fields with transient modifiers won't be part of the available fields for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude enum fields : If this checkbox is selected, then any fields of the type <code>enum</code> (JDK1.5) will not be part of available fields for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude logger fields (Log4j, JDK Logging, Jakarta Common Logging): If this checkbox is selected, then any field that is a either a Log4j Logger, Java JDK Logger or a Jakarta Commons Logger will not be part of the available fields for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude fields by name (reg exp) : If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA performs a regular expression matching on the field name. If the result is true , then the field will not be part of the available fields for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude fields by type name (reg exp) : If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA performs a regular expression matching on the field type name (fully qualified name). If the result is true , the field will not be part of the available fields for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude methods by name (reg exp) : If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA performs a regular expression matching on the method name. If the result is true , the method will not be part of the available methods for the code generator.</li> <li>– Exclude methods by return type name (reg exp) : If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA performs a regular expression matching on the method return type name (fully qualified name). If the result is true , the method will not be part of the available methods for the code generator.</li> </ul>

## Templates tab

Use this page to view and manage the list of Velocity templates to be used for the `toString()` method generation.

## Templates toolbar

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to create a new entry to the list of available templates. When the new entry is added, create the corresponding template.
	Click this button to delete the selected user-created entry from the list of available patterns. Note that pre-defined templates cannot be deleted.
	Click this button to create a copy of an existing template.







## Variables used in Velocity templates

### Variable>ReturnsDescription

Variable	Returns	Description
<code>\$classname</code>	String	The name of a class (can be qualified classname, if this is selected in the settings).
<code>\$FQClassname</code>	String	@deprecated (use <code>\$class.qualifiedName</code> ) - The fully qualified name of the class
<code>\$fields</code>	java.util.List	List of FieldElement objects
<code>\$methods</code>	java.util.List	List of MethodElement objects
<code>\$members</code>	java.util.List	List of both FieldElement and MethodElement objects
<code>\$member</code>	Element	The Element object
<code>\$member.accessor</code>	String	The accessor of a field or method. For a field it is <code>\$field.name</code> and for a method it is <code>\$method.methodName</code> .
<code>\$member.typeName</code>	String	The classname of the type (Object, String, List etc.)
<code>\$member.typeQualifiedName</code>	String	The qualified classname of the type (java.lang.Object, java.lang.String, java.util.List etc.)
<code>\$member.array</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is an array type (either a primitive array or object array).
<code>\$member.primitiveArray</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is a primitive array type (int[], short[], float[] etc.)
<code>\$member.objectArray</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is an Object array type (Object[], String[] etc.).
<code>\$member.stringArray</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is a String array type (String[])
<code>\$member.collection</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is assignable from java.util.Collection.
<code>\$member.list</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is assignable from java.util.List
<code>\$member.map</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is assignable from java.util.Map
<code>\$member.set</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is assignable from java.util.Set
<code>\$member.primitive</code>	boolean	Checks if the type is a primitive type (int, char, float etc.)
<code>\$member.modifierStatic</code>	boolean	Does the type have a static modifier?
<code>\$member.modifierPublic</code>	boolean	Does the type have a public modifier?
<code>\$member.modifierProtected</code>	boolean	Does the type have a protected modifier?
<code>\$member.modifierPackageLocal</code>	boolean	Does the type have a package-local modifier?
<code>\$member.modifierPrivate</code>	boolean	Does the type have a private modifier?
<code>\$member.modifierFinal</code>	boolean	Does the type have a final modifier?
<code>\$member.string</code>	boolean	Is the type assignable from java.lang.String?
<code>\$member.numeric</code>	boolean	Is the type assignable from java.lang.Numeric or a primitive type of byte, short, int, long, float, double?
<code>\$member.object</code>	boolean	Is the type assignable from java.lang.Object?
<code>\$member.date</code>	boolean	Is the type assignable from java.util.Date?
<code>\$member.calendar</code>	boolean	Is the type assignable from java.util.Calendar?
<code>\$member.boolean</code>	boolean	Is the type assignable from java.lang.Boolean or a primitive boolean?
<code>\$field</code>	FieldElement	The FieldElement object
<code>\$field.name</code>	String	The name of a field.
<code>\$field.modifierTransient</code>	boolean	Does the field have a transient modifier?
<code>\$field.modifierVolatile</code>	boolean	Does the field have a volatile modifier?
<code>\$field.constant</code>	boolean	Is the field a constant type? (has static modifier and its name is in UPPERCASE only)
<code>\$field.matchName(regex)</code>	boolean	Performs a regular expression matching on a field name.
<code>\$field.enum</code>	boolean	Is this field a enum type?
<code>\$method</code>	MethodElement	The MethodElement object
<code>\$method.name</code>	String	This variable returns one of the following: – The name of the field this getter method covers – The name of the method 'getFoo' when the method does not cover a field
<code>\$method.methodName</code>	String	The name of the method (getFoo).
<code>\$method.fieldName</code>	String	The name of the field this getter method covers - null if the method is not a getter for a field
<code>\$method.modifierAbstract</code>	boolean	Is this method an abstract method?
<code>\$method.modifierSynchronized</code>	boolean	Is this method a synchronized method?
<code>\$method.returnTypeVoid</code>	boolean	Is this method a void method (does not return anything) ?
<code>\$method.getter</code>	boolean	Is this a getter method?




\$method.matchName(regex)	boolean	Performs a regular expression matching on the method name.
\$method.deprecated	boolean	Is this method deprecated?
\$class	ClassElement	The ClassElement object
\$class.name	String	The name of the class
\$class.matchName(regex)	boolean	Performs a regular expression matching on the classname.
\$class.qualifiedName	String	The fully qualified name of the class
\$class.hasSuper	boolean	Does the class have a superclass? (extends another class - note extending java.lang.Object is not considered having a superclass)
\$class.superName	String	The name of the superclass (empty if no superclass)
\$class.superQualifiedName	String	The fully qualified name of the superclass (empty if no superclass)
\$class.isImplements("interfaceName")	boolean	Checks if the class implements the given interface. Checking names of several interfaces can be done by separating the names with commas.
\$class.implementNames	String[]	Returns the class names of the interfaces the class implements. An empty array is returned, if the class does not implement any interfaces.
\$class.isExtends("className")	boolean	Checks if the class extends any of the given class names. Chcecking several class names can be done by separating the names with commas.
\$class.exception	boolean	Is this class an exception class (extends Throwable)?
\$class.deprecated	boolean	Is this class deprecated?
\$class.enum	boolean	Is this class an enum class?
\$class.abstract	boolean	Is this class abstract?
Output variables		The output variables are possible in the Velocity Template (variables are stored in the Velocity Context); Output parameters will be available for the Generate action after the Velocity context has been executed and act upon.
\$autoImportPackages	String	Packagenames that should automatically be imported. Use comma to separate packagenames.

**ItemDescription**

Getter template	Click this drop-down list to choose the template to use. You can click  to open the <a href="#">Template Dialog</a> and add a new getter template or select an existing one.
Setter template	Click this drop-down list to choose the template to use. You can click  to open the <a href="#">Template Dialog</a> and add a new setter template or select an existing one.
	Click this button to represent the fields in ascending or descending alphabetical order.
	Click this button to show classes.
	Click this button to expand all class nodes.
	Click this button to collapse all class nodes.


Use this page to select an existing velocity template from the list of available templates or create a custom template.

**ItemDescription**

	Click this icon to add a new custom template.
	Click this icon to delete a created custom template.
	Click this icon to copy the existing template.
Getter Template	This area displays the selected velocity template and a code sample for <code>getter</code> .
Setter Template	This area displays the selected velocity template and a code sample for <code>setter</code> of the selected template.

**ItemDescription**


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Template Click this drop-down list to choose the template to use. You can click  to open the [Template Dialog](#) and add a new getter template or select an existing one.

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 Click this button to represent the fields in ascending or descending alphabetical order.


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 Click this button to show classes.






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 Click this button to expand all class nodes.

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 Click this button to collapse all class nodes.

**ItemDescription**

Template	Click this drop-down list to choose the template to use. You can click  to open the <a href="#">Template Dialog</a> and add a new getter template or select an existing one.
	Click this button to represent the fields in ascending or descending alphabetical order.
	Click this button to show classes.
	Click this button to expand all class nodes.
	Click this button to collapse all class nodes.

Use this dialog to add an external module to a project.

#### ItemDescription

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Please select the modules/data to include in the project

Use this area to view the list of available external modules or data for your current project.

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Click this icon to select all the modules from the list.

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Click this icon to clear the list of selected modules.

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Click this icon to see only selected modules.

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 **Select Required**

If you click this icon, IntelliJ IDEA selects the appropriate modules in case you are unsure about dependencies between the modules.



Use this dialog box to extract a hardcoded string literal to the specified `.properties` file. This intention action becomes available, when the Hard-Coded Strings inspection is enabled.

#### ItemDescription

Properties file	In this text box, specify the <code>.properties</code> file to store the extracted string literal in. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Properties File dialog, where you can select the desired location using the project tree view or through a search by name. As you type the search string, the suggestion list shrinks to show the matching properties files only.
Update all properties files in resource bundle	Select this checkbox to have all properties files in the target bundle updated.
Property key	By default, this text box displays the suggested key name, based on the value of the string to be extracted. Accept the default name or type the desired one.
Property value	By default, this field displays the value of the string to be extracted. Accept the default value or type the desired one.
Resource bundle expression	By default, this field displays a resource bundle expression from the resource bundle declaration in the source code. If the resource bundle is not declared in the source code, the field shows an invalid value in red. To improve the situation, define the desired expression. Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Enter an expression of the <code>ResourceBundle</code> type, as described in the section <a href="#">Extracting Hard-Coded String Literals using <code>java.util.ResourceBundle</code></a> utility class.</li><li>– Use your own <a href="#">custom</a> utility class.</li></ul>
<div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><b>Tip</b> Basic code completion (<code>Ctrl+Space</code>) is available in this field.</div>	
Edit i18n template	Click this link to open the File and Code Templates dialog box, where you can change the I18nized Expression template to point to the method of a custom utility class that will be used to access a resource bundle. A changed file template is a global setting that affects all projects. If you want to restore defaults, open the <a href="#">File and Code Templates</a> dialog box, find the I18nized Expression template in the Code tab, and click the Reset button  .
Preview	This read-only field displays the results of applying the I18nize hard-coded string literal intention action.

This dialog opens when [importing delimiter-separated values \(e.g. CSV, TSV\) into a database](#) .


In the left-hand part, specify how your delimiter-separated values should be converted into table format. In the right-hand part, specify the settings for the target table in your database.

- [Conversion settings](#)
- [Table name, structure and data mappings](#)
- [Data and DDL previews](#)
- [Encoding, Write errors to file and Insert inconvertible values as null](#)

## Conversion settings

When working on the conversion settings, use the table preview in the right-hand part of the dialog underneath the table settings.

### ItemDescription

**Formats** Select your file format and check the table preview. If you haven't achieved the desired result yet, adjust the settings.  
 If you have changed the settings and want to save the changes, click this icon and select one of the following:

- Save Changes. The settings are saved "under the same name", without creating a new format. (A format, in fact, is a named set of settings.)
- Save As. The settings are saved "under a different name": a new format is created and you can specify the name for that new format.

**Value separator** Select or type the character used for separating individual values.

**Row separator** Select or type the character that should be treated as a row separator.





**Null value text** The text to be used as a value if a cell contains `null` (an unknown value).

**Add row prefix/suffix** Row prefix and suffix are character sequences which in addition to the row separator indicate the beginning and end of a row.  
If necessary, click the link and specify the row prefix and suffix in the fields that appear.

**Quotation** Each line in the area under Quotation is a quotation pattern (see [Quote values](#) ). A quotation pattern includes:

- The left quotation character, the one inserted before a value.
- The right quotation character, the one inserted after a value; usually, the same as the left quotation character.
- An escape method or character for the cases when the quotation character is part of a value. E.g. Escape: duplicate means that if a quotation character occurs within a value, it is doubled. (You can specify your own escape character instead.)

If there is more than one pattern, the first of the patterns is used.

Use  ,  ,  and  to create, delete and reorder the patterns.

To start editing an existing pattern, just click the pattern of interest.

**Quote values** Specify in which cases the values should be quoted (i.e. enclosed within quotation characters).

- When needed. A value is quoted only if it contains the value and/or the row separator.
- Always. Any value is quoted in its text representation.

**Trim whitespaces** If this checkbox is not selected, the Unicode whitespace characters that precede and follow the value separators are treated as parts of the corresponding values. If this checkbox is selected, the corresponding whitespace characters are ignored or removed.

**First row is header** If this checkbox is selected, the first row is treated as containing column names. The settings that appear under Header Format have the same meanings as the ones above but are applied to the first row.

**First column is header** If this checkbox is selected, the first column is treated as containing row names.


## Table name, structure and data mappings

### ItemDescription

**Table** The name of the table.

**Comment** The table comment.

**Columns / Keys etc.** Data mappings for columns, and the definitions of the columns, constraints and indexes.

- To start editing the information for a column, double-click the corresponding line in the list of columns.  
Note the Mapped to field. This field lets you specify which data column in the file being imported should be used as a source of data for the corresponding column in the database. If you clear this field, no data will be added to the target column in the database.
- To remove a column, select the corresponding line and click  .

## Data and DDL previews

### ItemDescription

**Data preview** The preview of data you are about to import.

DDL preview      The statement or statements that will be run. You can edit the statements right in the preview pane.

## Encoding, Write errors to file and Insert inconvertible values as null

### ItemDescription

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Encoding	The character encoding for your data in the source file.
Write errors to file	If you select the checkbox, the errors that occurred during the import are written to the specified text file. For each of the errors the place where it occurred is indicated.
Insert inconvertible values as null	If you select the checkbox, NULLs will be inserted into the table for the data that cannot be converted.

This dialog opens when [exporting delimiter-separated values from a table editor to a database](#) .

- [Table name, structure and data mappings](#)
- [DDL preview](#)
- [Encoding, Write errors to file and Insert inconvertible values as null](#)

## Table name, structure and data mappings

### ItemDescription

Table	The name of the table.
Comment	The table comment.
Columns / Keys etc.	Data mappings for columns, and the definitions of the columns, constraints and indexes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To start editing the information for a column, double-click the corresponding line in the list of columns. Note the Mapped to field. This field lets you specify which data column in the file being imported should be used as a source of data for the corresponding column in the database. If you clear this field, no data will be added to the target column in the database.</li><li>- To remove a column, select the corresponding line and click  .</li></ul>

## DDL preview

The statement or statements that will be run. You can edit the statements right in this pane.

## Encoding, Write errors to file and Insert inconvertible values as null

### ItemDescription

Encoding	The character encoding for your data in the source file.
Write errors to file	If you select the checkbox, the errors that occurred during the import are written to the specified text file. For each of the errors the place where it occurred is indicated.
Insert inconvertible values as null	If you select the checkbox, NULLs will be inserted into the table for the data that cannot be converted.

This dialog opens when exporting data from one table to another one, or when exporting a table to another database or schema.

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Specify the data mapping info and the settings for the destination table.

- [Table name, structure and data mappings](#)
- [Data and DDL previews](#)
- [Write errors to file and Insert inconvertible values as null](#)

## Table name, structure and data mappings

### ItemDescription


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Table	The name of the destination table.
Comment	The table comment.
Columns / Keys etc.	Data mappings for columns, and the definitions of the columns, constraints and indexes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To start editing the information for a column, double-click the corresponding line in the list of columns. Note the Mapped to field. This field lets you specify which column in the table being imported should be used as a source of data for the corresponding column in the destination table. If you clear this field, no data will be added to the target column.</li><li>- To remove a column, select the corresponding line and click .</li></ul>

## Data and DDL previews

### ItemDescription

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Data preview	The preview of data you are about to import. This tab is not available if you started the import by using the Export to Database command (  ) in a data editor or in the Result pane of a database console.
DDL preview	The statement or statements that will be run. You can edit the statements right in the preview pane.

## Write errors to file and Insert inconvertible values as null

### ItemDescription

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Write errors to file	If you select the checkbox, the errors that occurred during the import are written to the specified text file. For each of the errors the place where it occurred is indicated.
Insert inconvertible values as null	If you select the checkbox, NULLs will be inserted into the table for the data that cannot be imported.

The dialog is available only when the PHP plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

The dialog box opens when you initiate a **Zero-Configuration** debugging session without previously configuring a **Debug Server** with **path mappings** , so the debugger cannot set correspondence between the scripts in the running application and the files in your IntelliJ IDEA project.


The upper part of the dialog box is read-only and shows the host and port where the script is executed, the path to the script relative to the **server document root** , and the absolute path to the script on the server.

In this dialog box, either specify the path mappings manually or import them from the relevant **deployment configuration** . Learn more at [Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration](#) , [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) , and [Zero-Configuration Debugging](#) .

To continue debugging with the imported or manually specified configuration settings, click **Accept** .

#### ItemDescription

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Import mappings from deployment	<p>Choose this option to use the mappings specified in a <b>server access configuration</b> ( <b>deployment configuration</b> . ).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Project: this read-only field shows the name of the current IntelliJ IDEA project.</li><li>- Deployment: from this drop-down list, choose the deployment configuration to import the mappings from. If IntelliJ IDEA detects a deployment configuration which seems relevant, the configuration is preselected in the Deployment drop-down list.</li></ul> <p>If IntelliJ IDEA does not detect a relevant configuration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Choose the most suitable configuration from the drop-down list or click  and create a new configuration in the <a href="#">Deployment</a> dialog box that opens, whereupon the new configuration is added to the list.</li><li>2. In the Deployment root text box, type the absolute path to the server root folder.</li></ol> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Preview: this area shows the absolute path to the project file which corresponds to the currently executed script according to the mappings from the selected configuration.</li></ul>
Manually choose local file or project	<p>When you select this option, IntelliJ IDEA displays the project tree view where you can select a project file and map the currently executed script to it. You can also select and map the entire project.</p>

To open this dialog: Register on the [Welcome screen](#) or [Help | Register](#) .

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You can evaluate IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate for 30 days. After that period, you need to buy IntelliJ IDEA and activate your license.

The upper part of the dialog reflects your IntelliJ IDEA usage status (e.g. Free evaluation ) and, if appropriate, provides related controls (e.g. Buy IntelliJ IDEA ).

The license activation options are in the lower part of the dialog under Activate new license via .

– [IntelliJ IDEA usage status-related controls](#)

– [License activation options](#)

## IntelliJ IDEA usage status-related controls

### ItemDescription

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Buy IntelliJ IDEA	Click this button to go to the JetBrains Web site to study the IntelliJ IDEA purchasing options and to buy a license.
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

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Evaluate for free for 30 days	Click this button to start evaluating IntelliJ IDEA.
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## License activation options

### ItemDescription

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License key	Select this option if you have a license key. Specify your user name (or company name) and the key. (The corresponding information is in your license certificate email.) The recommended way of entering the name and the key is by copying the information from the certificate email and then pasting it into the fields (  /  ).
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If IntelliJ IDEA rejects the license information, see [The key is not accepted](#) for a possible solution.

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License server	Select this option if there is the <a href="#">IntelliJ IDEA License Server</a> on your company's intranet. Specify the server URL in the License server address field. For the address to be entered automatically, click the Discover server button. To find out if your company is using the License Server and what its URL should be, contact your system administrator.
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JetBrains Account	Select this option if your IntelliJ IDEA license is linked with your <a href="#">JetBrains Account</a> . Specify your JetBrains Account access credentials.
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This dialog appears when IntelliJ IDEA tries to decompile the code.

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**ItemDescription**

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Accept	Click this button if you decide to agree to the specified terms and conditions. In this case, the dialog will not be displayed in the future and the appropriate code will be automatically decompiled.
Decline and restart	Click this button if you do not agree to the specified terms and conditions. In this case, Java Bytecode Decompiler plugin will be disabled and you will need to restart IntelliJ IDEA to implement the change.
Decide later	Click this button if you want to postpone your decision. In this case, the dialog and a window with the decompiled code will close. However, you will be prompted again with the same dialog when IntelliJ IDEA tries to decompile another source code.



The upper part of the dialog box shows a list of your project templates. When you select a template, its description is shown in the bottom area of the dialog box.

To delete an unnecessary template, select it and click  or press `Alt+Delete` .

Specify a URI and select a local XSD or DTD file for the specified URI. (If an XML file references the specified URI, it's validated according to a selected local file.)

#### ItemDescription

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URI Use this field to edit the URI. This may be a URL of an XSD or DTD file (e.g. `http://www.example.org/xsds/example.xsd` ) or a namespace URI (e.g. `http://www.example.org` ).

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Schemas This tab lists XSD and DTD files available in your project, libraries, SDKs and IntelliJ IDEA installation.

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Explorer This tab implements a [file browser](#) .

This dialog appears when you try to edit non-project files (e.g, library sources, external sources etc.), and protects them from accidental modifications.

**ItemDescription**

These files do not belong to the project	This area displays a non-project file that you are trying to edit.
I want to edit this file anyway	Select this option to disable protection for the listed files.
I want to edit all files in this directory	Select this option to disable protection for the listed files and all files in the same directory.
I want to edit any non-project file in the current session	Select this option to disable protection completely.

All options are effective during current session, once the IDE restarted, protection will be reenabled.

Alt+Insert

Use this dialog to create a new action with the specified identifier, and optionally bind it with a keyboard shortcut that can consist of one or two keystrokes.

#### ItemDescription

ActionId	In this text field, type the identifier of the new action.
Class name	In this text field, specify the name of the class where the new action will be defined. The created stub class contains import statements, and extends <code>AnAction</code> .
Name	Specify the name that will identify the new action in the UI.
Add to Group	In this section, select a group where the action will belong ( Groups section), and specify its position ( Anchor ) relative to the other actions in this group ( Actions ).
Keyboard shortcuts	In the two text fields below, specify the optional primary and secondary keyboard shortcuts, by pressing keyboard keys and their combinations.

**Warning!** If you opt to specify the keyboard shortcuts, it is important to use the mouse pointer for clearing the keyboard shortcuts text fields, applying changes and closing the dialog box, because any keystroke will be interpreted as a shortcut.

Ctrl+Alt+O

Note that this dialog box appears when you select a `Optimize Imports` action on the directory.

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In this dialog box, specify where you want IntelliJ IDEA to remove unused import statements from, in order to optimize the import procedure.

#### Item Description

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**Only VCS changed files** If this checkbox is selected, then reformatting will apply only to the files that have been [changed locally](#), but not yet checked in to the repository.


This checkbox is only available for the files under version control.

The dialog box opens when you click the Server paths mappings button in the Debug area of the [Run/Debug Configuration: PHP Web Application](#) or [Run/Debug Configuration: PHPUnit by HTTP](#) dialog box.

Use this dialog box to map folders on your local machine with folders on the server. These mappings are used during remote debugging and testing as the basis for switching between a test or a stack trace of an exception or assertion and the corresponding source code.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA detects these mappings automatically but still provides you with this possibility to specify them manually.

#### ItemDescription

Local Path on Client	In this text box, specify the absolute path to the desired local folder. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Local Path on Server	In this text box, specify the path to the corresponding folder on the server according to the file system used on the server.
Add	Click this button to have a new line added to the list of mappings.
Remove	Click this button to remove the selected mapping from the list.


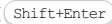

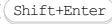
The Tools | Play with Playframework command and the Play Configuration dialog are available only under the following conditions:

- The Playframework Support [plugin](#) is enabled. See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
- A Play application is currently open in IntelliJ IDEA. (In technical terms, the directory `<play_dir>\framework\lib` and the file `<play_dir>\framework\play-<version>.jar` are included in the [dependencies](#) of the [module](#) that represents your Play application.)

Additionally, the Play Configuration dialog is not shown if the [Show on console run option](#) is off in the [Play framework settings](#) .

Use this dialog for specifying the [Play framework](#) settings such as the Play framework installation directory and the working directory for the `play` command-line utility (the Play console).

**ItemDescription**

Download	Click this link to open the <a href="#">Play framework downloads page</a> which lets you select and download the necessary version of the Play framework. (See <a href="#">which versions are supported</a> by IntelliJ IDEA.)
Home	Specify the Play framework installation directory. Type the path in the field, or click  (  ) and select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Working directory	Specify the directory from which commands of the <code>play</code> command-line utility are to be run. Usually, this is a root directory of your Play application. Type the path in the field, or click  (  ) and select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show on console run	Select this checkbox to be able to see and modify the Play framework settings discussed above each time you access the <code>play</code> command-line utility in IntelliJ IDEA.

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Use this dialog box to specify the text to print and configure the print layout.

In this section:

- [Scope](#)
- [Settings](#)
- [Header and Footer](#)
- [Advanced](#)

## Scope

### ItemDescription

File <name>	Select this option to print the file, which is currently selected in the Project view or opened in the editor.
Selected text	Select this option to print the text selected in the editor.
All files in the directory	Select this option to print all files in the current directory.
Include subdirectories	Select this checkbox to have the files in the subdirectories of the current directory printed as well.

## Settings

In this tab, specify the basic print layout settings.

### ItemDescription

Paper size	From this drop-down list, select the desired paper size.
Font	From the drop-down lists in this area, select the desired font style and size.
Show line numbers	Select this checkbox to have line numbers printed.
Draw border	Select this checkbox to have a border printed.
Orientation	In this area, specify the paper orientation. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Landscape</li><li>– Portrait</li></ul>
Style	In this area, specify the style of the printout by selecting the relevant checkboxes. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Color printing</li><li>– Syntax printing</li><li>– Print as graphics</li></ul>

## Header and Footer

In this tab, specify the contents and placement of the header and footer.

### ItemDescription

Text line	In this text box, specify the contents of the header or footer. If necessary, combine plain text with print keywords. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to print the name of a file <code>\$FILE\$</code> in the header and the current page number <code>\$PAGE\$</code> of all pages <code>\$TOTALPAGES\$</code> in the footer. The following print keywords are recognized: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>\$FILE\$</code> prints fully qualified file name.</li><li>– <code>\$PAGE\$</code></li><li>– <code>\$DATE\$</code></li><li>– <code>\$TIME\$</code></li><li>– <code>\$FILENAME\$</code> prints file name without path.</li><li>– <code>\$TOTALPAGES\$</code></li></ul>
Placement	Use this drop-down list to specify whether the above line will be printed in the header or in the footer.
Alignment	From this drop-down list, select the desired alignment.
Font	In this area, specify the desired font style and size to print the header and footer text.

## Advanced

### ItemDescription

Wrapping	In this area, configure text wrapping. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– No wrap</li><li>– Wrap at word breaks</li></ul>
Margins	Use the text boxes in this area to specify the margins in inches.



The Productivity Guide shows usage statistics for IntelliJ IDEA features.

The table in the upper part lists the features. Select a feature to see its description in the lower part.

To sort the information, click a cell in the header row.

**ItemDescription**

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Feature	The name of the feature.
Group	The group to which the feature belongs.
Used	How many times you used the feature.
Last used	When the feature was last used.

Use the **PSI viewer** to explore internal structure of the various files or fragments of source code, as they are interpreted by IntelliJ IDEA. The dialog box is non-modal and enables you to keep on working with IntelliJ IDEA while being opened.

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**ItemDescription**

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Show PSI structure for	Use this drop-down list to specify file type, or language constructs to be explored. The set of recognized file types depends on the supported languages and installed plugins.
Show PsiWhiteSpace	If this checkbox is selected, the generated tree view will contain <code>PsiWhiteSpace</code> nodes, corresponding to the spaces in the source code. When you select of clear this checkbox, the tree view of the PSI structure changes accordingly.
Show Tree Nodes	
Dialect	This drop down list becomes available for the languages that support dialects, for example, SQL, JavaScript etc.
Text	Use this pane to enter source code to be explored. IntelliJ IDEA suggests the following ways to supply code: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Type immediately within the text area.</li><li>– Paste from clipboard. If you have copied some text from the editor, and then open the PSI viewer, the previous contents of the Text pane is selected, which enables you to overwrite it from the clipboard using <code>Ctrl+V</code>, or <code>Ctrl+Shift+V</code>.</li></ul> <p>Note that some editing features are also available: removing line at caret <code>Ctrl+Y</code>, duplicating text <code>Ctrl+D</code>, and adding line with <code>Shift+Enter</code>.</p>
PSI Structure	This read-only pane displays the PSI structure tree view, generated on clicking the Build PSI Tree button, according to the file type selected in the Show PSI structure for drop-down list. Navigating through the tree view highlights the corresponding fragments of source code in the Text pane. If currently selected tree node has references, they are also displayed in the References pane.
References	This read-only field shows references to the nodes of the PSI Structure tree view (if any). Unresolved references are shown red; the corresponding fragments of source code are also highlighted with a red frame.
Build PSI Tree	Click this button to generate PSI structure tree view of the code in Text pane, according to the file type selected in the Show PSI structure for drop-down list. If source code in the Text pane has been modified, use this button to refresh the tree view.

For this dialog to be available, the Docker integration plugin must be installed and enabled.

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Specify the settings for pulling an image from a [Docker](#) image repository such as [Docker Hub](#) or [Quay](#) .

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**ItemDescription**

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Registry	The URL of the image repository service or a Docker Registry configuration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If pulling an image doesn't assume logging on to the corresponding server, specify the repository service URL. E.g. registry.hub.docker.com corresponds to public repositories on <a href="#">Docker Hub</a> .</li><li>– Otherwise, specify the corresponding Docker Registry configuration. Click New to create such a configuration.</li></ul>
New	Click this button to create a Docker Registry configuration. The <a href="#">Docker Registry dialog</a> will open. (A Docker Registry configuration in IntelliJ IDEA represents your Docker image repository user account.)
Repository	The name of the repository (image) to be pulled, e.g. <code>centos</code> , <code>jboss/wildfly</code> .
Tag	The tag of the image to be pulled.

For this dialog to be available, the Docker integration plugin must be installed and enabled.

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Specify the settings for pushing an image to a [Docker](#) image repository such as [Docker Hub](#) or [Quay](#) .

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**ItemDescription**

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Registry	Select the Docker Registry configuration to be used. Click New to create such a configuration.
New	Click this button to create a Docker Registry configuration. The <a href="#">Docker Registry dialog</a> will open. (A Docker Registry configuration in IntelliJ IDEA represents your Docker image repository user account.)
Repository	The name of the repository (image) you are pushing.
Tag	The tag for the repository (image) you are pushing.

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View | Recent Changes

Shift+Alt+C

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In the Recent Changes popup, use the arrow keys to move in the list, and the **Enter** key to see details and, if necessary, to revert to the previous state.

All refactoring dialogs provide similar controls to preview results and perform the refactoring.

Specific options and controls are described in the following topics:

- [Change Class Signature Dialog](#)
- [Change Signature Dialog for Java](#)
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






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Use the Change Class Signature dialog to perform the [Change Class Signature](#) refactoring in Java.

Manage the formal type parameters using the available controls (see the table that follows). You can add and remove parameters as well as change their order.

Click Refactor to perform the refactoring right away. Click Preview to see the potential changes prior to actually performing the refactoring. (These will be shown in the [Find tool window](#).)

**IconShortcutDescription**

		Use this icon or shortcut to add a parameter. Specify the parameter name and default type in the Name and the Default Value fields respectively.
		Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected parameter.
		Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line up in the list.
		Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line down in the list.

**Ctrl+F6**

Use the Change Signature dialog to perform the [Change Method Signature in Java](#) refactoring.

Use the available controls to make changes to the method signature. Specify how the method calls should be handled.

Optionally, select the calling methods that the added parameters and exceptions (if any) should be propagated to.

Click Refactor to perform the refactoring right away. Click Preview to see the potential changes prior to actually performing the refactoring. (These will be shown in the [Find tool window](#).)

– [Parameters tab](#)

– [Exceptions tab](#)

#### ItemDescription

Visibility	Select the method visibility scope (access level modifier) from the list.
Return type	Use this field to modify the method return type. <a href="#">Code completion</a> ( <b>Ctrl+Space</b> ) is available in this field, and also in other fields used for specifying the types.
Name	Use this field to modify the method name.
Parameters	See the description of the <a href="#">Parameters tab</a> .
Exceptions	See the description of the <a href="#">Exceptions tab</a> .
Method calls	Select one of the following options to specify how the method calls should be handled: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Modify. The existing method calls are modified so that the method with the new signature is called.</li> <li>– Delegate via overloading method. The existing method calls don't change. A new overloading method with the old signature is created. This new method calls the method with the new signature.</li> </ul>
Signature Preview	In this area, the current method signature is shown. (The information in this area is synchronized with the changes you are making to the method signature.)

## Parameters tab

Use the Parameters tab to manage the method parameters.

The available controls let you add new parameters, remove the existing ones, reorder the parameters and also propagate new parameters to the calling methods (see the descriptions that follow).

In addition to that, you can change the type and name for the existing parameters.

To start editing a parameter, just click it. Alternatively, use the **Up** and **Down** arrow keys to navigate to the parameter of interest and **Enter** to start modifying it.

#### ItemTooltip and shortcut

<b>+</b>	Add	Use this icon or shortcut to start adding a new parameter. Specify the type, name, and default value in the corresponding fields. (The default parameter value is the value (or the expression) to be passed to the method in the method calls.)  If necessary, select the Use Any Var option. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will search for a variable of the corresponding type near the method call. If such a variable is found, it will be placed in the method call instead of the default value.  If more than one variable is found, or the Use Any Var option is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the default value in the call.  You can also <a href="#">propagate</a> the parameters you have added to the calling methods.
<b>-</b>	Remove	Use this icon or shortcut to delete the selected parameter.
<b>↑</b>	Up	Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line up in the list of parameters.
<b>↓</b>	Down	Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line down in the list of parameters.
<b>⚡</b>	Propagate Parameters	Use this icon or shortcut to propagate the added parameters to the calling methods. You can propagate the changes made to the method parameters to any method that directly or indirectly calls the method whose signature you are changing.



(There may be the methods that call the current method. These, in their turn, may be called by other methods. You can propagate the changes to any of the methods in such sequences.)

In the dialog that opens, select the methods you want the changes to be propagated to.

Note that only the selected calling methods and the method calls within them will be affected. That is, the default values will be added into other method calls.

#### Create and initialize class properties

The checkbox is available only in the PHP context when the **Change signature** refactoring is invoked from the constructor of a class.

– When this checkbox is selected, the newly added parameter is initialized as a field. IntelliJ IDEA creates a protected field with the same name as this parameter and adds a line with the following assignment:

```
$this-><parameter_name> = <parameter_name>;
```

– When the checkbox is cleared, a parameter is added without initialization.

For example, you have the following constructor:

```
class ChangeSignatureNewParam {
    function __construct() {
        $a = "Constructor in ChangeSignatureNewParam";
        print $a;
    }
}
```

If you invoke the **Change signature** refactoring from the `__construct()` method and add a new `$q` parameter, the result will depend on whether you select or clear the **Create and initialize class properties** checkbox:

– The **Create and initialize class properties** checkbox is selected:

```
class ChangeSignatureNewParam {
    private $q;
    function __construct($q) {
        $a = "Constructor in ChangeSignatureNewParam";
        print $a;
        $this->q = $q;
    }
}
```

– The **Create and initialize class properties** checkbox is cleared:

```
class ChangeSignatureNewParam {
    function __construct($q) {
        $a = "Constructor in ChangeSignatureNewParam";
        print $a;
    }
}
```

## Exceptions tab


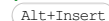
Use the Exceptions tab to manage the exceptions thrown by the method.

The available controls let you add new exceptions, remove the existing ones, reorder the exceptions and also propagate new exceptions to the calling methods (see the descriptions that follow).


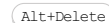
In addition to that, you can edit the existing exceptions.



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
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
 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add a new exception.  
Start typing in the field and then select the required exception type from the suggestion list.

Note that you can [propagate](#) the exceptions you have added to the calling methods.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to delete the selected exception.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected exception one line up in the list of exceptions.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected exception one line down in the list of exceptions.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to propagate the added exceptions to the calling methods.  
You can propagate the exceptions you have added to any method that directly or indirectly calls the method whose signature you are changing.

(There may be the methods that call the current method. These methods, in their turn, may be called by other methods. You can propagate the changes to any of the methods in such sequences.)

In the dialog that opens, select the methods you want the exceptions to be propagated to.

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Use this dialog to [change the function signature](#) and to perform other, related tasks.

#### ItemDescription

Return type	Use this field to modify the function return type. <b>Note</b> Code completion is available in this field and also in certain fields of the table that contains the function parameters.
Name	Use this field to modify the function name. Use the table and the <a href="#">controls</a> to the right of it to manage the function parameters and their <a href="#">properties</a> .
Type	Use this field to specify the type of a parameter.
Name	Use this field to specify the name of a parameter.
Initializer	A value (or an expression) specified in this field is added to the function definition as the default parameter value.
Default value	A value (or an expression) passed to the function in the function calls.
+ or Alt+Insert	Use this icon or shortcut to start adding a new parameter. Specify the parameter <a href="#">type</a> , <a href="#">name</a> , <a href="#">initializer</a> , and the <a href="#">default value</a> .  Note that you can <a href="#">propagate</a> the parameters you have added to the calling methods.
- or Alt+Delete	Use this icon or shortcut to delete the selected parameter.
↑ or Alt+Up	Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line up in the list of parameters.
↓ or Alt+Down	Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line down in the list of parameters.
🔗 or Alt+G	Use this icon or shortcut to propagate the added parameters to the calling methods. You can propagate new function parameters to any function that directly or indirectly calls the function whose signature you are changing.  (There may be the functions that call the current function. These functions, in their turn, may be called by other functions. You can propagate new parameters to any of the functions in such sequences.)  In the left-hand pane of the Select Methods to Propagate New Parameters dialog, expand the necessary nodes and select the checkboxes next to the functions you want the new parameters to be propagated to.
Signature Preview	In this area, the current function signature is shown. (The information in this area is synchronized with the changes you are making to the function signature.)
Refactor	Click this button to perform the refactoring right away.
Preview	Click this button to see the expected changes prior to actually performing the refactoring.

Ctrl+F6

Use this dialog to [change the function signature](#) and to perform other related tasks.

**ItemDescription**


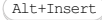
**Name** Use this field to modify the function name.

Use the table and the [controls](#) to the right of it to manage the function parameters and their [properties](#) .


**Name** Use this field to specify the name of a parameter.


**Value** A parameter value.  
If the parameter is a required one, the specified value (or expression) will be passed to the function in the function calls. If the parameter is an optional one, this value will be used in the function body to initialize the parameter.


**Optional** Select this checkbox if the parameter is optional. Your selection will define how the [parameter value](#) is used.

 or Use this icon or shortcut to start adding a new parameter.  
 Specify the parameter [name](#) and [value](#) . Also, specify whether the parameter is [optional](#) .


Note that you can [propagate](#) the parameters you have added to the calling methods.

 or Use this icon or shortcut to delete the selected parameter.




 or Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line up in the list of parameters.



 or Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected parameter one line down in the list of parameters.



 . Use this icon or shortcut to propagate the added parameters to the calling methods.  
You can propagate new function parameters to any function that directly or indirectly calls the function whose signature you are changing.

(There may be the functions that call the current function. These functions, in their turn, may be called by other functions. You can propagate new parameters to any of the functions in such sequences.)

In the left-hand pane of the Select Methods to Propagate New Parameters dialog, expand the necessary nodes and select the checkboxes next to the functions you want the new parameters to be propagated to.

**Signature Preview** In this area, the current function signature is shown. (The information in this area is synchronized with the changes you are making to the function signature.)

**Refactor** Click this button to perform the refactoring right away.

**Preview** Click this button to see the expected changes prior to actually performing the refactoring.

**ItemDescription**

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Class name	Specify here the name for the new inner class.
Make class static	Use this option to make the new class static.
Constructor Parameters	In this area select the variables, that will be used as parameters to the inner class constructor.
Move Up/Down	Use these buttons to reorder parameters.

**ItemDescription**

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Select an instance parameter    Select the class you want the method to belong to after the conversion. All the usages of this class inside the method are replaced with `this`.

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Visibility    In this area you can change the visibility scope of the converted method. By default the converted method will have no scope declaration (equivalent to `public`).

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Use this dialog to specify the settings for the [Copy refactoring](#).

**ItemDescription**

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New name	Specify the name of the class, file, package or directory to be created.
To directory	Specify the directory where to create a copy. Select the destination directory from the list, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> ( <input type="button" value="Shift+Enter"/> ) and select the directory in the Select target directory dialog that opens. (If necessary, you can create a new directory.)
Destination package	When creating a copy of a class: specify in which package the new class should be created. Select the package from the list, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> ( <input type="button" value="Shift+Enter"/> ) and select the destination package in the Choose Destination Package dialog that opens. (If necessary, you can create a new package.)
Target destination directory	When creating a copy of a class: if there is more than one source root in your module (e.g. one source and one test source root), you have an option of selecting in which of the source roots the new class should be created. Select the destination source root from the list, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> ( <input type="button" value="Shift+Enter"/> ) and select the source root in the Choose Destination Directory dialog that opens.  If the specified destination package doesn't exist in the selected source root, it will be created automatically.
Open copy in editor	Select this checkbox to automatically open a file, directory or package after it is copied. If you clear this checkbox, then the file, directory or package that you have copied will not be opened.

**ItemDescription**

Fields to encapsulate	<p>In this area select the fields you want to create accessors for. You can accept the default method names or change them at will.</p> <p>If a method with the same signature is already present in the class to be refactored, the Method icon  appears to the left of the accessor name, along with the corresponding visibility icon. No new accessor method will be created in this case. The existing method will not be changed and, generally, nothing else will be additionally checked. In this case you have to be attentive whether the existing method actually functions as an accessor. Otherwise, you might need either to choose another name for the accessor or to go back to the editor, change the existing method and only then invoke the Encapsulate Fields refactoring again. If the existing method overrides/implements a parent class' method it will also be marked with the Overrides method  or Implements method  icon.</p> <p>If the accessor method does not exist in the class to be refactored but, if created it would override/implement a method of the parent class such method will be marked with the Overrides method  or Implements method  icon only to the left of the accessor name. A new accessor method will be generated. However, this newly created accessor method will actually override or implement the method of the parent class, that might not exactly be what you planned it for. In this case, you might need either to choose another name for the accessor or to go back to the editor, change the existing method and only then invoke the Encapsulate Fields refactoring again.</p>
Get access/Set access	<p>Use this option group to select which accessor methods (Getter, Setter or both) will be created for the selected fields. If one of the checkboxes is cleared, the entire corresponding column (Getter or Setter) in the Fields to Encapsulate table is disabled.</p>
Encapsulated Fields' Visibility	<p>Here you can specify the new visibility scope for the selected fields</p>
Options	<p>Select whether you want to use accessors even when field is accessible or not. If the option Use accessors even when the field is accessible is not checked, the references to the desired fields, when the fields are directly accessible, will not change.</p> <p>Otherwise, all references to the desired fields will be replaced with the accessor calls. It also depends on your selection in the options group Encapsulated Fields' Visibility .</p> <p>For example, if you uncheck the option Use accessors even when the field is accessible , and select the private visibility for the fields, the usages of the fields outside the class will change, but within the class they will remain the same.</p>
Accessors' Visibility	<p>In this area select the visibility scope for the created accessor methods.</p>



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**ItemDescription**

Constant of type	IntelliJ IDEA automatically determines the field type.
Name	Specify here the name for the new constant.
Introduce to class	Select the class in which the constant will be introduced.
Introduce as enum constant	If you've selected an enum class in the Introduce to class field, you can use this option to select, whether you want to introduce this constant as an enum constant, or as a usual field. Otherwise, this option is naturally disabled and does not affect anything.
Visibility	Select the visibility scope for the new field.
Replace all occurrences	Check this option to automatically replace all the occurrences of the selected expression (if the selected expression is found more than once in the class).
Delete variable declaration	Check this option to delete variable declaration.
Annotate field as @NotNull	Check this option to avoid changes during localization.

**Tip** – This field is only available if the project is configured to use annotations, that is, the library `annotation.jar` is added to the project or module. If annotations are not available, this option does not appear in the dialog.

– The project language level should be 5.0 to support annotations.

Specify the settings for the [extract delegate refactoring](#) .

**ItemDescription**

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Name for new class	Specify the name of the class to be created.
Package name	Specify the name of the destination package for the new class.
Members to extract	Select the fields and methods to be extracted to the new class.

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**ItemDescription**

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Field of type/ Name	In this text box, specify the name of the new field.
Initialize in	In this area select where the new field will be initialized in.
Visibility	In this area, specify the <a href="#">visibility scope</a> for the new field. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Public - if you select this option, the new field will be accessible from anywhere.</li><li>– Private - if you select this option, the new field will be accessible only from the current class.</li><li>– Protected - if you select this option, the new field will be accessible from the current class as well as from its inherited and parent classes.</li><li>– Package local - if you select this option, the new field will be accessible from the classes of the current package only.</li></ul>
Replace all occurrences	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically replace all the occurrences of the selected expression. The checkbox is enabled only if the selected expression is used more than once in the class. All the found occurrences of the expression are highlighted.
Declare final	Check this option to create a final field.
Delete variable declaration	Check this option to delete variable declaration.


**ItemDescription**

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Name for extracted include file      In this text box, specify the name of the include file to extract the selected source code to.

**Tip** No extension is allowed.

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Extract to directory      In this field, specify the directory to create the include file in. Either accept the predefined directory, or type another one manually, or click the Browse button  and choose the desired folder in the [dialog that opens](#) .

**ItemDescription**

Extract interface from	This read-only field shows the name of the source package that contains the class to extract an interface from.
Extract interface	When this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA extracts a new interface but does not use it immediately and the source code is not changed.
Interface name	In this text box, type the name for the new interface. The text box is available if the Extract interface option is selected.
Extract interface and use it where possible	Select this option to have an interface extracted and immediately applied to the source code, with the suggested changes displayed in the dedicated tab of the <a href="#">Find</a> tool window.
Rename original class and use interface where possible	Use this option to rename the original class and make it an implementation of the newly created interface.
Rename implementation class to	In this text box, type the new name for the original class. The text box is available if the Rename original class and use interface where possible option is selected.
Package for new interface	In this drop-down list, specify the package for the new interface. If necessary, click the Browse button  and choose the target package in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Members to Form Interface	In this area, specify the methods of the class, as well as final static fields (constants) to be included in the new interface. To have an element included in the interface, select the checkbox next to it.
JavaDoc/ASDoc	In this area, specify the action to be applied to the inline documentation. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– As is - select this option to have the inline documentation left where it is.</li><li>– Copy - select this option to have the inline documentation copied to the extracted interface without removing it from its current location.</li><li>– Move - select this option to have the inline documentation moved to the extracted interface and delete it from its current location.</li></ul>

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**ItemDescription**

**Name** In this text box, specify the name of the function or method to be generated on the basis of the selected source code.

**Visibility** In this area, specify the visibility scope of the method to be generated.

**Declare static** Select this checkbox to have a static method created.

**Tip** If the new method cannot be declared as static, or, vice-versa, can be created only as a static method, the Declare Static checkbox is disabled.

**Declare varargs** Select this option if you want to declare varargs instead of the array.

**Fold parameters** Select this option to fold the parameters, for example, if you have an array, like `int[] a = new int[i]`, and you want `a[i]` to be passed as a whole to the newly created method.

**Extract chained constructor** Use this option to extract chained constructor from the constructor body, replacing the original code with `this`.

**Output variable(s)** This read-only text box displays the name of the variable through which the output of the new method/function will be passed to the calling method/function. Depending on your choice in the [Return output variable\(s\) through](#) area, this variable either will be used in a `return` statement or will be declared as the passed by reference parameter of the new method/function.

**Return output variable(s) through** In this area, specify the way in which the new method or function will [return the output variables](#) to the callee.

- Return statement - select this option to have the output variables returned by value. If the Output variable(s) read-only field shows exactly one output variable, it will be used as the return value. If the selection outputs several variables, these variables will be returned as an array.
- Parameter(s) passed by reference - select this option to have the output variables returned by reference. IntelliJ IDEA will generate a method/function without a return statement. Instead, the output variables will be added to the set of input parameters in the method/function declaration. The names of these variables will be prepended with an ampersand `&`.

**Note** The area is available only when refactoring is invoked in the PHP context.

**Parameters** In this area, select parameters to be passed to the new method/function.

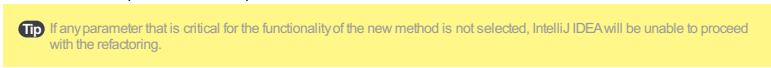
**Tip** If any parameter that is critical for the functionality of the new method is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will be unable to proceed with the refactoring.

**Move Up/Down** Use these buttons to change the order of the parameters.

**Signature preview** In this read-only field, view the declaration of the new method.

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**ItemDescription**

Visibility	In this area, specify the visibility scope of the method to be generated.
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the function or method to be generated on the basis of the selected source code.
Specify return type explicitly	This checkbox is available if you invoke refactoring from the method of a Groovy class. Select this checkbox to return a data type of the value explicitly.
Use explicit return statement	This checkbox is active if the method returns a value. You can omit <code>return</code> keyword if it is the last return statement in the method. If you select this checkbox the keyword is returned.
Parameters	In this area, select parameters to be passed to the new method/function. 
Move Up/Down	Use these buttons to change the order of the parameters.
Signature preview	In this read-only field, view the declaration of the new method/function.



Use this refactoring to extract method object, when Extract Method refactoring is not applicable, because of multiple return values.

**ItemDescription**

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**Create inner class**      Select this option, if you want to extract method object to an inner class. All the local variables will become fields on that class. Specify also name for the class and visibility scope. You can make the class static, if needed.

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**Create anonymous class**      Select this option to an object with the corresponding method.

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**Parameters**      In this area select the variables that will be used as a parameters. Use Move Up / Move Down buttons to reorder parameters/

**ItemDescription**

**Extract module from** This read-only field displays the name of Ruby class, from which a module should be extracted.

**Module name** In this text field, type the name of the target module. The module name should a proper Ruby constant.

**Directory for new module** In this text field, specify the path to the target directory, where the new module will be stored.



**Context to form module** Click one of the radio buttons ( Instance or Static ) to define the way the new module will be used in a Ruby class.

**Members to form module** This area displays the list of members detected in the original class. Select the checkboxes next to the members to be included in the new module.

Note that static methods are disabled when Instance context is selected, and vice versa.

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Use this dialog to specify the options and settings related to the [Extract Parameter refactoring in ActionScript](#).

**ItemDescription**

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Type	Specify the type of the new parameter. Usually, you don't need to change the type suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.
Name	Specify the name for the new parameter.
Value	The expression to be replaced with the new parameter. Initially, this field contains the expression that you have selected. Normally, this initial value does not need to be changed.
Optional parameter	If you want the new parameter to be an optional parameter, select this checkbox. For information about required and optional parameters, see the discussion of function parameters in <a href="#">Flex/ActionScript documentation</a> .

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Replace all occurrences	Select this option to replace all the occurrences of the selected expression within the function.
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Specify the settings for extracting a parameter. See [Extract Parameter in Java](#) and [Extract Functional Parameter](#) .

**ItemDescription**

Parameter of type	Specify the type of the new parameter. Usually, you don't need to change the type suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.
Name	Specify the name for the new parameter.
Replace all occurrences	Select this option to replace all the occurrences of the selected expression within the method.
Declare final	Select this option to declare the parameter <code>final</code> .
Delegate via overloading method	Select this option to keep the existing method calls unchanged. As a result, a new overloading method will be created and the new parameter will be added to the definition of this method. The method with the old signature will be kept. The call to the new method will be added to the old method. The necessary value (or expression) will be passed to the new method in this call.

The following options are available if the expression contains a direct call to a class field that has a getter.

Do not replace	Select this option to use a direct call to the field regardless of the scope context.
Replace fields inaccessible in usage context	Select this option to use a call to the getter only where a field is directly inaccessible.
Replace all fields	Select this option to use a call to the getter.

The following options are available when the refactored expression contains local variables.

Delete variable definition	Select this option to remove the definition of a local variable.
Use variable initializer to initialize parameter	Select this option to use the default value of the selected variable in the corrected method calls. <b>Warning!</b> It is strongly recommended that you select both checkboxes. Otherwise, the code may become uncompileable.

Ctrl+Alt+P

Use this dialog to specify the options and settings related to the [Extract Parameter refactoring in Groovy](#).

**ItemDescription**

Type	Specify the type of the new parameter. Usually, you don't need to change the type suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.
Name	Specify the name for the new parameter.
Declare final	Select this option to declare the parameter <code>final</code> .
Delegate via overloading method	Select this option to keep the existing method calls unchanged. As a result, a new overloading method will be created and the new parameter will be added to the definition of this method. The method with the old signature will be kept. The call to the new method will be added to the old method. The necessary value (or expression) will be passed to the new method in this call.
Remove parameter <name> no longer used	Select this checkbox to remove a parameter.
Use explicit return statement	This checkbox is active if the method returns a value. You can omit <code>return</code> keyword if it is the last return statement in the method. If you select this checkbox the keyword is returned.
Parameters	In this area, select parameters to be passed to the new method/function. <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><b>Tip</b> If any parameter that is critical for the functionality of the new method is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will be unable to proceed with the refactoring.</div>
Move Up/Down	Use these buttons to change the order of the parameters.
Signature preview	In this read-only field, view the declaration of the new method/function.

Ctrl+Alt+P

Use this dialog to specify the options and settings related to the [Extract Parameter refactoring in JavaScript](#).

**ItemDescription**


Type	Specify the type of the new parameter. Usually, you don't need to change the type suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.
Name	Specify the name for the new parameter.
Value	The expression to be replaced with the new parameter. Initially, this field contains the expression that you have selected. Normally, this initial value does not need to be changed.
Optional parameter	<p>If this option is selected, the new parameter is assigned a value in the function body. The value corresponds to that currently set in the Value field. The calls to the function do not change.</p> <p>If this option is not selected, all the function calls change according to the new function signature. The value specified in the Value field is added to the function calls and thus is passed to the function. No explicit value assignment for the new parameter is added to the function body.</p>
Replace all occurrences	Select this option to replace all the occurrences of the selected expression within the function.

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Use this refactoring to create a wrapper class around some selected parameters of a method, or use a compatible existing class as a wrapper.

**ItemDescription**

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Method to extract parameters from	This read-only field shows the name of the selected method.
Parameter Class	Use this section to specify whether you want to create a new wrapper class or use an existing one.
Create new class	Click this radio-button to move parameters of a method to a new class. If this option is selected, specify the class and destination package name in the fields below. By default, current package name is displayed. You can type a different package name in the text field, or click the ellipsis button and select the destination package from the tree view. If the desired package doesn't exist, click  to create a new one.
Create inner class	Click this radio-button to move parameters of a method to an inner class. If this option is selected, specify the class name in the field below.
Use existing class	Click this radio-button to move parameters of a method to an existing class of your choice. You can type the fully-qualified class name in the text field, or click the ellipsis button and choose the desired class in the Select parameter class dialog box. Note that you can select the desired wrapper class both from the project and non-project classes.
Parameters to extract	Use checkboxes in this section to select which parameters of a method should be extracted into separate object.
Move Up / Move Down	Use these buttons to move the selected reorder parameters in the list.
Keep method as delegate	If this checkbox is selected, the original method will be preserved as a delegate to the newly created method.

Use this dialog to create a partial view file from the selected fragment of HTML code in a view. The selection must be valid and contain matching opening and closing tags.

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## ItemDescription

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Name	Type the string from which IntelliJ IDEA will generate the resulting partial view name in accordance with the Rails naming conventions. The entered string should not contain extension and the leading underscore.
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Ctrl+Alt+V

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This refactoring is only available for `pom.xml` files.

**ItemDescription**


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**Name** In this field, specify the name you want to assign to a new property. You can either type this name manually, or select one of the values suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.

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**Project** Select the `pom.xml` where the new property will be declared.

**ItemDescription**

Extract superclass from	This read-only field shows the name of the source package that contains the class to extract a superclass from.
Extract superclass	When this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA extracts a new superclass but does not use it immediately and the source code is not changed.
Superclass name	In this text box, type the name for the new superclass. The text box is available if the Extract superclass option is selected.
Extract superclass and use it where possible	Select this option to have a superclass extracted and immediately applied to the source code, with the suggested changes displayed in the dedicated tab of the <a href="#">Find</a> tool window.
Rename original class and use superclass where possible	Use this option to rename the original class and make it an implementation of the newly created superclass.
Rename original class to	In this text box, type the new name for the original class. The text box is available if the Rename original class and use superclass where possible option is selected.
Package for new superclass	In this drop-down list, specify the package for the new superclass. If necessary, click the Browse button  and choose the target package in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Members to Form Superclass	In this area, specify the members of the class to be moved or delegated to the new superclass. To have an element included in the interface, select the checkbox next to it.
Make Abstract	Select this option to leave the method implementation within the current class, and declare it abstract in the extracted superclass.
JavaDoc/ASDoc for abstracts	In the JavaDoc /ASDoc area, specify the action to be applied to the inline documentation. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- As is - select this option to have the inline documentation left where it is.</li><li>- Copy - select this option to have the inline documentation copied to the extracted superclass without removing it from its current location.</li><li>- Move - select this option to have the inline documentation moved to the extracted superclass and delete it from its current location.</li></ul>

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Generally, this dialog is used to extract new variables. Depending on the language, there may be additional options, for example:

- In Java, you can declare the new variable `final` .  
To make this dialog accessible for Java, you have to disable [in-place refactoring in the editor settings](#) .
- In JavaScript, you can select to extract a (global) variable or a constant. For JavaScript 1.7, JavaScript 1.8.5, ES5, and ES6, there is also an option of extracting a local variable.
- In ActionScript, you can choose to extract a constant rather than a variable, and specify the variable type.

Item	Description	Language
Type	Select the type of the new variable.	ActionScript
Name	Specify the name for the new variable.	All
Replace all occurrences	Select this option to replace all the occurrences of the selected expression (if more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found).	All
Declare final	Select this option to declare the new variable <code>final</code> .	Java
Var kind	Choose to extract a (global) variable, a constant, or a local variable: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- extract var - select this option to extract a global variable.</li><li>- extract constant - select this option to extract a constant.</li><li>- extract local variable - select this option to extract a local variable.</li></ul> The extract local variable option is available only for JavaScript 1.7, JavaScript 1.8.5, ES5, and ES6.	JavaScript
Make constant	Select this option to extract a constant rather than a variable.	ActionScript

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Use this dialog box to replace a Sass expression with a variable.

**ItemDescription**

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Name	Specify the name for the new variable.
Place for declaration	Select the place in the source code, where the new variable will be declared. The declaration can be global (a variable is declared in the beginning of a Sass file and is available throughout the whole file), or local (a variable is declared immediately before use, and is available in the current block only).
Replace all occurrences	Select this option to replace all the occurrences of the selected expression (if more than one occurrence of the selected expression is found).

**ItemDescription**

Drop obsolete casts	If this option is checked, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes whether the parameter cast cases are changed by refactoring. If the resulting parameter type is similar to the obsolete one, the cast statement is removed.
Leave Object-parameterized types raw	Check this option to make objects, that have <code>java.lang.Object</code> as a parameter, raw.
Perform exhaustive search	Check this option to perform search in all nodes.
Generify Objects	Check this option to transform the <code>java.lang.Object</code> objects into the type, they are actually used for.
Produce wildcard types	Check this option to produce wildcard types where possible (expressions like <code>List&lt;? extends String&gt;</code> ).
Preserve raw arrays	If this checkbox is selected, the arrays are not changed to the arrays with parameterized types. Otherwise, the arrays will be transformed to parameterized type. Clearing this checkbox can be risky and result in uncompileable code.

`Ctrl+Alt+N`[- Inline Variable dialog](#)[- Inline to Anonymous Class dialog](#)

## Inline Variable dialog

The Inline Variable refactoring allows you to replace a redundant variable with its value. See [examples](#) .

To access the Inline Variable dialog box through a menu item or the keyboard shortcut, position the cursor at the variable to be inlined. The dialog box does not contain any controls but just displays the following message:

```
Inline variable <variable name>? (<the number of variable occurrences>)
```

## Inline to Anonymous Class dialog

### ItemDescription

All references and remove the class	Select this radio button to replace all the class references with its code and remove the class.
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This reference only and keep the class	Use this option to replace only the current class reference.
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Search in comments and strings	Select this checkbox to display the usages of methods in comments and strings in the Refactoring Preview tool window.
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**Note** This option will force the Refactoring Preview tool window to open even if you click the Refactor button instead of the Preview button.

Search for text occurrences	Check this option to apply the changes to non-java files (such as documentation, HTML, JSP and other files included in the project).
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[Inline Method](#) refactoring results in placing method's body into the body of its caller(s). You can opt to:

- inline all occurrences of the method, and delete the method
- inline only a single occurrence, and retain the method

#### ItemDescription

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Inline all invocations and remove the method      Select this radio button to replace all the method calls with its code and remove the method.

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Inline this invocation only and keep the method      Use this option to replace only the current method call.

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Search in comments and strings      Select this checkbox to display the usages of methods in comments and strings in the Refactoring Preview tool window.

**Note** This option will force the Refactoring Preview tool window to open even if you click the Refactor button instead of the Preview button.

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Search for text occurrences      Check this option to apply the changes to non-java files (such as documentation, HTML, JSP and other files included in the project).

**ItemDescription**

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Name of inverted method/field

Specify the name for the inverted method or field.



[Inline Super Class](#) refactoring results in pushing superclass' methods into the class where they are used, and removing the superclass.

**ItemDescription**

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JavaDoc for inlined members	<p>In this area you can select an action that can be applied to JavaDoc.</p> <p>You can choose from the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- As is - lets you leave the inline documentation where it is.</li><li>- Copy - lets you copy the inline documentation to the destination superclass without removing it from its current location.</li><li>- Move - lets you move the inline documentation to the destination superclass and delete it from its current location.</li></ul>
Inline all references and remove the class	Select this radio button to replace all the super class references with its code and remove the super class.
Inline this reference only and keep the super class	Select this radio button to replace only the current super class reference.

Use this refactoring to convert an inner class or an instance method into a static one.

– [Make Class Static dialog](#)

– [Make Method Static dialog](#)

## Make Class Static dialog

### ItemDescription

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Replace instance qualifiers with class references	Specify whether you want to replace instance qualifiers with class references or not.
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## Make Method Static dialog

### ItemDescription

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Add object as a parameter with name	Select this checkbox, if you want to pass the whole referenced object as a parameter to the method, then specify the name for the parameter in the field below.
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Add parameters for fields	Select this checkbox to pass the referenced fields/variables as parameters to the method, then select the appropriate fields in the list.
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Move Up/Move Down	Use this buttons to reorder parameters in the list.
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
Replace instance qualifiers with class references	Specify whether you want to replace instance qualifiers with class references or not. This checkbox is available, if the method does not contain any references to fields or instance variables.
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In this section:

- [Move Class Dialog](#)
- [Move Directory Dialog](#)
- [Move Package Dialog](#)
- [Move Instance Method Dialog](#)
- [Move Inner to Upper Level Dialog for Java](#)
- [Move Inner to Upper Level Dialog for ActionScript](#)
- [Move Members Dialog](#)
- [Move File Dialog](#)
- [Move Namespace Dialog](#)

The Move Class refactoring dialog box is invoked for the classes selected in the Project view, or opened in the editor.


#### ItemDescription

To package	Specify the destination package. Click the ellipsis button, and select the target package in the Choose Destination Package dialog that shows a tree view of all packages within the project.
Make inner class of	If you want to make your class inner, specify the target class. Click the ellipsis button and select the target class in the Choose Class dialog. This option is not available for ActionScript.
Search in comments and strings	Select this option to apply the changes to comments and strings.
Search for text occurrences	Select this option to apply the changes to documentation, HTML, JSP and other files included in your project.
Search for references	Select this checkbox to have the changes applied to the references to the file in question. This option is available only for Move File or Move Package refactorings.
Move to another source folder	If this option is selected, you can select the target root, where the destination package will be located. If the option is not selected, only the current root is used. This option is disabled for the modules that contain a single source root.
Target destination directory	<p>When the dialog box opens, the field shows the path to the folder where the file that implements the class to move is currently stored.</p> <p>The path is displayed in the format <code>...\&lt;project root folder&gt;\&lt;path to the current namespace folder relative to the project root&gt;</code>. The path is updated automatically as you specify the namespace to move the class to. However, if you are going to move a class to a non-existing namespace under another parent namespace, IntelliJ IDEA will not suggest the proper folder unless you appoint a root folder for your namespace structure by marking the relevant folder as Sources on the Directories page of the Settings dialog box.</p> <p>Do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Accept the preselected path displayed in the field.</li> <li>- Choose another path from the list. All of them are evaluated from the namespace root or from the current directory, so it is safe to choose any of them.</li> <li>- Click  and select a folder in the dialog box that opens.</li> <li>- Press  and edit the preselected path. Keep in mind that this may cause problems with automatic loading in the future.</li> </ul>
Open moved in editor	Select this checkbox to open the moved class in the editor.

The Refactor | Move menu command invokes the Move Directory dialog box when a directory is selected in the Project tool window.

**ItemDescription**

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To directory	Specify the destination directory. Type the path manually or click  and select the target directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Search for references	Select the checkbox to find and update the references to the directory being moved.
Open moved files in editor	Select this checkbox to see the files of the moved directory in the editor.

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**ItemDescription**

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Select refactoring Specify which action you want to perform: [move package to another package](#) , [move directory to another source root](#) , or [to another directory](#) .

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This dialog box opens when Move package to another package option has been selected.

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To package Specify the destination package. Click the ellipsis button, and select the target package in the Choose Destination Package dialog that shows a tree view of all packages within the project.

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Search in comments and strings Select this option to apply the changes to comments and strings.

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Search for text occurrences Select this option to apply the changes to documentation, HTML, JSP and other files included in your project.

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Search for references Select this checkbox to have the changes applied to the references to the file in question. This option is available only for Move File or Move Package refactorings.

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Move to another source folder If this option is selected, you can select the target root, where the destination package will be located. If the option is not selected, only the current root is used. This option is disabled for the modules that contain a single source root.

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This dialog box opens when Move directory to another source root option has been selected.

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Select source root Choose the target source root from a tree view of source roots configured in your project.

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This dialog box opens when Move directory to another directory option has been selected.

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To directory Use this field to specify the destination directory. Click the ellipsis button, and select the target directory in the Select Path dialog box.

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**ItemDescription**

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Select an instance parameter

Select the target class.

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Visibility

Select visibility scope for the method to be moved.

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Move Inner Class refactoring dialog box is invoked for inner classes selected in the Structure view or opened in the editor.

**ItemDescription**

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Class name	Use this field to rename the moved inner class, if needed.
Package name	Specify the name of the package for the class to be moved to.
Pass outer class' instance as a parameter	Select this checkbox, if you want the moved class to preserve access rights to its former outer class.
Parameter name	Specify here the name for the outer class' instance passed as a parameter.
Search in comments and strings	Select this option to apply the changes to comments and strings.
Search for text occurrences	Select this option to apply the changes to documentation, HTML, JSP and other files included in your project.
Search for references	Select this checkbox to have the changes applied to the references to the file in question. This option is available only for Move File or Move Package refactorings.



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This dialog opens when moving an out-of-package class, function, variable, constant or namespace into a package. You can specify the destination package and other, associated settings.


The out-of-package entities being moved are referred to in the dialog as **inner** entities, for example, an inner class, an inner function, etc.

This dialog can be accessed from:

- The editor when the cursor is within the item (class, function, etc.) that you are going to move.
- The Structure tool window when the corresponding item is selected there.

#### ItemDescription

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<Entity> name	If necessary, change the name of the entity (class, function, etc.) that you are moving.
Package name	Specify the destination package. Select the package from the list, or click  and select the package in the Select Destination Package dialog.
Search in comments and strings	Select this option to apply the changes to comments and strings.
Search for text occurrences	Select this option to apply the changes to documentation, HTML, JSP and other files included in your project.
Move to another source folder	If this option is selected, you can select the target root, where the destination package will be located. If the option is not selected, only the current root is used. This option is disabled for the modules that contain a single source root.

Move Member refactoring dialog box is invoked for static members selected in the Structure view, or in the editor.

### ItemDescription

**Move members from** This read-only field displays the fully qualified name of the source class containing members to be moved.

**To (fully qualified name)** Specify the fully qualified name of the target class.

**Move as enum constant if possible** This option is useful when moving constants ( `static final` fields) to an `enum` type in cases when the `enum` type has a constructor with one parameter of the suitable type. Say, we are moving `MOUSE_EVENT` from the class `Events`

```
class Events {
    public static final String MOUSE_EVENT = "mouseEvent";
}
```

to the enum `ActionType`

```
enum ActionType {
    ;
    String typeName;
    ActionType(String name) {
        typeName = name;
    }
}
```

If the option is on, we'll get the following result:

```
enum ActionType {
    MOUSE_EVENT("mouseEvent");
    String typeName;
    ...
}
```

If the option is off, the result will be:

```
enum ActionType {
    ;
    public static final String MOUSE_EVENT = "mouseEvent";
    String typeName;
    ...
}
```

**Members to be moved (static only)** This table shows all static members detected in the specified class. Select checkboxes next to the members you want to move.

**Visibility** Specify visibility level. You can either specify it explicitly, or select Escalate to automatically raise it to a necessary level.

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The Refactor | Move menu command invokes one of the following dialog boxes depending on the selected item to be moved:

- The Move File dialog box is invoked when a file is selected in the [Project](#) tool window or opened in the editor.
- The Move File dialog box is invoked when a file opened in the editor.

**ItemDescription**

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To package	Specify the destination package. Type the path manually or click <input type="checkbox"/> and select the target package in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Search in comments and strings	Select the checkbox to find and update the comments and strings to the file being moved.
Open moved in editor	Select this checkbox to see the moved file in the editor.

The dialog box is available only if the PHP plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

The dialog box opens when you select a PHP namespace to be moved and choose Refactor | Move on the main menu or on the context menu of the selection.

IntelliJ IDEA supposes that the namespaces in your project are arranged in compliance with the [PSR0 standard](#) and enforces you to retain the folder structure and the namespace hierarchy in accordance with this standard when moving namespaces.


When you specify a namespace to move a namespace to, IntelliJ IDEA automatically updates the Target Destination Directory field, which shows the path to the folder that corresponds to the namespace in question.

#### ItemDescription

**New Namespace Name** When the dialog box opens, the field shows the fully qualified name of the selected namespace. Specify the new namespace name. Use only backslashes ( \ ) as namespace separators.

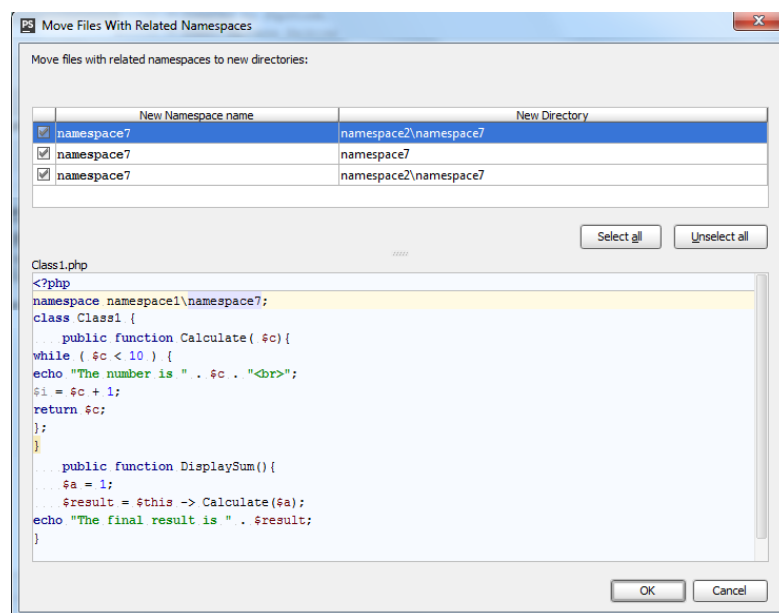
**Target Destination Directory** When the dialog box opens, the field shows the path to the folder which corresponds to the current namespace. The path is displayed in the format `...\<project root folder>\<path to the current namespace folder relative to the project root>`. The path is updated automatically as you specify the new namespace name. However, if you are going to move a namespace to another parent namespace, IntelliJ IDEA will not suggest the proper folder unless you appoint a root folder for your namespace structure by marking the relevant folder as Sources on the Directories page of the Settings dialog box.

Do one of the following:

- Accept the preselected path displayed in the field.
- Choose another path from the list. All of them are evaluated from the namespace root or from the current directory, so it is safe to choose any of them.
- Click  and select a folder in the dialog box that opens.
- Press **F2** and edit the preselected path. Keep in mind that this may cause problems with automatic loading in the future.

**Refactor** Click this button to open the Move Files with Related Namespaces dialog box and specify the classes and files to be moved to the new namespace and the new folder.

The upper pane of the dialog box lists the destination namespaces and folders for classes and files related to the namespace in question. Each item in the list corresponds to a class/file. When you move the cursor to an item, the bottom pane shows the contents of the file related with it.



- To have a class and the corresponding file moved to the destination namespace and the destination folder, select the checkbox next to the namespace/folder.
- To add all the items to the list or remove all of them from the list, click Select All or Unselect All respectively.

**ItemDescription**

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Select migration map	Select the desired migration map from the drop-down list. By default, only Swing 1.0.3.to 1.1 migration map is present.
Edit	Click this button to change the selected migration map, using the Edit Migration Map dialog.
New	Click this button to create your own migration map, using the Edit Migration Map dialog.
Remove	Click this button to delete the selected migration map from the list.

Use this dialog to pull selected members up to the selected superclass or an interface, or interface to a superinterface.

**ItemDescription**

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Pull Up Members of <class_name> to	Select the destination object (superclass or interface).
Members to be pulled up	In this area, select the members you want to move.
Make abstract	Select this checkbox to move the selected method as abstract.
JavaDoc for abstracts	In this area, select the action to be applied on the JavaDoc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To leave it where it is, select the As is option.</li><li>- To copy it to the destination superclass (subclass) or interface (subinterface), select the Copy option.</li><li>- To move it to the destination subclass or subinterface, select the Move option.</li></ul>

Use this dialog to push selected members down to immediate subclass.

**ItemDescription**

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Members to be pushed down      In this area, select the members you want to move.

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Keep abstract      Select this checkbox to preserve moved method as abstract.

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JavaDoc for abstracts      In this area, select the action to be applied on the JavaDoc.  
- To leave it where it is, select the As is option.  
- To copy it to the destination superclass (subclass) or interface (subinterface), select the Copy option.  
- To move it to the destination subclass or subinterface, select the Move option.

Shift+F6

The Rename dialogs let you perform the [Rename refactoring](#) for various entities such as classes, fields, methods, packages, etc. You can select where the changes to occurrences of the entity name are required and where not.

- [Rename Dialog for a Class or an Interface](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a Directory](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a Field](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a File](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a Method](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a Package](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a Parameter](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a Table or Column](#)
- [Rename Dialog for a Variable](#)



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Use this dialog to rename a class or an interface.

In addition to renaming the class or the interface itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the class or the interface name. If found, the changes you are making to the class or the interface name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

#### ItemDescription

Rename <class or interface> and its usages to

**Search in comments and strings** If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the class or the interface name within comments and string literals in your source code files.

**Search for text occurrences** If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the class or the interface name in the files that don't contain source code. These may be the text files, properties files, HTML files, documentation files, etc.

**Rename variables** If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the class or the interface name in the names of variables. Note that only the variables that have the type of the class or the interface you are renaming will be taken into account.

To illustrate, let's assume that you are renaming the class `MyClass` and there are the variables `MyClass myclass`, `MyClass myclass20`, `MyClass m` and `YourClass myclass25`. In such a case, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to rename the first and the second of the variables but won't suggest to rename the third and the fourth.

**Rename inheritors** If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the class or the interface name in the names of its inheritors:

- if you are renaming a class, IntelliJ IDEA will search the hierarchies of the classes that extend this class.
- if you are renaming an interface, IntelliJ IDEA will search the hierarchies of the interfaces that extend this interface and the hierarchies of the classes that implement this interface.

**Rename tests** If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the class name in the names of the test classes.

**Rename bound forms** This option is available if the class you are renaming has an associated GUI form. Select this checkbox to rename the associated form.

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Use this dialog to rename a directory.

In addition to renaming the directory itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the directory name. If found, the changes you are making to the directory name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

**ItemDescription**

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Rename <directory> and its usages to Specify a new name for the directory.

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Search for references If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the directory name in directory references in source code files.  
Whether or not a string literal is a reference is defined by the (programming) language used in a source file.

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Search in comments and strings If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the directory name within comments and string literals in your source code files.

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Use this dialog to rename a field.

In addition to renaming the field itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the field name. If found, the changes you are making to the field name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

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**ItemDescription**

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Rename <field> and its usages to	Specify a new name for the field.
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Search in comments and strings	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the field name within comments and string literals in your source code files.
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Search for text occurrences	If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the field name in the files that don't contain source code. These may be the text files, properties files, HTML files, documentation files, etc.
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Use this dialog to rename a file.

In addition to renaming the file itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the file name. If found, the changes you are making to the file name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

**ItemDescription**

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Rename <file> and its usages to Specify a new name for the file.

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Search for references If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the file name in file references in source code files. Whether or not a string literal is a reference is defined by the (programming) language used in a source file.

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Search in comments and strings If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the file name within comments and string literals in your source code files.

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Use this dialog to rename a method.

In addition to renaming the method itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the method name. If found, the changes you are making to the method name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

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**ItemDescription**

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Rename <method> and its usages to Specify a new name for the method.

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Search in comments and strings If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the method name within comments and string literals in your source code files.

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Search for text occurrences If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the method name in the files that don't contain source code. These may be the text files, properties files, HTML files, documentation files, etc.

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Use this dialog to rename a package.

In addition to renaming the package itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the package name. If found, the changes you are making to the package name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

**ItemDescription**

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Rename <package> and its usages to	Specify a new name for the package.
Search in comments and strings	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the package name within comments and string literals in your source code files.
Search for text occurrences	If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the package name in the files that don't contain source code. These may be the text files, properties files, HTML files, documentation files, etc.

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Use this dialog to rename a parameter.

In addition to renaming the parameter itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the parameter name. If found, the changes you are making to the parameter name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

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**ItemDescription**

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Rename <parameter> and its usages to	Specify a new name for the parameter.
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Search in comments and strings	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the parameter name within comments and string literals in your source code files.
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Use this dialog to rename a table or column.

In addition to renaming the table or column itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the table or column name. If found, the changes you are making to the table or column name can also be applied to these usages.

**Item**

Description	
Rename <table or column> and its usages to	Specify a new name for the table or column.
Search in comments and strings	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the table or column name within comments and string literals in your source code files.
SQL Script	The statement to be run to rename the table or column. If necessary, you can edit the statement right in this pane.
Refactor	Execute the statement and make associated changes right away.
Preview	Preview potential associated changes prior to executing the statement. See <a href="#">Previewing changes</a> .



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Use this dialog to rename a variable.

In addition to renaming the variable itself, IntelliJ IDEA can also look for the usages of the variable name. If found, the changes you are making to the variable name can also be applied to these usages.

The usages are assigned to different categories which correspond to the options which you can turn on and off.

Note that regardless of the options selected, the search scope (that is, the places where the name occurrences are looked for) is always limited to the current entity (file, class, etc) and the entities that the current one depends on.

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**ItemDescription**

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Rename <variable> and its usages to	Specify a new name for the variable.
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Search in comments and strings	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will look for occurrences of the variable name within comments and string literals in your source code files.
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The Replace Constructor with Builder refactoring helps hide a constructor, replacing its usages with the references to a newly generated builder class, or to an existing builder class.


#### ItemDescription

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### Parameters to pass to the builder

Parameter	This column shows the list of parameters detected in the constructor, which will be replaced with the builder fields.
Field name	This editable column shows the list of suggested field names in the builder.
Setter name	This editable column shows the list of suggested setter names in the builder.
Default value	Use this editable column to initialize the fields with the default values.
Optional setter	If the specified default value of a field matches the parameter value in the constructor invocation, then selecting this checkbox results in omitting setter method for this field in the builder invocation.  If this checkbox is not selected, the corresponding setter method will be shown anyway.

### Builder name and location

Create new	Click this radio button to generate a new builder class, with the specified name and destination package.
Builder class name	This editable field shows the suggested name of the new builder class to be generated. You can accept default, or type a new one.
Package for new builder	Type the name of the destination package, or click the browse button, and locate it in the Choose Destination Package dialog box.  If the desired package doesn't exist, click  to create a new one.
Use existing	Click this radio button to specify an existing builder class.
Builder class name	Type here the fully qualified name of the desired builder class that already exists in your project, or click the browse button and find it either by name, or in the project tree view.

**ItemDescription**

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Factory method name	Specify here the name for the factory method.
In (fully qualified name)	Specify here the class, where the method will be created.

**ItemDescription**

Replace with delegation inheritance from	Select here the parent object, inheritance to which will be replaced.
Field name	Specify the name for the field of the new inner class.
Inner class name	In this field specify the name for the inner class definition.
Delegate members	In this area, select the members of the parent class, that will be delegated through the inner class.
Generate getter for delegated component	Check this option to create a getter for the inner class.

The Replace Method Code Duplicates allows you to find code repetitions similar to the selected method, and replace them with calls to the method.

**ItemDescription**

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Name	Specify the name for the extracted method.
Declare static	Check this option to declare the method static. This option is enabled when the initial expression is static itself.
Parameters	In this area, select the parameters you want to be used in the extracted method. The parameters are all checked by default. If unchecked, the appropriate value will be used as a local variable in the extracted method.
Move Up/Down	Use this buttons to reorder parameters in the list.
Visibility	Here you can change the method's visibility scope.

Alt+Delete

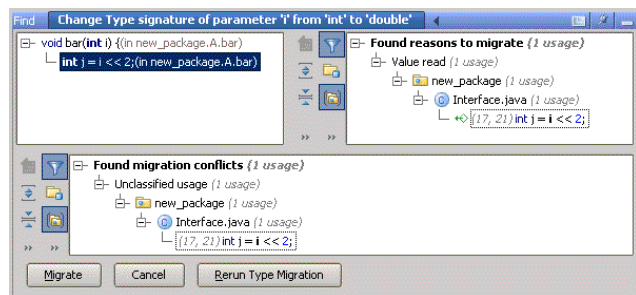
Use this dialog to define the scope of the [Safe delete](#) refactoring.

**ItemDescription**

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Search in comments and strings	Select this checkbox to display the usages of the specified symbol in comments and strings in the Refactoring Preview tool window.
Search for text occurrences	Select this checkbox to apply the changes text files within the project (such as documentation, HTML, JSP, etc.)

This view allows you to review type migration results and correct the scope of changes by excluding/including items from/to the refactoring.



The view consists of the following panes:

- The upper left pane displays the tree view of the items to be refactored. The root item in this tree view is the one you meant to refactor. Nodes represent all pieces of code that depend on this type.
- The upper right pane is a common Find Usages view.
- The bottom pane shows conflicts found.

Toolbar options for both upper right and bottom panes are similar to those of the [Find](#) tool window.

Here context menu options for the upper left pane are described.

#### Item ShortcutDescription

Exclude	Delete	Select to exclude the item from the refactoring. It won't be changed.
Include	Insert	Select to include item to the refactoring.
Jump to Source	F4	Opens in the editor the file that contains the selected code fragment, and places the caret at the type.



**ItemDescription**

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Change usages	Select the parent class or interface, which will replace the usages of the current class.
Use interface/superclass in <code>instanceof</code>	If this option is checked, IntelliJ IDEA scans the source code for the presence of the <code>instanceof</code> statements for the selected superclass or interface, and change it, if found.

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Use this refactoring to create a wrapper class around the return values of a method, or use a compatible existing class as a wrapper.

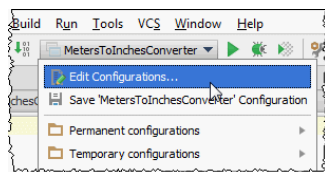
**ItemDescription**

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Method to wrap returns from	This read-only field shows the name of the selected method.
Create new class	Click this radio-button to create a new wrapper class. If this option is selected, specify the class and destination package name in the fields below.
Class name	Type the name of the new wrapper class.
Package name	By default, the current package name is displayed. You can type a different package name in the text field, or click the ellipsis button and select the destination package from the tree view. If the desired package doesn't exist, click  to create a new one.
Target destination directory	<p>Use this field to select the target destination directory. By default, the current destination directory is displayed. You usually choose the target destination based on a current package. If this package exists in multiple roots, you can click arrow button and select Leave in same source root from the list. In this case, wrapper would be placed near the initial class.</p> <p>You can click the ellipsis button to open Choose Destination Directory window.</p> <p>You can choose Directory Structure tab to select another destination directory or choose Choose By Neighbor Class tab to place a wrapper near the neighbor class if, for example, you want to put the wrapper in <code>util</code> directory near your Pair or Triple classes and you do not remember the exact package, putting wrapper near the Pair class would save you time.</p>
Use existing class	Click this radio-button to use an existing class of your choice as a wrapper.
Name	<p>Specify the name of the desired wrapper class. Note that such class should contain a constructor with a parameter of the same type as the return value in question.</p> <p>You can type the fully-qualified class name in the text field, or click the ellipsis button and choose the desired class in the Select parameter class dialog box. Note that you can select the desired wrapper class both from the project and non-project classes.</p>
Wrapper field	Select the field that will store the return value, from the drop-down list of fields, encountered in the specified wrapper class.
Inner class	Click this radio-button to create an inner class. You might want to do that if, for example, you have a private method. In this case you can leave everything in the same class.
Name	Specify the name of the inner class.

Shift+Alt+F10

Shift+Alt+F9



Use this dialog box to create, edit, or remove run/debug configurations, and configure the default settings that will apply to all newly created run/debug configurations.

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

The default settings are grouped under the Defaults node in the left-hand part of the dialog box.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Alt+Insert	Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
	Alt+Delete	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
	Ctrl+D	Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	Alt+Up or Alt+Down	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.





## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of a new run/debug configuration. This field is not available for the <a href="#">default run/debug configurations</a> .
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select configuration to modify its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>


**Before launch** Use the controls in this area to specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list. The following options are available:

- ( Alt+Insert ): click this icon to add a task to the list. Select one of the following task types:
  - Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
  - Run Another Configuration : select this option to execute one on the existing run/debug configuration. Choose a configuration to execute from the dialog box that opens.
  - Make : select this option to have the project or the module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be executed if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, or the [Make Project command](#) if no modules are specified.
  - Make, no error check : this option is the same as Make , the only difference being is that IntelliJ IDEA will start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts : select this option to build [artifacts](#) . Select the artifact(s) you want to build in the dialog that opens. For more information, see [Working with Artifacts](#) .
  - Run Ant target : select this option to execute an Ant target. In the dialog that opens select a target that you want to build. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
  - Run Maven goal : select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select a goal that you want to

- run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Gradle task : select this option to run a Gradle task. In the dialog that opens, select a task that you want to run. For more information, see [Gradle](#)
  - Compile TypeScript : select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Run File Watcher : select this option to run the File Watchers that are active in the current project. For more information, see [Using File Watchers](#) .
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
  - Run Remote External tool : select this option to run a remote SSH external tool. In the dialog that opens, specify the SSH external tool that you want to run. For more information, see [Remote SSH External Tools](#) .
-  ( Alt+Delete ) : click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
  -  ( Enter ) : click this icon to modify the selected task. Edit the task settings in the dialog that opens.
  -  ( Alt+Up ) : click this icon to move the selected task up in the list.
  -  ( Alt+Down ) : click this icon to move the selected task down in the list.
- Show this page : select this check box if you want to display the run/debug configuration settings before applying it.
  - Active tool window : select this option if you want the Run /Debug tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

## Defaults

### ItemDescription

Confirm rerun with process termination	<p>The behavior of this checkbox depends on whether the Single instance only checkbox is selected for a particular run/debug configuration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, then, in case of a single instance, launching a new process (for example, by clicking  on the main toolbar) while another process is still running, results in showing a dialog box prompting to terminate the current process before launching a new one.</li> <li>- If this checkbox is not selected (or in case of multiple instances), IntelliJ IDEA starts the new process silently.</li> </ul>
Temporary configurations limit	Specify here the maximum number of temporary configurations to be stored and shown in the Select Run/Debug Configuration drop-down list.

Use this dialog box to create configurations used to run or debug Android applications and activities on actual or virtual devices.




This dialog box consists of three tabs:

- [General](#)
- [Miscellaneous](#)
- [Profiling](#)

The dialog also provides a [toolbar](#) and the [options that are common](#) to all run/debug configuration types.

## General Tab

### ItemDescription

Module	From this drop-down list, select a module to which this configuration will be applied.
Installation Options	<p>Use this area to configure the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Deploy - use this drop-down list to appoint the <code>.apk</code> file that will be deployed to the target virtual or physical device. You can select one of the following options:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Default APK - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA upload the <code>.apk</code> built from the module specified in the Module drop-down list above. The <code>.apk</code> is built automatically, no preliminary artifact configuration is required from your side.</li><li>- Custom Artifact - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA upload the <code>.apk</code> built from the code and resources appointed in a manually configured artifact. Select an artifact from the drop-down list which shows all manually created artifact definitions for the selected module. See <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> for details.</li><li>- Nothing - select this option to suppress uploading data to the device. This approach may be helpful if you have already deployed your application manually outside IntelliJ IDEA.</li></ul></li><li>- Install Flags - use this field to specify options for the <code>pm install</code> command.</li></ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">package manager</a> page.</p>
Launch Options	<p>In this area, appoint the activity that will be launched on the application start.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Launch - use this drop-down list to specify the following launch settings:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Default Activity - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically launch the <a href="#">activity marked as start-up</a>.</li><li>- Nothing - select this option to connect to an already running application provided that you have chosen Nothing in the Installation Options area. Executing a run configuration with these settings is the same as clicking the Attach debugger to Android process button  on the toolbar.</li><li>- Specified Activity - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA launch an activity of your choice upon the application start. This option may be helpful when you want to run or debug a part of your application and have already chosen the Custom Artifact option in the Installation Options area. Type the activity name manually or click the Browse button  and select it in the Select Activity Class dialog box that opens. The list of available activities is determined by the choice of the module.</li><li>- URL - select this option to launch a browser when you run your application. You can specify the URL address in the URL field.</li></ul></li><li>- Launch Flags - use this field to specify additional options for the <code>am start</code> command.</li></ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">activity manager</a> page.</p>
Deployment Target Options	<p>In this area, select the type of device to run/debug the application on. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Show Device Chooser Dialog: select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA display the <a href="#">Choose Device</a> dialog box upon the application start. If you want to automatically use the device chosen through the Choose Device dialog in the future, select the Use same device for future launches option.</li><li>- USB Device: select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA detect a plugged-in USB device upon the application start.</li></ul> <div data-bbox="193 1464 976 1529" style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><p><b>Note</b> Selecting the Show Device Chooser Dialog or USB Device option may be helpful if you are going to run the application on a physical device which will be plugged in later and therefore the set of available devices cannot be foreseen.</p></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Emulator: select this option to use one of the configured device emulators. From the Prefer Android Virtual Device drop-down list, select a virtual device that will be used to run/debug the specified activity. If you want to add/edit a virtual device configuration, click the Browse button  to launch the Android Virtual Device (AVD) Manager (see <a href="#">Managing Virtual Devices</a> for details).</li></ul>

## Miscellaneous Tab

In this tab, configure the scope of log data shown during a run/debug session.

### ItemDescription

Logcat	<p>Use this area to configure logcat settings for your Android run/debug configuration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Show logcat automatically : select this checkbox to show logcat automatically every time an application is deployed and launched successfully.</li><li>- Clear log before launch : select this checkbox if you want data from previous sessions to be removed from the log file before starting the application.</li></ul>
Installation Options	<p>Use this area to configure the installation options for running or debugging your Android application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Skip installation if APK has not changed : select this checkbox to skip APK installation when you run your application if the APK has not changed.</li><li>- Force stop running application before launching activity : select this checkbox to stop running an already launched application before you start running the activity from IntelliJ IDEA.</li></ul>

## Profiling Tab














In this tab, specify the Graphic Trace options.

### ItemDescription

Disable precompiled shaders and programs	Select this checkbox if you want to disable precompiled shaders and programs and compile them at the runtime instead.
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## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.





## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of a new run/debug configuration. This field is not available for the <a href="#">default run/debug configurations</a> .
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select configuration to modify its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

Before launch Use the controls in this area to specify which tasks must performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list. The following options are available:

-   : click this icon to add a task to the list. Select one of the following task types:
  - Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
  - Run Another Configuration : select this option to execute one on the existing run/debug configuration. Choose a configuration to execute from the dialog box that opens.
  - Make : select this option to have the project or the module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be executed if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, or the [Make Project command](#) if no modules are specified.
  - Make, no error check : this option is the same as Make , the only difference being is that IntelliJ IDEA will start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts : select this option to build [artifacts](#) . Select the artifact(s) you want to build in the dialog that opens. For more information, see [Working with Artifacts](#) .
  - Run Ant target : select this option to execute an Ant target. In the dialog that opens select a target that you want to build. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
  - Run Maven goal : select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select a goal that you want to run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
  - Run Gradle task : select this option to run a Gradle task. In the dialog that opens, select a task that you want to run. For more information, see [Gradle](#) .
  - Compile TypeScript : select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.

- Run File Watcher : select this option to run the **File Watchers** that are active in the current project. For more information, see [Using File Watchers](#) .
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : select this option to run a remote SSH external tool. In the dialog that opens, specify the SSH external tool that you want to run. For more information, see [Remote SSH External Tools](#) .
-  ( [Alt+Delete](#) ) : click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
-  ( [Enter](#) ) : click this icon to modify the selected task. Edit the task settings in the dialog that opens.
-  ( [Alt+Up](#) ) : click this icon to move the selected task up in the list.
-  ( [Alt+Down](#) ) : click this icon to move the selected task down in the list.
- Show this page : select this check box if you want to display the run/debug configuration settings before applying it.
- Active tool window : select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Use this dialog box to configure testing of Android applications and activities on actual or virtual devices.




The dialog box consists of three tabs:


- [General](#)
- [Emulator](#)
- [Logcat](#)

The dialog also provides a [toolbar](#) and the [options that are common](#) to all run/debug configuration types.

## General Tab


### ItemDescription

Module	From this drop-down list, select the module to which this configuration will be applied.
Test	<p>In this area, specify the location of tests that you want to apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All in module : select this option if you want to launch all tests from the selected module.</li><li>– All in package : select this option if you want to launch all tests from a specific package. In the Package text box, specify the package where tests are located. Type the package name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired package in the dialog that opens.</li><li>– Class : select this option if you want to launch tests of a specific class. In the Class text box, specify the required class. Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired class in the dialog that opens.</li><li>– Method : select this option if you want to launch a specific test method. In the Class text box, specify the class to which this method belongs. In the Method text box, specify the desired method. Type the names manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired class and method in the dialog that opens.</li></ul>

Specific instrumentation runner	In this text box, specify the location of the desired <a href="#">instrumentation runner</a> . Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog that opens.
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Deployment Target Options	<p>In this area, select the type of device to run/debug the application on. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Show Device Chooser Dialog: select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA display the <a href="#">Choose Device</a> dialog box upon the application start. If you want to automatically use the device chosen through the Choose Device dialog in the future, select the Use same device for future launches option.</li><li>– USB Device: select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA detect a plugged-in USB device upon the application start.</li></ul>
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**Note** Selecting the Show Device Chooser Dialog or USB Device option may be helpful if you are going to run the application on a physical device which will be plugged in later and therefore the set of available devices cannot be foreseen.

- Emulator: select this option to use one of the configured device emulators. From the Prefer Android Virtual Device drop-down list, select a virtual device that will be used to run/debug the specified activity. If you want to add/edit a virtual device configuration, click the Browse button  to launch the Android Virtual Device (AVD) Manager (see [Managing Virtual Devices](#) for details).

## Emulator Tab

In this tab, specify additional configuration settings for launching the Android emulator.

### ItemDescription

Network Speed	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">network transfer rate</a> to be emulated.
Network Latency	<p>Use this drop-down list to specify the time delay between the initial input and the output. You can select between the following <a href="#">latency levels</a> :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– None : no latency</li><li>– GPRS : GPRS (min 150, max 550 milliseconds)</li><li>– EDGE : EDGE/EGPRS (min 80, max 400 milliseconds)</li><li>– UMTS : UMTS/3G (min 35, max 200 milliseconds)</li></ul>
Wipe user data	Select this checkbox to have the contents of the user-data image copied to the new user-data disk image while resetting the image. By default, the <code>&lt;system&gt;/userdata.img</code> is copied.
Disable boot animation	Select this checkbox if you do not want an animated boot screen displayed upon the emulator start-up.
Additional command line options	In this text box, type the additional options to be passed to the emulator via the command line. For lengthy command lines, click the  button and type the text in the Emulator Additional Command Line Options dialog that opens.

## Logcat Tab














### ItemDescription

Clear log before launch	Select this checkbox if you want data from previous sessions to be removed from the log before starting the application.
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## Toolbar











### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of a new run/debug configuration. This field is not available for the <a href="#">default run/debug configurations</a> .
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select configuration to modify its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Before launch	<p>Use the controls in this area to specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list. The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-  ( ): click this icon to add a task to the list. Select one of the following task types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool: Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration : select this option to execute one on the existing run/debug configuration. Choose a configuration to execute from the dialog box that opens.</li> <li>- Make : select this option to have the project or the module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be executed if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, or the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> if no modules are specified.</li> <li>- Make, no error check : this option is the same as Make , the only difference being is that IntelliJ IDEA will start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts : select this option to build <a href="#">artifacts</a> . Select the artifact(s) you want to build in the dialog that opens. For more information, see <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Ant target : select this option to execute an Ant target. In the dialog that opens select a target that you want to build. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Maven goal : select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select a goal that you want to run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li> <li>- Run Gradle task : select this option to run a Gradle task. In the dialog that opens, select a task that you want to run. For more information, see <a href="#">Gradle</a> .</li> <li>- Compile TypeScript : select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.</li> <li>- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run File Watcher : select this option to run the <a href="#">File Watchers</a> that are active in the current project. For more information, see <a href="#">Using File Watchers</a> .</li> <li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li> <li>- Run Remote External tool : select this option to run a remote SSH external tool. In the dialog that opens, specify the SSH external tool that you want to run. For more information, see <a href="#">Remote SSH External Tools</a> .</li> </ul> </li> <li>-  ( ): click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.</li> <li>-  ( ): click this icon to modify the selected task. Edit the task settings in the dialog that opens.</li> <li>-  ( ): click this icon to move the selected task up in the list.</li> <li>-  ( ): click this icon to move the selected task down in the list.</li> <li>- Show this page : select this check box if you want to display the run/debug configuration settings before applying it.</li> <li>- Active tool window : select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when</li> </ul>

you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for App Engine server .

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Port	In this text box, specify the port number where the server will start.
Additional options	In this field, type the additional options to be passed to the server. Refer to the following resources for details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Google App Engine <a href="#">command line arguments</a></li><li>– Django server <a href="#">command line arguments</a></li></ul>
Run browser	Select this check box, if you want your Google App Engine application to open in the default browser. In the text field below, enter the IP address where your application will be opened.
Environment	
Project	Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, <a href="#">opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window</a> , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.
Environment variable	This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.  To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.  To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>+</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	Specify a directory to be used by the running task. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code> , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>– When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .  Click the browse button <code>...</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code> / <code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">source roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net` , `--link` , etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#) .

Click `...` to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- Disable networking : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"` , which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- Network mode : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net` .
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed though this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id .

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- Links : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- Publish all ports : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all` .
- Port bindings : Use this field to specify the
- Extra hosts : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- Volume bindings : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- Environment variables : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab


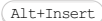











Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li></ul>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

Single instance only If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.


If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

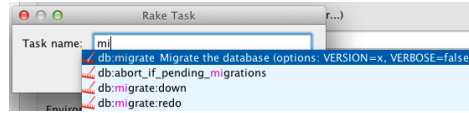
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




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- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



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- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create configurations to run and debug PHP applications locally on the [PHP Development Server](#) before deploying them to the [Google PHP Runtime Environment](#).

The dialog box is available only if the [Google App Engine Support for PHP](#) plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

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## Configuration settings specific for App Engine for PHP


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Host	In this field, specify the host to run the development server and the application on (the default is <code>localhost</code> ).
Port	In this field, specify the port through which IntelliJ IDEA will communicate with the development server (the default port is <code>8888</code> ).

## Command Line area














In this area, specify the settings for running and debugging your application on the PHP development server in the command-line mode.

### ItemDescription

Interpreter options	In this field, specify the options to be passed to the PHP executable file of the built-in PHP interpreter, see <a href="#">Command-Line Arguments</a> for details.
Yaml files	In this field, specify the <code>.yaml</code> configuration files to use. This field is optional, use it when your application consists of several modules and therefore several <code>.yaml</code> configuration files are used.
Custom working directory	In this text box, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with your sources and are referenced through relative paths. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Environment variables	In this field, specify the environment variables be passed to the built-in server. See <a href="#">Environment Variables in Apache</a> for details.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default
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run/debug configurations.

Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


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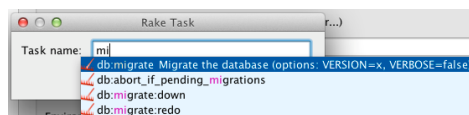


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  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
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




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- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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<b>Show this page</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<b>Active tool window</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

An applet run/debug configuration enables you to run Java applets using an applet viewer or a Web page and your local browser.


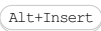











This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Applet Class	Choose this option to create a configuration profile for running an applet via an applet class.
URL	Choose this option to create a configuration profile for running an applet via a Web page.
Applet Class	Use the controls in the area to specify the applet implementation class and the applet size. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Applet Class - in this text box, specify the fully qualified name of the applet class to run. Type the name manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Applet Class dialog box and select the path there.</li> <li>– Width - in this text box, type the desired width of the applet.</li> <li>– Height - in this text box, type the desired height of the applet.</li> </ul> <p>The area is available after the Applet Class option is chosen.</p>
Applet Parameters	In this area, specify a set of applet parameters. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Add - click this button to add a new entry to the list.</li> <li>– Remove - click this button to delete the selected entry from the list.</li> <li>– Name - in this text bos, specify the name of the applet parameter.</li> <li>– Value - in this text bos, specify the parameter value.</li> </ul> <p>This area is available after the Applet Class option is chosen.</p>
URL	In the URL/HTML File text box, specify the file to invoke the applet from. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . This area is available after the URL option is chosen.
Policy File	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>appletviewer.policy</code> file. Because this file is distributed with IntelliJ IDEA, the text box is by default filled in with the standard location. To specify another location, click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
VM Options for Applet Viewer	In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for executing the applet viewer. Usually this string contains the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul> <p>The <code>-classpath</code> option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.</p>
Use Classpath Module	From this drop-down list, select one of the modules configured in your project. The classpath and JDK of this module will be used to run the applet with the current run configuration.
Use Alternative JRE	Select this checkbox to enable defining another JRE than the JRE used by the current project / module.

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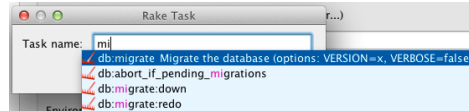


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


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- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).


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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.


This dialog lets you create a run/debug configuration for the selected Ant target.

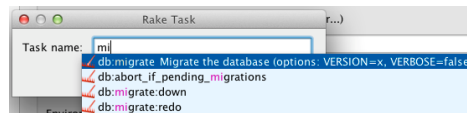
#### ItemDescription

Name	This field shows the name of your Ant target that you have selected in the <a href="#">Ant Build tool window</a> .
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.





#### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

	<p><b>Alt+Insert</b> Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li><li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li><li>– Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>gulp</code> package.</li><li>– Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the <code>package.json</code> file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.</li><li>– Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.</li><li>– If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.</li></ul></li></ul>
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- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) . For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



- To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.
- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

The **application** run/debug configuration enables you running or debugging applications via the `main()` method .


The dialog box consists of the following tabs:


- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription


**Main class** In this text box, specify the fully qualified name of the class to be executed (passed to the JRE). Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Main Class dialog box, where you can find the desired class by name or search through the project.



**VM options** In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as `-mx` , `-verbose` , etc.  
If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:


- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg or "some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"` .

The `-classpath` option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.

**Program arguments** In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If necessary, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box. Use the same rules as for specifying the [VM options](#) .

**Working directory** In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running application. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .  
Click this  icon to view the list of available [path variables](#) that you can use as a path to your working directory.

**Note** The list of the path variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.

**Environment variables** Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.  
Note that you can copy-paste the contents of the Environment variables field without having to open the Environment Variables dialog box.

**Use classpath of module** Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the application.

**JRE** By default, the newest JDK from the module dependencies is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.

**Enable capturing form snapshots** Select this check box to enable the [GUI Designer](#) to [take snapshots of the GUI components](#) , that can be afterwards converted into a form.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner.  
By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.

**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.

**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.




Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .


**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.

**Tip** Finally, the line is considered *covered* if it is covered at least once.


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Packages and classes to record code coverage data

Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.


 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders. If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

Log File Entry The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:


- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.


Skip Content Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.


Save console output to file Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .


Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.

Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.

 Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.

 Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) .



 Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.



 Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.


## Toolbar





### ItemShortcutDescription

  `Alt+Insert` Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.

  `Alt+Delete` Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.

  `Ctrl+D` Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.


 Edit defaults Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.

 or   or  `Alt+Up` or `Alt+Down` Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.

 Move into new Use this button to [create a new folder](#) .



folder / Create new folder If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

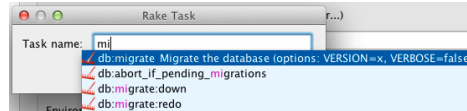


Alt+Insert

Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:









- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools and External Tools](#).
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
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- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
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- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.


**Note** This setting is shared if you select to share your run/debug configuration, so the same method will be applied for your team members irrespective of their operating system.

The dialog opens when you click the  or the  buttons in the Logs tab of the [Run/Debug Configuration dialogs](#) .

Use this dialog to specify a file or a group of files that you want to be displayed on dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

#### ItemDescription

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Alias	In this text box, type the alias for the log entry. This alias will be displayed in the Logs tab and in the header of the dedicated tab of the <a href="#">Run</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Location	In this text box, specify the log files to display during running or debugging. Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Specify the full path to a specific file. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li><li>– Specify the base directory and add an <a href="#">Ant pattern</a> that defines the <a href="#">fileset</a> to be displayed.</li></ul>
Show All Files Coverable by Pattern	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA open a separate dedicated tab for each log file that matches the specified pattern.

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Please note the following:

- If no alias is specified, the dedicated tab header shows the path to each log file.
- If a pattern covers more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias, even if an alias is specified.

Arquillian JUnit [run/debug configurations](#) let you run and debug your [Arquillian](#) JUnit tests. (The JBoss Arquillian Support [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

- [Name, Share, and Single instance only](#)
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See also, [Arquillian: a Quick Start Guide](#) .

## Name, Share, and Single instance only

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the run configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control. If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.

## Arquillian Container tab

To configure your Arquillian containers, click [Configure](#) . Then select the container to be used.











See also, [Arquillian Containers](#) .

## Configuration tab

This tab lets you specify the settings for [JUnit](#) .

### ItemDescription

Test kind	From this drop-down list, select the scope for your tests and fill in the fields depending on your selection.						
All in package	<p>Select this option to run all unit tests in the specified package. Fill in the following fields:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Package</td> <td>Specify package name</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Search for tests</td> <td> <p>Select where in your project IntelliJ IDEA shall look for test classes related to the current package:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– In whole project : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes in all project modules</li> <li>– In single module : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field</li> <li>– Across multiple dependencies : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field, and in the modules that depend on it</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </table>	Package	Specify package name	Search for tests	<p>Select where in your project IntelliJ IDEA shall look for test classes related to the current package:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– In whole project : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes in all project modules</li> <li>– In single module : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field</li> <li>– Across multiple dependencies : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field, and in the modules that depend on it</li> </ul>		
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Class	Specify the fully qualified name of the class to be launched (passed to the JRE). Type the class name or click  and select the desired class in the dialog that opens.
Method	Select this option to run an individual test method. Fill in the following fields:
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Category	Select this option if you only want to run test classes and test methods that are annotated either with the category given with the <code>@IncludeCategory</code> annotation, or a subtype of this category. <a href="#">Learn more about JUnit categories</a> . Fill in the following fields:
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Fork mode	This option controls how many Java VMs will be created if you want to fork some tests. Select method or class to create a separate virtual machine for each method or class respectively. The available options in this drop-down list depend on the <a href="#">Test kind</a> setting.
Repeat	If you want to repeatedly run a test, select the threshold from this drop-down list. You can select to run your test once, n times (in this case specify the number of times in the field on the right), until the test fails, or until it is stopped.
VM options	If necessary, specify the string to be passed to the VM. This string may contain the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul> If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.  The <code>-classpath</code> option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.
Program arguments	In this field, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If necessary, click the  button and type the required arguments in the dialog that opens. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
Working directory	Specify the directory that will act as the current directory when running the test. It will act as the root directory for all relative input and output paths. By default, the directory where the project file resides, is used as a working directory. Type directory name, or click  and select the desired directory in the dialog that opens. You can also click  to switch between directories.
Environment variables	Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box where you can create variables and specify their values.
Use classpath of module	Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the tests.
JRE	Specify the JRE to be used. Select the JRE from the list, or click  and select the installation folder of the required JRE in the dialog that opens.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner.  
By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.




**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.


**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .


**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


 Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

**Packages and classes to record code coverage data** Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.


 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

**Do not use the optimized C runtime** Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

**Enable coverage in test folders.** If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py if this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

**Is Active** Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

**Log File Entry** The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:


- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.


**Skip Content** Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.

**Save console output to file** Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .


**Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream** Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.

**Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream** Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.

 Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.

 Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) .


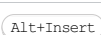
 Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.

 Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.




### ItemShortcutDescription

  Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to compile the project.











If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.

- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an [artifact](#) or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

	Alt+Delete	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	Enter	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	Alt+Up / Alt+Down	Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Alt+Insert	Create a run/debug configuration.
	Alt+Delete	Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
	Ctrl+D	Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
	Alt+Up / Alt+Down	Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.  Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.  To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .  See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .

Arquillian TestNG [run/debug configurations](#) let you run and debug your [Arquillian](#) TestNG tests. (The JBoss Arquillian Support [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

- [Name, Share, and Single instance only](#)
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See also, [Arquillian: a Quick Start Guide](#) .

## Name, Share, and Single instance only

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the run configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control. If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.

## Arquillian Container tab

To configure your Arquillian containers, click [Configure](#) . Then select the container to be used.

See also, [Arquillian Containers](#) .

## Configuraion tab

This tab lets you specify the settings for [TestNG](#) .

### ItemDescription

All in package	<p>Run all tests in a package. Package. The fully qualified name of the package.</p> <p>In whole project. IntelliJ IDEA will look for the tests in all the modules.</p> <p>In single module. IntelliJ IDEA will look for the tests only in the module that is selected in the <a href="#">Use classpath of module field</a> .</p> <p>Across module dependencies. The same as the previous option plus the modules that depend on that module.</p>
Suite	<p>Run a test suite. Suite. Specify the corresponding <code>testng.xml</code> file.</p>
Group	<p>Run a test group. Group. The group to be run. <a href="#">Learn more about TestNG groups</a> .</p>
Class	<p>Run a test class. Class. The fully qualified name of the test class to be run.</p>
Method	<p>Run a test method. Class. The fully qualified name of the test class.</p> <p>Method. The name of the method to be run.</p>
Pattern	<p>Run the tests that conform to the specified pattern. Pattern. Form the pattern by clicking <a href="#">+</a> and then selecting one or more TestNG test classes. Alternatively, click <a href="#">⊞</a> and type the pattern in the dialog that opens.</p>
Output directory	The directory in which test reports will be generated.
<b>JDK Settings</b>	
VM options	<p>Options and arguments to be passed to the JVM in which the tests run. When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li> </ul>




- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .

The `-classpath` option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.

Test runner parameters	Arguments to be passed to the test runner. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
Working directory	The current working directory for the tests.
Environment variables	The environment variables to be passed to the corresponding JVM.
Use classpath of module	The module whose classpath is used when running the tests.
JRE	The JRE to be used.
Shorten command line	Select a method that will be used to shorten the command line if the classpath gets too long or you have many VM arguments that exceed your OS command line length limitation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- none : IntelliJ IDEA will not shorten a long classpath. If the command line exceeds the OS limitation, IntelliJ IDEA will be unable to run your application and will display a message suggesting you to specify the shortening method.</li> <li>- JAR manifest : IntelliJ IDEA will pass a long classpath via a temporary <code>classpath.jar</code> . The original classpath is defined in the <code>manifest</code> file as a <code>class-path</code> attribute in <code>classpath.jar</code> . Note that you will be able to preview the full command line if it was shortened using this method, not just the classpath of the temporary <code>classpath.jar</code> .</li> <li>- classpath.file : IntelliJ IDEA will write a long classpath into a text file.</li> <li>- User-local default : this legacy option is set automatically for projects created before IntelliJ IDEA version 2017.3. IntelliJ IDEA will configure this setting depending on the properties set in the <code>ide/workspace.xml</code> and <code>idea.config.path/options/options.xml</code> files.</li> </ul>

#### Parameters








Properties file	Specify the <code>.properties</code> file to be passed to TestNG.
Name - Value	Additional parameters as key - value pairs.
Listeners	

  Use these icons to make up a list of listeners.


## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

#### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
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Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window. <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations. Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration. <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .  Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.
	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
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Do not use the	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrpt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly

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Enable coverage in test folders. If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.





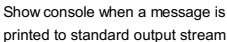
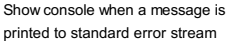




Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py`.

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab

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




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
	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
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	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

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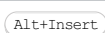
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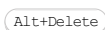
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
Activate tool window  If this checkbox is selected, the [Run](#) or the [Debug tool window](#) opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.


## Toolbar



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  Create a run/debug configuration.



  Delete the selected run/debug configuration.


  Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.

 View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.

  Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.

 You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.

Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.

To remove grouping, select a folder and click .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this dialog box, create configurations for debugging already running [Node.js](#) applications. This approach gives you the possibility to re-start a debugging session without re-starting the Node.js server.

On this page:

- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome dialog](#)
- [Specific Attach to Node.js/Chrome configuration settings](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome dialog

1. **Install and enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager \(npm\)](#).














## Specific Attach to Node.js/Chrome configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Host	In this text box, specify the host where the application is running.
Port	In this text box, specify the port passed to <code>--inspect</code> or <code>--debug</code> when starting the Node.js process to connect to. Copy this port number from the information message in the <a href="#">Run</a> tool window that controls the running application.
Attach to	In this area, choose the debugging protocol to use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Chrome or Node.js &gt; 6.3 started with <code>--inspect</code>: choose this option to use the <a href="#">Chrome Debugging Protocol</a>.</li><li>– Node.js &lt; 8 started with <code>--debug</code>: choose this option to use the <a href="#">V8 Debugging Protocol</a> (also known as Legacy Protocol).</li></ul>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the

same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.


Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

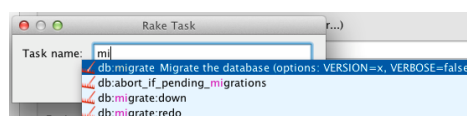
#### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



Alt+Delete

Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.



Enter

Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.

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Alt+Up

Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.

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Alt+Down

Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.

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Show this page

Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

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Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This dialog box is available only when the **PHP** and **Behat** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

Use this dialog box to create a configuration to be used for running and debugging unit tests on PHP applications using the **Behat** framework.

On this page:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Test Runner area](#)
- [Command Line area](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Before you start






To run **Behat** tests:

1. Install and configure the [Behat](#) framework on your computer as described in [Testing with Behat](#) .
2. Make sure the **PHP** and **Behat** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

## Test Runner area

In this area, specify the scenarios to launch and the command line switches to be passed to **Behat** .


### ItemDescription

Test scope	<p>In this area, specify the location of scenarios or the configuration file where they are listed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Directory: select this option to have all the scenarios in a directory launched. In the Directory text box, specify the directory to search for <code>.feature</code> files with scenarios in. Type the path to the directory manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test Directory dialog box, that opens.</li><li>– File: select this option to have all the scenarios in a specific <code>.feature</code> file launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the <code>.feature</code> file to search the scenarios in. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the dialog box, that opens.</li><li>2. In the Class text box, specify the desired class. Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired class in the tree view, that opens.</li></ol></li><li>– Scenario: select this option to have a specific scenario launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the <code>.feature</code> file to search for the scenario in. Type the file name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the tree view, that opens.</li><li>2. In the Scenario text box, specify the desired scenario.</li></ol></li><li>– Defined in the configuration file: select this option to have <b>Behat</b> execute the tests from a dedicated <code>.yaml</code> configuration file. By default, <b>Behat</b> uses the configuration file appointed in the Test Runner area of the <a href="#">Test Frameworks</a> page. In its turn, this can be either the native configuration file ( <code>behat.yaml</code> or <code>config/behat.yaml</code> ) or any other <code>.yaml</code> configuration file which you specified as <b>Default</b> during the initial configuration of Behat in IntelliJ IDEA.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To have the default for all Behat run configurations file used, clear the Use alternative configuration file checkbox.</li><li>– To launch scenarios from a custom configuration file, select the Use alternative configuration file checkbox and specify the location of the desired <code>.yaml</code> file in the text box next to it.</li><li>– To open the Behat page and specify another default configuration file to use, click the  button.</li></ul></li></ul>
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## Command Line area


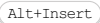











In this area, customize the behavior of the current PHP interpreter by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

### ItemDescription

Interpreter options	<p>In this text box, specify the <a href="#">options</a> to be passed to the PHP executable file. They override the default behavior of the PHP interpreter and/or ensure that additional activities are performed.</p> <p>If necessary, click  and type the desired options in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each option on a new line. When you close the dialog box, they are all displayed in the Command line options text box with spaces as separators.</p>
Custom working directory	<p>In this text box, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with tests and are referenced in your tests through relative paths.</p> <p>This setting does not block the test execution because the location of tests is always specified through a full path to the corresponding files and/or directories.</p> <p>By default, the field is empty and the working directory is the root of the project.</p>
Environment variables	<p>In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> be passed to the built-in server. See <a href="#">Environment Variables in Apache</a> for details.</p>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription


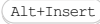
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	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
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	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
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Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

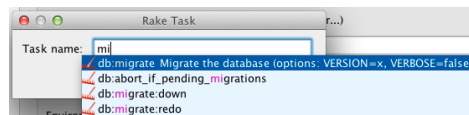
		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li><li>– Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task</li></ul>
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dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for Behave tests .

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Feature files or folders	<p>In this text field, type the fully-qualified names of the feature files or directories which contain feature files.</p> <p>Multiple names should be delimited with   .</p> <p>Use the browse button to locate the desired paths in the file system.</p>
Params	<p>In this text field, type the Behave-specific parameters to be passed to the tests. IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to pass parameters to the test runner.</p> <p>In particular, the Behave parameters are described in the <a href="#">Tag expressions</a> section of the Behave documentation.</p>
Scenario	<p>Type the name of the scenario to be executed. If this field is left blank, all the available scenarios in the specified feature files will be executed.</p>
Environment	
Project	<p>Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, <a href="#">opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window</a> , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.</p>
Environment variable	<p>This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.</p> <p>To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.</p> <p>To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.</p>
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	<p>In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>⌨</code> , and type the string in the editor.</p>
Working directory	<p>Specify a directory to be used by the running task.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code> , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>– When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	<p>This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .</p> <p>Click the browse button <code>⌨</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code>/<code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.</p>
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	<p>Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;</p>
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	<p>Select this check box to add all <a href="#">source roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;</p>
Docker container settings	<p><b>Warning!</b> This field only appears when <a href="#">Docker-based remote interpreter</a> has been selected for a project.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (<code>--net</code> , <code>--link</code> , etc.), note that these options come from <a href="#">Docker command line arguments</a> .</p> <p>Click <code>⌨</code> to open the dialog and specify the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Disable networking</b> : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to <code>--net="none"</code> , which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.</li><li>– <b>Network mode</b> : corresponds to the other values of the option <code>--net</code> .<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>bridge</code> is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed though this bridge to the container.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>host</code> : use the host's network stack inside the container.</li><li>– <code>container:&lt;name id&gt;</code> : use the network stack of another container, specified via its <code>name</code> or <code>id</code> .</li></ul> <p>Refer to the <a href="#">Network settings</a> documentation for details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Links</b> : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to <code>Network mode = bridge</code> and corresponds to the <code>--link</code> option.</li><li>– <b>Publish all ports</b> : This corresponds to the option <code>--publish-all</code> .</li><li>– <b>Port bindings</b> : Use this field to specify the</li></ul>





- Extra hosts : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- Volume bindings : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.  
  
See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.
- Environment variables : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab


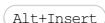











Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li> </ul>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.

If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate `.xml` file in the `.idea\runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea\workspace.xml` file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

Single instance only If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.


Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

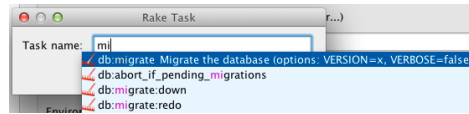
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




- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).

- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

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










- [Run Launcher](#)
- [Test Launcher \(JUnit\)](#)

## ItemDescription

Bnd run descriptor	Use this field to select bnd run descriptor that is represented in a form of either <code>*.bnd</code> or <code>*.bndrun</code> file. The descriptor contains the description of bundles, its options and the execution.
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the bundles. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



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Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
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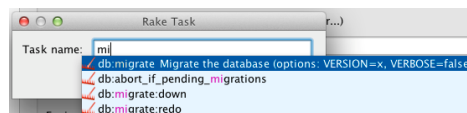
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






See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

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













## ItemDescription

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## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



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Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

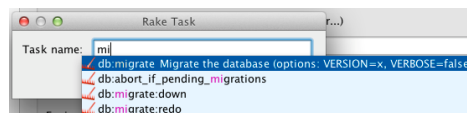
### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In</li></ul>
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the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.









See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for a Capistrano task .

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab





### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Task name	Specify the name of the Capistrano task to be executed.
Task arguments	Specify the list of the arguments to be passed to the Capistrano task. The arguments should be separated with spaces.
Stages	Select the desired stage. Stages can be configured in the <code>config/deploy.rb</code> file that appears after capifying an application. If your project makes use of one stage only, the default stage corresponds to production . Refer to <a href="#">2.x Multistage Extension</a> for details.
Turn on invoke/execute tracing, enable full backtrace ( <code>--trace</code> )	Select this checkbox to turn on the standard Capistrano <code>--trace</code> option.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Bundler tab

### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle  If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the `gemfile` .

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner  Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

Sampling  Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

Tracing  Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.




Track per test coverage  Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.


**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

Merge data with previous results  When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.


Packages and classes to record code coverage data  Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.

 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.


The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime  Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders  If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py  If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription














Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one  This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter. When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:

- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.
- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the `-ng` argument.

If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.

## Toolbar

## ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.


## Common options

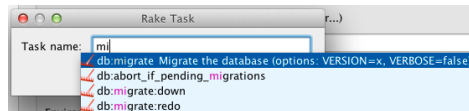
### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut









		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li></ul>
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- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).


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		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

CloudBees Deployment [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy your application artifacts to [CloudBees](#) . (The CloudBees integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

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## Main settings





### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the run configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control.</p> <p>If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.
Server	<p>Select the cloud access configuration to be used.</p> <p>To create a new configuration, or to edit an existing one, click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ). For more information, see <a href="#">CloudBees</a> .</p>
Deployment	Select the <a href="#">application artifact</a> to be deployed. Only archive artifact formats can be used (e.g. WAR, EAR).
ClickStack	Select the target application container (ClickStack) for your application.

## Before Launch options



Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li> <li>- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> </ul>
	<code>Alt+Delete</code>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<code>Enter</code>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<code>Alt+Up</code> / <code>Alt+Down</code>	Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration in the debug mode. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running in the debug mode, you can open the Debug tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	Create a run/debug configuration.
	<code>Alt+Delete</code>	Delete the selected run/debug configuration.



Ctrl+D

Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.

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View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.

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Alt+Up /  
Alt+Down


Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list.  
The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.

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You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.  
To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.

Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.

To remove grouping, select a folder and click .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#).



CloudBees Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug applications intended for [CloudBees](#) locally. (The CloudBees integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

The Tomcat instance embedded in CloudBees is used as a server. This Tomcat instance is included in the server client libraries. You can download those libraries using a quick fix provided right in the run configuration:

If the message *Error: Client libraries were not downloaded* is shown in the lower part of the dialog, click Fix .

- [Name field and Share option](#)
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## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab

### ItemDescription

After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. Most likely, the default <code>http://localhost:8080</code> will do.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg" .</code></li> <li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\" .</code></li> </ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <code>Ctrl+F10</code> in the Run or Debug tool window). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li> <li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> <li>- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> </ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.

HTTP port	The server HTTP port.
JNDI port	The server JNDI port.


## Deployment tab

Specify an [artifact](#) or an external resource to be deployed on the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a WAR file which is not represented by a project artifact.)

There should be exactly one item in the deployment list. "Exploded" artifacts cannot be used.

To add an item to the list, click  and do one of the following:

- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.
- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#).





 () removes the selected items from the list.

 () opens the [Artifacts page](#) of the [Project Structure dialog](#) for the selected artifact.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription




Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li> </ul>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.









### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.  To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Before Launch options















Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

#### ItemShortcutDescription


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		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.  Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.  To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .  See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .

Cloud Foundry Deployment [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy your application artifacts to [Cloud Foundry](#). (The Cloud Foundry integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

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## Main settings









### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the run configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control.</p> <p>If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a>.</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.
Server	<p>Select the cloud access configuration to be used.</p> <p>To create a new configuration, or to edit an existing one, click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ). For more information, see <a href="#">Cloud Foundry</a>.</p>
Deployment	Select the <a href="#">application artifact</a> to be deployed. Only archive artifact formats can be used (e.g. WAR, EAR).
Use custom domain	If you want to use a custom domain, select the checkbox and specify the domain in the field. Otherwise, the default shared domain is used.
Memory	The memory (RAM) limit per one application instance. <Default> corresponds to the default quota plan.
Instances	The number of application instances to be started. If nothing is specified, one instance is assumed.

## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.















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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration in the debug mode. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running in the

debug mode, you can open the Debug tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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This dialog box is available only when the PHP and Codeception plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

Use this dialog box to create a configuration to be used for running and debugging unit tests on PHP applications using the [Codeception](#) framework.

On this page:

- [Before you start](#)
- [Test Runner area](#)
- [Command Line area](#)
- [Common options](#)




## Before you start

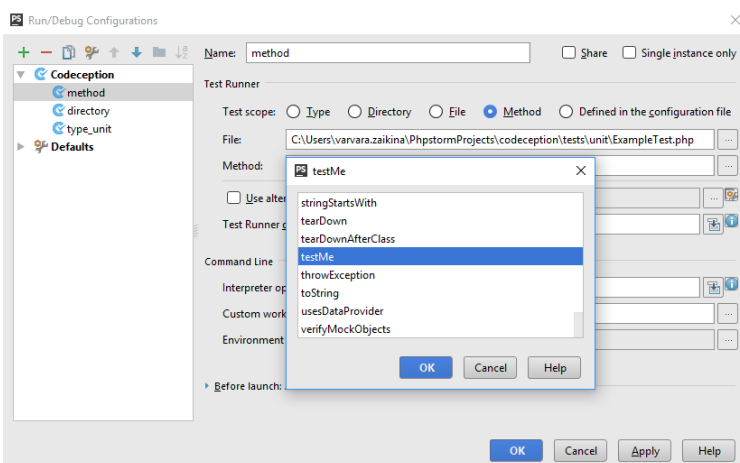
Install and configure the [Codeception](#) framework on your computer as described in [Testing with Codeception](#).

## Test Runner area

In this area, specify the tests to launch and the command line switches to be passed to [Codeception](#).


### ItemDescription

- Test scope
- In this area, specify the location of unit tests or the configuration file where they are listed.
- Type: select this option to launch the tests of a specific type. From the drop-down list, choose the type of test to run: acceptance, functional, or unit. Choose All to launch all the tests regardless of their type that are detected recursively in the folder specified as `tests` in the current configuration file.
  - Directory: select this option to have all the tests in a directory launched.
- In the Directory text box, specify the directory to search for tests in. Type the path to the directory manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test Directory dialog box, that opens.
- File: select this option to have all the tests in a specific file launched. In the File text box, specify the file with the tests to run.
  - Method: select this option to have a specific test method or function launched.
    1. In the File text box, specify the file to search for the test method or scenario in. Type the file name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the tree view, that opens.
    2. In the Method text box, specify the desired test function or method to run. Click the Browse button  and select the desired function from the list:



- Defined in the configuration file: select this option to have [Codeception](#) execute the tests from a dedicated `.ym1` configuration file.


By default, [Codeception](#) uses the configuration file appointed in the Test Runner area of the [Test Frameworks](#) page.

  - To have the default for all [Codeception](#) run configurations file used, clear the Use alternative configuration file checkbox.
  - To launch method/functions from a custom configuration file, select the Use alternative configuration file checkbox and specify the location of the desired `.ym1` file in the text box next to it.
  - To open the [Codeception](#) page and specify another default configuration file to use, click the  button.
- Test Runner options: In this text box, specify the command line options to be passed to [Codeception](#). For example, adding `-vvv -colors` as command line option results in debug verbosity of colored output messages. See [Codeception Console Commands: Run](#) for details.

## Command Line area

In this area, customize the behavior of the current PHP interpreter by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

### ItemDescription














- Interpreter options
- In this text box, specify the [options](#) to be passed to the PHP executable file. They override the default behavior of the PHP interpreter and/or ensure that additional activities are performed.
- If necessary, click  and type the desired options in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each option on a

new line. When you close the dialog box, they are all displayed in the Command line options text box with spaces as separators.

Custom working directory	In this field, specify the folder from which tests will be executed, that is, the parent folder of the tests root as it is specified in the <code>paths</code> section of <code>codeception.yml</code> . By default, the field is empty and the working directory is the root of the project.
Environment variables	In this field, specify the <b>environment variables</b> be passed to the built-in server. See <a href="#">Environment Variables in Apache</a> for details.

## Toolbar

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
		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


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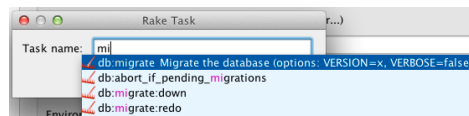
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

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


configuration in the current project.

- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
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  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.



A ColdFusion run/debug configuration enables you to deploy and run applications on the [ColdFusion](#) server.













Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

Web Path	In this text box, specify the URL address that corresponds to the server root. The server side of <a href="#">deployment mappings</a> will be specified relative to this URL.
Browser	In this drop-down list, specify the Web browser to open the application in. The list shows all the <a href="#">Web browsers configured in the IDE</a> .

## Toolbar

#### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.


## Common options

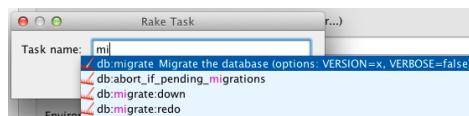
#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

#### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut





		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li></ul>
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- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
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- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<input type="checkbox"/> Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<input type="checkbox"/> Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.



**Warning!** The following is only valid when Ruby or Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create configurations containing multiple run/debug configurations that you can launch at once. This is useful, for example, if you want to launch various automated tests and get test results in one window.

Press **+** to select which of the existing configurations you want to include into the Compound configuration, and fill in the following fields:

#### ItemDescription

Name	Specify the name of the new Run/Debug Configuration.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for Cucumber features.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- Configuration tab
- Bundler tab
- Code Coverage tab
- Nailgun tab
- Logs tab

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Mode	Click one of the radio buttons to define the scope of features: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- All features in a folder : Click this radio button, if you want to run all features in a directory.</li><li>- Feature file : Click this radio button, if you want to run the specified feature only.</li></ul>
Feature folder	Specify the fully qualified path to the directory that contains the desired features, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> and select the features directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . This field is only available, when the All features in folder option is selected.
Feature file	Specify the name of the script to be executed.  This field is only available, when the Feature file option is selected.
Element name filter	IntelliJ IDEA will execute the feature elements with the names that contain matching substrings ( <code>-n, --name NAME</code> ).
Tags filter	Specify the tags to be considered on running tests ( <code>-t, --tags TAGS</code> ).
Runner options	Enter runner options.  <b>Note</b> It is important to note that step definitions that reside outside the <code>Features</code> directory, can be skipped by IntelliJ IDEA, and the tests will fail to run . Thus, if you want to make use of the step definitions located elsewhere, you have to specify the required directory with the step definition files, or individual step definition files. To do that, add <code>--r &lt;file or directory name&gt;</code> to the Runner options field.  If the path to a step definition file or directory is relative, it is relative to the Working directory defined in this run/debug configuration.
'cucumber' gem	Use this drop-down list to select the desired gem version, which will be used to run the tests. The list shows the versions that are available in the Ruby SDK. By default, the latest available version is taken.
Use custom Cucumber runner script	Select this checkbox if you want to use an alternative Cucumber runner script. You can type the fully qualified path to the Cucumber runner script in the text field, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> , and select the desired runner script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Output full backtrace	Select this check box to enable the <code>--trace</code> option.
Show the files and features loaded	Select this checkbox to enable the <code>-v, --verbose</code> option.
Use pre-loaded server	From the drop-down list, select the server to be used for executing scripts or examples.  Select None if you want to execute a test script or example locally, without any server.  <b>Tip</b> If both Zeus and Spork DRb servers are running simultaneously, it is Zeus that gets priority.  If a pre-loaded server is already running, it will be selected from the drop-down list.  Note that Cucumber features can be run under Zeus server up to version 0.13.4.pre2.  Refer to <a href="#">Executing Tests on DRb Server</a> or <a href="#">Executing Tests on Zeus Server</a> for details.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box. Formerly, the environment variable <code>RAILS_ENV</code> has been implicitly set to <code>cucumber</code> , if the user has not explicitly set any other value of this variable.  Now this setting is not used any more. If defining the environment variable <code>RAILS_ENV</code> is required, the Cucumber default run/debug configuration should be edited.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Bundler tab

### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the `gemfile` .

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

Sampling Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

Tracing Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.




Track per test coverage Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.


**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

Merge data with previous results When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.


Packages and classes to record code coverage data Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.

 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.


The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders. If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter. When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:





- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.
- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the `-ng` argument.

If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.

## Logs tab














Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

## ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
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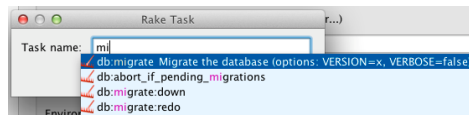
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  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
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For more information, see [Maven](#).
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  - Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#).  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.





To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the option to target the platform, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any). Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<input type="checkbox"/> Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<input type="checkbox"/> Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Cucumber run/debug configuration enables you to run features or scenarios via the `cucumber.cli.main` class.

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.


The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)


## Configuration tab


### ItemDescription

**Main class** In this text box, specify the fully qualified name of the class with the `main()` method. This class is taken from the jar archive attached when [enabling Cucumber support](#) in project.  
By default, the main class name is `cucumber.cli.Main` .

Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Main Class dialog box, where you can find the desired class by name or search through the project.

**Glue** In this text field, specify the name of the package, where [step definitions](#) are stored.


**Feature or folder path** Specify here the fully qualified path to the directory that contains the desired features, or click  and select the features directory in the dialog that opens.



**VM options** In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as `-mx` , `-verbose` , etc.  
If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:


- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"` .

The `-classpath` option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.

**Program arguments** In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line.  
If necessary, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box.  
Use the same rules as for specifying the [VM options](#) .

**Working directory** In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running application. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .  
Click this  icon to view the list of available [path variables](#) that you can use as a path to your working directory.

**Note** The list of the path variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.

**Environment variables** Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.  
Note that you can copy-paste the contents of the Environment variables field without having to open the Environment Variables dialog box.

**Use classpath of module** Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the application.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner.  
By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.




**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.


**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .


Merge data with previous results When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View, taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.


 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with +; the ones to be excluded are marked with -.

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt`. Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py`.

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

Log File Entry The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:


- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.


Skip Content Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.


Save console output to file Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#).


Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.

Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.

 Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.

 Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#).



 Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.



 Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.


## Toolbar




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 Edit defaults Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.

  or  Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations

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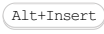
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.


## Common options

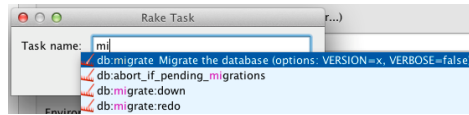
### ItemDescription

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Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut









	 Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li><li>– Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>gulp</code> package.</li></ul>
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- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

In this dialog box, create configurations for running and debugging JavaScript unit tests using the `Cucumber.js` test runner .


## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Cucumber.js dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#) .
3. Using the [Node Package Manager](#) , install the [Cucumber.js](#) as described in [Cucumber.js](#) .
4. Install and enable the [Cucumber.js](#) and [Gherkin](#) plugins. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

## Cucumber.js-specific configuration settings














**Tip** If you create a run/debug configuration from the editor by choosing Create Scenario:<Scenario\_name> on the context menu of the scenario to run, IntelliJ IDEA fill in the name of the scenario in the Name Filter text box automatically.

### ItemDescription

Feature file or directory	In this text box, specify the tests to run.  <b>Tip</b> Cucumber.js runs tests that are called <a href="#">features</a> and are written in the <a href="#">Gherkin</a> language. Each <a href="#">feature</a> is described in a separate file with the extension <code>feature</code> .  Type the path to a specific <code>.feature</code> file or to a folder, if you want to run a bunch of features.
Cucumber.js arguments	In this text box, specify the command line arguments to be passed to the executable file, such as <code>-r ( --require LIBRARY DIR ) , -t ( --tags TAG_EXPRESSION ) , or --coffee</code> . For details, see native built-in help available through the <code>cucumber-js --help</code> command.
Name Filter	In this text box, optionally type the name of a specific scenario to run instead of all the scenarios from the feature file or directory.
Executable path	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>cucumber-js.cmd</code> , <code>cucumber-js.bat</code> , or other depending on your operating system. The location depends on the installation mode. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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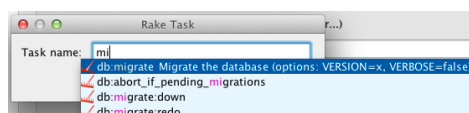
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




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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning:** Before you start, install and activate the Dart repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).


In this dialog box, create a configuration for running and debugging Dart code executed by [Dart VM](#).

On this page:

- [Dart Command Line Application-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)














## Dart Command Line Application-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

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Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Dart file	In this text box, specify the Dart file to start the application from. The file must contain a <code>main()</code> method.
VM options	In this text box, specify the <a href="#">options to launch the Dart Virtual Machine with</a> .
Program arguments	In this field, optionally type the arguments to start the application with.
Working Directory	By default, the field is empty and the Dart package root is used as the working directory.
Environment Variables	In this field, optionally specify the environment variables for your Dart application. Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values. You can also copy and paste the contents of the field without opening the Environment Variables dialog box.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
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	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
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Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.

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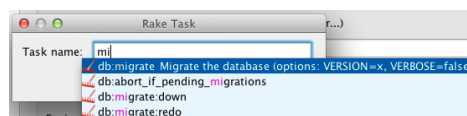
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If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

**ItemKeyboardDescription  
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  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.











To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and

command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning:** Before you start, install and activate the Dart repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

In this dialog box, create configurations to debug Dart applications on a remote [Dart VM](#).

On this page:

- [Dart Remote Debug-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)









## Dart Remote Debug-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Host	specify the address of the computer where the Dart Virtual Machine is running, the default value is <code>localhost</code> .
Port	In this field, specify the port for the debugger to communicate with the remote DartVM. The specified port is shown in the Use the command line arguments when starting the remote VM read-only field. Note that a remote application must be started exactly with these arguments.
Search Sources in	choose the Dart project to debug if your IntelliJ IDEA project contains <a href="#">several Dart projects</a> configured as content roots. See <a href="#">Adding a Dart project (package) to an IntelliJ IDEA project</a> .
Use these command line arguments when starting the remote VM	This read-only field shows the port specified in the Port field. Copy the contents of the Command line arguments for the remote Dart VM field. You will later pass them to the one who will launch the application on a remote host.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
	<code>Alt+Delete</code>	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
	<code>Ctrl+D</code>	Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	<code>Alt+Up</code> or <code>Alt+Down</code>	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
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## Common options




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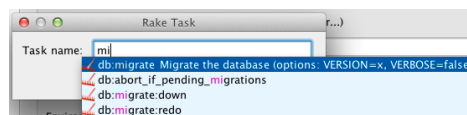
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
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


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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

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-   Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
-   Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
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Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown

prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

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Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning:** Before you start, install and activate the Dart repository plugin on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

In this dialog box, create configurations for running and debugging Dart tests that are written using the [dart test package](#). You can run tests on any [target platform](#), debugging is supported only for VM tests.


On this page:

- [Dart Test-specific configuration settings](#)
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## Dart Test-specific configuration settings













**Tip** If All in Folder is chosen, the test runner looks for tests only in the files with the names in the format `*_test.dart`.

### ItemDescription

Test Mode	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the scope of tests to run. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All in File: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA run all the tests in a file.</li><li>– All in Folder: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA run all the tests from the files in a folder.</li><li>– Group or test by name: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA run a specific <a href="#">test</a> or a <a href="#">group</a> of tests.</li></ul> <p>Depending on the chosen test scope, specify the path to the test file, test folder, or the name of the test or test group.</p>
Test runner options	<p>In this area, specify additional <a href="#">test runner command-line options</a>. For example, to run tests in Chrome, type <code>-p Chrome</code>, see <a href="#">Restricting Tests to Certain Platforms</a> for details.</p>
Environment Variables	<p>In this field, optionally specify the environment variables for your Dart application. Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values. You can also copy and paste the contents of the field without opening the Environment Variables dialog box.</p>

## Toolbar

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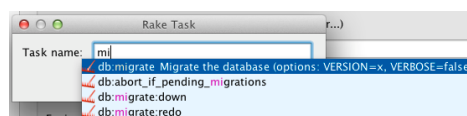
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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



Alt+Delete

Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.



Enter

Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.





Alt+Up

Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.

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Alt+Down

Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.

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Show this page

Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

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Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create run/debug configuration for Django server .

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Python, make sure that Python plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Python SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Python](#)
- [Django](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Host	In this text box, specify the host name to be used.
Port	In this text box, specify the port number where the server will start.
Additional options	In this text box, specify the options of the <code>django-admin.py</code> utility. Refer to the <code>django-admin.py</code> and <code>manage.py</code> <a href="#">documentation</a> for details.
Run browser	Select this check box, if you want your Django application to open in the default browser. In the text field below, enter the IP address where your application will be opened.
Test server	If this checkbox is selected, a Django development server is launched with the test database.  If this checkbox is not selected, the development server will be used.
No reload	If this checkbox is selected, the <code>--noreload</code> option of the <code>runserver</code> command becomes enabled. If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will not select it automatically, which means that debugging in autoreload mode is possible. Refer to the <a href="#">option description</a> for details.  This field is only available when the Test server checkbox is cleared.
Custom run command	Specify here the custom command you want to register with <code>manage.py</code> utility. Such command, being properly added to your project, becomes available via the <a href="#">Run manage.py task</a> command on the Tools menu.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Writing custom django-admin commands</a> for details.
Project	Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, <a href="#">opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window</a> , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.
Environment variable	This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.  To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.  To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.  By default, the variable <code>PYTHONUNBUFFERED</code> is set to 1.
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>⌨</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	Specify a directory to be used by the running task. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code> , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>– When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .  Click the browse button <code>⌨</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code> / <code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.

Add content roots to PYTHONPATH Select this check box to add all [content roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

Add source roots to PYTHONPATH Select this check box to add all [source roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

Docker container settings **Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click  to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed though this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its `name` or `id`.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

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## Logs tab





Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).









### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.


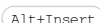
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
		Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
		<p>Move into new folder / Create new folder</p> <p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
		Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


### ItemDescription

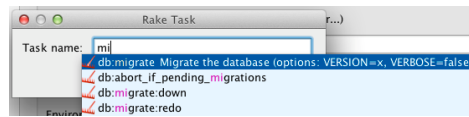
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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






to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for Django tests .

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Python, make sure that Python plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Python SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Python](#)
- [Django](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

**Target** Specify the target to be executed. If the field is left empty, it means that all the tests in all the applications specified in `INSTALLED_APPS` will be executed.

- If you want to run tests in a certain application, specify the application name.
- To run a specific test case, specify its name after the application name, delimited with a dot.
- To run a single test method within a test case, add the test method name after dot.

Same rules apply to the doctests contained in the test targets. The test label is used as the path to the test method or class to be executed. If there is function with a doctest, or a class with a class-level doctest, you can invoke that test by appending the name of the test method or class to the label.

**Custom settings** If this checkbox is selected, Django test will run with the specified custom settings, rather than with the default ones. Specify the fully qualified name of the file that contains Django settings. You can either type it manually, in the text field to the right, or click the browse button, and select one in the [dialog box that opens](#) .

If this checkbox is not selected, Django test will run with the default settings, defined in the Settings field of the Django page. The text field is disabled.

**Options** If this checkbox is selected, it is possible to specify parameters to be passed to the Django tests. Type the list of parameters in the text field to the right, prepending parameters with '-' and using spaces as delimiters. For example:

```
--noinput --failfast
```

If this checkbox is not selected, the text field is disabled.

### Environment

**Project** Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, [opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window](#) , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.

**Environment variable** This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.

To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press `Shift+Enter` and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.

To create a new variable, click `+` , and type the desired name and value.




### Python Interpreter

**Interpreter options** In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click `⌘` , and type the string in the editor.

**Working directory** Specify a directory to be used by the running task.

- When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+F10` , or by choosing `Run` on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.
- When this field is left blank, the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.

Path mappings This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .

Click the browse button  to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use  /  buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.

Add content roots to PYTHONPATH Select this check box to add all [content roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

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Docker container settings **Warning:** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note:** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net` , `--link` , etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#) .

Click  to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"` , which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net` .
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id .

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all` .
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

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## Logs tab














Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

## ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


### ItemDescription

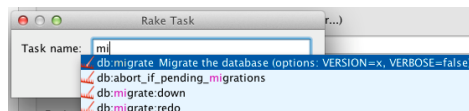
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li></ul>
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








- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Docker [run configurations](#) enable you to integrate [Docker](#) into your development process. Settings depend on the type of the Docker run configuration relevant to your needs. Some settings are common, while others are specific in each case.

**Note** Make sure that the Docker integration [plugin](#) is installed.

For more information, see [Running Docker images](#) .


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## Common settings

The following settings are available for any type of Docker run configuration:

### ItemDescription

Name	Specify the name of the run configuration.
Share	Select to share the run configuration through version control.  If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.  If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.  For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .
Single instance only	Select to run only one instance of the run configuration at a time.
Server	Select the Docker server configuration to be used.  To create a new configuration or edit an existing one, click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ). For more information, see <a href="#">Docker</a> .

## Docker Image run configuration settings

The following settings are available for the *Docker Image* run configuration:

### ItemDescription

Image ID	Specify the ID of the image to run.
Container name	Specify an optional name for the container. If empty, Docker will generate a random name for the container.
Entrypoint	<a href="#">Override the default ENTRYPOINT set by the image</a> . Similar to using the <code>--entrypoint</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Command	<a href="#">Override the default CMD set by the image</a> . Similar to specifying the optional <code>COMMAND</code> argument after <code>docker run</code> .
Publish exposed ports to the host interfaces	Select All to expose all container ports to the host or select Specify to specify which container ports to bind.
Bind ports	Specify the list of <a href="#">port bindings</a> . Similar to using the <code>-p</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Bind mounts	Specify the list of <a href="#">volume bindings</a> . Similar to using the <code>-v</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Environment variables	Specify the list of <a href="#">environment variables</a> . Similar to using the <code>-e</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Command line options	Specify arbitrary options for the <code>docker run</code> command.  <b>Note</b> Not all <code>docker run</code> options are supported. If you would like to request support for some option, leave a comment in <a href="#">IDEA-161088</a> .
Command preview	Preview the resulting command that will be used to execute the run configuration.

## Docker-compose run configuration settings

The following settings are available for the *Docker-compose* run configuration:

### ItemDescription

Compose file	Specify the <a href="#">Docker Compose</a> file to use for this run configuration.
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## Dockerfile run configuration settings

The following settings are available for the *Dockerfile* run configuration:


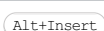

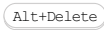




#### ItemDescription

Dockerfile	Specify the <a href="#">Dockerfile</a> to be used for this run configuration.
Image tag	Specify the name and tag for the built image. Similar to using the <code>-t</code> option with <code>docker build</code> .
Build args	<a href="#">Override the default build-time variables</a> . Similar to using the <code>--build-arg</code> option with <code>docker build</code> .
Run built image	Select to run a container based on the built image.
Container name	Specify an optional name for the container. If empty, Docker will generate a random name for the container.
Entrypoint	<a href="#">Override the default ENTRYPOINT set by the image</a> . Similar to using the <code>--entrypoint</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Command	<a href="#">Override the default CMD set by the image</a> . Similar to specifying the optional <code>COMMAND</code> argument after <code>docker run</code> .
Publish exposed ports to the host interfaces	Select All to expose all container ports to the host or select Specify to specify which container ports to bind.
Bind ports	Specify the list of <a href="#">port bindings</a> . Similar to using the <code>-p</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Bind mounts	Specify the list of <a href="#">volume bindings</a> . Similar to using the <code>-v</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Environment variables	Specify the list of <a href="#">environment variables</a> . Similar to using the <code>-e</code> option with <code>docker run</code> .
Command line options	Specify arbitrary options for the <code>docker run</code> command. <b>Note</b> Not all <code>docker run</code> options are supported. If you would like to request support for some option, leave a comment in <a href="#">IDEA-181088</a> .
Command preview	Preview the resulting command that will be used to execute the run configuration.

## Before launch


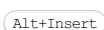











Specify tasks to perform before starting the run configuration.


#### ItemShortcutDescription

		Add a task to the list, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li><li>– Run Another Configuration Execute another run configuration.</li><li>– Build Artifacts For more information, see <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a></li><li>– Run Ant target For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li><li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a>.</li><li>– Run Maven Goal For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a>.</li></ul>
		Remove the selected task from the list.
		Edit the selected task.
		Move the selected task one line up or down in the list, changing the order for performing the tasks.
Show this page		Select to show the run configuration settings before starting it.
Activate tool window		Select to open the <a href="#">Docker tool window</a> before starting the run configuration.

## Toolbar

#### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.  Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.

To remove grouping, select a folder and click .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create configurations to use for debugging applications locally in Firefox, versions 36 and higher. Note that remote debugging in Firefox is currently not supported at all.

On this page:

- [Firefox Remote-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)














## Firefox Remote-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Host	In this text box, specify the host where the application is running. Currently it is just <code>localhost</code> .
Port	In this spin box, specify the port the debugger will listen to. It must be the port that you specified when enabling debugging in <a href="#">Firefox</a> , see <a href="#">Debugging JavaScript in Chrome</a> . The default value is 6000.

## Toolbar



### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.


## Common options

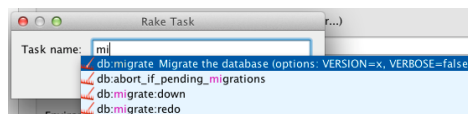
### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.  <b>ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut</b>

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application</li></ul>
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or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	Alt+Delete	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	Enter	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	Alt+Up	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	Alt+Down	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Use this dialog to create or edit Flash App [run/debug configurations](#) which let you run and debug your ActionScript and Flex applications.

Note that this run/debug configuration type is not available for [build configurations](#) whose output is a RLM or Library.

Also note that the settings depend on the target platform specified in the associated build configuration (Web, Desktop (AIR) or Mobile (AIR Mobile)).

- [Name, Share and Single instance only](#)
- [Build configuration and Override main class](#)
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- [Settings specific to Desktop-targeted applications \(AIR\)](#)
- [Settings specific to Mobile device-targeted applications \(AIR Mobile\)](#)
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## Name, Share and Single instance only

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control.</p> <p>If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.

## Build configuration and Override main class

### ItemDescription

Build configuration	Select the build configuration to be used.
Override main class	<p>Normally, the main application class is defined in the build configuration. If you want a different class to be used as the main application class, select this option and specify the class.</p> <p>Use <code>[...]</code> ( <code>( Shift+Enter )</code> ) to select the necessary class in the Select Main Class dialog.</p> <p>Optionally, change the application output file name suggested by IntelliJ IDEA in the Output file name field.</p>

## Settings specific to Web-targeted applications

### ItemDescription

What to Launch	<p>Select one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Build output. Use this option to run the generated SWF file using the associated HTML wrapper.</li><li>- URL or local file. Use this option to open a specified URL in a Web browser, or to run a specified local <code>.swf</code> file (either directly or using the corresponding <code>.html</code> wrapper). Type the desired URL in the field. Generally, this is going to be something like <code>http(s)://&lt;host&gt;:&lt;port&gt;/&lt;context-root&gt;</code> .</li></ul> <p>In the case of a local file, you can use <code>[...]</code> and select the necessary <code>.swf</code> or <code>.html</code> file in the dialog that opens.</p>
Launch with	<p>Specify the program to be used for running your application. You can use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The system default application, that is, the program associated with the target file type (HTML or SWF) in the operating system. Usually, this is a Web browser. For SWF files, this may also be a stand-alone Flash player.</li><li>- A Web browser.</li><li>- A Flash player.</li></ul> <p>To select the required program, click <code>[...]</code> to the right of the Launch with field, and then specify the program in the Launch With dialog:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To select the system default application, just click System default application .</li><li>- To select the browser, click Browser and select the required browser from the list. Additionally, you can access the <a href="#">Web Browsers dialog</a> to adjust Web browser settings. To open this dialog, use <code>[...]</code> next to the list.</li><li>- To select the Flash player, click Flash Player and then click <code>[...]</code> next to the Flash Player field. Then, specify the location of the required Flash player in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- New instance (available only on macOS). Select the checkbox if you want a new instance of Flash Player to be started. Otherwise, if Flash Player is already running, a new window for the running instance will open.</li></ul></li></ul>
Use debugger from SDK	<p>Specify the Flex SDK that contains the debugger that should be used. (If you are using a Flex SDK 3 for compilation, a Flex SDK 4 is recommended for debugging.)</p> <p>If the corresponding SDK is already defined in IntelliJ IDEA, select the SDK from the list. Otherwise, click <code>[...]</code> (</p>

`Shift+Enter` ) and add a definition of the necessary SDK in the Configure SDK dialog that opens.

Place SWF file in a local-trusted sandbox If the [Build output option](#) is selected: select this checkbox if you want to register your application SWF file as trusted. Trusted SWF files can interact with any other SWF files. They can load data from anywhere, remote or local.

Technically, trusted SWF files are assigned to the [local-trusted sandbox](#) .

## Settings specific to Desktop-targeted applications (AIR)

### ItemDescription

**AIR Debug Launcher options** If necessary, specify the [AIR Debug Launcher](#) options. Use the same rules as for specifying the [program parameters](#) .

**Program parameters** Specify the parameters to be passed to the application.

- Use spaces to separate individual parameters.
- If a parameter includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" Or "some arg"` .
- If a parameter includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"` .

## Settings specific to Mobile device-targeted applications (AIR Mobile)

### ItemDescription

**Run on** Specify whether you want to use an emulator or a real Android or iOS device to run or debug your application:

- **Emulator.** Select this option to use a built-in emulator. Select the intended target device from the list. The figures shown to the right of the list are the screen characteristics of the selected target device and are just for your information.
- **Screen** is the screen size available to your application.
- **Full** is the full screen size of the device.
- **ppi** (pixels per inch) is the screen pixel density.

If the necessary device is not present in the list, you can select **Other** and specify the desired screen parameters in the corresponding fields.

– **Android device.** Select this option to run or debug your application using an Android mobile device.

**Note** – To be able to use an Android device for running or debugging your application, packaging your application for Android must be enabled in the associated build configuration (the [Enabled option](#) on the Android tab).

– Running or debugging an application using an Android device, normally, assumes installing the application package on the target device. For this operation to succeed, the mobile device must be connected to your computer using USB.

– **iOS Simulator.** (This option is available only on Mac computers.) Select this option to run or debug your application using an iOS device simulator. In the SDK field, specify the path to the Apple iOS SDK to be used. (The simulator is included in an Apple iOS SDK.)

You can click `...` (`Shift+Enter` ) and select the SDK installation folder in the [dialog that opens](#) .

**Note** To be able to use an iOS simulator for running or debugging your application, packaging your application for iOS must be enabled in the associated build configuration (the [Enabled option](#) on the iOS tab).

– **iOS device.** Select this option to run or debug your application using an iOS mobile device. If necessary, enable fast application packaging. (If fast packaging is enabled, the ActionScript bytecode is interpreted and not translated to machine code. As a result, packaging is performed faster but code execution is slower.)

**Note** – To be able to use an iOS device for running or debugging your application, packaging your application for iOS must be enabled in the associated build configuration (the [Enabled option](#) on the iOS tab).

– Running or debugging an application using an iOS device, normally, assumes installing the application package on the target device. For this operation to succeed, the mobile device must be connected to your computer using USB.

– If you are using the AIR SDK version 3.4 or later, the application package will be installed on the target device automatically. For earlier SDK versions, you'll have to initiate the installation manually.

**Debug on device over** For an Android or iOS device: specify how the device will communicate with your computer after the application has been installed and started:

– **Network.** Select this option if the device is going to communicate with your computer over the network.

**Note** Installing the application package on a device requires a USB connection.

– **USB.** Select this option if the device will be connected to your computer using USB. If necessary, change the port suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.

**ADL options (emulator)** For the emulator: if necessary, specify the [AIR Debug Launcher](#) (ADL) options. Use the same rules as for specifying the [program parameters](#) .

**App descriptor (emulator)** For the emulator: specify the application descriptor to be used. The available options refer to the descriptor-related settings in the associated build configuration.

– as set for Android means the corresponding settings on the Android tab.

– as set for iOS refers to the settings on the iOS tab.

Depending on the settings in the build configuration, the following cases are possible:

– as set for Android: <Android support is not enabled>. Generating the descriptor for Android is disabled. Use the [Enabled](#) checkbox on the Android tab if you want to enable the corresponding option.

– as set for Android: generated. An auto-generated descriptor will be used. If you want a template-based descriptor to be used instead, select the [Custom template option](#) and specify the template.

– as set for Android: <file\_name>.xml. The corresponding custom template will be used to generate the descriptor. The `<file_name>` in this case is the name of the template file that will be used.













The corresponding cases are also possible for the as set for iOS option.

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







Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li><li>– Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li></ul>
		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<input type="checkbox"/>		Select this checkbox to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to create a new run/debug configuration.
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	Click this button to edit the default settings for run/debug configurations.
 	Use these buttons to move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.

Use this dialog to create or edit Flash Remote Debug [run/debug configurations](#) which let you debug applications (SWF files) that have already been compiled and, if necessary, packaged, and are ready to be run on a local or remote computer, or a mobile device.

- [Main settings](#)
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See also, [Using Flash Remote Debug configurations](#) .

## Main settings











### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration.
Share	Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control. If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.  If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.  See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.
Build configuration	Select the <a href="#">build configuration</a> to be used. Note that only the following build configuration properties are relevant in the context of this run/debug configuration type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Flex SDK. The debugger included in the corresponding SDK is used.</li><li>- Dependencies. In addition to the module sources, the source files are also searched for among the build configuration dependencies for which source code is available.</li></ul>

## Before Launch options







Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.

### ItemShortcutDescription

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		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
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Show this page		Select this checkbox to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

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 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.



Click this button to edit the default settings for run/debug configurations.

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Use these buttons to move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list.  
The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.







Use this dialog to create or edit [FlexUnit run/debug configurations](#) which let you run or debug your FlexUnit tests.

Note that this run/debug configuration type cannot be used for running or debugging the tests on mobile devices. To run or debug the tests intended for mobile devices, you should use a built-in device emulator.

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## Main settings


### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control.</p> <p>If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.
Build configuration	<p>Select the <a href="#">build configuration</a> to be used.</p> <p>Note that the corresponding build configuration should have a core FlexUnit library among its dependencies, see <a href="#">Testing ActionScript and Flex Applications</a> .</p>
Test	<p>Select the test scope and specify the associated settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- All in Package. Select this option to run all tests in a certain package. Specify the qualified package name in the Package and Method fields respectively. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the desired package in the Choose Package and the Choose Test Method dialogs.</li><li>- To run all tests in all the packages of a module, leave the Package field empty.</li><li>- Class or suite. Select this option to run a test class or suite. Specify the fully qualified name of the test class in the Class and Method fields respectively. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the desired class in the Choose Test Class and the Choose Test Method dialogs.</li><li>- To run all tests in all the packages of a module, leave the Package field empty.</li><li>- Method. Select this option to run a test method. Specify the fully qualified name of the test class and the method name in the Class and Method fields respectively. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the desired class and method in the Choose Test Class and the Choose Test Method dialogs.</li></ul>
Show test log output	<p>If you want the test log to be output, select this checkbox and select the logging level from the list.</p> <p>Note that a standard logger from the <a href="#">mx.logging package</a> will be used.</p>
Launch with	<p>For Web build configurations: specify the program to be used for running your test. You can use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The system default application, that is, the program associated with the target file type (HTML or SWF) in the operating system. Usually, this is a Web browser. For SWF files, this may also be a stand-alone Flash player.</li><li>- A Web browser.</li><li>- A Flash player.</li></ul> <p>To select the required program, click  to the right of the Launch with field, and then specify the program in the Launch With dialog:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To select the system default application, just click System default application .</li><li>- To select the browser, click Browser and select the required browser from the list. Additionally, you can access the <a href="#">Web Browsers dialog</a> to adjust Web browser settings. To open this dialog, use  next to the list.</li><li>- To select the Flash player, click Flash Player and then click  next to the Flash Player field. Then, specify the location of the required Flash player in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li></ul>
Place SWF file in a local-trusted sandbox	<p>For Web build configurations: select this checkbox if you want to register your test SWF file as trusted.</p> <p>Trusted SWF files can interact with any other SWF files. They can load data from anywhere, remote or local.</p> <p>Technically, trusted SWF files are assigned to the <a href="#">local-trusted sandbox</a> .</p>

## Before Launch options









Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.

### ItemShortcutDescription

- +  Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
  - Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run.










If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this checkbox to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

## Toolbar

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	Click this button to edit the default settings for run/debug configurations.
 	Use these buttons to move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for executing a custom Ruby gem .

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Gem name	In this field, type the name of the gem whose executable script will be run.  Note that <a href="#">basic code completion</a> is available in this field:  Press <code>Ctrl+Space</code> to show the available gems.
Executable name	In this field, type the name of the script to run.  Note that <a href="#">basic code completion</a> is available in this field:  Press <code>Ctrl+Space</code> to show the available gem executables.
Arguments	In this field, type the command line arguments of the script.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Bundler tab






### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.




### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.  <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.  <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered <i>covered</i> if it is covered at least once.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type

the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.

The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.
	Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab





### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one	<p>This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter.</p> <p>When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>ng</code> argument.</li></ul> <p>If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.</p>
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## Logs tab


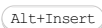


Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .









### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	<p>The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> <p>If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</p>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.



		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription


Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

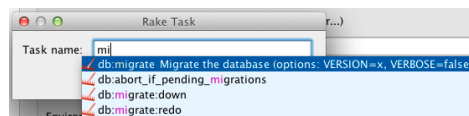
### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass</li> </ul>
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


to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration . For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Geronimo Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [Apache Geronimo](#). (The Geronimo Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

See the server documentation to find out which JRE version is compatible with the version of Geronimo that you are using.

Also note that Geronimo needs the `JAVA_HOME` or the `JRE_HOME` environment variable to be set.

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#).




## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  (Shift+Enter) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" OR "some arg"</code>.</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="quoted_value"</code>.</li> </ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <code>Ctrl+F10</code> in the Run or Debug tool window). The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li> <li>– Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.</li> </ul>

- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

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Show dialog      Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the [Update application](#) function. The Update dialog is used to select the [update option](#) prior to actually updating the application.

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On frame deactivation      Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.)  
The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the [Update action](#) .

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Username      Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.

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Password      The password of the user specified in the [Username field](#) .

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## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server      Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.)  
Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The [Application Servers dialog](#) will open.)

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After launch      Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( [Shift+Enter](#) ) to configure your web browsers.


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With JavaScript debugger      If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled.  
Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.

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The field underneath After launch      Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.

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On 'Update' action      Select the necessary option for the [Update application](#) function ( or [Ctrl+F10](#) in the Run or Debug tool window).  
The options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

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Show dialog      Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the [Update application](#) function. The Update dialog is used to select the [update option](#) prior to actually updating the application.

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On frame deactivation      Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.)  
The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the [Update action](#) .

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JMX Port      The server JMX port.

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Username      Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.

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Password      The password of the user specified in the [Username field](#) .

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Host      The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the server host.


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Port      The server HTTP port.



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## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)


To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use  . For more information, see the table below.



### ItemDescription

 or       Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list.

- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.
- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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 or      Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The [Artifacts page](#) of the [Project Structure dialog](#) will open.)

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription




Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.







Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.  To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration






### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.
 Debug /	
 Coverage	
Startup script	Specify the script to be used to start the server. Use default: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.</li> <li>–  in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field (readonly).</li> <li>– Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li> <li>– To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" or "some arg"` .
- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .

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Shutdown script	<p>Specify the script to be used to stop the server.</p> <p>Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.</li></ul> <p> in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script:</li><li>- To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li><li>- To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li></ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li><li>- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Pass environment variables	<p>To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To add a variable, click  and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.</li><li>- To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click  .</li></ul>
Port	Use this field to change the debugger port.
Debugger Settings	Click this button to edit the debugger options on the <a href="#">Debugger page</a> of the <a href="#">Settings dialog</a> .



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## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.

### ItemDescription

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 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM...	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>



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## Before Launch options




Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

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	<p> Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>- Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li><li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li><li>- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li><li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li></ul>
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	Alt+Delete	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	Enter	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	Alt+Up / Alt+Down	Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Alt+Insert	Create a run/debug configuration.
	Alt+Delete	Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
	Ctrl+D	Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
	Alt+Up / Alt+Down	Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		<p>You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.</p> <p>Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.</p> <p>To remove grouping, select a folder and click .</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .</p>

GlassFish Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [GlassFish Server](#). (The GlassFish Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#).

## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription


**Name** Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration.  
This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.  
If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate `.xml` file in the `.idea\runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea\workspace.xml` file otherwise.  
  
If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.  
  
This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration


### ItemDescription

**Application server** Select the server configuration to be used.  
Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The [Application Servers dialog](#) will open.)

**After launch** Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts.  
Select the browser from the list. Click  ( `Shift+Enter` ) to configure your web browsers.


**With JavaScript debugger** If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled.  
Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.

**The field underneath After launch** Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.

**VM options** If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start.  
If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m`.
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"`.
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"`.

**On 'Update' action** Select the necessary option for the [Update application](#) function ( or `Ctrl+F10`) in the Run or Debug tool window.  
The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.

For exploded artifacts, the available options are:

- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).
- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled.  
In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

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Show dialog      Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the [Update application](#) function. The Update dialog is used to select the [update option](#) prior to actually updating the application.

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On frame deactivation      Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the [Update action](#) .

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JRE      By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.

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Server Domain      Select the server domain to be used (to deploy and run your application).

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Username      Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.

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Password      The password of the user specified in the [Username field](#) .

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Preserve Sessions Across Redeployment      For GlassFish Server 3 or later versions: select this checkbox to preserve active HTTP sessions when redeploying your application artifacts.


## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

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Application server      Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The [Application Servers dialog](#) will open.)

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After launch      Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( [Shift+Enter](#) ) to configure your web browsers.


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With JavaScript debugger      If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.

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The field underneath After launch      Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.

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On 'Update' action      Select the necessary option for the [Update application](#) function ( or [Ctrl+F10](#)) in the Run or Debug tool window. The options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

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Show dialog      Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the [Update application](#) function. The Update dialog is used to select the [update option](#) prior to actually updating the application.

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On frame deactivation      Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the [Update action](#) .

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Domain Admin Server Port      GlassFish domain administration server port.

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Username      Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.

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Password      The password of the user specified in the [Username field](#) .

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Deploy Target      Specify the following information for the target server:

- Domain. Select this option if the server operates in the domain mode. Virtual server. To deploy onto a particular virtual server in the target domain, specify the name of the virtual server. Otherwise, the artifacts are deployed onto all the virtual servers in the domain.
- Cluster. Select this option if the server operates in the cluster mode. Cluster Name. Specify the name of the target cluster.

Domain Admin Server Host. Specify the fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the domain administration server host.



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Use SSL connection      Select this checkbox to connect to the server using SSL.

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Preserve Sessions Across Redeployment      For GlassFish Server 3 or later versions: select this checkbox to preserve active HTTP sessions when redeploying your application artifacts.



Upload with GlassFish	Select this checkbox to deploy the application artifacts using the GlassFish Admin Console. Note that in this case you won't be able to deploy exploded artifacts to a remote server (i.e. if the server is actually on a different computer). If you use this option, you don't need to specify the remote staging settings.
Remote staging	This section contains the settings related to <a href="#">staging</a> . An <a href="#">example</a> of remote staging settings for a mounted folder is provided after this table.
Type	Select the way the staging environment or host is accessed for transferring the application artifact or artifacts from your local computer. (In the user interface of IntelliJ IDEA this setting is also referred to as the <a href="#">connection type</a> .) The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Same file system. Select this option if the target server is installed on your local computer. The artifacts in this case are deployed locally and, thus, don't need to be transferred to a remote host.</li> <li>– ftp. The <a href="#">File Transfer Protocol</a> or <a href="#">Secure FTP</a> is used.</li> <li>– Local or mounted folder. The staging environment is a local folder or is accessed as a <a href="#">mounted folder</a> .</li> </ul> <p>If the list is empty, you have to <a href="#">enable the Remote Hosts Access plugin</a> which supports the corresponding functionality.</p>
Host	If Same file system is selected for Type , the only available option for Host is also Same file system . In all other cases, the list contains the existing configurations of the selected <a href="#">type</a> . So each configuration corresponds to an individual (S)FTP connection, or a local or mounted folder.  Select an existing configuration or create a new one.  To create a new configuration: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click  to the right of the list.</li> <li>2. In the <a href="#">Deployment dialog</a> , click <a href="#">+</a> .</li> <li>3. In the Add Server dialog, specify the configuration name, select the type, and click OK .</li> <li>4. On the <a href="#">Connection tab</a> , specify the settings in the Upload/download project files section. The rest of the settings don't matter.</li> <li>5. Click OK in the Deployment dialog.</li> </ol>
Staging	When deploying to the remote host, the application artifact or artifacts are placed into a staging folder which should be accessible to GlassFish Server. The settings in this section define the location of this staging folder. Note that if Same file system is selected for Type and Host , no settings in this section need to be specified.
Path from root	The path to the staging folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.
Mapped as	The absolute path to the staging folder in the local file system of the remote host.
Remote connection settings	The settings for accessing deployed applications.
Host	The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the GlassFish Server host. When the target server operates in the cluster mode, this is the host of the GlassFish Server instance which the debugger should connect to.
Port	The server HTTP port, or, for a cluster, the HTTP port of the corresponding GlassFish Server instance.

## An example of remote staging settings for a mounted folder

Assuming that:

- `C:\shared` is a shared folder on the remote host which is mounted to the local computer as the drive `X:` .
- The folder that you are going to use for staging is `C:\shared\staging` .

Here are the corresponding remote staging settings:


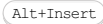
- Type: Local or mounted folder.
- Host: The configuration should be selected in which the value in the Folder field is `X:\` (the Upload/download project files section on the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog).
- Staging/Path from root: `staging`
- Staging/Mapped as: `C:\shared\staging`


## Deployment tab


Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)


To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use [+](#) . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.

### ItemDescription

-  or  Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list.
- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.
- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#) .

 or Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.

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 or **F4** Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The [Artifacts page](#) of the [Project Structure dialog](#) will open.)

**Use custom context root** If you want to assign a particular [context root](#) to an artifact or external resource, select the artifact or the resource, select the checkbox and specify the desired context root in the field underneath the checkbox.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription




Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.  To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription


 **Run /** Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.

 **Debug /**



 **Coverage**

**Startup script** Specify the script to be used to start the server.  
Use default:




– If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.

 in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field

(readonly).


- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script:
  - To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the [dialog that opens](#) .
  - To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.  
When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:
    - Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" Or "some arg"` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"` .

Shutdown script Specify the script to be used to stop the server.  
Use default:

- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.  
 in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).
- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script:
  - To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the [dialog that opens](#) .
  - To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.  
When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:
    - Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" Or "some arg"` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"` .

Pass environment variables The way GlassFish Server is started cannot be changed by using environment variables. The server configuration file `domain.xml` should be changed instead. So, whatever you specify in this section, doesn't matter.  
To make the necessary changes to the configuration file, IntelliJ IDEA provides quick fixes. When you see a warning in the lower part of the dialog that certain settings are incorrect, you should click Fix . As a result, the necessary changes are made to `domain.xml` .

#### Example

When you select  Debug in the upper part of the tab, you see that there is a variable `JAVA_OPTS` with the value

```
-agentlib:jdwp=transport=dt_socket,address=127.0.0.1:9009,suspend=y,server=n
```

As stated before, the corresponding setting cannot be passed to the GlassFish Server JVM by means of `JAVA_OPTS` .

In the configuration file `<domain_name>/config/domain.xml` , by default, the corresponding value (the `debug-options` attribute of the `<java-config>` element) is

```
-agentlib:jdwp=transport=dt_socket,address=9009,server=y,suspend=n
```

So, in the lower part of the dialog, you see the warning *Debug settings are invalid...* .

Now, if you click Fix , the value in `domain.xml` changes to

```
-agentlib:jdwp=transport=dt_socket,address=9009,server=n,suspend=y
```



Port Use this field to change the debugger port.  
When the warning *Debug settings are invalid...* is shown, click Fix . This changes the port number in the GlassFish Server configuration file `domain.xml` . See also, [Pass environment variables](#) .

Debugger Settings Click this button to edit the debugger options on the [Debugger page](#) of the [Settings dialog](#) .

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.


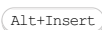
### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM...	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These should be specified in the GlassFish Server configuration file <code>domain.xml</code> .
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>

## Before Launch options







Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

	 Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more</li></ul>
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












information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Make. Select this option to compile the project.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an [artifact](#) or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run.  
If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar


### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.  Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.  To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .  See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .

Google App Engine Deployment [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy your application artifacts to [Google App Engine](#) .  
(The Google App Engine Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)





- [Main settings](#)
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## Main settings




Item	Description
Name	The name of the run configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control. If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.
Server	<p>Select the cloud access configuration to be used. To create a new configuration, or to edit an existing one, click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ). For more information, see <a href="#">Google App Engine</a> .</p>
Deployment	Select the <a href="#">application artifact</a> to be deployed. Note that only the <b>WAR exploded</b> artifact format can be deployed.

## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

Item	Shortcut	Description
	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li> <li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li> <li>– Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> </ul>
	<code>Alt+Delete</code>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<code>Enter</code>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<code>Alt+Up</code> / <code>Alt+Down</code>	Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration in the debug mode. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running in the debug mode, you can open the Debug tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

Item	Shortcut	Description
	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	Create a run/debug configuration.
	<code>Alt+Delete</code>	Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
	<code>Ctrl+D</code>	Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.



View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.



Alt+Up /


Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list.



Alt+Down


The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.



You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.

To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.

Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.




To remove grouping, select a folder and click .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab





### ItemDescription

Gradle Project	Use this field to specify the location of your Gradle project. You can either enter it manually or click the Browse  button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .  You can also click  button to select an available Gradle module from the list of registered Gradle modules in your existing IntelliJ IDEA project. The list has a tree structure that might be useful if you have a Gradle multi-module project.
Tasks	Use this field to specify external tasks for your Gradle project. Use spaces to separate one task from another.
VM Options	Use this field to specify VM options for your Gradle project. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to access the VM options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="quoted_value"</code> .</li> </ul>

## Logs tab












Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription


Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in

focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



 Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.

This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.


Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

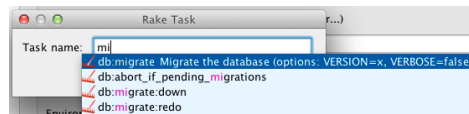
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.

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


pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Grails run/debug configuration enables you to run and debug the Grails applications, tests and Web tests.


The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Grails tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Maven Settings tab](#)

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Grails Tab






### ItemDescription




Module	Select application, for which this run/debug configuration is created. By default, the name of the current module is suggested.
Command line	Type a command to execute a particular target, for example, <code>run-app</code> , or <code>app-engine</code> . Alternatively, you can execute target as described in the section <a href="#">Running Grails Targets</a> .
VM Options	Specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching the application. This string may contain the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Environment Variables	Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.
Add <code>-classpath</code>	If this checkbox is selected, it means that the user intends to include the dependency directly, by passing <code>-classpath</code> to the command line.
Launch browser	By default, this checkbox is not selected and IntelliJ IDEA uses <code>http://localhost:8080/application_name</code> as default address. Select this checkbox to enter a different address in the field.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription


Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window. <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations. Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration. <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .  Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.
Use bundled coverage.py	If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .
If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section <a href="#">Code Coverage</a> for details.	

## Maven Settings Tab


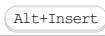






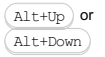

Use this tab to configure Maven settings for running and debugging your application. By default, the Use project settings checkbox is selected and IntelliJ IDEA uses the default settings specified in your project.

### ItemDescription


Work offline	If this option is checked, Maven works in the offline mode and uses only those resources that are available locally. This option corresponds to the <code>--offline</code> command line option.
Use plugin registry	Check this option to enable referring to the Maven Plugin Registry. This option corresponds to the <code>--no-plugin-registry</code> command line option.
Execute goals recursively	If this option is cleared, the build does not recur into the nested projects. Clearing this option equals to <code>--non-recursive</code> command line option.
Print exception stack traces	If this option is checked, exception stack traces are generated. This option corresponds to the <code>--errors</code> command line option.
Always update snapshots	Select this checkbox to always update snapshot dependencies.
Output level	Select the desired level of the output log, which allows plugins to create messages at levels of <i>debug</i> , <i>info</i> , <i>warn</i> , and <i>error</i> , or disable output log.
Checksum policy	Select the desired level of checksum matching while downloading artifacts. You can opt to fails downloading, when checksums do not match ( <code>--strict-checksums</code> ), or issue a warning ( <code>--lax-checksums</code> ).
Multiproject build fail policy	Specify how to treat a failure in a multiproject build. You can choose to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fail the build at the very first failure, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--fail-fast</code> .</li> <li>Fail the build at the end, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--fail-at-end</code> .</li> <li>Ignore failures, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--fail-never</code> .</li> </ul>
Plugin update policy	Select plugin update policy from the drop-down list. You can opt to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check for updates, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--check-plugin-updates</code> .</li> <li>Suppress checking for updates, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--no-plugin-updates</code> .</li> </ul>
Threads <small>(-T option)</small>	Use this field to set the <code>-T</code> option for parallel builds. This option is available for Maven 3 and later versions. For more information, see <a href="#">parallel builds in Maven 3</a> feature.
Maven home directory	Use this drop-down list to select a bundled Maven version that is available (for Maven2, version 2.2.1 and for Maven3, version 3.0.5) or the result of resolved system variables such as <code>MAVEN_HOME</code> or <code>MAVEN2_HOME</code> . You can also specify your own Maven version that is installed on your machine. You can click  and select the necessary directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
User settings file	Specify the file that contains user-specific configuration for Maven in the text field. If you need to specify another file, check the Override option, click the ellipsis button and select the desired file in the Select Maven Settings File dialog.
Local repository	By default, the field shows the path to the local directory under the user home that stores the downloads and contains the temporary build artifacts that you have not yet released. If you need to specify another directory, check the Override option, click the ellipsis button and select the desired path in the Select Maven Local Repository dialog.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .

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
## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
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Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

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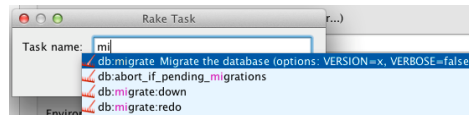


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- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in









case any errors are detected:

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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.


- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
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











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#### ItemDescription

Module	Select application, for which this run/debug configuration is created. By default, the name of the current module is suggested.
Command line	Type a command to execute a particular target, for example, <code>run-app</code> , or <code>app-engine</code> . Alternatively, you can execute target as described in the section <a href="#">Running Grails Targets</a> .
VM Options	Specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching the application. This string may contain the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul>
Environment Variables	Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.
Add --classpath	If this checkbox is selected, it means that the user intends to include the dependency directly, by passing <code>-classpath</code> to the command line.
Launch browser	By default, this checkbox is not selected and IntelliJ IDEA uses <code>http://localhost:8080/application_name</code> as default address. Select this checkbox to enter a different address in the field.

## Toolbar

#### ItemShortcutDescription

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		Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
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This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.


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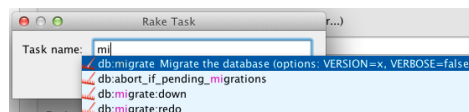
Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

#### Item Keyboard Description shortcut



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  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



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Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.



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Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.

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Active tool window


Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.



This run/debug configuration is intended for the [Groovy scripts](#) .














This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

Script path	Type the path to the Groovy script to be launched, or click the ellipsis button and select one from the tree view.
Module	Select the module the run/debug configuration is created for. By default, the name of current module is suggested.
VM Options	Specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching the Groovy script. This string may contain the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Script Parameters	Type the list of arguments to be passed to the Groovy Script, same way as if you were entering these parameters in the command line. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
Environment variables	Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.
Working directory	Specify the root directory for the files referenced in script.
Enable debug stacktrace	If this checkbox is selected, the detailed debug stacktrace is produced, including the Groovy method calls. This information can be helpful in case of exceptions.
Add module classpath to the runner	Select this checkbox to include a module classpath when you are running a Groovy script.

## Toolbar

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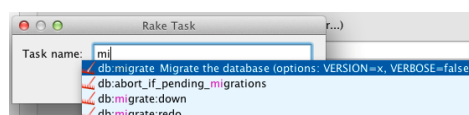
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In this dialog box, create configurations for running **Grunt.js tasks** .

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


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## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Grunt dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#) .
3. Install **Grunt** as described in [Installing Grunt](#) .













## Grunt-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Gruntfile	In this field, specify the location of the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> file to retrieve the definitions of the tasks from. Select the path from the drop-down list or click the  button and choose the file from the dialog box that opens.
Tasks	In this field, specify the tasks to run. Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To run one task, select it from the drop-down list.</li><li>– To run several tasks, type their names in the text box using blank spaces as separators.</li></ul>
Force execution	Select this checkbox to have Grunt ignore warnings and continue executing the launched task until the task is completed successfully or an error occurs, if the checkbox is cleared, the task execution is stopped by the first reported warning.
Verbose mode	Select this checkbox to have the <i>verbose</i> mode applied and thus have a full detailed log of a task execution displayed.
Node Interpreter	In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .  If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.
Node Options	In this text box, type the Node.js-specific command line options to be passed to the Node.js executable file. See <a href="#">Node Parameters</a> for details.
Grunt-cli Package	In this field, specify the path to the globally installed <code>Grunt-cli</code> package installed globally See <a href="#">Installing Grunt.js</a> for details.
Environment Variables	In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the Browse button  to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To define a new variable, click the Add toolbar button  and specify the variable name and value.</li><li>– To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the Delete toolbar button  .</li><li>– Click OK , when ready</li></ul> The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>NODE_PATH</code> : A  -separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.</li><li>– <code>NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS</code> : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.</li><li>– <code>NODE_DISABLE_COLORS</code> : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.</li></ul>

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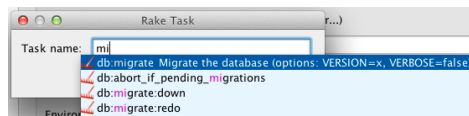


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  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript









compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) . For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create configurations for running **Gulp.js tasks** .

On this page:


- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Gulp.js dialog](#)
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- [Toolbar](#)
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## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Gulp.js dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#) .
3. Install the `gulp` package as described in [Installing Gulp.js](#) .

## Gulp.js-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

**Gulpfile** In this field, specify the location of the `Gulpfile.js` file to retrieve the definitions of the tasks from. Select the path from the drop-down list or click the  button and choose the file from the dialog box that opens.

**Tasks** In this field, specify the tasks to run. Do one of the following:


- To run one task, select it from the drop-down list.
- To run several tasks, type their names in the text box using blank spaces as separators.

**Arguments** In this text box, specify the arguments for tasks to be executed with. Use the following format:

```
--<parameter_name> <parameter_value>
```

For example: `--env development` .

For details about passing task arguments, see <https://github.com/gulpjs/gulp/blob/master/docs/recipes/pass-arguments-from-cli.md>


**Node Interpreter** In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .



If you have [appointed one of the installations as default](#) , the field displays the path to its executable file.

**Node Options** In this text box, type the Node.js-specific command line options to be passed to the Node.js executable file. See [Node Parameters](#) for details.  
In the **default** configuration, type `--harmony` in this text box to have IntelliJ IDEA build a tasks tree according to a `Gulpfile.js` written in **ECMA6** .

Technically, IntelliJ IDEA invokes `Gulp.js` and processes `Gulpfile.js` according to the **default Gulp.js run configuration** . However this is done silently and does not require any steps from your side. However, if your `Gulpfile.js` is written in **ECMA6** , by default IntelliJ IDEA does not recognize this format and fails to build a tasks tree. To solve this problem, specify `--harmony` as a Node parameter of the **default Gulp.js run configuration** .

**Gulp Package** In this field, specify the path to the `gulp` package installed **locally** , under the project root. See [Installing Gulp.js](#) for details.

**Environment Variables** In this field, specify the [environment variables](#) for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the **Browse** button  to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens:

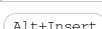
- To define a new variable, click the **Add** toolbar button  and specify the variable name and value.
- To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the **Delete** toolbar button  .
- Click **OK** , when ready








The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are:

- `NODE_PATH` : A `:` -separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.
- `NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS` : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.
- `NODE_DISABLE_COLORS` : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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|---|---|---|
|  |  | Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.             |
|  |  | Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list. |
|  |  | Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.     |


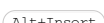
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


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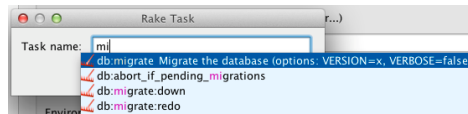
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li> </ul>
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- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.






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Run | Edit Configurations

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









This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription


Module	From this drop-down list, select the IntelliJ IDEA module to apply this configuration to.
Use Super Dev Mode	Select this checkbox to use <a href="#">GWT Super Dev Mode</a> . In this case you can quickly recompile your code and check the output in a browser.
GWT Modules to Load	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">GWT module</a> to deploy.
VM options	<p>In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM. Usually this string contains the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc.</p> <p>Type the arguments right in the text box or in the VM Options dialog that opens when you click  .</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> Or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Dev Mode parameters	<p>In this text box, specify the parameters for the <a href="#">GWT development mode</a> . Type the parameters right in the text box or in the GWT Dev Mode Parameters dialog that opens when you click  .</p> <p>Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .</p>
Working directory	<p>In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running test. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>Click this  icon to view the list of available environment variables that you can use as a path to your working directory. In this case you do not need to specify any additional environment variables in the Environment variables field.</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"><b>Note</b> The list of environment variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.</div>
Environment variables	Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.
Server	Use this drop-down list to select a server for your application. IntelliJ IDEA uses <a href="#">Jetty Web server</a> as a default one.
Start Page	From this drop-down list, select the name of the <code>.html</code> file that implements the starting page of the application. This drop-down is still available even if you clear the Open in browser checkbox to run the application in the embedded GWT development mode without launching the browser.
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
Open in browser	<p>Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA launch the browser and show the application implemented in the specified GWT module. From the drop-down list, choose the browser to open. The preselected Default value means that the <a href="#">browser specified as default</a> at the IntelliJ IDEA will be launched.</p> <p>Contrary to previous IntelliJ IDEA versions, where this functionality was implemented through integration with the native GWT Development Mode window, now you can choose yourself whether to have the <a href="#">application opened in the browser</a> or not.</p>
with JavaScript debugger	Select this checkbox for IntelliJ IDEA to use a JavaScript debugger for your application.

## Toolbar

#### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in

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Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations

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## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
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Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

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- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.


See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.

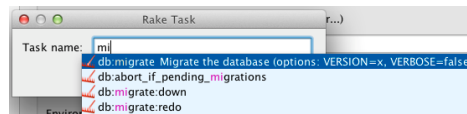
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
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


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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | Heroku Deployment


Heroku Deployment [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy your code and application artifacts to [Heroku](#). They also let you debug your applications.

For Heroku Deployment run/debug configurations to be available, the Heroku integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.

- [Main settings](#)
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## Main settings









### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the run configuration.
Share	Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control. If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.  If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.  See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.
Server	Select the cloud access configuration to be used. To create a new configuration, or to edit an existing one, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ). For more information, see <a href="#">Heroku</a> .
Deployment	To deploy your source code, select the corresponding <a href="#">module</a> . To deploy an <a href="#">application artifact</a> , select the artifact. Only archive artifact formats can be used (e.g. WAR, EAR).
Use custom application name	By default, your application will have about the same name as the module or the artifact. To specify a different name, select the checkbox and specify the name in the field. (The application name defines its URL, <code>https://&lt;app-name&gt;.herokuapp.com/</code> .)
Debug Host	An Internet routable IP address of your computer or that of a router that redirects the debug connection from Heroku onto your local host.
Debug Port	The port to be used for debugging. This may be any unused port on your computer.

## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription















		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li><li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li><li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li><li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li><li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a>.</li><li>- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a>.</li><li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li></ul>
		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug

configuration in the debug mode.

Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running in the debug mode, you can open the Debug tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		<p>You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.</p> <p>To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.</p> <p>Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.</p> <p>To remove grouping, select a folder and click .</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a>.</p>

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for an interactive console .

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
IRB script	Specify the name of the IRB script that runs the console.
IRB arguments	Specify the list of the arguments to be passed to the IRB script. The arguments should be separated with spaces.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Bundler tab

### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
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Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
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Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
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
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.
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**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.
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**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
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	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .
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Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default,

all newly created patterns are enabled.

	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab





### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one	<p>This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter.</p> <p>When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>ng</code> argument.</li></ul> <p>If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.</p>
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## Logs tab








Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	<p>The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> <p>If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</p>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.





Alt+Up or  
Alt+Down

Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.



Move into new folder / Create new folder

Use this button to [create a new folder](#) .  
If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the buttons.



Sort configurations

Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

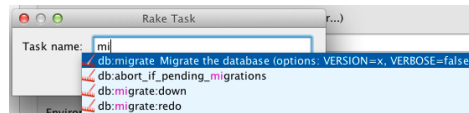
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

J2ME run/debug configuration options vary depending on the SDK you are using to develop your mobile applications. This section describes the options that are specific for WTK and DoJa, as well as the general options that apply to both SDKs.

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
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## WTK-specific options

#### ItemDescription

Jad/Class/OTA	Select, which of the following sources - Jad, MIDlet class or OTA - is used to be run/debugged. Each source has its own settings described below.
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JAD	If you have selected to use Jad file as the source for running and debugging, you need only to specify its location in the Jad File .
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Class Settings	If you have selected to use MIDlet class as the source for running and debugging, specify the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– MIDlet Class : Specify here the MIDlet class to run/debug.</li> <li>– User Defined Settings : Use this options group to view/introduce/delete/move MIDlet class settings defined by the user.</li> </ul>
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OTA Settings	These options can be set, if you have selected to use OTA as the source for running and debugging. This functionality emulates wireless download of the software from the server. Therefore, it is necessary to have a working server with such service and the necessary suite (which you want to install and launch) on it. This service is completely dependent on the emulator vendor and IntelliJ IDEA does not provide it. So, it should be provided by the emulator or separately by the emulator vendor (for instance, like Nokia does). Thus, you need to have three items ready - a server, a service and tested suite on that server. Remember that the actual options list varies from emulator type. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Install from URL : Specify the URL from which the necessary suite can be downloaded. Later on, this suite is installed on the emulator.</li> <li>– Force installation : Select this option to reinstall the suite, if it is already installed.</li> <li>– Install, run and remove : The suite is installed on the emulator, launched and removed afterwards.</li> <li>– Run/Remove previously installed : The previously installed suites are run or removed, respectively.</li> <li>– Update Suites : Click this button to update the list of suites present on the server.</li> </ul>
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## DoJa-Specific Options

#### ItemDescription

Jam/Class	Select which of the files, Jam or IApplication Class, is to be run/debugged.
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JAM	If you have selected to use Jam file as the source for running and debugging, you need only to specify its location in the Jam File field.
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Class Settings	If you want to use IApplication Class as source for running/debugging, specify its location in the IApplication Class field.
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## General Options

#### ItemDescription

Device	Select one of the available devices for the current emulator.
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Open Preferences	Opens the emulator's Preferences dialog. For more information, refer to emulator's documentation.
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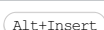
Open Utils	Opens the emulator's Utilities dialog. For more information, refer to emulator's documentation.
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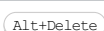
Emulator parameters	Type in/edit emulator parameters such as <code>-mx heap_size</code> or <code>traceall</code> .
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Use classpath and JDK of module	Select a mobile module from the list of modules configured in your project. The classpath and JDK of this module will be used to run your J2ME module with the current run configuration.
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
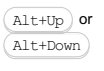
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		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
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	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
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		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
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	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in
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Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations

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
## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
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Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


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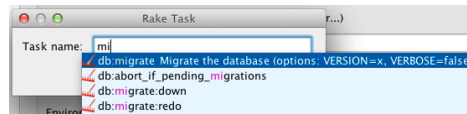


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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This run/debug configuration enables you to run applications started via `java -jar <name>.jar` command.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:


- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription


**Path to JAR** Specify here the fully-qualified path to the required JAR file.



**VM options** In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as `-mx`, `-verbose`, etc.  
If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:


- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m`.
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"`.
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"`.

The `-classpath` option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.

**Program arguments** In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line.  
If necessary, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box.  
Use the same rules as for specifying the [VM options](#).

**Working directory** In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running application. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the [dialog that opens](#).  
Click this  icon to view the list of available [path variables](#) that you can use as a path to your working directory.

**Note** The list of the path variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.

**Environment variables** Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.  
Note that you can copy-paste the contents of the Environment variables field without having to open the Environment Variables dialog box.

**JRE** By default, the newest JDK from the module dependencies is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.

**Search sources using module's class path** Use the drop-down list to choose the required module. This option tells the debugger and the feature [Navigate from stacktrace](#), where the source code for the classes from JAR archive should be sought for.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner.  
By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.




**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.





**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#).

**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View, taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.













**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

**Packages and classes to record code coverage** Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.

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	<p>Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.</p> <p>The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .</p> <p>Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.</p>
	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.
Use bundled coverage.py	If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .
	<p>If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section <a href="#">Code Coverage</a> for details.</p>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	<p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


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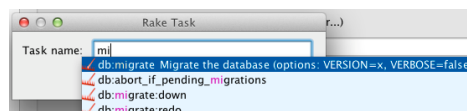
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.
	<p><b>ItemKeyboardDescription</b></p> <p><b>shortcut</b></p>



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- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
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- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



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Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.



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Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.





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Show this page

Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

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Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.


The **Java Scratch** run/debug configuration enables you running or debugging **Java scratch** files that have the `main()` method.

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

**Main class** In this text box, specify the fully qualified name of the class to be executed (passed to the JRE). Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Main Class dialog box, where you can find the desired class by name or search through the project.


**Path to scratch file** Specify here the path to the scratch file, or select one from the file chooser.



**VM options** In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as `-mx`, `-verbose`, etc.  
If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:


- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m`.
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"`.
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"`.

The `-classpath` option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.

**Program arguments** In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If necessary, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box. Use the same rules as for specifying the **VM options**.

**Working directory** In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running application. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the [dialog that opens](#). Click this  icon to view the list of available [path variables](#) that you can use as a path to your working directory.

**Note** The list of the path variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.

**Environment variables** Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.  
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











**Use classpath of module** Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the application.

**JRE** By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.

**Enable capturing form snapshots** Select this check box to enable the [GUI Designer to take snapshots of the GUI components](#), that can be afterwards converted into a form.

## Toolbar

#### ItemShortcutDescription

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## Common options

#### ItemDescription

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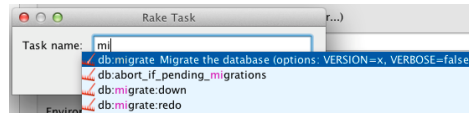
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


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  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



- To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.
- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create a configuration to be used for debugging JavaScript in applications running on the built-in or on an external web server and for debugging Dart web applications.

IntelliJ IDEA supports debugging applications running on the built-in or an external web server. Debugging can be performed only using [Google Chrome](#) and other browsers of the **Chrome** family. Debugging applications running on the built-in server is supported for Firefox, version 36 and higher, through the **Firefox Remote** debug configuration. Debugging applications running on external web servers in Firefox is not supported at all.

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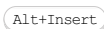







## JavaScript Debug-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
URL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Debugging JavaScript:</b> In this text box, specify the URL address of the HTML file that references the JavaScript to debug. For <b>local debugging</b>, type the URL in the format <code>http://localhost:&lt;built-in server port&gt;/&lt;project root&gt;</code>. The <b>built-in server port</b> (1024 or higher) is specified on the <a href="#">Debugger</a> page of the Settings dialog box.</li><li>– <b>Debugging a Dart web application:</b> In this text box, specify the URL address of the HTML file that references the Dart code to debug in the format: <code>http://localhost:&lt;built-in server port&gt;/&lt;project-name&gt;/&lt;relative path to the HTML file&gt;</code>. Make sure the port in this URL address is the same as the Built-in server port on the <a href="#">Debugger</a> page and the <a href="#">port from the Chrome extension settings</a>.</li></ul>
Browser	<p>From this drop down list, select the browser, where your application will be debugged.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Debugging JavaScript:</b> Chrome</li><li>– <b>Debugging a Dart web application:</b> If you choose Dartium which has a built-in Dart virtual machine, the Dart code is executed natively. If you choose Chrome, the Dart code is compiled into JavaScript through the <a href="#">dart2js</a> or <a href="#">dartdevc</a> tool. The tool is invoked automatically when you <a href="#">run or debug a Dart web application</a>.</li></ul> <p>Specify the URL address of the HTML file that references the Dart code to debug in the format: <code>http://localhost:&lt;built-in server port&gt;/&lt;project-name&gt;/&lt;relative path to the HTML file&gt;</code>. Make sure the port in this URL address is the same as the Built-in server port on the <a href="#">Debugger</a> page and the <a href="#">port from the Chrome extension settings</a>.</p>
Remote URLs of local files	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Debugging JavaScript:</b> IntelliJ IDEA displays this area only when you create a permanent debug configuration manually. For automatically generated temporary configurations the area is not shown.</li><li>In this area, map the local files to be involved in debugging to the URL addresses of their copies on the server.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>File/Directory</b> - in this read-only field, select the desired local file or directory in the project tree.</li><li>– <b>Remote URL</b> - in this text box, type the absolute URL address of the corresponding file or folder on the server.</li></ul></li><li>These mappings are required only if the local folder structure under the project root differs from the folder structure on the server. If the structures are identical, IntelliJ IDEA itself "retrieves" the paths to local files by parsing the URL addresses of their copies on the server.</li><li>– <b>Debugging a Dart web application:</b> IntelliJ IDEA displays this area only when the port specified in the URL field is different from the port of the built-in Web server specified on the <a href="#">Debugger</a> page of the Settings dialog box.</li></ul>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription


		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	<b>Edit defaults</b>	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list.

Alt+Down

The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.

Move into new folder / Create new folder

Use this button to [create a new folder](#) .  
If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations

Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

**Name** In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.

**Defaults** This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.  
If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the `.idea\runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea\workspace.xml` file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.  
Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut




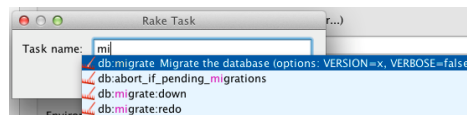
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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass









to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration. For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | JBoss Server | Local or Remote

JBoss Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [JBoss Server](#). (The JBoss Integration plugin must be enabled.)

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#).




## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  (Shift+Enter) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul> Here is how you can specify a custom configuration directory and file name: <pre>-Djboss.server.config.dir=C:/jboss-eap-6.3/custom-configuration</pre> <pre>-Djboss.server.default.config=standalone-custom.xml</pre>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <b>Ctrl+F10</b> ) in the Run or Debug tool window. The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li><li>- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are</li></ul>



recompiled.

In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.

- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.



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Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
Username	Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.
Password	The password of the user specified in the <a href="#">Username field</a> .
Operating mode	Select: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- standalone to start JBoss as a standalone server. Port offset. If necessary, specify the port offset, i.e. the number by which all the server ports should be shifted. (The ports are specified by means of the <code>&lt;socket-binding&gt;</code> elements in the server configuration file <code>standalone.xml</code> .)</li></ul> <p>The specified offset is passed to the server as a VM option, e.g.</p> <pre>-Djboss.socket.binding.port-offset=100</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- domain to start the server as a managed domain. Server group. Select the server group to deploy your artifacts to. (The list items correspond to the <code>&lt;server-group&gt;</code> elements in the configuration file <code>domain.xml</code> . The server group doesn't matter if you don't deploy anything using this run configuration.)</li></ul> <p>When you select other-server-group , the following message may be shown in the lower part of the dialog: <i>Error: No single server is configured to start for server group 'other-server-group'</i> . If this is the case and you click Fix , the configuration file <code>host.xml</code> is modified. (The <code>auto-start</code> attribute of the first <code>&lt;server&gt;</code> element in the server group is changed from <code>false</code> to <code>true</code> .)</p>

## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

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Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath your Web application After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <code>Ctrl+F10</code> in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li><li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li></ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
Management port	The native management interface port. (This port is defined in the <code>standalone.xml</code> configuration for a standalone server and in the <code>host.xml</code> configuration for a server within a managed domain.)

Operating mode	The server operating mode: standalone for a standalone server and domain for a managed domain. For the managed domain mode, specify the server group to deploy your artifacts to, e.g. <code>main-server-group</code> . The server group doesn't matter, if you don't deploy anything using this run configuration.
Username	Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.
Password	The password of the user specified in the <a href="#">Username field</a> .
Remote staging	This section contains the settings related to <a href="#">staging</a> . An <a href="#">example</a> of remote staging settings for a mounted folder is provided after this table.
Type	Select the way the staging environment or host is accessed for transferring the application artifact or artifacts from your local computer. (In the user interface of IntelliJ IDEA this setting is also referred to as the <a href="#">connection type</a> .) The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Same file system. Select this option if the target server is installed on your local computer. The artifacts in this case are deployed locally and, thus, don't need to be transferred to a remote host.</li> <li>– ftp. The <a href="#">File Transfer Protocol</a> or <a href="#">Secure FTP</a> is used.</li> <li>– Local or mounted folder. The staging environment is a local folder or is accessed as a <a href="#">mounted folder</a> .</li> </ul> <p>If the list is empty, you have to <a href="#">enable the Remote Hosts Access plugin</a> which supports the corresponding functionality.</p>
Host	If Same file system is selected for Type , the only available option for Host is also Same file system . In all other cases, the list contains the existing configurations of the selected <a href="#">type</a> . So each configuration corresponds to an individual (S)FTP connection, or a local or mounted folder.  Select an existing configuration or create a new one.  To create a new configuration: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click  to the right of the list.</li> <li>2. In the <a href="#">Deployment dialog</a> , click <a href="#">+</a> .</li> <li>3. In the Add Server dialog, specify the configuration name, select the type, and click OK .</li> <li>4. On the <a href="#">Connection tab</a> , specify the settings in the Upload/download project files section. The rest of the settings don't matter.</li> <li>5. Click OK in the Deployment dialog.</li> </ol>
Staging	When deploying to the remote host, the application artifact or artifacts are placed into a staging folder which should be accessible to JBoss Server. The settings in this section define the location of this staging folder. Note that if Same file system is selected for Type and Host , no settings in this section need to be specified.
Path from root	The path to the staging folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.
Mapped as	The absolute path to the staging folder in the local file system of the remote host.
Remote connection settings	The settings for accessing deployed applications.
Host	The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the JBoss Server host. When the target server operates in the managed domain mode, this is the Domain Controller host.
Port	The server HTTP port.

## An example of remote staging settings for a mounted folder

Assuming that:

- `C:\shared` is a shared folder on the remote host which is mounted to the local computer as the drive `X:` .
- The folder that you are going to use for staging is `C:\shared\staging` .

Here are the corresponding remote staging settings:

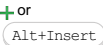
- Type: Local or mounted folder.
- Host: The configuration should be selected in which the value in the Folder field is `X:\` (the Upload/download project files section on the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog).
- Staging/Path from root: `staging`
- Staging/Mapped as: `C:\shared\staging`

## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)

To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use [+](#) . For more information, see the table below.

### ItemDescription









-  Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list.
  - To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.
  - To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#) .

For a Web Application Exploded artifact, the following message may be shown in the lower part of the dialog:

*Error: Artifact '<name>' has invalid extension.*

If this is the case, click Fix and add `.war` at the end of the output directory name.

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 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected item one line up in the list.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected item one line down in the list.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The <a href="#">Artifacts page</a> of the <a href="#">Project Structure dialog</a> will open.)

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

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Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.




## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

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

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.  To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

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 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.
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Startup script	<p>Specify the script to be used to start the server.</p> <p>Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.</li> <li> in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field (readonly).</li> <li>Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"</code> .</li> </ul>
Shutdown script	<p>Specify the script to be used to stop the server.</p> <p>Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used. (For certain JBoss versions, there is no default script and the server is stopped through its management API.)</li> <li> in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).</li> <li>Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"</code> .</li> </ul>
Pass environment variables	<p>To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To add a variable, click  and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.</li> <li>To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click  .</li> </ul>
Port	Use this field to change the debugger port.
Debugger Settings	Click this button to edit the debugger options on the <a href="#">Debugger page</a> of the <a href="#">Settings dialog</a> .

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.


### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM...	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>




## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription











	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px 5px; display: inline-block; margin-right: 5px;">Alt+Insert</div> <p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li> </ul>
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- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

	<b>Alt+Delete</b>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<b>Enter</b>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<b>Alt+Up / Alt+Down</b>	Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<b>Alt+Insert</b>	Create a run/debug configuration.
	<b>Alt+Delete</b>	Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
	<b>Ctrl+D</b>	Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
	<b>Alt+Up / Alt+Down</b>	Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		<p>You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.</p> <p>To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.</p> <p>Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.</p> <p>To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .</p>

In this dialog box, create configurations for running [Jest](#) tests.

On this page:





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## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Jest dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#).


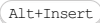











## Jest-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Configuration file	In this field, optionally specify the <code>jest.config</code> file to use: choose the relevant file from the drop-down list, or click  and choose it in the dialog that opens, or just type the path in the text box. If the field is empty, IntelliJ IDEA looks for a <code>package.json</code> file with a <code>jest</code> key. The search is performed in the file system upwards from the <b>working directory</b> . If no appropriate <code>package.json</code> file is found, then the <a href="#">Jest default configuration</a> is used.
Node interpreter	In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .  If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.
Jest package	In this field, specify the location of the <code>jest</code> , <code>react-scripts</code> , <code>react-script-ts</code> , <code>react-super-scripts</code> , or <code>react-awesome-scripts</code> package.
Working Directory	In this field, specify the <a href="#">working directory</a> of the application. All references in the starting Node.js application file, for example, <code>imports</code> , will be resolved relative to this folder, unless such references use full paths. By default, the field shows the <a href="#">project root folder</a> . To change this predefined setting, choose the desired folder from the drop-down list, or type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.
Jest options	In this text box, type the <a href="#">Jest CLI options</a> to be passed to <code>Jest</code> . For example, add a <code>--watch</code> flag to turn on the autotest-like runner. As a result, any test in the current run configuration restarts automatically on changing the related source code, without clicking the Rerun button  .
Environment variables	In this field, optionally specify the environment variables for executing commands.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.

If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate `.xml` file in the `.idea/runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea/workspace.xml` file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


#### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

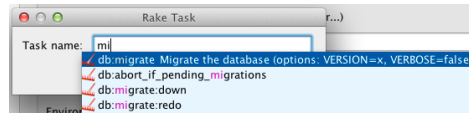


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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:









- **Run External tool.** Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- **Make.** Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- **Make, no error check.** The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- **Build Artifacts.** Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- **Run Another Configuration.** Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- **Run Ant target.** Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- **Run Grunt task.** Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- **Run Gulp task.** Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- **Run npm Script.** Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- **Compile TypeScript.** Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the **Check errors** checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the **Check errors** checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the **Check errors** checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- **Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps.** Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- **Run Maven Goal.** Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).

- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.



Jetty Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [Jetty](#) . (The Jetty Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#) .




## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription





Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription



Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  (Shift+Enter) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <code>Ctrl+F10</code> in the Run or Debug tool window). The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li> <li>– Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.</li> <li>– Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> <li>– Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> </ul> For packed artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Update classes. Changed classes are recompiled and redeployed. This option is not available in the debug</li> </ul>

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
JMX port	The server JMX port.
Active	Select the checkboxes to make the corresponding files active. For Jetty versions before 9, the list contains the server XML configuration files. For Jetty 9, the module <code>.mod</code> files are listed.  The selected files are passed as command-line arguments to <code>&lt;jetty_home&gt;\start.jar</code> which is used to start the server.
Path	The paths to the corresponding Jetty configuration or module files are shown (readonly). For the files located within the Jetty installation directory, the paths are relative to the installation directory. For all the rest of the configuration files, the absolute paths are shown.
	Initially, the list contains the files located in <code>&lt;jetty_home&gt;\etc</code> or <code>&lt;jetty_home&gt;\modules</code> . Use the following icons to manage the list:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Click this icon to add a file to the list. In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the necessary Jetty configuration or module file and click OK .</li> <li> Click this icon to remove the selected file from the list. Note that this operation does not delete the file physically.</li> <li> Click this icon to replace the selected file. In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the replacement file and click OK .</li> <li> . Click the icon to move the selected file one line up or down in the list.</li> </ul>

## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription



Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> ) in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li> <li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> </ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JMX Port	The server JMX port.
Remote staging	This section contains the settings related to <a href="#">staging</a> . An <a href="#">example</a> of remote staging settings for a mounted folder is provided after this table.
Type	Select the way the staging environment or host is accessed for transferring the application artifact or artifacts from your local computer. (In the user interface of IntelliJ IDEA this setting is also referred to as the <a href="#">connection type</a> .) The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Same file system. Select this option if the target server is installed on your local computer. The artifacts in this case</li> </ul>

- are deployed locally and, thus, don't need to be transferred to a remote host.
  - ftp. The [File Transfer Protocol](#) or [Secure FTP](#) is used.
  - Local or mounted folder. The staging environment is a local folder or is accessed as a [mounted folder](#).
- If the list is empty, you have to [enable the Remote Hosts Access plugin](#) which supports the corresponding functionality.

**Host** If Same file system is selected for Type, the only available option for Host is also Same file system. In all other cases, the list contains the existing configurations of the selected type. So each configuration corresponds to an individual (S)FTP connection, or a local or mounted folder.

Select an existing configuration or create a new one.

To create a new configuration:

1. Click  to the right of the list.
2. In the [Deployment dialog](#), click .
3. In the Add Server dialog, specify the configuration name, select the type, and click OK.
4. On the [Connection tab](#), specify the settings in the Upload/download project files section. The rest of the settings don't matter.
5. Click OK in the Deployment dialog.

**contexts** Location of one of the following directories:


- For Jetty 9: `<jetty_home>\webapps`
- For Jetty versions before 9: `<jetty_home>\contexts`

(This is where IntelliJ IDEA generates the deployment descriptor XML file for the application artifact.)

**Local path or Path from root** If Same file system is selected for Type and Host, specify the absolute path. In all other cases, specify the path relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host.

You can use  to select the folder in the Select Path or the Choose target path dialog.

**Staging** When deploying to the remote host, the application artifact or artifacts are placed into a staging folder which should be accessible to Jetty. The settings in this section define the location of this staging folder. Note that if Same file system is selected for Type and Host, no settings in this section need to be specified.

**Path from root** The path to the staging folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.

**Mapped as** The absolute path to the staging folder in the local file system of the remote host.

**Remote connection settings** The settings for accessing deployed applications. In Jetty run/debug configurations, these are used just to form the [starting URL](#).

**Host** The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the Jetty host.

**Port** The server HTTP port.

## An example of remote staging settings for a mounted folder

Assuming that:


- `C:\shared` is a shared folder on the remote host which is mounted to the local computer as the drive `X:`.
- Jetty is installed in `C:\shared\jetty-distribution-9.2.7.v20150116`.
- The folder that you are going to use for staging is `C:\shared\staging`.

Here are the corresponding remote staging settings:


- Type: Local or mounted folder.
- Host: The configuration should be selected in which the value in the Folder field is `X:\` (the Upload/download project files section on the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog).
- contexts/Path from root: `jetty-distribution-9.2.7.v20150116\webapps` (For Jetty 8 or earlier version, that would be something like `jetty-distribution-8.0.1.v20110908\contexts`.)
- Staging/Path from root: `staging`
- Staging/Mapped as: `C:\shared\staging`



## Deployment tab


Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)


To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup), use . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.


### ItemDescription

 or Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list.

-  – To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.
-  – To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#).

 or Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.







 or **F4** Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The [Artifacts page](#) of the [Project Structure dialog](#) will open.)

**Use custom context root** If you want to assign a particular [context root](#) to an artifact or external resource, select the artifact or the resource, select the checkbox and specify the desired context root in the field underneath the checkbox.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription




<b>Is Active</b>	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
<b>Log File Entry</b>	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> <p>If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</p>
<b>Skip Content</b>	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
<b>Save console output to file</b>	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
<b>Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream</b>	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
<b>Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream</b>	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.



### ItemDescription

<b>Choose code coverage runner</b>	Select the desired code coverage runner.
<b>Sampling</b>	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
<b>Tracing</b>	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
<b>Track per test coverage</b>	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
<b>Packages and classes to record code coverage data</b>	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.  To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .
<b>Enable coverage in test folders.</b>	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.

### ItemDescription

 <b>Run /</b>	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 <b>Debug</b>	









To run/debug remote server JVM... The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.

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## Before Launch options















Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li><li>– Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li></ul>
		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.  Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.  To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .  See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog to create or edit [run/debug configurations](#) for JSR45-compatible application servers.

Generally, you may want to use this type of run/debug configuration under the following conditions:


- The server you are going to work with supports [JSR-45](#).
- IntelliJ IDEA doesn't provide a dedicated plugin for integration with this server.

On this page:

- [Server tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Startup/Connection tab](#)

## Server tab

### ItemLocal/RemoteDescription

Application Server	Both	Select the server configuration to be used. If the run/debug configuration is intended for working with a remote server, the same server version should be configured locally and associated with the run/debug configuration.  Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
Start browser	Both	Select this checkbox to run the default Web browser to study your application output there.
With JavaScript debugger	Both	If this checkbox is selected, the Web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. JavaScript debugging is available for Firefox only. Note that when you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension will be installed.
Startup page	Both	In this field, specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL will correspond to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	Local	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul>
On 'Update' action	Local	Select the action to be performed when the application is updated in the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Show dialog	Local	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update <application name> dialog every time you perform the Update action. The Update <application name> dialog is used to view and change the current update option (for example, Restart server ) prior to actually updating the application.
JSP's package	Both	Specify the Java package prefix to be used for jsp-to-servlet translation.
VM options variable	Local	If there is a variable which stores the command-line JVM options, you can specify the name of this variable in this field. In this way, you can pass the corresponding options to the server JVM at the server start.
Port	Both	Specify the HTTP server port.
Use JSP's line mapping model specific for WebSphere 5.1	Both	If the run/debug configuration is intended for working with WebSphere Server 5.1, select this checkbox to be able to debug your JSPs. (To be able to debug JSPs, it's necessary to maintain relationships between the lines of the source files and the corresponding positions in the compiled code. All the servers except WebSphere 5.1 form such relationships similarly.)
Host	Remote	The DNS name or the IP address of the server host (for example, <code>localhost</code> , <code>127.0.0.1</code> , etc.).


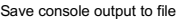
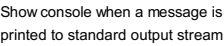
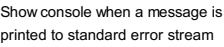




## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li></ul>

- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.  
If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

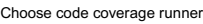


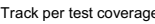
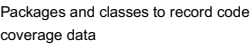



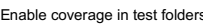
	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.







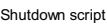


Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

	Select the desired code coverage runner.
	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
	<p>If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.</p> <p>To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .</p>
	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab

### ItemLocal/RemoteDescription

	Both	Select Run or Debug to show settings either for the run or the debug mode.
		
	Local	Select Run with Coverage to show settings for run with coverage mode.
	Local	<p>Specify the script to be used to start the server. If necessary, you can also specify the script parameters and the options to be passed to the server JVM. You can provide all the necessary information right in the field, by typing. As an alternative:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>– To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog. When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg Or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Local	<p>Specify the script to be used to stop the server. If necessary, you can also specify the script parameters and the options to be passed to the server JVM. You can provide all the necessary information right in the field, by typing. As an alternative:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>– To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog. When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg or "some arg"</code> .</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"`.

Pass environment variables	Local	To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To add a variable, click <b>+</b> and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.</li> <li>- To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click <b>-</b>.</li> </ul>
Port	Local	Use this field to change the debugger port (if necessary).
Debugger Settings	Local	Click this button to edit the debugger options on the <a href="#">Debugger page</a> of the <a href="#">Settings dialog</a> .
Transport	Remote	Specify the "transport" settings for the connection with the debugger. In technical terms, these are the parameters for the <code>-Xrunjdpw</code> command-line option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Socket. Specify the debugger port in the Port field. The combination of these two settings translates into <pre>-Xrunjdpw:transport=dt_socket,address=&lt;port&gt;,suspend=n,server=y</pre> </li> <li>- Shared memory. Specify the shared memory address in the corresponding field. The combination of these two settings translates into <pre>-Xrunjdpw:transport=dt_shmem,address=&lt;address&gt;,suspend=n,server=y</pre> </li> </ul> <p>Note that as you change the transport settings, what follows <code>transport=</code> within <code>-Xrunjdpw</code> in the area above also changes. In this way you control the corresponding command-line debugger parameters which you cannot edit directly.</p>

## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

<b>+</b>	<b>Alt+Insert</b>	Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li> <li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a>.</li> <li>- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a>.</li> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>-</b>	<b>Alt+Delete</b>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<b>Enter</b>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<b>Alt+Up</b> / <b>Alt+Down</b>	Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.











## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

<b>+</b>	<b>Alt+Insert</b>	Create a run/debug configuration.
<b>-</b>	<b>Alt+Delete</b>	Delete the selected run/debug configuration.



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		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		<p>You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.</p> <p>To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.</p> <p>Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.</p> <p>To remove grouping, select a folder and click .</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .</p>

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This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!



The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab


### ItemDescription

Mode	Click one of the radio buttons to define the scope of features: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All features in a folder : Click this radio button, if you want to run all features in a directory.</li><li>– Feature file : Click this radio button, if you want to run the specified feature only.</li></ul>
Feature folder	Specify the fully qualified path to the directory that contains the desired features, or click  and select the features directory in the dialog that opens. This field is only available, when the All features in folder option is selected.
Feature file	Specify the name of the script to be executed.  This field is only available, when the Feature file option is selected.
Element name filter	IntelliJ IDEA will execute the feature elements with the names that contain matching substrings ( <code>-n</code> , <code>--name NAME</code> ).
Tags filter	Specify the tags to be considered on running tests ( <code>-t</code> , <code>--tags TAGS</code> ).
Runner options	Enter runner options.  <b>Note</b> It is important to note that step definitions that reside outside the <code>Features</code> directory, can be skipped by IntelliJ IDEA, and the tests will fail to run. Thus, if you want to make use of the step definitions located elsewhere, you have to specify the required directory with the step definition files, or individual step definition files. To do that, add <code>-r &lt;file or directory name&gt;</code> to the Runner options field.  If the path to a step definition file or directory is relative, it is relative to the Working directory defined in this run/debug configuration.
VM options	In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="quoted_value"</code> .</li></ul> The <code>-classpath</code> option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box. Formerly, the environment variable <code>RAILS_ENV</code> has been implicitly set to <code>cucumber</code> , if the user has not explicitly set any other value of this variable.  Now this setting is not used any more. If defining the environment variable <code>RAILS_ENV</code> is required, the Cucumber default run/debug configuration should be edited.
Use classpath of module	Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the application.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription




Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.


**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.


**Packages and classes to record code coverage data** Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.

 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.


The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

**Do not use the optimized C runtime** Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

**Enable coverage in test folders.** If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

**Is Active** Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

**Log File Entry** The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.

If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.


**Skip Content** Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.

**Save console output to file** Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .


**Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream** Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.

**Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream** Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.

 Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.

 Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) .



 Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.

 Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.








## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

  `Alt+Insert` Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.

  `Alt+Delete` Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.

  `Ctrl+D` Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.



	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.


## Common options

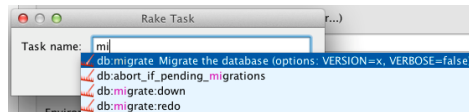
### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut





		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li> </ul>
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- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create a configuration to be used for running JavaScript unit tests in the browser against a JSTestDriver server. Configurations of this type enable running unit tests based on the [JSTestDriver Assertion](#) , [Jasmine](#) , and [QUnit](#) frameworks.

The dialog box is available when the JSTestDriver plugin is activated. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

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## Configuration tab




In this tab, specify the tests to run, the configuration files to use, and the server to run the tests against.

### Test

In this area, tell IntelliJ IDEA where to find the tests to execute and how to get [test runner configuration files](#) that define which test files to load and in which order. The main approaches are:

- Specify the location of one or several previously created configuration files.
- Point at the target test file, test case, or test method, and then specify the location of the corresponding configuration file.

The way to find tests and configuration files is defined in the Test drop-down list. This choice determines the set of other controls in the area.

Item	Description	Available for
Test	In this drop-down list, specify how IntelliJ IDEA will get test runner configuration files. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- All configuration files in directory: select this option to use all the test runner configuration files in a specific folder.</li><li>- Configuration file: select this option to use a specific test runner configuration file.</li><li>- JavaScript test file: select this option to have tests from a specific file executed using one of the previously defined configuration files.</li><li>- Case: select this option to run a specific test case using one of the previously defined configuration files.</li><li>- Method: select this option to run a specific test method using one of the previously defined configuration files.</li></ul>	
Directory	In this text box, specify the folder to look for test runner configuration files in. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the required folder in the dialog box, that opens.	All configuration files in directory
Matched configuration files	This read-only field shows a list of all the <code>*jstd</code> and <code>JSTestDriver.conf</code> test runner configuration files detected in the <a href="#">specified folder</a> .	All configuration files in directory
Configuration file	In this text box, specify the test runner configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the required file in the dialog box that opens.	Configuration file
JS test file	In this text box, specify the JavaScript files with tests to be executed. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the required file in the dialog box, that opens.	JavaScript test file Case Method
Case	In this text box, type the name of the target case from the <a href="#">specified JavaScript file</a> .	Case Method
Method	In this text box, type the name of the target method from the <a href="#">specified test case</a> within the <a href="#">specified JavaScript file</a> .	Method

### Server

In this area, appoint the test server to run tests against.

#### ItemDescription

At address Choose this option to have the test execution handles by a remote test server. In the text box, specify the URL

address to access the server through.

Running in IDE	Choose this option to have test execution handles through the JSTestDriver server that comes bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and can be launched from it.
Test Connection	Click this button to check that the specified test server is accessible. The server must be running. Start the server from IntelliJ IDEA or manually, according to the server-specific instructions.

## Debug tab

In this tab, appoint the browser to debug the unit test in when two or more browsers are captured simultaneously.



### ItemDescription

Debug	From this drop-down list, choose the browser to debug the specified tests in when two browsers are captured at a time. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Chrome</li><li>- Firefox</li></ul>
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## Coverage tab


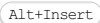











In this tab, specify the files that you do not want to be involved in coverage analysis.

### ItemDescription

Exclude file path	In this area, create a list of files to be skipped during coverage analysis. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To add an item to the list, click the Add button  and choose the required file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li><li>- To delete a file from the list so coverage is measured for it, select the file and click the Remove button  .</li></ul>
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## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.


If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

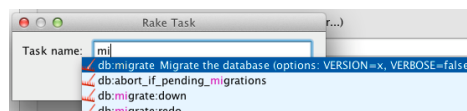
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**ItemKeyboardDescription  
shortcut**



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- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



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




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		the dialog that opens. Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

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JUnit run/debug configurations define how unit tests that are based on the JUnit testing framework should be run.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)







It also contains a set of [options that are common for all run/debug configurations](#) and a [toolbar](#) that lets you manage your configurations.

**Tip** You can use `Ctrl+Space` to let IntelliJ IDEA help you fill in the fields in this dialog. (In the editor, `Ctrl+Space` is used for [code completion](#).)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Test kind	From this drop-down list, select the scope for your tests and fill in the fields depending on your selection.
All in package	Select this option to run all unit tests in the specified package. Fill in the following fields: <hr/> <b>Package</b> Specify package name <hr/> <b>Search for tests</b> Select where in your project IntelliJ IDEA shall look for test classes related to the current package: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- In whole project : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes in all project modules</li><li>- In single module : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field</li><li>- Across multiple dependencies : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field, and in the modules that depend on it</li></ul>
All in directory	Select this option to run all unit tests in the specified directory. Fill in the following field: <hr/> <b>Directory</b> Specify the directory where you want to run the tests. It will act as the root directory for all relative input and output paths.
Pattern	Select this option to run a set of test classes. This set may include classes located in the same or different directories, packages or modules. Fill in the following fields: <hr/> <b>Pattern</b> Specify the required classes. Each class in this field must be represented by its fully qualified name. Class names must be separated with <code>  </code> . You can type class names manually, or click <code>+</code> on the right (or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) and search for classes you want to add in the dialog that opens. You can also create a suite test, i.e. a bundle of several test classes that will be run together. To create a suite test class, click <code>+</code> on the right and type the test classes you want to be run as a suite in the Configure suit tests dialog that opens. As a result, a new class will be created with the <code>@suite</code> annotation. <hr/> <b>Method</b> Specify the method to be launched (passed to the JRE). Type method name, or click <code>...</code> and select the desired method in the dialog that opens. <hr/> <b>Search for tests</b> Select where in your project IntelliJ IDEA shall look for test classes related to the current package: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- In whole project : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes in all project modules</li><li>- In single module : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field</li><li>- Across multiple dependencies : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field, and in the modules that depend on it</li></ul>
Class	Select this option to run all tests in a class. Fill in the following field: <hr/> <b>Class</b> Specify the fully qualified name of the class to be launched (passed to the JRE). Type the class name or click <code>...</code> and select the desired class in the dialog that opens.
Method	Select this option to run an individual test method. Fill in the following fields: <hr/> <b>Class</b> Specify the fully qualified name of the class to be launched (passed to the JRE). Type the class name or click <code>...</code> and select the desired class in the dialog that opens. <hr/> <b>Method</b> Specify the method to be launched (passed to the JRE). Type method name, or click <code>...</code> and select the desired method in the dialog that opens.
Category	Select this option if you only want to run test classes and test methods that are annotated either with the category given with the <code>@IncludeCategory</code> annotation, or a subtype of this category. <a href="#">Learn more about JUnit categories</a> . Fill in the following fields: <hr/> <b>Category</b> Specify the desired category. Type category name, or click <code>...</code> and select the desired category in the dialog that opens. <hr/> <b>Search for tests</b> Select where in your project IntelliJ IDEA shall look for test classes related to the current package: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- In whole project : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes in all project modules</li><li>- In single module : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field</li><li>- Across multiple dependencies : IntelliJ IDEA will look for test classes only in the module selected in the Use classpath of module field, and in the modules that depend on it</li></ul>




Fork mode	This option controls how many Java VMs will be created if you want to fork some tests. Select method or class to create a separate virtual machine for each method or class respectively. The available options in this drop-down list depend on the <a href="#">Test kind</a> setting.
Repeat	If you want to repeatedly run a test, select the threshold from this drop-down list. You can select to run your test once, n times (in this case specify the number of times in the field on the right), until the test fails, or until it is stopped.
VM options	If necessary, specify the string to be passed to the VM. This string may contain the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code>.</li> </ul> <p>If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.</p> <p>The <code>-classpath</code> option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.</p>
Program arguments	In this field, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If necessary, click the  button and type the required arguments in the dialog that opens. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
Working directory	Specify the directory that will act as the current directory when running the test. It will act as the root directory for all relative input and output paths. By default, the directory where the project file resides, is used as a working directory. Type directory name, or click  and select the desired directory in the dialog that opens. You can also click  to switch between directories.
Environment variables	Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box where you can create variables and specify their values.
Use classpath of module	Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the tests.
JRE	Specify the JRE to be used. Select the JRE from the list, or click  and select the installation folder of the required JRE in the dialog that opens.
Shorten command line	Select a method that will be used to shorten the command line if the classpath gets too long or you have many VM arguments that exceed your OS command line length limitation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– none : IntelliJ IDEA will not shorten a long classpath. If the command line exceeds the OS limitation, IntelliJ IDEA will be unable to run your application and will display a message suggesting you to specify the shortening method.</li> <li>– JAR manifest : IntelliJ IDEA will pass a long classpath via a temporary <code>classpath.jar</code>. The original classpath is defined in the <code>manifest</code> file as a <code>class-path</code> attribute in <code>classpath.jar</code>. Note that you will be able to preview the full command line if it was shortened using this method, not just the classpath of the temporary <code>classpath.jar</code>.</li> <li>– classpath.file : IntelliJ IDEA will write a long classpath into a text file.</li> <li>– User-local default : this legacy option is set automatically for projects created before IntelliJ IDEA version 2017.3. IntelliJ IDEA will configure this setting depending on the properties set in the <code>ide/workspace.xml</code> and <code>idea.config.path/options/options.xml</code> files.</li> </ul>


**Note** This setting is shared if you select to share your run/debug configuration, so the same method will be applied for your team members irrespective of their operating system.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription


Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window. <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View, taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration. <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.
Packages and	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and


classes to record packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.

code coverage data


 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders. If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py if this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .





If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab


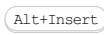










Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.
		Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations

Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.
 

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.
 

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.
 


This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.
 

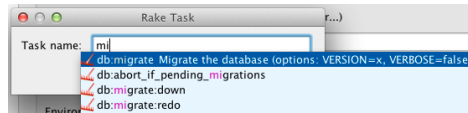
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.
 

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.
 

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript









compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create configurations for running and debugging JavaScript unit tests using the Karma test runner .

On this page:



- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Karma dialog](#)
- [Karma-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
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## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Karma dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#) .
3. Using the [Node Package Manager](#) , install the [Karma test runner](#) as described in [Karma](#) .
4. Make sure the [Karma](#) plugin is activated. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .


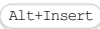











## Karma-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the run/debug configuration.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Node.js interpreter	In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .  If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.
Karma Node.js package	In this field, specify the Karma installation home <code>/npm/node_modules/karma</code> . If you installed <a href="#">Karma</a> regularly through the <a href="#">Node Package Manager</a> , IntelliJ IDEA detects the Karma installation home itself. Alternatively, type the path to executable file manually, or click the <a href="#">Browse</a> button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.
Configuration file	In this field, specify the location of the <a href="#">Karma configuration file</a> . Normally, the file has the extensions <code>.conf.js</code>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
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Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

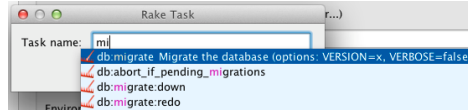
**ItemKeyboardDescription  
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+	Alt+Insert	<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li> <li>- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>gulp</code> package.</li> <li>- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the <code>package.json</code> file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.</li> <li>- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.</li> <li>- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the</li> </ul>
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


source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .

- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the **default server access configuration** . For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

The Kotlin run/debug configuration enables you running or debugging Kotlin applications.


The dialog box consists of the following tabs:


- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription


**Main class** In this text box, specify the fully qualified name of the class to be executed (passed to the JRE). Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Main Class dialog box, where you can find the desired class by name or search through the project.



**VM options** In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as `-mx` , `-verbose` , etc.  
If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:


- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"` .

The `-classpath` option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.

**Program arguments** In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If necessary, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box. Use the same rules as for specifying the [VM options](#) .

**Working directory** In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running application. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the [dialog that opens](#) . Click this  icon to view the list of available [path variables](#) that you can use as a path to your working directory.

**Note** The list of the path variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.

**Environment variables** Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.  
Note that you can copy-paste the contents of the Environment variables field without having to open the Environment Variables dialog box.

**Use classpath of module** Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the application.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner.  
By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.




**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.


**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .


**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

**Packages and classes to record code coverage data** Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.


 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime  Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders  If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.





Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab


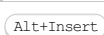

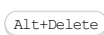









Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.
 

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.
 

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.
 


This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.
 

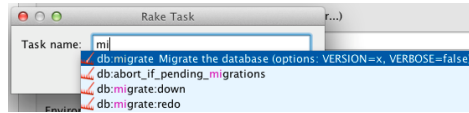
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.
 

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.
 

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the









Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.



- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

The **Kotlin-JavaScript** run/debug configuration enables you running or debugging Kotlin-JavaScript applications in the Ultimate edition of IntelliJ IDEA.


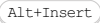











## Kotlin-JavaScript options

### ItemDescription

Generated JavaScript file directory	In this text box, specify the directory, where the generated JavaScript file will be placed. You can type the path manually, or use the browse button  to locate the directory in your file system.
Open in browser after translation	Select this checkbox to have the generated file opened in the selected browser. The following two fields become enabled only when this checkbox is selected.  <b>HTML</b> In this text box, specify the corresponding HTML file. You can type the file path manually, or use the file browse button  to locate the desired HTML file in your file system.  <b>Browser</b> Select the desired browser from the drop-down list.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription


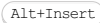
		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


### ItemDescription

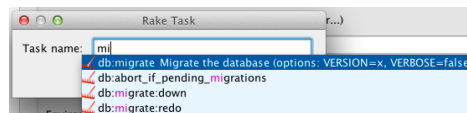
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: – Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see
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






[Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option

is enabled by default.



The **Kotlin script** run/debug configuration enables you running or debugging Kotlin scripts.







The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab






### ItemDescription

Script file	Specify here the path to a <code>*.kts</code> file to be launched.
VM options	<p>In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as <code>-mx</code>, <code>-verbose</code>, etc.</p> <p>If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul> <p>The <code>-classpath</code> option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.</p>
Program arguments	<p>In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If necessary, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box.</p> <p>Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a>.</p>
Working directory	<p>In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running application. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</p> <p>Click this  icon to view the list of available <a href="#">path variables</a> that you can use as a path to your working directory.</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><b>Note</b> The list of the path variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.</div>
Environment variables	<p>Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.</p> <p>Note that you can copy-paste the contents of the Environment variables field without having to open the Environment Variables dialog box.</p>
Use alternative JRE	Select the check box, if you want to specify an alternative JRE here; select the required JRE from the drop-down list, or click  and choose the required JRE from the file chooser dialog.

## Code Coverage tab




Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	<p>Select the desired code coverage runner.</p> <p>By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.</p>
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	<p>Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.</div> <p>Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a>.</p>
Merge data with previous results	<p>When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View, taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered <i>covered</i> if it is covered at least once.</div>
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.

The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .














Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.
Use bundled coverage.py	If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Toolbar



### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.


## Common options

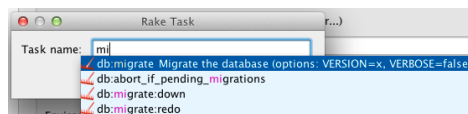
### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.
ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut	

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: – Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application
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




or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
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- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for Lettuce tests .

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

**Feature files or folders** In this text field, type the fully-qualified names of the feature files or directories which contain feature files.  
Multiple names should be delimited with | .  
Use the browse button to locate the desired paths in the file system.

**Params** In this text field, type the Lettuce-specific parameters to be passed to the tests. IntelliJ IDEA provides the possibility to pass parameters to the test runner.  
In particular, the Behave parameters are described in the [Tag expressions](#) section of the Behave documentation.

**Scenario** Type the name of the scenario to be executed. If this field is left blank, all the available scenarios in the specified feature files will be executed.

### Environment

**Project** Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, [opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window](#) , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.

**Environment variable** This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.  
To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press `Shift+Enter` and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.  
To create a new variable, click `+` , and type the desired name and value.

### Python Interpreter

**Interpreter options** In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click `⌨` , and type the string in the editor.

**Working directory** Specify a directory to be used by the running task.  
– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+F10` , or by choosing `Run` on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.  
– When this field is left blank, the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.

**Path mappings** This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .

Click the browse button `⌨` to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use `+`/`-` buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.

**Add content roots to PYTHONPATH** Select this check box to add all [content roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

**Add source roots to PYTHONPATH** Select this check box to add all [source roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

### Docker container settings

**Warning:** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note:** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net` , `--link` , etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#) .

Click `⌨` to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"` , which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net` .
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id .

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all` .
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- Environment variables : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab














Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

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**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

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**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

**ItemKeyboardDescription  
shortcut**




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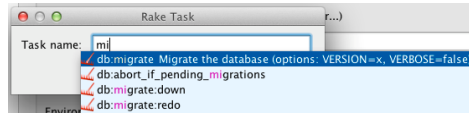
- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the **default server access configuration** .

For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .









- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.

Note that **code completion** is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This run/debug configuration is used to launch the Maven projects. The dialog box contains the following tabs:

- [Parameters tab](#)
- [General tab](#)
- [Runner tab](#)

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

Name In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.

## Parameters tab

#### ItemDescription

Working directory Specify the path to the Maven project file `pom.xml` .

Command line Specify the Maven goals and options separated with space.

Profiles Specify the profiles to be used separated with space.

Resolve We recommend that you use this checkbox if you have dependent modules in your project.

Workspace Artifacts

By default, this checkbox is not selected. In this case, classes of dependent modules are searched in `.jar` files in a Maven local repository. If you select this checkbox, the classes of the dependent modules will be searched in the module compilation output. In this case, each time you make changes to the dependent module, you don't need to deploy them into a local repository.

## General

#### ItemDescription

Work offline If this option is checked, Maven works in the offline mode and uses only those resources that are available locally. This option corresponds to the `--offline` command line option.

Use plugin registry Check this option to enable referring to the Maven Plugin Registry. This option corresponds to the `--no-plugin-registry` command line option.

Execute goals recursively If this option is cleared, the build does not recur into the nested projects. Clearing this option equals to `--non-recursive` command line option.

Print exception stack traces If this option is checked, exception stack traces are generated. This option corresponds to the `--errors` command line option.

Always update snapshots Select this checkbox to always update snapshot dependencies.

Output level Select the desired level of the output log, which allows plugins to create messages at levels of `debug` , `info` , `warn` , and `error` , or disable output log.

Checksum policy Select the desired level of checksum matching while downloading artifacts. You can opt to fails downloading, when checksums do not match ( `--strict-checksums` ), or issue a warning ( `--lax-checksums` ).

Multiproject build fail policy Specify how to treat a failure in a multiproject build. You can choose to:

- Fail the build at the very first failure, which corresponds to the command line option `--fail-fast` .
- Fail the build at the end, which corresponds to the command line option `--fail-at-end` .
- Ignore failures, which corresponds to the command line option `--fail-never` .

Plugin update policy Select plugin update policy from the drop-down list. You can opt to:

- Check for updates, which corresponds to the command line option `--check-plugin-updates` .
- Suppress checking for updates, which corresponds to the command line option `--no-plugin-updates` .

Threads (-T option) Use this field to set the `-T` option for parallel builds. This option is available for Maven 3 and later versions. For more information, see [parallel builds in Maven 3](#) feature.

Maven home directory Use this drop-down list to select a bundled Maven version that is available (for Maven2, version 2.2.1 and for Maven3, version 3.0.5) or the result of resolved system variables such as `MAVEN_HOME` or `MAVEN2_HOME` . You can also specify your own Maven version that is installed on your machine. You can click `...` and select the necessary directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .


User settings file Specify the file that contains user-specific configuration for Maven in the text field. If you need to specify another file, check the Override option, click the ellipsis button and select the desired file in the Select Maven Settings File dialog.

Local repository By default, the field shows the path to the local directory under the user home that stores the downloads and contains the temporary build artifacts that you have not yet released. If you need to specify another directory, check the Override option, click the ellipsis button and select the desired path in the Select Maven Local Repository dialog.

## Runner tab







## ItemDescription

VM Options	<p>Specify the string passed to the VM for launching the Maven project.</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
JRE	Select JRE from the drop-down list.
Skip tests	If this option is checked, the tests will be skipped when running or debugging the Maven project.
Environment variables	Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.
Properties	Specify the properties and their values to be passed to Maven.

## Logs tab


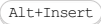











Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

## ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	<p>The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> <p>If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</p>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.


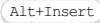
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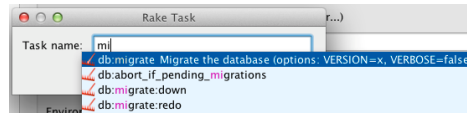
		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	<p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription









Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	<p>Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.</p> <p><b>ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut</b></p> <p>  Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>gulp</code> package.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the <code>package.json</code> file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to create configurations for running and debugging **Meteor** applications.

The dialog box is available when the **Meteor** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

On this page:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Browser / Live Edit tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Configuration tab


### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Meteor Executable	In this field, specify the location of the <b>Meteor</b> executable file (see <a href="#">Installing Meteor</a> ).
Program Arguments	In this field, specify the command line additional parameters to be passed to the executable file on start up, if applicable. These can be, for example, <code>--dev</code> , <code>--test</code> , or <code>--prod</code> to indicate the environment in which the application is running ( <code>development</code> , <code>test</code> , or <code>production</code> environments) so different resources are loaded on start up.
Working Directory	<p>In this field, specify the folder under which the application files to run are stored. This folder must have a <code>.meteor</code> subfolder in the root so IntelliJ IDEA recognizes your application as a <b>Meteor project</b>. By default, the field shows the path to the IntelliJ IDEA project root.</p> <p>Technically, several Meteor projects that implement different applications can be combined within one single IntelliJ IDEA project. To run and debug these applications independently, create a separate run configuration for each of them with the relevant working directory. To avoid port conflicts, these run configurations should use different ports. In the Program Arguments field, specify a separate port for each run configuration in the format <code>--port=&lt;port_number&gt;</code>.</p>
Environment Variables	In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> for the <b>Meteor</b> executable file, if applicable.

## Browser / Live Edit tab









In this tab, configure the behaviour of the browser and enable debugging the client-side code of the application. This functionality is provided through a `JavaScript Debug` run configuration, so technically, IntelliJ IDEA creates separate run configurations for the server-side and the client-side code, but you specify all your settings in one dedicated **Meteor** run configuration.

### ItemDescription

Open browser	In the text box in this area, specify the URL address to open the application at. If you select the After Launch check box, the browser will open this page automatically after the application starts. Alternatively you can view the same result by opening the page with this URL address in the browser of your choice manually.
After launch	<p>Select this check box Choose the browser to use from the drop-down list next to the After launch checkbox.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To use the system default browser, choose Default .</li><li>– To use a custom browser, choose it from the list. Note that <b>Live Edit</b> is fully supported only in Chrome.</li><li>– To configure browsers, click the Browse button  and adjust the settings in the Web Browsers dialog box that opens. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Browsers</a>.</li></ul>
with JavaScript debugger	Select this check box to enable debugging the client-side code in the selected browser.


## Toolbar


### ItemShortcutDescription


		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
		Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.



Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.

 **Move into new folder / Create new folder** Use this button to [create a new folder](#) . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.

 **Sort configurations** Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

**Name** In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.

**Defaults** This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the `.idea/runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea/workspace.xml` file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

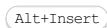
**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

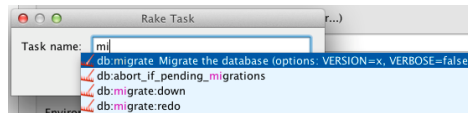


- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments

to pass to the Gulp tool.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create configurations for running and debugging JavaScript unit tests using the Mocha test framework .

On this page:


- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Mocha dialog](#)
- [Mocha-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Mocha dialog

1. Install and enable the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#) .
3. Using the [Node Package Manager](#) , install the [Mocha test framework](#) as described in [Mocha](#) .

## Mocha-specific configuration settings


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

**Node.js interpreter** In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) .

If you have [appointed one of the installations as default](#) , the field displays the path to its executable file.


**Node options** In this text box, type the Node.js-specific command line options to be passed to the Node.js executable file. See [Node Parameters](#) for details.


**Working directory** In this field, specify the working directory of the application. By default, the Working directory field shows the project root folder. To change this predefined setting, specify the path to the desired folder or choose a previously used folder from the list.

**Environment variables** In this field, specify the [environment variables](#) for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the Browse button  to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens:


- To define a new variable, click the Add toolbar button  and specify the variable name and value.
- To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the Delete toolbar button  .
- Click OK , when ready

The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are:





- `NODE_PATH` : A  -separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.
- `NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS` : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.
- `NODE_DISABLE_COLORS` : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.

**Mocha package** In this field, specify the Mocha installation home `/npm/node_modules/mocha` . If you installed [Mocha](#) regularly through the [Node Package Manager](#) , IntelliJ IDEA detects the Mocha installation home itself. Alternatively, type the path to executable file manually, or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.

**User interface** From this drop-down list, choose the [interface](#) according to which the tests in the `test` folder are written. IntelliJ IDEA will recognize only tests that comply with the chosen [interface](#) . If during test execution IntelliJ IDEA runs against a test of another [interface](#) , the test session will be canceled with an error. This means that all the tests in the specified `test` folder must be written according to the same [interface](#) and this [interface](#) must be chosen from the drop-down list.

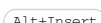
**Extra Mocha options** In this field, specify additional [Mocha command line options](#) . For example, add a `--watch` flag to turn on the [autotest-like runner](#) . As a result, any test in the current run configuration restarts automatically on changing the related source code, without clicking the Rerun button  .







**Tests** In this area, specify the tests to be executed. The available options are:

- All in directory: choose this option to run all the tests from files stored in a folder. In the Test directory field, specify the folder with the tests. To have IntelliJ IDEA look for tests in the subfolders under the specified directory, select the Include subdirectories checkbox.
- File pattern: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA look for tests in all the files with the names that match a certain mask and specify the mask in the Test file pattern field.
- Test file: choose this option to run only the tests from one file and specify the path to this file in the Test file field.
- Suite: choose this option to run individual suites from a test file. In the Test file field, specify the file where the required suites are defined. Click the Suite name field and configure a list of suites to run. To add a suite to the list, click  and type the name of the required suite. To remove a suite, select it in the list and click  .
- Test: choose this option to run individual tests from a test file. In the Test file field, specify the file where the required tests are defined. Click the Test name field and configure a list of tests to run. To add a test to the list, click  and type the name of the required test. To remove a test, select it in the list and click  .

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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|  |  | Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.             |
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	<b>Ctrl+D</b>	Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	<b>Edit defaults</b>	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	<b>Alt+Up</b> or <b>Alt+Down</b>	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	<b>Move into new folder / Create new folder</b>	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	<b>Sort configurations</b>	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription


<b>Name</b>	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
<b>Defaults</b>	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
<b>Share</b>	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
<b>Single instance only</b>	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
<b>Before launch</b>	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

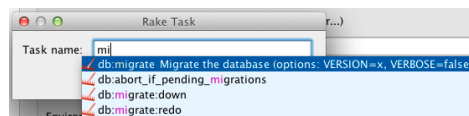
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	<b>Alt+Insert</b>	<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass</li> </ul>
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




to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration . For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.




- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Use this dialog to create or edit [MXUnit run/debug configurations](#) which let you run or debug your MXUnit tests.













Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

Test	<p>Select the test scope and specify the associated settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Directory. Select this option to run all tests in a certain directory. Specify the qualified directory name in the File field respectively. Alternatively, click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) and select the desired file in the Select Path dialog.</li><li>– Method. Select this option to run a test method. Specify the fully qualified name of the test file and the method name in the File and Method fields respectively. Use  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) to select the desired file and method in the Select Path and the Choose Test Method dialogs.</li><li>– Component. Select this option to run a test for the specific component. Specify the fully qualified name of the test file in the File field respectively. Alternatively, click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) and select the desired file in the Select Path dialog.</li></ul>
Web Path	<p>In this text box, specify the URL address that corresponds to the server root. The server side of <a href="#">deployment mappings</a> will be specified relative to this URL.</p>

## Toolbar

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
		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
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	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	<p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
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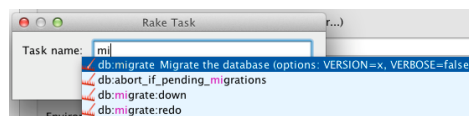
Name	<p>In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.</p>
Defaults	<p>This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.</p>
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	<p>Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.</p>

#### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application</li></ul>
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or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	Alt+Delete	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	Enter	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	Alt+Up	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	Alt+Down	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this dialog box, create configurations for running and debugging of **Node.js** applications locally. "Locally" in the current context means that IntelliJ IDEA itself starts the **Node.js** runtime environment installed on your computer, whereupon initiates a running or debugging session.

On this page:

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- [Common options](#)


## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager \(npm\)](#).

## Configuration tab

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA copies `package.json` to the `/tmp/project_modules` folder in the image, runs `npm install`, and then copies the modules to the project folder in the container. Consequently, changing `package.json` in the project results in re-building the image.

### ItemDescription

**Node Interpreter** In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).


If you have [appointed one of the installations as default](#), the field displays the path to its executable file.

**Node Parameters** In this text box, type the Node.js-specific command line options to be passed to the NodeJS executable file. The most common options are:

`--require coffee-script/register` Specify this parameter to have CoffeeScript files compiled into JavaScript on the fly during run. This mode requires that the `register.js` file, which is a part of the `coffee-script` package, should be located inside the project. Therefore you need to install the `coffee-script` package on the [Node.js](#) page locally, as described in [NPM](#).


`--inspect` Specify this parameter when you are using Node.js v7 for [Chrome Debugging Protocol](#) support. Otherwise, by default the debug process will use [V8 Debugging Protocol](#).



For a full list, see [Node.js command line options](#).

**Working Directory** In this field, specify the [working directory](#) of the application. All references in the starting Node.js application file, for example, `imports`, will be resolved relative to this folder, unless such references use full paths. By default, the field shows the `project root folder`. To change this predefined setting, choose the desired folder from the drop-down list, or type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.

**JavaScript File** In this field, specify the full path to the file to start running or debugging the application from. If you are going to debug CoffeeScript, specify the path to the generated JavaScript file with source maps. The file can be generated externally or through compilation using file watchers. For more details, see [Compiling CoffeeScript to JavaScript](#).


**Application Parameters** In this text box, type the Node.js-specific arguments to be passed to the application start file through the `process.argv` array.

**Environment Variables** In this field, specify the [environment variables](#) for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the Browse button  to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens:

- To define a new variable, click the Add toolbar button  and specify the variable name and value.
- To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the Delete toolbar button .
- Click OK, when ready

The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are:



- `NODE_PATH` : A `:`-separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.
- `NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS` : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.
- `NODE_DISABLE_COLORS` : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.

**Docker container settings** In this field, type the settings manually, or click  next to the field and specify the settings in the Edit Docker Container Settings dialog that opens, or select the Auto configure checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA do it automatically. The field is available only when a remote Node.js interpreter running on a Docker container is chosen.

Auto configuration Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA configure the container settings. In the **Automatic configuration mode**:

- IntelliJ IDEA creates a new image and installs the `npm` modules in it.
- IntelliJ IDEA runs the container with the new image, binds your project folder to `/opt/project` folder in the container to ensure synchronization on update, and maps `/opt/project/node_modules` to the OS temporary directory.

Even with automatic configuration, you still need to bind the port on which your application is running with the port of the container. Those exposed ports are available on the Docker host's IP address (by default 192.168.99.100). Such binding is required when you debug the client side of a **Node.js Express** application. In this case, you need to open the browser from your computer and access the application at the container host through the port specified in the application.

1. Click  next to the Docker Container Settings field.
2. In the Edit Docker Container Settings dialog that opens, expand the Port bindings area.
3. Click  and in the Port bindings dialog that opens, map the ports as follows:
  - In the Container port text box, type the port specified in your application.
  - In the Host port text box, type the port through which you want to open the application in the browser from your computer.
  - In the Host IP text box, type the IP address of the Docker's host, the default IP is 192.168.99.100. The host is specified in the API URL field on the **Docker** page of the **Settings / Preferences Dialog**.
  - Click OK to return to the Edit Docker Container Settings dialog where the new port mapping is added to the list.
4. Click OK to return to the **Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js** dialog.

The field is available only when a remote Node.js interpreter running on a Docker container is chosen.


## Browser / Live Edit tab

In this tab, configure the behaviour of the browser and enable debugging the client-side code of the application. This functionality is provided through a **JavaScript Debug** run configuration, so technically, IntelliJ IDEA creates separate run configurations for the server-side and the client-side code, but you specify all your settings in one dedicated **Node.js** run configuration.

### ItemDescription

**Open browser** In the text box in this area, specify the URL address to open the application at. If you select the After Launch check box, the browser will open this page automatically after the application starts. Alternatively you can view the same result by opening the page with this URL address in the browser of your choice manually.

**After launch** Select this check box Choose the browser to use from the drop-down list next to the After launch checkbox.


- To use the system default browser, choose Default.
- To use a custom browser, choose it from the list. Note that **Live Edit** is fully supported only in Chrome.
- To configure browsers, click the Browse button  and adjust the settings in the Web Browsers dialog box that opens. For more information, see [Configuring Browsers](#).

with JavaScript debugger Select this check box to enable debugging the client-side code in the selected browser.



## V8 Profiling tab

### ItemDescription

**Record CPU profiling info** Select this checkbox to start logging the CPU profiling data when the application is launched. The controls in the area below become enabled. Specify the following:


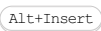







- Log folder: in this field, specify the folder to store recorded logs in. Profiling data are stored in V8 log files `isolate-<session number>`.
- One log file for isolates:
- Tick package: in this field, specify the tick package to use. Choose the relevant package from the Tick package drop-down list or click the  button next to it and choose the package in the dialog box that opens.
- Gnuplot package: in this field, specify the location of the Gnuplot executable file to explore a timeline view that shows where V8 is spending time.

**Allow taking heap snapshots** Select this checkbox if you are going to run memory profiling. The controls in the area below become enabled. Specify the following:

- V8 profiler package: in this field, specify the **v8-profiler** package to use. Choose the relevant package from the v8-profiler package drop-down list or click the  button next to it and choose the package in the dialog box that opens.
- Communication port: in this field, specify the port through which IntelliJ IDEA communicates with the profiler, namely, sends a command to take a snapshot when you click the Take Heap Snapshot button  on the toolbar of the Run tool window.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	 Alt+Insert	Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
	 Alt+Delete	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
	 Ctrl+D	Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 Alt+Up or	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations

Alt+Down

appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.

	<p>Move into new folder / Create new folder</p>	<p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
	<p>Sort configurations</p>	<p>Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.</p>

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	<p>In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.</p>
Defaults	<p>This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.</p>
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	<p>Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.</p>

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.
 

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.
 


See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.
 

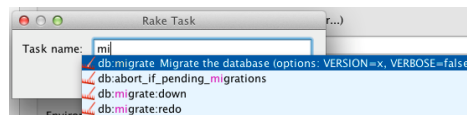
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.
 

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.
 

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass









to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration . For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).


		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

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IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | Node.js and NPM for macOS





The dialog box opens when you click the Browse button  next to the Node Interpreter drop-down list in the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog or on the [Node.js and NPM](#) page.

Use this dialog box to configure Node.js installations as local and remote interpreters.

The term **local Node.js interpreter** denotes a Node.js installation on your computer. The term **remote Node.js interpreter** denotes a Node.js installation on a remote host or in a virtual environment set up in a [Vagrant](#) instance. See [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#) for details.

When the dialog box opens from the [Node.js and NPM](#) page, you can only configure local interpreters installed on your computer. When the dialog box is accessed from the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#) dialog, both local and remote interpreters can be configured.

#### ItemTooltipDescription


Node.js Interpreters		The list shows all the configured Node.js interpreters, both local and remote ones. For local interpreters, IntelliJ IDEA also shows the path to the Node.js executable file and to the associated <code>npm</code> executable file, see <a href="#">NPM</a> .
	Add	Click this button to add a new Node.js interpreter to the list. From the drop-down menu, choose All Local or Add Remote. Note that the Add Remote item is available only you opened the dialog box from the <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js</a> dialog. Depending on your choice, either select the relevant local Node.js installation or configure a remote interpreter in the <a href="#">Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog</a> that opens.
	Delete	Click this button to remove the selected interpreter from the list.
	Edit	Click this button to create a new interpreter with the settings copied from the selected one.
Node interpreter	This read-only field shows the path to the selected local interpreter.	
Npm package	In this field, specify the Node package manager (npm) associated with the selected interpreter. Choose the relevant npm from the drop-down list or click  next to it and in the dialog box that opens choose the location of the npm to use. Alternatively, you can specify the path to the <a href="#">Yarn package manager</a> if you want to use it instead of npm.  The field is available only if the selected interpreter is of the type local.	



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

The dialog box is available only when the **Node.js Remote Interpreter** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

The dialog box opens when you click the Add toolbar button  in the **Node.js Interpreters Dialog** and choose Remote... from the drop-down menu. This menu item is available only when you open the **Node.js Interpreters Dialog** from the [Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js](#).

Use this dialog box to configure access to Node.js installations on remote hosts or in development environments set up in **Vagrant** instances.


#### ItemDescription

SSH Credentials	<p>Choose this option to configure access to a Node.js interpreter on a remote host through SSH credentials. In the fields of the dialog box, specify the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Host: in this field, type the name of the host on which the interpreter is installed.</li><li>– Port: in this field, type the port which the SSH server on the remote host listens to. The default port number is 22.</li><li>– User name: in the field, type the user name under which you are registered on the SSH server.</li><li>– Auth type: from this drop-down list, choose the authentication method.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To access the host through a password, choose Password from the Auth type drop-down list, specify the password, and select the Save password checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember it.</li><li>– To use <a href="#">SSH authentication</a> via a key pair, choose Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY). To apply this authentication method, you need to have your private key on the client machine and your public key on the remote server you connect to. IntelliJ IDEA supports private keys generated using the <a href="#">OpenSSH</a> utility. Specify the path to the file where your <b>private key</b> is stored and type the passphrase (if any) in the corresponding text boxes. To have IntelliJ IDEA remember the passphrase, select the Save passphrase checkbox.</li></ul></li><li>– If your SSH keys are managed by a credentials helper application (for example, <a href="#">Pageant</a> on Windows or <a href="#">ssh-agent</a> on Mac and Linux), choose Authentication agent (ssh-agent or Pageant).</li></ul> <p>To use an interpreter configuration, you need <b>path mappings</b> that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. IntelliJ IDEA first attempts to retrieve path mappings itself by processing all the available application-level configurations. If IntelliJ IDEA finds the configurations with the same host as the one specified above, in the Host field, the mappings from these configurations are merged automatically. If no configurations with this host are found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message informing you that path mappings are not configured.</p> <p>To fix the problem, open the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page under the Build, Execution, Deployment node, select the server access configuration in question, switch to the Mappings tab, and map local folders to folders on the server as described in <a href="#">Creating a Remote Server Configuration</a>, section Mapping Local Folders to Folders on the Server and the URL Addresses to Access Them.</p>
Vagrant	<p>This option is available only when the <b>Vagrant</b> repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the <b>JetBrains plugin repository</b> as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a>.</p> <p>Choose this option to configure access to a Node.js interpreter installed in a <b>Vagrant</b> instance using your <b>Vagrant</b> credentials. Technically, it is the folder where the <b>VagrantFile</b> configuration file for the desired environment is located. Based on this setting, IntelliJ IDEA detects the <b>Vagrant host</b> and shows it as a link in the Vagrant Host URL read-only field.</p> <p>To use an interpreter configuration, you need <b>path mappings</b> that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. IntelliJ IDEA evaluates path mappings from the <b>VagrantFile</b> configuration file.</p>
Deployment Configuration	<p>This option is available only when the <b>Remote Hosts Access</b> plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the <a href="#">Plugins settings</a> page as described in <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a>.</p> <p>Choose this option to configure access to a Node.js interpreter on a remote host using a <b>server access configuration</b>. This option is available only if you have at least one <b>server access configuration</b> of the type SFTP, see <a href="#">Creating a Remote Server Configuration</a>.</p> <p>From the Deployment Configuration drop-down list, choose the <b>server access configuration</b> of the SFTP type according to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to connect to the target host. If the settings specified in the chosen configuration ensure successful connection, IntelliJ IDEA displays the URL address of the target host as a link in the Deployment Host URL field.</p> <p>To use an interpreter configuration, you need <b>path mappings</b> that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. By default, IntelliJ IDEA retrieves path mappings from the chosen server access (deployment) configuration. If the configuration does not contain path mappings, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.</p> <p>To fix the problem, open the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page under the Build, Execution, Deployment node, select the relevant server access configuration, switch to the Mappings tab, and map the local folders to the folders on the server as described in <a href="#">Creating a Remote Server Configuration</a> section.</p>
Docker	<p>This option is available only when the <b>Node.js</b>, <b>Node.js Remote Interpreter</b>, and <b>Docker Integration</b> plugins are enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the <b>JetBrains plugin repository</b> as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a>. Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects. Choose this option to configure access to a Node.js interpreter running in a Docker container.</p> <p>In the Server field, specify the <b>Docker configuration</b> to use. see <a href="#">Docker</a>. Choose a configuration from the drop-</p>

1. In the Image name field, specify the base Docker image to use. Choose one of the previously downloaded or your custom images from the drop-down list or type the image name manually, for example, `node:argon` or `mhart/alpine-node`. When you later launch the run configuration, Docker will search for the specified image on your machine. If the search fails, the image will be downloaded from the image repository specified on the [Registry](#) page.
2. In the Image name field, specify the base Docker image to use. Choose one of the previously downloaded or your custom images from the drop-down list or type the image name manually, for example, `node:argon` or `mhart/alpine-node`. When you later launch the run configuration, Docker will search for the specified image on your machine. If the search fails, the image will be downloaded from the image repository specified on the [Registry](#) page.
3. The Node.js interpreter path field shows the location of the default Node.js interpreter from the specified image.
4. When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA closes the [Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog](#) and brings you to the [Node.js Interpreters Dialog](#) where the new interpreter configuration is added to the list. Click OK to return to the run configuration.

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**Node.js Interpreter Path**

In this field, specify the location of the **Node.js** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/node` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `node` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the Node.js home directory must be open for edit. When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the Node.js executable is actually stored in the specified folder.

- If no Node.js executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
- If the Node.js executable is found, you return to the Node.js Interpreters where the installation folder and the detected version of the Node.js interpreter are displayed.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this dialog box, create configurations to run unit tests for **Node.js** applications.

On this page:








- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: NodeUnit dialog](#)
- [NodeUnit-specific configuration settings](#)
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## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: NodeUnit dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager \(npm\)](#).
3. Install the **Nodeunit** testing framework in one of the following ways:
  - Download the framework at <https://github.com/caolan/nodeunit> and install it according to the official instructions.
  - Install the `nodeunit` package using the **Node Package Manager (NPM)** as described in [NPM](#).














## NodeUnit-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Node Interpreter	In this field, specify the Node.js installation home. Type the path to the Node.js executable file manually, or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.
Working Directory	In this text box, specify the folder to find tests under. This can be the project root folder or the parent directory for the <code>test</code> folder. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.
Environment Variables	<p>In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the Browse button  to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To define a new variable, click the Add toolbar button  and specify the variable name and value.</li><li>– To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the Delete toolbar button .</li><li>– Click OK, when ready</li></ul> <p>The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>NODE_PATH</code> : A  -separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.</li><li>– <code>NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS</code> : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.</li><li>– <code>NODE_DISABLE_COLORS</code> : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.</li></ul>
Nodeunit Module	In this text box, specify the installation folder of the <b>Nodeunit</b> framework. Type the path manually or click the  button and choose the folder in the dialog box that opens.
Run	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the scope of tests to execute. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All JavaScript test files in the directory: choose this option to to have IntelliJ IDEA run all the test files in a folder. In the Directory text box below, specify the path to the test folder relative to the <a href="#">working directory</a>.</li><li>– JavaScript test file: choose this option to have a specific test executed. In the JavaScript test file text box, type the path to the file relative to the <a href="#">working directory</a>.</li></ul>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
		Edit defaults Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
		Move into new folder / Create new folder Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
		Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


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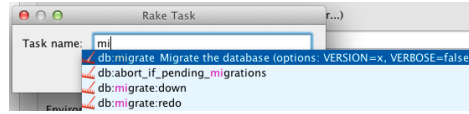


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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:









- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).

- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this dialog box, create configurations for running and debugging [JNode-webkit](#) applications.

On this page:

- [Node-Webkit-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Common options](#)


## Node-Webkit-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

**Node-webkit app** Specify the application to be launched. You can either select the entire directory that contains `package.json` file, or the same directory packed into an archive with the `.nw` extension.

Use the following buttons:

  Click this button to find the desired application in the file system.

 Click this button to add macros, specified in the [Path Variables](#) page of the IDE settings.

**Node-webkit arguments** Specify here the arguments to be passed to the application being launched.

Use the following button:

  Click this button to open the textual editor.


**Working directory** In this field, specify the working directory of the application.  
By default, the Working directory field shows the project root folder. To change this predefined setting, specify the path to the desired folder or choose a previously used folder from the list.

**Environment variables** In this field, specify the [environment variables](#) for the executable file, if applicable.

**Node-webkit interpreter** Specify executable for the Node-webkit.

Use the following buttons:



  Click this button to find the desired application in the file system.



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## Toolbar



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 **Edit defaults** Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.

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 **Sort configurations** Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

**Name** In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.

**Defaults** This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.  
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This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

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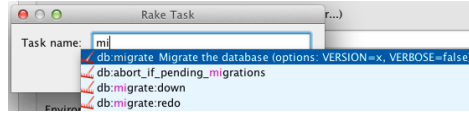
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- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the **default server access configuration** .









For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .

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Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Node.js Plugin is installed and enabled!

In this dialog box, create configurations for running [npm scripts](#) locally. "Locally" in the current context means that IntelliJ IDEA itself starts the **Node.js** runtime environment installed on your computer, whereupon initiates script execution.

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## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: NPM dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#).

## Configuration tab












### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the run/debug configuration.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
package.json	In this field, specify the <code>package.json</code> file to run the scripts from. Choose the file from the drop-down list which shows all the <code>package.json</code> files detected in the current project or click  and choose the required <code>package.json</code> in the dialog box that opens.
Command	From this drop-down list, choose the <b>npm CLI command</b> to execute, by default <code>run-script</code> is selected. Learn more at <a href="#">npm documentation</a> , under the section CLI Commands.
Scripts	From this drop-down list, choose the script to which the chosen command will be applied. The list contains all the scripts defined within the <code>scripts</code> property in the <code>Package.json</code> file.
Arguments	In this field, specify the command line arguments to execute a script with. Learn more at <a href="#">Arguments</a> .
Node Interpreter	In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .  If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.
Node Options	In this text box, type the Node.js-specific command line options to be passed to the Node.js executable file. The acceptable options are:  <code>--require coffee-script/register</code> Specify this parameter to have CoffeeScript files compiled into JavaScript on the fly during run. This mode requires that the <code>register.js</code> file, which is a part of the <code>coffee-script</code> package, should be located inside the project. Therefore you need to install the <code>coffee-script</code> package on the <a href="#">Node.js</a> page locally, as described in <a href="#">NPM</a> .  <code>--inspect</code> Specify this parameter when you are using Node.js v7 for <a href="#">Chrome Debugging Protocol</a> support. Otherwise, by default the debug process will use <a href="#">V8 Debugging Protocol</a> .
Environment Variables	In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the Browse button  to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To define a new variable, click the Add toolbar button  and specify the variable name and value.</li><li>– To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the Delete toolbar button .</li><li>– Click OK, when ready</li></ul> The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>NODE_PATH</code> : A  -separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.</li><li>– <code>NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS</code> : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.</li><li>– <code>NODE_DISABLE_COLORS</code> : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.</li></ul>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

-   Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.



		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools and External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the</li> </ul>
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arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.


- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).

- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).

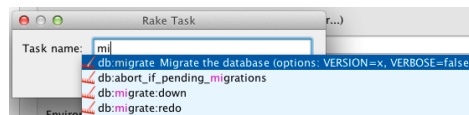
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the **default server access configuration**.

For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).









- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.

Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.


OpenShift Deployment [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy your code and application artifacts to [OpenShift](#) . They also let you debug your applications.

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## Main settings









### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the run configuration.
Share	<p>Select this checkbox to share the run configuration through version control.</p> <p>If the checkbox is not selected, the run configuration settings are stored in <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> or the <code>.iws</code> file.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the settings are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> or in the <code>.ipr</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
Single instance only	If you select this checkbox, only one instance of the run configuration will run at a time.
Server	<p>Select the cloud access configuration to be used.</p> <p>To create a new configuration, or to edit an existing one, click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ). For more information, see <a href="#">OpenShift</a> .</p>
Deployment	To deploy your source code, select the corresponding <a href="#">module</a> . To deploy an <a href="#">application artifact</a> , select the artifact. Only archive artifact formats can be used (e.g. WAR, EAR).
Use custom application name	By default, your application will have about the same name as the module or the artifact. To specify a different name, select the checkbox and specify the name in the field. (The application name defines its URL.)
Debug Port	The port to be used for debugging. This may be any unused port on your computer.

## Before Launch options















Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li> <li>- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> </ul>
		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration in the debug mode. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running in the debug mode, you can open the Debug tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		<p>You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.</p> <p>To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.</p> <p>Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.</p> <p>To remove grouping, select a folder and click .</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a>.</p>

Use this dialog box to set up options for running and debugging applications that use [OSGi Bundles](#) .

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Framework & Bundles](#)
- [Parameters](#)
- [Additional Framework Properties](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Framework & Bundles Tab

In this tab, select a framework that you need, compose a list of bundles to be installed, specify whether each bundle should be started upon installation, and define the order in which you want the bundles to be started.




### ItemDescription

OSGi Framework	From a drop-down list choose your framework.
Framework Start Level	Use this field to define a state of the execution in which a framework exists. You can modify the start level of the framework. This start level is used for managing the order of OSGi bundles' execution. If the bundle has a start level greater than the one for the framework, then it will be executed first.
Default Start Level	This field shows the default start level of bundles. In this case, the bundles are added after the framework's execution has started. You can modify the default start level for bundles.
Bundles Name	This read-only field shows the names of the OSGi bundles to be installed.
Start Level	In this text box, specify the default start level for newly installed bundles and thus determine the start order of bundles. The default value is 1.  <b>Note</b> An OSGi system has a current level (called the active start level). If a bundle has a start level higher than the active start level it will not start when the OSGi system starts. The bundle will start as soon as the active start level reaches or exceeds the start level of the bundle. Accordingly, if the active start level becomes below the level of a bundle, the bundle will be shutdown.
Start After Install	Select this checkbox to have the selected bundle after installation.
Add	Click this button to open the Select Bundles dialog box, which displays all the currently available bundles. If the list is large, start typing the bundle name Search field - the contents of the list change as you type and show only the matching entries.
Remove	Click this button to delete the selected bundle from the list.

## Parameters Tab

In these tab, customize the framework run or debug procedure by specifying additional parameters.

### ItemDescription

VM Options	In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the Virtual Machine for launching the bundles. If the string is too long and does not fit in the text box, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul> <b>Note</b> The <code>-classpath</code> option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.
Program Parameters	In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If the string is too long and does not fit in the text box, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the bundles. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
Runtime Directory	Use this area to specify the runtime path of the framework.  You can select from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Recreate each time - select this option if you want to have all previous information deleted from the directory before the execution of the framework.</li><li>- Use this directory - use this field to specify the directory that the framework will use each time it executes. The execution time is faster. However, the directory might contain the unnecessary information such as artifacts from previous runs.</li></ul> Type the path to the desired folder manually or click the Browse button  and choose the folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Include All Bundles in	Select this checkbox to have all the selected bundles included in the classpath.













## Additional Framework Properties

### ItemDescription

Debug Mode	Select this checkbox to enable debugging.
System Packages	In this text box, specify the system packages to be exposed inside the OSGi framework. Type the names of the packages using commas as separators. Wildcards are welcome.
Boot Delegation	In this text box, specify <code>java</code> packages for which the framework must delegate class loading to the boot class path. Type the names of the packages using commas as separators. Wildcards are welcome.
Start OSGi Console	Select this checkbox to run a prompt for the specified framework. For example, for the Equinox framework it is <code>osgi&gt;</code> .
Run	Use this area to indicate what target you need to run.  You can select from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Just the bundles - select this option if you need to run just the bundles.</li> <li>– Product - select this option if you need to run the product.</li> <li>– Application - select this option if you need to run the application.</li> </ul>

## Toolbar

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	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

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Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
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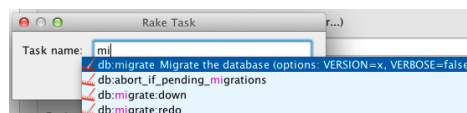
### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
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- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



Alt+Delete

Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.



Enter

Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.





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Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.



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Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.

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Show this page

Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

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Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to create configurations for running and debugging applications developed through integration with the help of [PhoneGap](#) , [Apache Cordova](#) , and [Ionic](#) frameworks and intended for running on various mobile platforms, including [Android](#) .

On this page:

- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: PhoneGap/Cordova dialog](#)
- [PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: PhoneGap/Cordova dialog

Make sure the **PhoneGap/Cordova** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

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PhoneGap/Cordova Executable Path In this field, specify the location of the executable file `phonegap.cmd` , `cordova.cmd` , or `ionic.cmd` (see [Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic](#) ).

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PhoneGap/Cordova Working Directory In this field, specify the folder under which the **PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic** application files to run are stored.

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Command From this drop-down list, choose the command to run. The contents of the drop-down list, depend on the actually used framework, namely, on the executable file specified in the PhoneGap/Cordova Executable Path field. The available options are:

– For PhoneGap :

- emulate
- run
- prepare
- serve
- remote build
- remote run

See <https://www.npmjs.org/package/phonegap> for a list of **PhoneGap** -specific commands with descriptions.

– For Cordova :

- emulate
- run
- prepare
- serve

See <https://www.npmjs.org/package/cordova> for a list of **Cordova** -specific commands with descriptions.

– For Ionic :

- emulate
- run
- prepare
- serve

See <https://www.npmjs.org/package/ionic> for a list of **Ionic** -specific commands with descriptions.

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Platform From this drop-down list, choose the platform for running on which the application is intended. The available options are:

- Android
- ios To emulate this platform, you need to install the [ios-sim command line tool](#) globally. You can do it through the Node Package Manager (npm) , see [NPM](#) or by running the `sudo npm install ios-sim -g` command, depending on your operating system.
- amazon-fireos
- firefoxos
- blackberry10
- ubuntu
- wp8
- windows8
- browser

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











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Specify Target Select this checkbox to appoint an **Android** physical or virtual device to run the application on and select the required device from the drop-down list. The list shows all the virtual and physical devices that are currently configured on our machine. See [http://docs.phonegap.com/en/edge/guide\\_platforms\\_android\\_index.md.html#Android%20Platform%20Guide](http://docs.phonegap.com/en/edge/guide_platforms_android_index.md.html#Android%20Platform%20Guide) for details.  
If IntelliJ IDEA displays the following error message: **Cannot detect ios-sim in path** , make sure you have installed the `ios-sim` , see [Before you start](#) .

## Toolbar

## ItemShortcutDescription



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		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


### ItemDescription

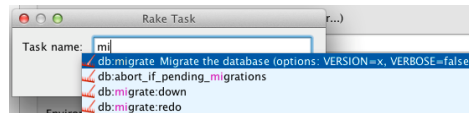
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

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






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- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
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- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
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- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to configure [running PHP applications on a local PHP built-in web server](#) . Note that this configuration is not intended for starting a debugging session. To debug an application running on the built-in server, start the application through this configuration and then connect to the running application as described in [Zero-Configuration Debugging](#) .

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

The dialog box consists of the following areas:



**Note** [PHP built-in web server](#) is supplied with PHP 5.4 (and later) and is not built into IntelliJ IDEA. It is not suitable for production environments; you should use it only for development and testing purposes.

- [Server Configuration area](#)
- [Command Line area](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Server Configuration area

In this area, configure the access to the built-in Web server.



### ItemDescription

Host	In this text box, type the name of the host the PHP built-in web server runs on. By default, host is set to <code>localhost</code> , because the built-in server is located on your machine.
Port	Use this spin box to specify the port on which the PHP built-in web server runs. By default this port is set to port <code>80</code> . You can set the port number to any other value starting with 1024 and higher.
Document root	In this text box, type the full path to the folder that will be considered <a href="#">server document root</a> . This can be either the project root or any other folder under it. All the folders under the document root will be recursively submitted to the PHP interpreter. The server document root folder will be accessed through HTTP at the above specified <code>host:port</code> . URL addresses for other pages of your applications will be composed based on this mapping.  Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens.
Use router script	Select this checkbox to have a <a href="#">PHP router script</a> executed at every HTTP request start-up. The script is run for each HTTP request. If this script returns <code>FALSE</code> , the requested resource is returned as-is. Otherwise the script output is returned to the browser. In the text box, specify the location of the script to run. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

## Command Line area











In this area, customize the behavior of the current PHP interpreter by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

### ItemDescription


Interpreter options	In this text box, specify the <a href="#">options</a> to be passed to the PHP executable file. They override the default behavior of the PHP interpreter and/or ensure that additional activities are performed. If necessary, click  and type the desired options in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each option on a new line. When you close the dialog box, they are all displayed in the Command line options text box with spaces as separators.
Custom working directory	In this text box, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with your sources and are referenced through relative paths. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Environment variables	In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> be passed to the built-in server. See <a href="#">Environment Variables in Apache</a> for details.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	 <code>Alt+Insert</code>	Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
	 <code>Alt+Delete</code>	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
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	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 <code>Alt+Up</code> or <code>Alt+Down</code>	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
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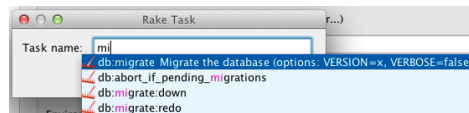


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


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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to configure running and debugging of separate [HTTP Requests](#) . This is helpful when you are actually interested in a specific page that is accessed in a number of steps, but for this or that reason you cannot specify this page as the start page for debugging, for example, because you need to "come" to this page with certain data. For details, see [Debugging a PHP HTTP Request](#) .

The dialog box consists of the following areas:

- [Configuration](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration

### ItemDescription


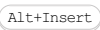






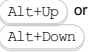



Server	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">server access configuration</a> to interact with the Web server where the application is executed.
URL	In this text box, specify the <code>host</code> element of the request in question. Type the element relative to the host specified in the debug server configuration, see <a href="#">Creating a PHP Debug Server Configuration</a> . As you type, IntelliJ IDEA composes the URL address on-the-fly and displays it below the text box.
Request method	From this drop-down list, choose the relevant request type. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– POST</li><li>– GET</li></ul>
Query String	In this text box, type the query string of the request, this string will be appended to the request after the <code>?</code> symbol.
Request Body	In this text box, type the data to be sent to the server through the <b>POST</b> request. The text box is available only for request methods of the type <b>POST</b> . By default, the <b>Project Encoding</b> is used in requests encoding if it is not specified explicitly, for example:

```
header('Content-type: text/html;charset=utf-8');
```

The **Project Encoding** is specified on the [File Encodings](#) page, under the **Editor** node of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#) .

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	<b>Edit defaults</b>	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
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	<b>Sort configurations</b>	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

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Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.



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**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

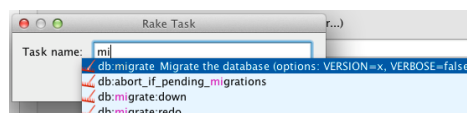
**Item** **Keyboard shortcut**



Alt+Insert

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- Run npm script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.











To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and

command line parameters (if any).

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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to configure debugging of PHP applications on a remote server.


The dialog box consists of the following areas:

- [Configuration](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.














## Configuration

### ItemDescription

Server	Use this drop-down list to specify the Web server configuration to use. The list shows all the configurations that are currently available in IntelliJ IDEA.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page and view the details of the selected configuration there.
Ide key (session id)	In this text box, specify the key to identify the debugging session.
Debug	Use the controls in this area to configure behaviour of the debugging tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Break at the first line - select this checkbox to have the debugging tool stop at the first line of the source code.</li></ul>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
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## Common options

### ItemDescription


Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
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Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

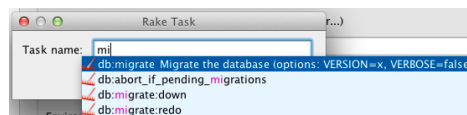
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For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



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



Enter

Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.



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		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<hr/>		
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to configure running and debugging of single PHP files locally using a PHP console.

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.



The dialog box consists of the following areas:

- [Configuration area](#)
- [Command Line area](#)
- [Debug area](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Configuration area

In this area, specify the script to run or debug and the parameters to process it with, if applicable.



### ItemDescription

File	In this text box, specify the location of the file to run or debug. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired location in the Choose PHP File dialog box that opens.
Arguments	In this text box, type the list of arguments to be passed to the PHP script, same way as if you were entering these parameters in the command line. If necessary, click  and type the desired switches in the Arguments dialog box. Type each argument on a new line. As you type, they appear in the Arguments text box with spaces as separators.

## Command Line area

In this area, customize the behavior of the current PHP interpreter by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

### ItemDescription

Interpreter options	In this text box, specify the <a href="#">options</a> to be passed to the PHP executable file. They override the default behavior of the PHP interpreter and/or ensure that additional activities are performed. If necessary, click  and type the desired options in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each option on a new line. When you close the dialog box, they are all displayed in the Command line options text box with spaces as separators.
Custom working directory	In this text box, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with the script and are referenced in your script through relative paths. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . This setting does not block the script execution because the script location is always specified through a full path.
Environment variables	In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> be passed to the built-in server. See <a href="#">Environment Variables in Apache</a> for details.

## Debug area














Use the controls in this area to configure behaviour of the debugging tool.

### ItemDescription

Break at the first line	Select this checkbox to have the debugging tool stop at the first line of the source code.
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## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	 Alt+Insert	Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
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	 Ctrl+D	Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
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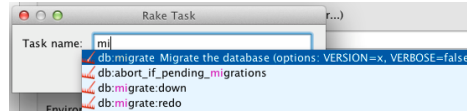
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	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to configure running and debugging of PHP applications on a remote server. According to the settings of this configuration, IntelliJ IDEA fully controls the debugging process: it launches the application, opens the browser, and activates the debugging engine. A PHP Web Application debug configuration tells IntelliJ IDEA the URL address to access the starting page of the application, the browser to open the starting page in, and the [debug server configuration](#) to use. For details, see [Debugging with a PHP Web Application Debug Configuration](#).


Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

The dialog box consists of the following areas:

- [Configuration area](#)
- [Toolbar](#)


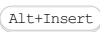











## Configuration area

### ItemDescription

Server	Use this drop-down list to specify the Web server configuration to use. The list shows all the configurations that are currently available in IntelliJ IDEA.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Servers</a> page and view the details of the selected configuration there.
Start URL	In this area, compose the URL address to access the application through. In the Start URL text box, specify the local file that implements the starting page of the application. Type the path to the desired file relative to the folder that is mapped to the root folder of the target host. IntelliJ IDEA concatenates the host root URL with the specified relative path and shows the URL address of the application starting page in the read-only field below.
Browser	From this drop-down list, select the Web browser to open the application in.
Debug	Use the controls in this area to configure behaviour of the debugging tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Break at the first line - select this checkbox to have the debugging tool stop at the first line of the source code.</li></ul>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.


**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

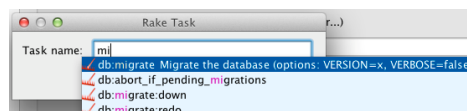
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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:









- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

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This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

This dialog box is available only when the PHP and PHPSpec plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

Use this dialog box to create a configuration to be used for running and debugging unit tests on PHP applications using the PHPSpec toolset.

On this page:

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## Before you start






To run PHPSpec tests:

1. Install and configure the [PHPSpec](#) toolset on your computer as described in [Testing with PHPSpec](#).
2. Make sure the PHP and PHPSpec plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

## Test Runner area

In this area, appoint the specifications to launch and the command line switches to be passed to PHPSpec.


### ItemDescription

Test scope	<p>In this area, specify the location of specifications or the configuration file where they are listed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Directory: select this option to have all the specifications in a directory launched. In the Directory text box, appoint the directory to search for <code>*Spec.php</code> files with specifications in. Type the path to the directory manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test Directory dialog box, that opens.</li><li>– File: select this option to have all the specifications in a particular <code>*Spec.php</code> file launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the <code>*Spec.php</code> file to search the specifications in. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the dialog box, that opens.</li><li>2. In the Class text box, specify the desired class. Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired class in the tree view, that opens.</li></ol></li><li>– Specification: select this option to have a particular specification launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the <code>*Spec.php</code> file to search for the specification in. Type the file name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the tree view, that opens.</li><li>2. In the specification text box, type the desired specification.</li></ol></li><li>– Defined in the configuration file: select this option to have PHPSpec execute the tests from a dedicated <code>.yaml</code> configuration file. By default, PHPSpec uses the configuration file appointed in the Test Runner area of the <a href="#">Test Frameworks</a> page. In its turn, this can be either the native configuration file (<code>phpspec.yaml</code> or <code>phpspec.yaml.dist</code>) or any other <code>.yaml</code> configuration file which you specified as Default during the initial configuration of PHPSpec in IntelliJ IDEA.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To have the default for all PHPSpec run configurations file used, clear the Use alternative configuration file checkbox.</li><li>– To launch specifications from a custom configuration file, select the Use alternative configuration file checkbox and specify the location of the desired <code>.yaml</code> file in the text box next to it.</li><li>– To open the PHPSpec page and specify another default configuration file to use, click the  button.</li></ul></li></ul>
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## Command Line area

In this area, customize the behavior of the current PHP interpreter by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.













### ItemDescription

Interpreter options	<p>In this text box, specify the <a href="#">options</a> to be passed to the PHP executable file. They override the default behavior of the PHP interpreter and/or ensure that additional activities are performed.</p> <p>If necessary, click  and type the desired options in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each option on a new line. When you close the dialog box, they are all displayed in the Command line options text box with spaces as separators.</p>
Custom working directory	<p>In this text box, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with tests and are referenced in your tests through relative paths.</p> <p>This setting does not block the test execution because the location of tests is always specified through a full path to the corresponding files and/or directories.</p> <p>By default, the field is empty and the working directory is the root of the project.</p>
Environment	<p>In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> be passed to the built-in server. See <a href="#">Environment Variables in Apache</a></p>

variables for details.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.</li></ul>
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Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

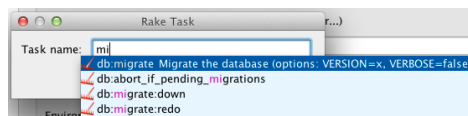
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to create a configuration to be used for running and debugging unit tests on PHP applications in the console using the **PHPUnit** framework. Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

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## Before you start





To run **PHPUnit** tests:


1. Install and configure the [PHPUnit](http://www.phpunit.de/manual/current/en/installation.html) tool on your computer, see <http://www.phpunit.de/manual/current/en/installation.html> .
2. Make sure the **PHP** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Test Runner area

In this area, specify the unit tests to launch and the command line switches to be passed to the test runner.

### ItemDescription


Test scope	<p>In this area, specify the location of tests or the configuration file where they are listed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Directory: select this option to have all the unit tests in a directory launched. In the Directory text box, specify the directory to search the unit test in. Type the path to the directory manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test Directory dialog box, that opens.</li><li>– Class: select this option to have all the unit tests in a test class launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the file to search the class in. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test File dialog box, that opens.</li><li>2. In the Class text box, specify the desired class. Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired class in the tree view, that opens.</li></ol></li><li>– Method: select this option to have a specific test method launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the file to search for the test method in. Type the file name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the tree view, that opens.</li><li>2. In the Method text box, specify the desired method.</li></ol></li><li>– Defined in the configuration file: select this option to have test runner execute the tests from a dedicated XML file.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To use the default configuration file specified on the <a href="#">Test Frameworks</a> page of the Settings dialog box, clear the Use alternative configuration file checkbox. If no default configuration file is appointed on the PHPUnit page, the run/debug configuration is invalid.</li><li>– To run the tests from a custom configuration file, select the Use alternative configuration file checkbox and specify the location of the file to use in the text box.</li></ul></li></ul>
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Test runner options	<p>In this text box, specify the <a href="#">test runner switches</a> .</p> <p>If necessary, click  and type the desired switches in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each switch on a new line. When you close the dialog box, the specified switches are displayed in the Test runner options text box with spaces as separators.</p>
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## Command Line area














In this area, customize the behavior of the current PHP interpreter by specifying the options and arguments to be passed to the PHP executable file.

### ItemDescription

Interpreter options	<p>In this text box, specify the <a href="#">options</a> to be passed to the PHP executable file. They override the default behavior of the PHP interpreter and/or ensure that additional activities are performed.</p> <p>If necessary, click  and type the desired options in the Command Line Options dialog box. Type each option on a new line. When you close the dialog box, they are all displayed in the Command line options text box with spaces as separators.</p>
Custom working directory	<p>In this text box, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with tests and are referenced in your tests through relative paths.</p> <p>This setting does not block the test execution because the location of tests is always specified through a full path to the corresponding files and/or directories.</p> <p>By default, the field is empty and the working directory is the root of the project.</p>
Environment variables	<p>In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> be passed to the built-in server. See <a href="#">Environment Variables in Apache</a> for details.</p>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



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		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

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		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li> <li>– Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.</li> </ul>
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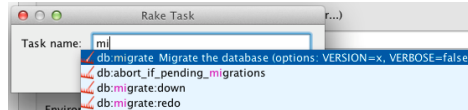


Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.





Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to configure running unit tests of PHP applications on a remote server.> Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

On this page:

- [Before you start](#)
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## Before you start






To run PHPUnit tests:

1. Install and configure the [PHPUnit](http://www.phpunit.de/manual/current/en/installation.html) tool on your computer, see <http://www.phpunit.de/manual/current/en/installation.html> .
2. Make sure the [PHP](#) plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .


## Configuration tab

In this tab, specify the unit tests to launch and the command line switches to be passed to the test runner.

### ItemDescription

Test	<p>In this area, specify the location of tests or the configuration file where they are listed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All in Directory: select this option to have all the unit tests in a directory launched. In the Directory text box, specify the directory to search the unit test in. Type the path to the directory manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test Directory dialog box, that opens.</li><li>– All in File: select this option to have all the unit tests in a test class or a file launched. In the File text box, specify the file to search the class or suite in. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test File dialog box, that opens.</li><li>– Class or Suite: select this option to have all the unit tests in a test class or a test suite launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the file to search the class or suite in. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the Choose Test File dialog box, that opens.</li><li>2. In the Class text box, specify the desired class. Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired class in the tree view, that opens.</li></ol></li><li>– Method: select this option to have a specific test method launched.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In the File text box, specify the file to search for the test method in. Type the file name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the tree view, that opens.</li><li>2. In the Method text box, specify the desired method.</li></ol></li><li>– XML file: select this option to have the test runner execute the tests from an XML configuration file.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To use the default configuration file specified on the <a href="#">Test Frameworks</a> page of the Settings dialog box, clear the Use alternative configuration file checkbox. If no default configuration file is appointed on the PHPUnit page, the run/debug configuration is invalid.</li><li>– To run the tests from a custom configuration file, select the Use alternative configuration file checkbox and specify the location of the file to use in the text box.</li></ul></li></ul>
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### Test Runner options

Custom working directory	<p>In this text box, specify the location of the files that are outside the folder with tests and are referenced in your tests through relative paths. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>This setting does not block the test execution because the location of tests is always specified through a full path to the corresponding files and/or directories.</p>
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## Test Groups tab

In this tab, appoint the groups of tests to execute when the tests are run according to the current run configuration.

[Grouping tests](#) is helpful, for example, to distinguish between tests to run in a production environment from those to run in your development environment. You just need to create two groups and then include or exclude them depending on the current environment.

To attach a test to a group, tag it with the [@group](#) annotation in the format:

```
/**
 * @group <group specification>
 */
```

To enable filtering tests based on their authors, tag the tests with the [@author](#) annotation.


## ItemDescription

Include/Exclude groups	Select this checkbox to enable <a href="#">configuring execution of test groups</a> .
Group Name	In this read-only list, select the test group to be involved or skipped in testing.
Include	Select this checkbox to have the tests from the selected test group executed.
Exclude	Select this checkbox to have the tests from the selected test group skipped.

## Remote tab




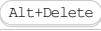









In this tab, configure deployment of tests to a remote server.

## ItemDescription

Debug server	In this field, specify the configuration through which the debugging engine will interact with the server through HTTP. Actually, a configuration consist of a URL address of the target environment, the debugger type, and possibly mappings between folders in your project and their correspondences on the server. Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  and define a new configuration in the <a href="#">Servers</a> dialog box that opens.
Upload test directory before run	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically uploads tests to the default server according to the deployment options.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, you have to upload tests manually, see <a href="#">Uploading and Downloading Files</a> .</li></ul> <p>The checkbox is by default selected.</p>
Remove test files after run	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically removes the executed tests from the server upon execution.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, tests remain on the server after execution and you will have to download them manually, see <a href="#">Uploading and Downloading Files</a> .</li></ul>
Show transfer logs	Select this checkbox to have test deployment logged.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
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		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription




Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

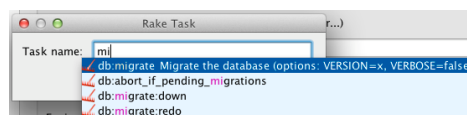
This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

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Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

Item	Keyboard shortcut	Description
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


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|  |  | <p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li><li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li><li>– Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>gulp</code> package.</li><li>– Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the <code>package.json</code> file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.</li><li>– Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.</li><li>– If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.</li></ul></li><li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a>.</li><li>– Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a>.</li><li>– Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section <a href="#">Remote SSH External Tools</a> for details.</li><li>– Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the <a href="#">default server access configuration</a>. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server</a> and <a href="#">Uploading and Downloading Files</a>.</li><li>– Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that <a href="#">code completion</a> is available here.</li></ul> |
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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

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Use this dialog to create a run/debug configuration to be used for running and debugging the plugin projects.


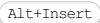











This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#), as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

#### ItemDescription

VM options	Specify the string passed to the VM for launching the plugin. Usually this string contains the options such as <code>-mx</code> , <code>-verbose</code> , etc. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul>
Program arguments	Type the list of arguments to be passed to the program, same way as if you were entering these parameters in the command line. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
Use classpath of module	Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the application.
Use alternative JRE	Select this checkbox to enable defining another JRE than the JRE used by the current project / module.
Show idea.log	If selected, makes IntelliJ IDEA show content of the <code>idea.log</code> file in the console while running the plugin.

## Toolbar

#### ItemShortcutDescription

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## Common options

#### ItemDescription


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Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
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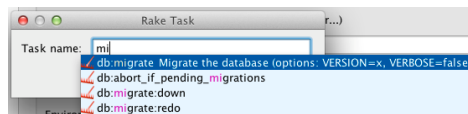
Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

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- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



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Active tool window

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Use this dialog to create or edit [run/debug configuration](#) for Play 2 framework.














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JVM Options	Use this field to specify JVM options. By default, the JVM options are specified in this field.
Environment variables	Use this field to set the environment variables.
Use non-default Play 2 install dir	Select this checkbox to use non-default Play 2 installation directory.
Debug Port	Use this field to specify the debug port. Play 2 framework uses 9999 as a default debug port.
Enable auto-reload	Select this checkbox to specify the auto-reload. In this case Play 2 framework detects changes in source files and recompiles them.

## Toolbar

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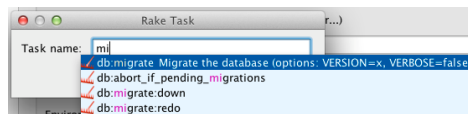
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In this dialog box, create configurations for running and debugging **AngularJS unit tests** using the **Protractor test runner**.

On this page:

- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Protractor dialog](#)
- [Protractor-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Protractor dialog

1. **Install** and **enable** the Node.js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. Download and install the [Node.js](#) runtime environment that contains the [Node Package Manager\(npm\)](#).
3. Using the **Node Package Manager**, install the [Protractor test framework](#) as described in [AngularJS](#).
4. Make sure the **AngularJS** plugin is activated. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).







## Protractor-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription


Name	In this text box, specify the name of the run/debug configuration.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Configuration file	In this field, specify the location of the <b>Protractor configuration file</b> . Normally, the file has the extensions <code>protractor.conf.js</code> .
Node interpreter	<p>In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click <code>...</code> and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a>.</p> <p>If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a>, the field displays the path to its executable file.</p>
Protractor package	In this field, specify the Protractor installation home <code>/npm/node_modules/protractor</code> . If you installed <b>Protractor</b> regularly through the <b>Node Package Manager</b> , IntelliJ IDEA detects the Protractor installation home itself. Alternatively, type the path to executable file manually, or click the Browse button <code>...</code> and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.
Environment variables	<p>In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the Browse button <code>...</code> to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To define a new variable, click the Add toolbar button <code>+</code> and specify the variable name and value.</li><li>– To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the Delete toolbar button <code>-</code>.</li><li>– Click OK, when ready</li></ul> <p>The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>NODE_PATH : A :</code> -separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.</li><li>– <code>NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS</code> : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.</li><li>– <code>NODE_DISABLE_COLORS</code> : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.</li></ul>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
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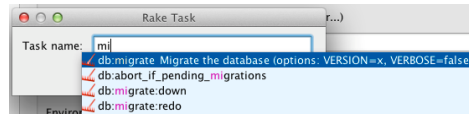
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


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- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for launching a Pyramid server .

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription





Config file	In this field, specify the name of the configuration file <code>development.ini</code> .
Additional options	In this field, type the additional options to be passed to the server. These are the options that <code>pserve</code> accepts. Use <code>pserve --help</code> to learn more about the additional options.
Run browser	Select this check box, if you want your Pyramid application to open in the default browser. In the text field below, enter the IP address where your application will be opened.
Project	Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, <a href="#">opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window</a> , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.
Environment variable	This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.  To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.  To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.  By default, the variable <code>PYTHONUNBUFFERED</code> is set to 1.
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>+</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	Specify a directory to be used by the running task. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code> , or by choosing <a href="#">Run</a> on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>– When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .  Click the browse button <code>...</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code> / <code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">source roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .


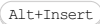






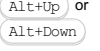



### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li></ul>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .

Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription


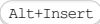
		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

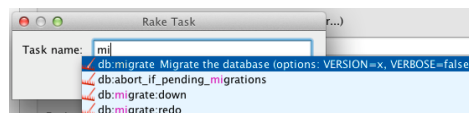
		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> <li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is</li> </ul>
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specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.








If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.

- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.

Show this page  Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

On this page:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Python, make sure that Python plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Python SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Python](#)
- [Django](#)

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for Python scripts .

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Script	In this text box, specify the name of the Python script to be executed.
Script parameters	<p>In this text box, specify parameters to be passed to the Python script.</p> <p>When specifying the script parameters, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual script parameters.</li><li>- Script parameters containing spaces should be delimited with double quotes, for example, <code>some "param" or "some param"</code> .</li><li>- If script parameter includes double quotes, escape the double quotes with backslashes, for example:</li></ul> <pre>-s"main.snap_source_dirs=[\"pcomponents/src/main/python\"]" -s"http.cc_port=8189" -s"backdoor.port=9189" -s"main.metadata={\"location\": \"B\", \"language\": \"python\", \"platform\": \"unix\"}"</pre>
Project	Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, <a href="#">opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window</a> , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.
Environment variable	<p>This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.</p> <p>To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.</p> <p>To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.</p> <p>By default, the variable <code>PYTHONUNBUFFERED</code> is set to 1.</p>
Emulate terminal in output node	<p>On Linux and macOS systems, select this checkbox to emulate the terminal in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> .</p> <p>On Windows system, this option is not visible!</p>
Show command line afterwards	Select this checkbox to leave the console opened after a project run or a debug session, saving its context.
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>+</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	<p>Specify a directory to be used by the running task.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code> , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>- When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	<p>This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .</p> <p>Click the browse button <code>...</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code> / <code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.</p>
Add content roots to	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

## PYTHONPATH

Add source roots to PYTHONPATH Select this check box to add all [source roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

## Docker container settings

**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click  to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed though this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its `name` or `id`.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab


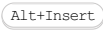





Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for

newly created configurations.



Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.



Move into new folder / Create new folder

Use this button to [create a new folder](#) . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the buttons.



Sort configurations

Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut




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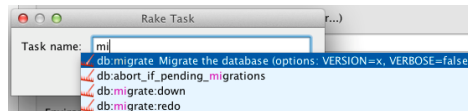
Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required

task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#).  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use these pages to create run/debug configurations for the supported inline documentation frameworks.

Click [+](#) to select the stub run/debug configuration of one of the following types:

- [Run/Debug Configuration: DocUtil Task](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: Sphinx Task](#)

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for a [DocUtils](#) task, which allows you to produce documentation in some reasonable format (for example, HTML), from a file in the [reStructuredText](#) format.

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Command	Select the command that will be used to convert the specified *.rst file. The selected command stipulates the output format of the documentation.
Input	Specify the fully qualified path to the source *.rst file. Type the path manually, or click the browse button, and choose the desired *.rst file from the file chooser dialog. Alternatively, you can press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the file chooser dialog.
Output	Specify the fully qualified path to the generated file. Type the path manually, or click the browse button, and choose the desired file from the file chooser dialog. Alternatively, you can press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the file chooser dialog.
Option	In this text field, type the keys the script will be launched with.
Open output file in browser	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will automatically open the generated documentation in the <a href="#">default browser</a> . Note that the checkbox is disabled, when it is irrelevant to the command selected in the Command drop-down list.
Environment variable	Click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box. To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>+</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	Specify a directory to be used by the running task. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code>, or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>– When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter.  Click the browse button <code>...</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code> / <code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">source roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

Docker container settings

**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click `...` to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed though this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.

- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.







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## Logs tab














Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

Single instance only If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


#### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

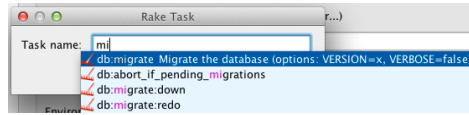


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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or









debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<b>Show this page</b>		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<b>Active tool window</b>		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for a [Sphinx](#) task, which allows you to produce documentation in some reasonable format (for example, HTML), from a file in the [reStructuredText](#) format.

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Command	Select the command that will be used to convert the specified *.rst file. The selected command stipulates the output format of the documentation.
Input	Specify the fully qualified path to the source *.rst file. Type the path manually, or click the browse button, and choose the desired *.rst file from the file chooser dialog. Alternatively, you can press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the file chooser dialog.
Output	Specify the fully qualified path to the generated directory where the generated files will be placed. Type the path manually, or click the browse button, and choose the desired file from the file chooser dialog. Alternatively, you can press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the Select Path dialog.
Option	In this text field, type the keys the script will be launched with.
Environment variable	Click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box. To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>⌨</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	Specify a directory to be used by the running task. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code>, or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>– When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter.  Click the browse button <code>⌨</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code> / <code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">source roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

### Docker container settings

**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click `⌨` to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

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## Logs tab


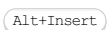

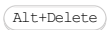









Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li></ul>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the

same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.


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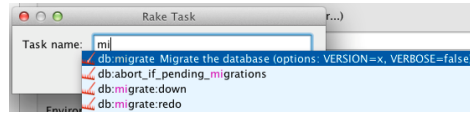
Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

**ItemKeyboardDescription**  
**shortcut**



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- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#).  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).



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	<input type="text" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
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	<input type="text" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

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



Use the remote debug configuration to launch the debug server. Refer to the [Remote Debugging](#) topic for additional information.

#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Update your script	This section contains vital information required to prepare for remote debugging.  Add <code>pycharm-debug.egg</code> from the <code>debug-eggs</code> directory under IntelliJ IDEA installation to the Python path. See procedure description in <a href="#">Remote Debugging</a> .  Add the following import statement <pre>import pydevd</pre> Copy the import statement from this read-only field, and paste it in your local script:  Add the following command to connect to the debug server <pre>pydevd.settrace(&lt;host name&gt;, port=&lt;port number&gt;)</pre> When <code>&lt;host name&gt;</code> is taken from the Local host name field of this debug configuration. - <code>&lt;port number&gt;</code> is the number taken from the Port field of this debug configuration, or, if it has not been specified, some random number written to the console.  Note that the parameters of this command depend on the settings specified in this page. The command with the default settings is: <pre>nvdev.pydevd.settrace('localhost', port=\$SERVER_PORT, stdoutToServer=True, stderrToServer=True)</pre> which corresponds to the host name 'localhost', port number 0, selected checkboxes Redirect output to console and Suspend after connect .
Local host name	Specify the name of the local host, by which the IDE is accessible from the remote host. This host name will be automatically substituted to the command line. By default, <code>localhost</code> is used.
Port	Specify the port number, which will be automatically substituted to the command line. If the default port number (0) is used, then IntelliJ IDEA substitutes an arbitrary number to the command line at each launch of this debug configuration; if you specify any other value, it will be used permanently.
Path mappings	Use this field to create mappings between the local and remote paths. Clicking the browse button  results in opening Edit Path Mappings dialog box, where you can add new path mappings, and delete the selected ones.
Redirect output to console	If this checkbox is selected, the output and error streams will be redirected to the IntelliJ IDEA console, and the command line is complemented with the <code>stdoutToServer=True, stderrToServer=True</code>
Suspend after connect	If this checkbox is selected, the debugger will suspend immediately after connecting to the IDE, on the next line after the <code>settrace</code> call.  If this checkbox is not selected, the debugger will only suspend upon hitting a breakpoint, or clicking  , and the command line is complemented with <code>suspend=False</code>

## Toolbar


#### ItemShortcutDescription

	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
	<code>Alt+Delete</code>	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
	<code>Ctrl+D</code>	Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	<code>Alt+Up</code> or <code>Alt+Down</code>	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.


## Common options

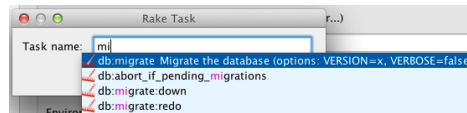
#### ItemDescription



Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	<p>Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.</p> <p><b>ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut</b></p> <p> <span>Alt+Insert</span> Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>gulp</code> package.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the <code>package.json</code> file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.</li> <li>- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>









detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.

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- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
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- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.




To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

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Use these pages to create run/debug configurations for the supported testing frameworks.

Click  to select the stub run/debug configuration of one of the following types:

- [Run/Debug Configuration: Doctests](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: Python Unit Test](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: py.test](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: Nosetests](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: attests](#)

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Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for [Doctests](#) .

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription











Tests	<p>Click one of the radio-buttons to define the testing scope (all tests in a folder, all tests in a script, a test class, a single test method or function.)</p> <p>Next, specify the location of the tests. The fields in this section are enabled depending on the test type selected in the Tests section.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- All tests in folder : for this testing scope, specify the following arguments:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Folder : type the path to the directory that contains the tests to be executed, or click the browse button and select the desired directory in the Select Path dialog box.</li><li>Pattern : type the one or more patterns the file names should match for the files to be considered tests. Use comma as the delimiter. The patterns should be Python regular expressions.</li></ul></li><li>- Tests in script : for this scope, specify the name of the script that contains the tests to be executed.</li><li>- Tests class : for this scope, specify the name of the script and test class.</li><li>- Tests method : for this scope, specify the name of the script, test class and test method.</li><li>- Tests function : for this scope, specify the name of the script, and test method.</li></ul>
Environment variable	<p>Click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box. To create a new variable, click <code>+</code>, and type the desired name and value.</p>
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	<p>In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>+</code>, and type the string in the editor.</p>
Working directory	<p>Specify a directory to be used by the running task.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code> , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>- When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	<p>This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .</p> <p>Click the browse button <code>...</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code>/<code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.</p>
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	<p>Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;</p>
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	<p>Select this check box to add all <a href="#">source roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;</p>
Docker container settings	<p><b>Warning!</b> This field only appears when <a href="#">Docker-based remote interpreter</a> has been selected for a project.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (<code>--net</code> , <code>--link</code> , etc.), note that these options come from <a href="#">Docker command line arguments</a> .</p> <p>Click <code>...</code> to open the dialog and specify the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Disable networking : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to <code>--net="none"</code> , which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.</li><li>- Network mode : corresponds to the other values of the option <code>--net</code> .<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <code>bridge</code> is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed though this bridge to the container.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <code>host</code> : use the host's network stack inside the container.</li><li>- <code>container:&lt;name id&gt;</code> : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id .</li></ul> <p>Refer to the <a href="#">Network settings</a> documentation for details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Links : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to <code>Network mode = bridge</code> and corresponds to the <code>--link</code> option.</li><li>- Publish all ports : This corresponds to the option <code>--publish-all</code> .</li><li>- Port bindings : Use this field to specify the</li><li>- Extra hosts : This corresponds to the <code>--add-host</code> option. Refer to the page <a href="#">Managing /etc/hosts</a> for details.</li><li>- Volume bindings : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the <code>-v</code> option.</li></ul> <p>See <a href="#">Managing data in containers</a> for details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Environment variables : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the <code>-e</code> option. Refer to the page <a href="#">ENV (environment variables)</a> for details.</li></ul>

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab


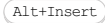











Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

Single instance only If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


**Item**  
**Keyboard**  
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**shortcut**

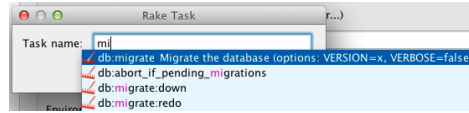


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- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#).  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web](#)

Server and Uploading and Downloading Files .









- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for [Python unit tests](#) .

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

#### Unittests

**Target** Click one of the radio-buttons to choose the possible target. The following choices are available: Python , Path , and Custom . The contents of the subsequent sections depend on the choice.

#### AvailableItemDescription for

**Python** In this text field, specify the path to test(s). For example, run everything from the module `my_tests` , included in the package `tests` :

```
tests.my_tests .
```


**Python** **Additional arguments** In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

**Warning!** This option is not recommended and should only be used by the experts, who want to launch something not supported by IntelliJ IDEA

**Path** In this text field, specify the path to a file or folder to test everything in. For example,

```
C:/SampleProjects/py/MyPythonApp/Solver.py .
```

Note that when this target is selected, the browse button  appears to the right, allowing you to choose the path from the file system.

**Path** **Pattern** In this text field, specify the pattern that describes all the test in the required location.

**Path** **Additional arguments** In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example

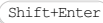

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

**Warning!** This option is not recommended and should only be used by the experts, who want to launch something not supported by IntelliJ IDEA


**Custom** **Additional arguments** In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

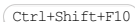
**Warning!** This option is not recommended and should only be used by the experts, who want to launch something not supported by IntelliJ IDEA

**Environment variable** Click the browse button, or press  to specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box. To create a new variable, click , and type the desired name and value.




#### Python Interpreter

**Interpreter options** In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click , and type the string in the editor.

**Working directory** Specify a directory to be used by the running task.

- When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.
- When this field is left blank, the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.

**Path mappings** This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .

Click the browse button  to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use   buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.


**Add content roots to PYTHONPATH** Select this check box to add all [content roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

**Add source roots to PYTHONPATH** Select this check box to add all [source roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;



**Warning!** This field only appears when **Docker-based remote interpreter** has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click  to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its `name` or `id`.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab










Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription




Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations

appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.



	<p>Move into new folder / Create new folder</p>	<p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
	<p>Sort configurations</p>	<p>Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.</p>


## Common options

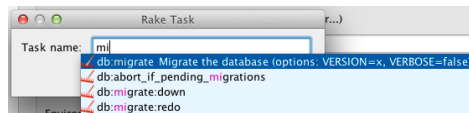
### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut









	<p> Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.</li><li>– Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.</li></ul>
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- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

**Warning!** The plugin `coverage` for `py.test` , due to technical restrictions, breaks IntelliJ IDEA's debugger.

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for [py.test](#) .

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

py.test

**Target** Click one of the radio-buttons to choose the possible target. The following choices are available: Python , Path , and Custom . The contents of the subsequent sections depend on the choice.

#### AvailableItemDescription for

**Python** In this text field, specify the path to test(s). For example, run everything from the module `my_tests` , included in the package `tests` :

```
tests.my_tests .
```

**Python** **Additional arguments** In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example


```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

**Warning!** This option is not recommended and should only be used by the experts, who want to launch something not supported by IntelliJ IDEA.

**Python** **Keywords** In this text field, specify the keywords to search for the required tests. Refer to the [test name search documentation](#) for details.

**Path** In this text field, specify the path to a file or folder to test everything in. For example,

```
C:/SampleProjects/py/MyPythonApp/Solver.py .
```

Note that when this target is selected, the browse button  appears to the right, allowing you to choose the path from the file system.

**Path** **Additional arguments** In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

**Warning!** This option is not recommended and should only be used by the experts, who want to launch something not supported by IntelliJ IDEA.


**Custom** **Additional arguments** In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

**Warning!** This option is not recommended and should only be used by the experts, who want to launch something not supported by IntelliJ IDEA.

**Environment variable** Click the browse button, or press `Shift+Enter` to specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box. To create a new variable, click `+` , and type the desired name and value.


### Python Interpreter

**Interpreter options** In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click  , and type the string in the editor.

**Working directory** Specify a directory to be used by the running task.

- When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+F10` , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.
- When this field is left blank, the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.

**Path mappings** This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .

Click the browse button  to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use `+`/`-` buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.

**Add content roots to PYTHONPATH** Select this check box to add all [content roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

Add source roots to PYTHONPATH Select this check box to add all [source roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

Docker container settings

**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click  to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its `name` or `id`.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab


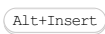

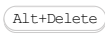



Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).






### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.



		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription


Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

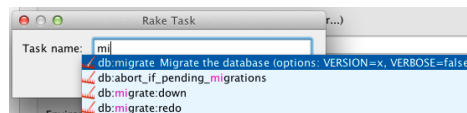
### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gruntfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the <code>grunt-cli</code> package.</li> <li>- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the <code>Gulpfile.js</code> where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments</li> </ul>
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to pass to the Gulp tool.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for [Nose tests](#) .

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Nosetests

Target Click one of the radio-buttons to choose the possible target. The following choices are available: Python , Path , and Custom . The contents of the subsequent sections depend on the choice.

#### AvailableItemDescription for

Python In this text field, specify the path to test(s). For example, run everything from the module `my_tests` , included in the package `tests` :

```
tests.my_tests .
```


Python Additional In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example arguments

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

**Warning!** This option is not recommended and should only be used by the experts, who want to launch something not supported by IntelliJ IDEA

Path In this text field, specify the path to a file or folder to test everything in. For example,

```
C:/SampleProjects/py/MyPythonApp/Solver.py .
```

Note that when this target is selected, the browse button  appears to the right, allowing you to choose the path from the file system.

Path Regex In this text field, specify the regex pattern that describes all the test in the Pattern required location. Files, directories, function names, and class names that match the specified regex pattern, are considered tests, for example `test.*`

Path Additional In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be passed to the test as-is, for example arguments

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

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Custom Additional In this text field, specify the additional framework-specific arguments to be argumentspassed to the test as-is, for example

```
--some-argument=some-value .
```

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Environment variable Click the browse button, or press `Shift+Enter` to specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box. To create a new variable, click `+` , and type the desired name and value.


Python Interpreter

Interpreter options In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click  , and type the string in the editor.

Working directory Specify a directory to be used by the running task.

- When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+F10` , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.
- When this field is left blank, the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.

Path mappings This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .

Click the browse button  to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use `+` / `-` buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.

Add content roots to PYTHONPATH Select this check box to add all [content roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

Add source roots to Select this check box to add all [source roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;



**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click  to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its `name` or `id`.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab


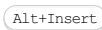





Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.



Alt+Up or  
Alt+Down

Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.



Move into new folder / Create new folder

Use this button to [create a new folder](#) . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the buttons.



Sort configurations

Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

**Name** In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.

**Defaults** This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the `.idea\runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea\workspace.xml` file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut



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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

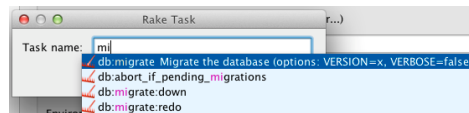
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the **default server access configuration**. For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to create a run/debug configuration for [attests](#) .

In this section:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Type	Click one of the radio-buttons to define the testing scope (all tests in a folder, all tests in a script, a test class, a single test method or function.)
Tests	Specify the location of the tests. The fields in this section are enabled depending on the test type selected in the Type section.
Environment variable	Click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box. To create a new variable, click <code>+</code> , and type the desired name and value.
Python Interpreter	
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>+</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	Specify a directory to be used by the running task. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut <code>Ctrl+Shift+F10</code> , or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.</li><li>– When this field is left blank, the <code>bin</code> directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.</li></ul>
Path mappings	This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter .  Click the browse button <code>...</code> to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use <code>+</code> / <code>-</code> buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">content roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this check box to add all <a href="#">source roots</a> of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

### Docker container settings

**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net` , `--link` , etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#) .

Click `...` to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"` , which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net` .
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:<name|id>` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id .

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all` .
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- **Environment variables** : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click `▼` to expand the tables. Click `+` , `-` or `↻` to make up the lists.

## Logs tab














Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.i.pr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.i.ws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each


runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

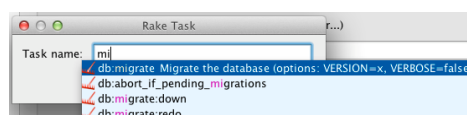
Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

**Item**  
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




- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
    - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
    - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
  - Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#). For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this run/debug configurations to execute Rack applications in the specified environment.

In this section:

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- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
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## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)
- [Rack](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Server	Select the server to run or debug your application on.
IP Address	Specify the IP address where the server will be accessible.
Port	Specify the port to listen to.
Rack config file	Specify here the path to the Rack configurations file.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.
Run browser	If this checkbox is selected, a new tab will be added to your system default browser, where the application will be run or debugged. You can specify the required URL in the text field below, or use the one suggested by IntelliJ IDEA. Note that the default URL is automatically composed on the base of the IP address and port specified above.  If this checkbox is not selected, you have to launch the required browser manually.
Start JavaScript debugger automatically	If this checkbox is selected, the JavaScript debugger will be enabled. <b>Warning!</b> JavaScript debugging is available for Firefox and Chrome.

## Bundler tab

### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.




### ItemDescription


Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
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Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window. <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .

Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration. <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.
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Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
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	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .  Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.
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	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
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	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
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Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
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Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.
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Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.  
Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription







Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one	This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter. When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li> <li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li> <li>– If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li> <li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>ng</code> argument.</li> </ul> <p>If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.</p>
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## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .













### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> <p>If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</p>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .

	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription


Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

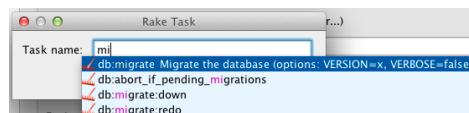
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		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> <li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is</li> </ul>
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specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.









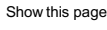
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.

- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<input type="checkbox"/>		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

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Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Rails run/debug configurations enable you to execute Rails applications in the selected environment.

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Trinidad and Torquebox notes](#)
- [Unicom note](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Server	Select the Rails server to run or debug your Rails application on. The list of available servers includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- GlassFish</li><li>- Mongrel</li><li>- Webrick</li><li>- Lighttpd</li><li>- Passenger</li><li>- Puma</li><li>- Thin</li><li>- <a href="#">TorqueBox</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Trinidad</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Unicorn</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Zeus</a></li></ul>
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## Trinidad and Torquebox notes

Both [Trinidad](#) and [TorqueBox](#) servers require the following prerequisites to be met:

- JRuby 1.7.x is specified as the [project interpreter](#) .
- If you are going to debug Rails applications under these servers:
  - add to the [Gemfile](#) the dependency

```
gem 'ruby-debug-base', '>= 0.10.5.rc10'  
  
gem 'ruby-debug-ide', '>= 0.4.23.beta10'
```

- Make sure to increase Debug connection timeout up to 20-25 seconds [Settings | Debugger | Ruby](#) .
- If you are going to run Rails applications under these two servers, add the following dependencies to the [Gemfile](#) :

```
gem 'torquebox'
```

for [TorqueBox](#) ;

```
gem 'trinidad'
```

for [Trinidad](#) .

## Unicorn note

Note that unicorn kills worker processes that are taking too long to respond. To avoid error messages, add the following lines to the unicorn configuration file `unicorn.rb` :

```
if ENV[ 'IDE_PROCESS_DISPATCHER' ]
  timeout 30 * 60 * 60 * 24
end
```

IP Address	Specify the IP address where the Rails server will be accessible.
Port	Specify the port to listen to.
Server arguments	Type optional server arguments.
Environment	Select one of the Rails environments from the drop-down list (development, production, or test).
Dummy app	This field is only enabled for the Rails mountable engine projects . Specify here the absolute path to the <code>dummy</code> directory, or click the browse button and locate the desired path in the <a href="#">Select Working Directory</a> dialog box. This path is required to run the engine.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.
Run browser	If this checkbox is selected, a new tab will be added to your system default browser, where the application will be run or debugged. You can specify the required URL in the text field below, or use the one suggested by IntelliJ IDEA. Note that the default URL is automatically composed on the base of the IP address and port specified above.  If this checkbox is not selected, you have to launch the required browser manually.
Start JavaScript debugger automatically	If this checkbox is selected, the JavaScript debugger will be enabled. <b>Warning!</b> JavaScript debugging is available for Firefox and Chrome.

## Bundler tab

### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
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Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
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Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
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Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.
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**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.


Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.
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**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data


Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.




Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.

The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.



Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.




Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime

Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders.

If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py if this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one

This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter.

When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:

- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.
- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the `ng` argument.

If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active

Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

Log File Entry

The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.

If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

Skip Content

Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.

Save console output to file


Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream


Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.

Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream

Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.




Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.



Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) .
















Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.



Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

## ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription


Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

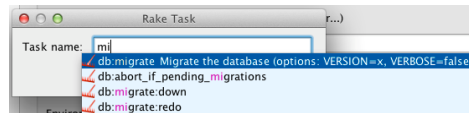
### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information,</li></ul>
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






see [Ant](#) .

- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the **default server access configuration** .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for a Rake task .

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)
- [Rake](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Task name	Specify the name of the Rake task to be executed.
Task arguments	Specify the list of the arguments to be passed to the Rake task. The arguments should be separated with spaces.
Turn on invoke/execute tracing, enable full backtrace ( <code>--trace</code> )	Select this check box to turn on the standard Rake <code>--trace</code> option.
Do a dry run without executing actions ( <code>-dry-run</code> )	Select this check box to turn on the standard Rake <code>-dry-run</code> option.
Display the tasks and dependencies, then exit ( <code>--prereqs</code> )	Select this check box to turn on the standard Rake <code>--prereqs</code> option.
Attach test runner UI for frameworks	If a check box of a testing framework is selected, the respective test will be executed in the test runner UI of this testing framework.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.





## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li></ul>

- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.  
If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Bundler tab









### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window. <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration. <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered <i>covered</i> if it is covered at least once.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .  Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.
	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py if this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

Important note for RSpec 2.0 :

If recording code coverage has been enabled, and the check box RSpec has been selected in the Attach test runner UI for frameworks section of the [Configuration tab](#) , the following line should be added to rspec rake task:

```
t.rcov_opts = ENV["RCOV_OPTS"]
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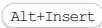











## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one	<p>This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter.</p> <p>When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>ng</code> argument.</li></ul> <p>If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.</p>
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## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	<p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are


performed in the order they appear in the list.

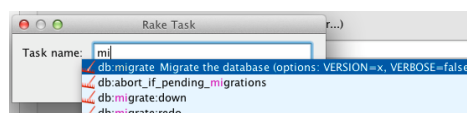
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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:









- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#).  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Use this dialog to create a debug configuration to be used for remote debugging processes (e.g. applications, servlets, plugin applets). Remote debugging enables you to connect to a running JVM.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab





### ItemDescription

Command line arguments for running remote JVM	These read-only fields show the command-line arguments to be used for running a remote JVM. IntelliJ IDEA suggests two arguments, depending on the JDK version used.
Transport: Socket	If the Socket transport is selected, specify host where the remote process is running and to which the debugger will connect. Specify also the port on remote host to which the debugger should connect.
Transport: Shared Memory	Having selected Shared memory transport, specify the shared memory address in the text field. This kind of transport is available for Windows only.
Debugger mode: Attach	Select this radio button if you want the debugger to connect to a running remote JVM.
Debugger mode: Listen	Select this radio button if you want the debugger to run as a server for remote JVMs which will connect to it to perform debugging. In this case the Host field will be disabled (if the Socket transport is selected). The Port value is considered as a port at which the debugger-"server" will listen to connections from the debugger-"clients".

## Logs tab


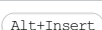

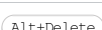

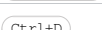


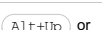
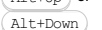
Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).




### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

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	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.

	<p>Move into new folder / Create new folder</p> <p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
	<p>Sort configurations</p> <p>Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.</p>

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut




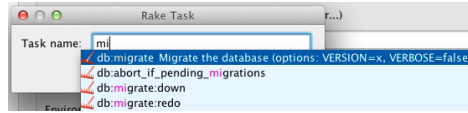
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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the











- Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | Resin | Local or Remote

Resin [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [Resin](#) . (The Resin Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#) .




## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration



### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  (Shift+Enter) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> OR <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="quoted_value"</code> .</li></ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <code>Ctrl+F10</code> in the Run or Debug tool window). The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li><li>- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.</li><li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li><li>- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li></ul>

For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.



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Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
Resin configuration template	Specify the location of the Resin configuration template. You can click  and select the necessary file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Additional Resin command line	If necessary, specify additional commands for the server. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the Additional Resin command line dialog where the text entry area is larger.
Do not alter Resin configuration	Select this checkbox to disallow editing the Resin configuration file.
Charset	Specify the character set to be used.
JMX port	Specify the JMX server port.
Deploy mode	Select the deploy-mode (startup-mode) for applications on the server.
HTTP port	The server HTTP port. You may want to change the default port <code>80</code> (e.g. to <code>8080</code> ).

## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

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Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click <a href="#">Configure</a> to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <code>Ctrl+F10</code> ) in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li><li>– Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li></ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
Charset	Specify the character set to be used.
JMX port	Specify the JMX server port.
Ping	Click this button to ping the JMX port on the server.
Remote staging	This section contains the settings related to <a href="#">staging</a> . An <a href="#">example</a> of remote staging settings for a mounted folder is provided after this table.
Type	Select the way the staging environment or host is accessed for transferring the application artifact or artifacts from your local computer. (In the user interface of IntelliJ IDEA this setting is also referred to as the <a href="#">connection type</a> .) The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Same file system. Select this option if the target server is installed on your local computer. The artifacts in this case are deployed locally and, thus, don't need to be transferred to a remote host.</li></ul>



- ftp. The [File Transfer Protocol](#) or [Secure FTP](#) is used.
- Local or mounted folder. The staging environment is a local folder or is accessed as a [mounted folder](#) .


If the list is empty, you have to [enable the Remote Hosts Access plugin](#) which supports the corresponding functionality.

**Host** If Same file system is selected for Type , the only available option for Host is also Same file system . In all other cases, the list contains the existing configurations of the selected type . So each configuration corresponds to an individual (S)FTP connection, or a local or mounted folder.

Select an existing configuration or create a new one.

To create a new configuration:

1. Click  to the right of the list.
2. In the [Deployment dialog](#) , click .
3. In the Add Server dialog, specify the configuration name, select the type, and click OK .
4. On the [Connection tab](#) , specify the settings in the Upload/download project files section. The rest of the settings don't matter.
5. Click OK in the Deployment dialog.

**Path from root** The path to the staging folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.

Note that if Same file system is selected for Type and Host , this setting doesn't need to be specified.

**Remote connection settings** The settings for accessing deployed applications.

**Host** The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the Resin host.

**Port** The server HTTP port.

## An example of remote staging settings for a mounted folder

Assuming that:


- `C:\shared` is a shared folder on the remote host which is mounted to the local computer as the drive `X:` .
- The folder that you are going to use for staging is `C:\shared\staging` .

Here are the corresponding remote staging settings:



- Type: Local or mounted folder.
- Host: The configuration should be selected in which the value in the Folder field is `X:\` (the Upload/download project files section on the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog).
- Path from root: `staging`

## Deployment tab



Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)



To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use  . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.

### ItemDescription

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list.

- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.
- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#) .

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The [Artifacts page](#) of the [Project Structure dialog](#) will open.)

**Deployment method** For local configurations: select the deployment method for the selected artifact or external resource ( JMX or resin.xml ).

**Resin host name** For local configurations: specify the name or the IP address of the Resin host (for example, `localhost` or `127.0.0.1` ).





**Use default context name** For local configurations: select this checkbox if you want to use the default [context root](#) for the selected artifact or external resource. Otherwise, clear this checkbox and specify the context root in the Application context name field. Note that if the deployment method is JMX, the default context root is always used.

**Application context name** For local configurations: specify the context root for the selected artifact or external resource.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription




Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li></ul>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.



### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.  To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.


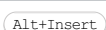
### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM...	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>

## Before Launch options







Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

	 Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ</li></ul>
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



IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .



- Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an [artifact](#) or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .



		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.


## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.

 You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.

Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.

To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for a RSpec test.

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)
- [RSpec](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription





Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Mode	Click one of the radio buttons to define the scope of tests to be performed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All specs in a folder : Click this radio button, if you want to run all tests in a directory.</li><li>– Spec script : Click this radio button, if you want to run the specified test script.</li></ul>
All specs in folder	Click this radio button, if you want to run all tests in a directory.
Specs folder	Specify the fully qualified path to the directory that contains the desired specs, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> and select the specs directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . This field is only available, when the All specs in folder option is selected.
File name mask	Specify the mask of the spec file name, for example, <code>**/*_spec.rb</code> . This field is only available, when the All specs in folder option is selected.
Spec script	Specify the name of the script to be executed.  This field is only available, when the Spec script option is selected.
Example name	Specify the name of the example within the script to be executed. If no example is specified, all examples will be executed.  This field is only available, when the Spec script option is selected.
Runner options	Enter runner options ( <code>spec --help</code> ).
'rspec' gem	Use this drop-down list to select the desired gem version, which will be used to run the tests. The list shows the versions that are available in the Ruby SDK. By default, the latest available version is taken.
Use custom RSpec runner script	Select this checkbox if you want to use an alternative spec runner. You can type the fully qualified path to the spec runner in the text field, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> , and select the desired runner in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Use pre-loaded server	From the drop-down list, select the server to be used for executing scripts or examples.  Select None if you want to execute a test script or example locally, without any server.  <b>Tip</b> If both Zeus and Spork DRb servers are running simultaneously, it is Zeus that gets priority.  If a pre-loaded server is already running, it will be selected from the drop-down list.  Refer to <a href="#">Executing Tests on DRb Server</a> or <a href="#">Executing Tests on Zeus Server</a> for details.
Output full backtrace	Select this check box to enable the <code>--trace</code> option.
Working	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working

directory	directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Bundler tab





### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab





Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window. <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration. <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered <i>covered</i> if it is covered at least once.
Packages and classes to record	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.



## code coverage

	<p>Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.</p> <p>The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .</p> <p>Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.</p>
	<p>Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.</p>
	<p>Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.</p>
Do not use the optimized C runtime	<p>Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.</p>
Enable coverage in test folders.	<p>If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.</p> <p>Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section <a href="#">Code Coverage</a> for details.</p>














## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one	<p>This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter.</p> <p>When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>ng</code> argument.</li></ul> <p>If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.</p>
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## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	<p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.</p> <p>Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.</p>
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	<p>In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.</p>
Defaults	<p>This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.</p>
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p>

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

Item	Keyboard shortcut	Description
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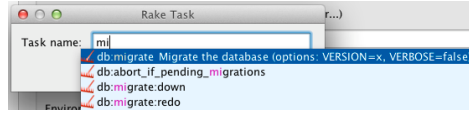
Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application

files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration .









For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .

- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for a Ruby script .

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:


- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Ruby script	Specify the fully qualified path to a Ruby script to be executed, or click  , and select the desired Ruby script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Script arguments	Type the optional arguments to be passed to the Ruby script.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	<p>Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter.</p> <p>Note that when JRuby is used as the <a href="#">project interpreter</a> , the list of Ruby arguments can include <a href="#">Nailgun</a> argument <code>--ng</code> .</p> <p>So doing, when such a run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>--ng</code> argument.</li></ul> <p>Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.</p>
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Bundler tab

### ItemDescription









Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code	Select the desired code coverage runner.
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coverage runner	By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.  <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.  <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .  Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.
	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.
Use bundled coverage.py	If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .  If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section <a href="#">Code Coverage</a> for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription





Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one	This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter. When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li> <li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li> <li>– If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li> <li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>ng</code> argument.</li> </ul> <p>If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.</p>
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## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .













### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li> </ul>

Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: - Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not
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defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.

- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.

This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.

- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .

- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.


- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .

- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .

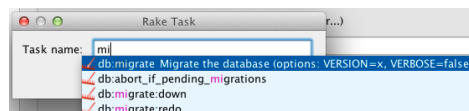
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#) .

For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .

- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.



Note that [code completion](#) is available here.





To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.





- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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		the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
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Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

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This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define configuration for remote debugging of the Ruby scripts.

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Information and settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:


- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)














## Information and settings

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Server command	Use the following command on the server side to enable remote debug: <pre>rdebug-ide --host 0.0.0.0 --port &lt;port number&gt; --dispatcher-port &lt;port number&gt; -- \$COMMAND\$</pre> <p>This read-only field shows the command that should be entered on the server side to launch the debug server. Port and dispatcher-port numbers here are taken from the Port and Local port fields. <code>\$COMMAND\$</code> corresponds to the name of the script to be debugged.</p>
Remote host	Specify URL of the host where remote debugging will take place.
Remote port	Specify the port number on the server side. Note that the number entered in this field, is automatically used in the <code>rdebug</code> command. As you type port number, the suggested command string changes accordingly.
Remote root folder	Specify the root directory on the server side, where the script to be debugged is located. This field defines mapping to the local root folder.
Local port	Specify the local port number. Note that the number entered in this field, is automatically used in the <code>rdebug</code> command. As you type the local port number, the suggested command string changes accordingly.
Local root folder	Specify the local root directory containing the script in question. Type the path, or click  and find the desired root in the Select Path dialog box.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


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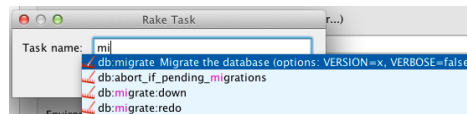


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- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
  - Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
  - Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
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Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the









Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the **default server access configuration**. For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you specify a run/debug configuration for SBT tasks.

## ItemDescription


### Tasks

VM parameters


If necessary, specify the string to be passed to the VM.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m`.
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` Or `"some arg"`.
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"`.














If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.

Environment variables

Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box where you can create variables and specify their values.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not</li></ul>
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defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.

- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.

This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.

- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .

- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.


- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

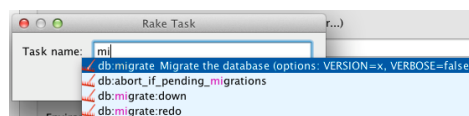
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


- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<input type="checkbox"/>		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<input type="checkbox"/>		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be

activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.


This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.


The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription


**Main class** In this text box, specify the fully qualified name of the class to be executed (passed to the JRE). Type the class name manually or click the Browse button  to open the Choose Main Class dialog box, where you can find the desired class by name or search through the project.



**VM options** In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the VM for launching an application. Usually this string contains the options such as `-mx` , `-verbose` , etc. If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the VM Options dialog.

When specifying the options, follow these rules:


- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .

The `-classpath` option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.

**Program arguments** In this text box, type a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If necessary, click the  button and type the desired arguments in the Program Parameters dialog box. Use the same rules as for specifying the [VM options](#) .

**Working directory** In this text box, specify the current directory to be used by the running application. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, the field contains the directory where the project file resides. To specify another directory, click the Browse button  select the directory in the [dialog that opens](#) . Click this  icon to view the list of available [path variables](#) that you can use as a path to your working directory.

**Note** The list of the path variables may vary depending on the enabled plugins.

**Environment variables** Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values. Note that you can copy-paste the contents of the Environment variables field without having to open the Environment Variables dialog box.

**Use classpath of module** Select the module whose classpath should be used to run the application.

**JRE** By default, the newest JDK from the module dependencies is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.

**Enable capturing form snapshots** Select this check box to enable the [GUI Designer](#) to [take snapshots of the GUI components](#) , that can be afterwards converted into a form.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.








**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.

**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.





**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .  Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.
	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.  Use bundled coverage.py if this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .  If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section <a href="#">Code Coverage</a> for details.

## Logs tab












Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li> </ul>
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.


## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug



new folder configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

**Name** In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.

**Defaults** This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate `.xml` file in the `.idea\runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea\workspace.xml` file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

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**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut




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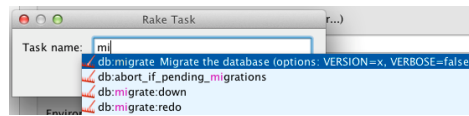
Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
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- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
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


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To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

**Test kind** From this drop-down list, select the scope for your tests and fill in the fields depending on your selection.


You can choose from the following options:

- **Test name** - select this option to run the specified Scala test. The name of the test appears in the Test Name field.
- **All in package** - select this option to run all Scala tests in the specified package.

Fill in the following fields:


- **Test Package** - specify the name of the package to be tested.
- **Search for tests** - use this drop-down list to select the scope of your search.


- **Class** - select this option to run all tests in a class.


Specify the fully qualified name of the class to be launched in the Test Class field. Type the class name or click  and select the desired class in the dialog that opens.


**VM parameters** If necessary, specify the string to be passed to the VM. When specifying the options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" Or "some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"` .

If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.

**Environment variables** Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box where you can create variables and specify their values.

**Test options** Use this field to specify the additional test options. If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.

**Working Directory** Specify the directory that will act as the current directory when running the test. It will act as the root directory for all relative input and output paths. By default, the directory where the project file resides, is used as a working directory. Type directory name, or click  and select the desired directory in the dialog that opens.

**Use classpath and SDK of module** From this drop-down list, select the module whose classpath will be used to run the application.

**Print information messages to console** Select this checkbox if you want to print information messages to the Scala console.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.

**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.




**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.


Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.

**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data


Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.




Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.

The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.



Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.




Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime

Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders

If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py if this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active

Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

Log File Entry

The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

Skip Content

Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.

Save console output to file


Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream


Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.

Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream

Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.




Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.



Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) .



Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.







Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.


## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription




  Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.


  Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.

  Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.


 Edit defaults

Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.

  or  Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.

 Move into new folder / Create new folder

Use this button to [create a new folder](#) . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

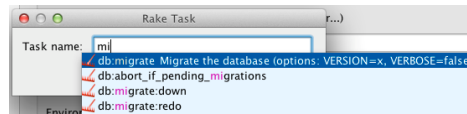


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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:





- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you specify a Run/Debug configuration for [Specs2](#) .

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription


**Test kind** From this drop-down list, select the scope for your tests and fill in the fields depending on your selection.

You can choose from the following options:

- **Test name** - select this option to run the specified Scala test. The name of the test appears in the Test Name field.
- **All in package** - select this option to run all Scala tests in the specified package.

Fill in the following fields:


- **Test Package** - specify the name of the package to be tested.
- **Search for tests** - use this drop-down list to select the scope of your search.
- **Class** - select this option to run all tests in a class.


Specify the fully qualified name of the class to be launched in the Test Class field. Type the class name or click  and select the desired class in the dialog that opens.

**VM parameters** If necessary, specify the string to be passed to the VM.


When specifying the options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .


If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.

**Environment variables** Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box where you can create variables and specify their values.

**Test options** Use this field to specify the additional test options.

If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.

**Working Directory** Specify the directory that will act as the current directory when running the test. It will act as the root directory for all relative input and output paths. By default, the directory where the project file resides, is used as a working directory.

Type directory name, or click  and select the desired directory in the dialog that opens.

**Use classpath and SDK of module** From this drop-down list, select the module whose classpath will be used to run the application.

**Print information messages to console** Select this checkbox if you want to print information messages to the Scala console.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.


### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.

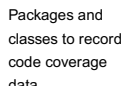







**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.

**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

**Merge data with previous results** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.

**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.





	<p>Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.</p>
	<p>Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.</p> <p>The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .</p> <p>Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.</p>
	<p>Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.</p>
	<p>Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.</p>
<p>Do not use the optimized C runtime</p>	<p>Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrte</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.</p>
<p>Enable coverage in test folders.</p>	<p>If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.</p> <p>Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code> .</p>

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter. Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab












Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

<p>Is Active</p>	<p>Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .</p>
<p>Log File Entry</p>	<p>The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> <p>If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</p>
<p>Skip Content</p>	<p>Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.</p>
<p>Save console output to file</p>	<p>Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
<p>Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream</p>	<p>Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.</p>
<p>Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream</p>	<p>Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.</p>
	<p>Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.</p>
	<p>Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .</p>
	<p>Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.</p>
	<p>Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.</p>


## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<p> Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.</p>
	<p> Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.</p>
	<p> Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.</p>
	<p><b>Edit defaults</b></p> <p>Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.</p>
	<p> or  Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.</p>
	<p><b>Move into new folder / Create</b></p> <p>Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> .</p> <p>If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug</p>



new folder configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>

Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut




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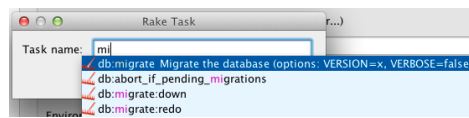
Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to

execute the script with.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Spork DRb run/debug configuration is created as a temporary one on [launching the Spork DRb server](#) . You can change settings as required, assign a name, save this configuration as permanent, and further use it to run Spork DRb server.

In this section:

- [Prerequisites](#)
- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Spork script	When the run/debug configuration is created by the Tools   Run SporkDRb server command, this field points to the <code>spork</code> script under the current Java interpreter.  If you are creating the configuration from scratch, specify the fully qualified path to script.
Test framework	Click one of the radio buttons to select the desired testing framework.
Additional arguments	Type additional parameters to be passed to the <code>spork</code> script.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Bundler tab

### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,

coverage

 becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.

**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.




Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

Merge data with previous results

When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.

**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data

Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.



Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.

The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.



Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.




Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime

Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders.

If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one

This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter.

When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:

- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.
- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the `ng` argument.

If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active

Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

Log File Entry

The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
  - [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
  - Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.
- If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

Skip Content

Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.

Save console output to file





Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream

Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.













Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream

Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.

	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea/runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea/workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> <li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the</li> </ul>
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compilation result.

- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.

This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.

- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .

- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.

- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.

- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .


- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.

For more information, see [Maven](#) .

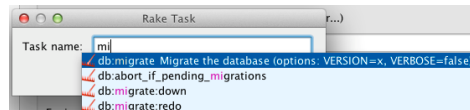
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default [server access configuration](#) .

For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .









- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.

Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Use this dialog box to create configurations used to run or debug [Spring Boot](#) applications.









This dialog box consists of the following areas:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Before launch options](#)

## Configuration tab

Use this tab to configure general run/debug configuration settings, and the specific Spring Boot settings.


### ItemDescription






Main class	In this text box, specify the fully qualified name of the class to be executed (passed to the JRE). Enter the class name manually or click the Browse button  and search for the desired class by name or through the project.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Program arguments	Enter a list of arguments to be passed to the program in the format you would use in the command line. If there is not enough space, click the  button and enter the parameters in the Program Parameters dialog box. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
Working directory	If necessary, specify a directory to be used by the running text. This directory is the starting point for all relative input and output paths. By default, this is the project directory. To specify a different directory, click the Browse button  and select a directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Environment variables	Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog where you can create variables and specify their values.
Use classpath of module	Select the module whose classpath will be used to run the application.
JRE	By default, the newest JDK from the module dependencies is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
Enable debug output	Select this option to enable logging of the debug output.
Hide Banner	Select this option to hide the startup banner printed by Spring Boot when starting a run/debug session.
Active Profiles	If necessary, specify active <a href="#">Spring profiles</a> that you want to use in this run/debug configuration.
Override parameters	Use this table to specify which Spring Boot configuration parameters you want to override. Such parameters are normally defined in configuration files. Listing them in a run/debug configuration allows you to easily switch parameters by modifying the run/debug configuration instead of config files, or have multiple run/debug configurations with different parameter values. When you add a new parameter and start typing its name, IntelliJ IDEA provides content completion and displays a list of parameters that match the string you've entered. Use the following controls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>–  : use the checkboxes in the Enabled column to select which parameters you want to override. You can simply deselect the parameters you do not need to override at the moment without removing them and losing their values.</li><li>–  : click this icon to add a parameter you want to override to the list.</li><li>–  : click this icon to remove a parameter from the list.</li><li>–  : click these icons to move the selected parameter up or down in the list.</li></ul>

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging must be displayed in the console, that is in the dedicated tabs of the [Run tool window](#) and the [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription









Is active	Select checkboxes in this column to have the corresponding log entries displayed in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> and the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to be shown. This list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed</li><li>– Aliases that substitute full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the tab headers where the corresponding log files are shown. Note that if a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.</li></ul>
Skip Content	Select the checkboxes in this column to skip the previous contents of the selected log.
Save console output to file	Select this option to save the console output to a specified location. Type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select a location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when standard out changes	Select this option to activate the output console and bring it forward if the associated process is writing to Standard.out.

	Select this option to activate the output console and bring it forward if the associated process is writing to Standard.err.
	Click this button to add a new log file entry. Specify the associated properties in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. This button only appears when an entry is selected.

## Before launch options

Use this section to specify which tasks must be carried out before starting the run/debug session. The tasks you specify will be performed in the order that they appear in the list.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select from the following task types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Run External tool : select this option to run an application that is external to IntelliJ IDEA. Select the application(s) you want to run in the dialog that opens. If the required application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> <li>– Make : select this option to compile the project or module. If a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, the <a href="#">Make Module</a> command will be executed. Otherwise, the <a href="#">Make Project</a> command will be performed.</li> <li>– Make, no error check : the same as the Make option, but IntelliJ IDEA will try to launch the run/debug session irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>– Build Artifacts : select this option to build one or several artifacts. Select the artifacts you want to build in the dialog that opens. For more information, see <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a>.</li> <li>– Run Another Configuration : select this option to have a different run/debug configuration executed first. Select the configuration that you want to run in the dialog that opens. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>– Make Project : select this option to compile all files that have been modified since the last compilation, and dependent source files.</li> <li>– Run Ant target : select this option to run an Ant target. Select the target you want to run in the dialog that opens. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a>.</li> <li>– Run Gradle task : select this option to run a Gradle task. In the dialog that opens, specify the Gradle project, the tasks you want to run, and, if necessary the VM options and script parameters. For more information, see <a href="#">Gradle</a>.</li> <li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps : select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. Specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located in the dialog that opens. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript Support</a>.</li> <li>– Run Maven Goal : select this option to run a Maven goal. Select the goal you want to run in the dialog that opens. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a>.</li> <li>– Run Remote External tool : select this option to run a remote application external to IntelliJ IDEA. Select the remote application(s) you want to run in the dialog that opens. If the required application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li> </ul>
		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list.
Show this page	N/A	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug settings before starting a run/debug session.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this part:

- [Run/Debug Configuration: Spring DM Server \(Local\)](#)
- [Run/Debug Configuration: Spring DM Server \(Remote\)](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | Spring dmServer | Local

Spring dmServer [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [SpringSource dm Server](#) and [Virgo](#). (The dmServer Support [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

Note that if you are starting the server by means of the default script `startup.bat` or `startup.sh`, you should properly set the environment variable `JAVA_HOME`.

- [Name field and Share option](#)
- [Server tab for a local configuration](#)
- [Deployment tab](#)
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- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration](#)
- [Before Launch options](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#).




## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)  If the message <i>Error: JMX arguments are incompatible with IDEA</i> is shown in the lower part of the dialog, click Fix. As a result, the necessary changes are made to the script <code>bin/dmk.bat</code> or <code>dmk.sh</code> .
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <code>Ctrl+F10</code> in the Run or Debug tool window). The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li><li>- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed</li></ul>

classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.

- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

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Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
Port	Specify the HTTP server port.
JMX Port	Specify the JMX server port.
JMX User	Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the JMX server port.
JMX Password	Specify the password of the <a href="#">JMX user</a> .
Local staging / Repository target	Select the watched repository to place your plans (artifacts) to.

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




## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)

To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use [+](#) . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.

### ItemDescription

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 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.</li><li>- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li></ul>
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The <a href="#">Artifacts page</a> of the <a href="#">Project Structure dialog</a> will open.)


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## Logs tab


Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .


### ItemDescription


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Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Full paths to specific files.</li><li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li></ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.

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 Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) .

 Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.




 Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.


Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.  To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration




### ItemDescription

 Run / Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.

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

Startup script Specify the script to be used to start the server.  
Use default:

- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.
-  in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field (readonly).
- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script:
  - To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the [dialog that opens](#) .
  - To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.

When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" Or "some arg"` .
- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .



Shutdown script Specify the script to be used to stop the server.  
Use default:

- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.
-  in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).
- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script:
  - To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the [dialog that opens](#) .
  - To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.

When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" Or "some arg"` .
- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .

Pass environment variables To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables:

- To add a variable, click  and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.
- To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click  .









Port Use this field to change the debugger port.

Debugger Settings Click this button to edit the debugger options on the [Debugger page](#) of the [Settings dialog](#) .

## Before Launch options















Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li><li>– Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li></ul>
		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.  Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.  To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .  See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | Spring dmServer | Local or Remote

Spring dmServer [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [SpringSource dm Server](#) and [Virgo](#). (The dmServer Support [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

Note that if you are starting the server by means of the default script `startup.bat` or `startup.sh`, you should properly set the environment variable `JAVA_HOME`.

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#).



## Name field and Share option





### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click <a href="#">Configure</a> to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li><li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li></ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JMX Port	Specify the JMX server port.
Ping	Click this button to ping the JMX port on the server.
JMX User	Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the JMX server port.
JMX Password	Specify the password of the <a href="#">JMX user</a> .
Remote	This section contains the settings related to <a href="#">staging</a> . An <a href="#">example</a> of remote staging settings for a mounted folder is

staging	provided after this table.
Type	<p>Select the way the staging environment or host is accessed for transferring the application artifact or artifacts from your local computer. (In the user interface of IntelliJ IDEA this setting is also referred to as the <i>connection type</i>.)</p> <p>The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Same file system. Select this option if the target server is installed on your local computer. The artifacts in this case are deployed locally and, thus, don't need to be transferred to a remote host.</li> <li>– ftp. The <a href="#">File Transfer Protocol</a> or <a href="#">Secure FTP</a> is used.</li> <li>– Local or mounted folder. The staging environment is a local folder or is accessed as a <a href="#">mounted folder</a>.</li> </ul> <p>If the list is empty, you have to <a href="#">enable the Remote Hosts Access plugin</a> which supports the corresponding functionality.</p>
Host	<p>If Same file system is selected for Type, the only available option for Host is also Same file system.</p> <p>In all other cases, the list contains the existing configurations of the selected <i>type</i>. So each configuration corresponds to an individual (S)FTP connection, or a local or mounted folder.</p> <p>Select an existing configuration or create a new one.</p> <p>To create a new configuration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click  to the right of the list.</li> <li>2. In the <a href="#">Deployment dialog</a>, click .</li> <li>3. In the Add Server dialog, specify the configuration name, select the type, and click OK.</li> <li>4. On the <a href="#">Connection tab</a>, specify the settings in the Upload/download project files section. The rest of the settings don't matter.</li> <li>5. Click OK in the Deployment dialog.</li> </ol>
Deployment access	When deploying to the remote host, the application artifact or artifacts are placed into a staging folder (deployment target folder). This folder should be accessible to the server. The settings in this section define the location of this staging folder.
Path from root	The path to the staging folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.
Mapped as	The absolute path to the staging folder in the local file system of the remote host. The path should be specified as a URL, e.g. <p><code>file:///C:/shared/staging</code></p>
Repository access	When deploying to the remote host, the plans (artifacts) are placed into a watched repository. The settings in this section describe this repository.
Path from root	The path to the repository folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.
Name	Specify the name of the watched repository the way it is defined in the configuration of the remote server.
Remote connection settings	The settings for accessing deployed applications.
Host	The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the server host.
Port	The server HTTP port.

## An example of remote staging settings for a mounted folder

Assuming that:


- `C:\shared` is a shared folder on the remote host which is mounted to the local computer as the drive `X:`.
- The folder that you are going to use for staging is `C:\shared\staging`.

Here are the corresponding remote staging settings:



- Type: Local or mounted folder.
- Host: The configuration should be selected in which the value in the Folder field is `X:\` (the Upload/download project files section on the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog).
- Staging/Path from root: `staging`
- Staging/Mapped as: `file:///C:/shared/staging`

## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)

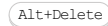
To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup), use . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.

### ItemDescription

-  or  Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list.
  - To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.

- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#) .

— or Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.



or F4 Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The [Artifacts page](#) of the [Project Structure dialog](#) will open.)

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.

### ItemDescription

Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM...	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>

## Before Launch options




Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> </ul>
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- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

	Alt+Delete	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	Enter	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	Alt+Up / Alt+Down	Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

	Alt+Insert	Create a run/debug configuration.
	Alt+Delete	Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
	Ctrl+D	Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
	Alt+Up / Alt+Down	Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		<p>You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.</p> <p>Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.</p> <p>To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .</p>

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create configurations for tracing Web applications using the **Spy-js tool**.

On this page:


- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js dialog](#)
- [Spy-js-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js dialog

1. Download and install [Node.js](#) because it is used by the **Spy-js** trace server.
2. **Install and enable** the **Spy-js** plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Spy-js-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

**Node interpreter** In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).

If you have [appointed one of the installations as default](#), the field displays the path to its executable file.


With **Spy-js**, it is recommended to use Node.js version 0.10.24 or higher.

**Trace server port** In this spin box, specify the port on which **Spy-js** will act as a proxy server. This port number must be the same as your system proxy port. If the **Automatically configure system proxy** checkbox is selected, the specified port number is automatically set for the system proxy server. Otherwise you will have to specify the value of the field in the system proxy settings manually.

The **trace server port** is filled in automatically. To avoid port conflicts, it is recommended that you accept the suggested value and keep the **Automatically configure system proxy** checkbox selected.

**Use** In this drop-down list, specify the way to configure a tracing session.

- To have **Spy-js** apply its internal predefined configuration, choose **Default configuration**.
- To have your custom manually created configuration applied, choose the **Configuration file** option and then specify the location of your custom configuration file in the **Configuration** field below. A **configuration file** is a JavaScript file with the extension `.js` or `.conf.js` that contains valid JavaScript code that meets the [Spy-js configuration requirements](#). If IntelliJ IDEA detects files with the extension `.conf.js` in the project, these files are displayed in the drop-down list.

Type the path to the configuration file manually or click the **Browse** button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens. Once specified, a configuration file is added to the drop-down list so you can get it next time from the list instead of specifying the path.

**URL to trace** In this field, specify the URL address of the Web page to capture events on. By default, the field is empty. This means that **Spy-js** captures events on all the currently opened Web pages. If you want to restrict the tracing to a certain page, specify its URL address. Type the address manually or choose it from the drop-down list, if it has been once specified in the configuration.


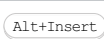

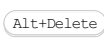







**Automatically configure system proxy**


- When this checkbox is selected, the system proxy server is activated automatically with the port specified in the **Trace server port** field.
- Clear this checkbox to specify proxy settings manually. See how to configure proxy settings manually on [Windows](#), [Mac](#), [Ubuntu](#), [iOS](#), [Android](#), [Windows Phone](#). Please note that some desktop browsers have their own screens for proxy settings configuration.

The checkbox is selected by default, and it is strongly recommended that you accept this setting and have the proxy configured automatically.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

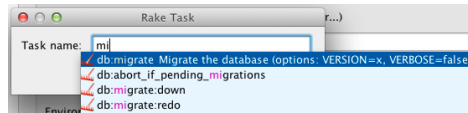


Alt+Insert

Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:





- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) . For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this dialog box, create configurations for tracing **Node.js** applications using the **Spy-js tool** .

On this page:








- [Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js for Node.js dialog](#)
- [Spy-js for Node.js-specific configuration settings](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Common options](#)

## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: Spy-js for Node.js dialog

1. Download and install [Node.js](#) because it is used by the Spy-js trace server.
2. **Install and enable** the Spy-js plugin. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .


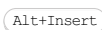





## Spy-js for Node.js-specific configuration settings

### ItemDescription

Node interpreter	<p>In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .</p> <p>If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.</p> <p>With Spy-js, it is recommended to use Node.js version 0.10.24 or higher.</p> <p>To enable tracing <a href="#">ECMAScript 6</a> scripts, use Node.js version 0.11.13 or higher and specify <code>--harmony</code> as a Node parameter.</p>
Node parameters	<p>In this text box, type the Node.js-specific command line options to be passed to the NodeJS executable file. For example, to enable tracing <a href="#">ECMAScript 6</a> scripts, specify <code>--harmony</code> as a Node parameter. Note that Node.js must be version 0.11.13 or higher.</p>
Working directory	<p>In this field, specify the <a href="#">working directory</a> of the application. All references in the starting Node.js application file , for example, <code>imports</code> , will be resolved relative to this folder, unless such references use full paths.</p> <p>By default, the field shows the <code>project root folder</code> . To change this predefined setting, choose the desired folder from the drop-down list, or type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the location in the dialog box, that opens.</p>
JavaScript file	<p>In this field, specify the full path to the file to start running the application from.</p> <p>If you are going to trace CoffeeScript, specify the path to the generated JavaScript file. The file can be generated externally or through compilation using file watchers. For more details, see <a href="#">Compiling CoffeeScript to JavaScript</a> .</p>
Application parameters	<p>In this text box, type the Node.js-specific arguments to be passed to the application start file through the <a href="#">process.argv</a> array.</p>
Environment variables	<p>In this field, specify the <a href="#">environment variables</a> for the Node.js executable file, if applicable. Click the Browse button  to the right of the field and configure a list of variables in the Environment Variables dialog box, that opens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– To define a new variable, click the Add toolbar button  and specify the variable name and value.</li><li>– To discard a variable definition, select it in the list and click the Delete toolbar button  .</li><li>– Click OK , when ready</li></ul> <p>The definitions of variables are displayed in the Environment variables read-only field with semicolons as separators. The acceptable variables are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>NODE_PATH</code> : A  -separated list of directories prefixed to the module search path.</li><li>– <code>NODE_MODULE_CONTEXTS</code> : Set to 1 to load modules in their own global contexts.</li><li>– <code>NODE_DISABLE_COLORS</code> : Set to 1 to disable colors in the REPL.</li></ul>
Configuration file	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the file with the configuration settings to apply to the tracing session.</p> <p>A <b>configuration file</b> is a JavaScript file with the extension <code>.js</code> or <code>.conf.js</code> that contains valid JavaScript code that meets the <a href="#">Spy-js configuration requirements</a> . If IntelliJ IDEA detects files with the extension <code>.conf.js</code> in the project, these files are displayed in the drop-down list.</p> <p>Type the path to the configuration file manually or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens. Once specified, a configuration file is added to the drop-down list so you can get it next time from the list instead of specifying the path.</p>

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.



Alt+Up or  
Alt+Down

Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.



Move into new folder / Create new folder

Use this button to [create a new folder](#) . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the buttons.



Sort configurations

Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut




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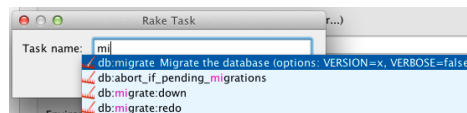
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- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
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- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool. Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments

to pass to the Gulp tool.









Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
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- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
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- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

The TestNG run/debug configuration is used to launch the tests that comply with the TestNG framework. The dialog consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

The composition of this tab depends on the selected testing scope - package, project, etc.

### ItemDescription

All in package	Run all tests in a package. Package. The fully qualified name of the package.  In whole project. IntelliJ IDEA will look for the tests in all the modules.  In single module. IntelliJ IDEA will look for the tests only in the module that is selected in the <a href="#">Use classpath of module field</a> .  Across module dependencies. The same as the previous option plus the modules that depend on that module.
Suite	Run a test suite. Suite. Specify the corresponding <code>testng.xml</code> file.
Group	Run a test group. Group. The group to be run. <a href="#">Learn more about TestNG groups</a> .
Class	Run a test class. Class. The fully qualified name of the test class to be run.
Method	Run a test method. Class. The fully qualified name of the test class.  Method. The name of the method to be run.
Pattern	Run the tests that conform to the specified pattern. Pattern. Form the pattern by clicking <a href="#">+</a> and then selecting one or more TestNG test classes. Alternatively, click <a href="#">-</a> and type the pattern in the dialog that opens.
Output directory	The directory in which test reports will be generated.
JDK Settings	
VM options	Options and arguments to be passed to the JVM in which the tests run. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul> The <code>-classpath</code> option specified in this field overrides the classpath of the module.
Test runner parameters	Arguments to be passed to the test runner. Use the same rules as for specifying the <a href="#">VM options</a> .
Working directory	The current working directory for the tests.
Environment variables	The environment variables to be passed to the corresponding JVM.
Use classpath of module	The module whose classpath is used when running the tests.
JRE	The JRE to be used.
Shorten command line	Select a method that will be used to shorten the command line if the classpath gets too long or you have many VM arguments that exceed your OS command line length limitation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– none : IntelliJ IDEA will not shorten a long classpath. If the command line exceeds the OS limitation, IntelliJ IDEA will be unable to run your application and will display a message suggesting you to specify the shortening method.</li><li>– JAR manifest : IntelliJ IDEA will pass a long classpath via a temporary <code>classpath.jar</code> . The original classpath is defined in the <code>manifest</code> file as a <code>class-path</code> attribute in <code>classpath.jar</code> . Note that you will be able to preview the full command line if it was shortened using this method, not just the classpath of the temporary <code>classpath.jar</code> .</li><li>– classpath.file : IntelliJ IDEA will write a long classpath into a text file.</li><li>– User-local default : this legacy option is set automatically for projects created before IntelliJ IDEA version 2017.3. IntelliJ IDEA will configure this setting depending on the properties set in the <code>ide/workspace.xml</code> and</li></ul>





## Parameters

Properties file Specify the `.properties` file to be passed to TestNG.

Name - Value Additional parameters as key - value pairs.

## Listeners

  Use these icons to make up a list of listeners.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

Sampling Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

Tracing Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.




Track per test coverage Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.


**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .


Merge data with previous results When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.


 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders. If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab





Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .













Log File Entry The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription



		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options


### ItemDescription

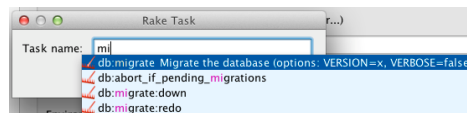
Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: – Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see
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


[Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<input type="checkbox"/> Show this page		Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<input type="checkbox"/> Active tool window		Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be

activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

**Note** This setting is shared if you select to share your run/debug configuration, so the same method will be applied for your team members irrespective of their operating system.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Use this dialog box to define run/debug configuration for a Test::Unit , Shoulda , or Minitest test.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration.
Mode	Click one of the radio buttons to define the scope of tests to be performed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- All tests in folder : Click this radio button, if you want to run all tests in a directory.</li><li>- Test script : Click this radio button, if you want to run the specified test script.</li><li>- Test method : Click this radio button, if you want to run an individual method of a test class.</li></ul>
Test folder	Type in the text field the fully qualified path to the directory that contains the desired tests, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> and select the test directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . This field is only available, when the All tests in folder scope is selected.
Test file name mask	Specify the mask of the test file name, for example: <pre>**/{*_test,test_*}.rb</pre> <p>This field is only available, when the All tests in folder scope is selected.</p>
Ruby script	Type the fully qualified path to the desired script in the text field, or click <input type="button" value="..."/> and select it in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . <p>This field is only available, when the Test script scope is selected.</p>
Test name filter	In this field, type a filtering expression, or the name of a test method, depending on the framework in question. The test name filter can be a regular expression. <p>This field is only available, when the Test method option is selected.</p>
Use pre-loaded server	From the drop-down list, select the server to be used for executing scripts or examples. Select None if you want to execute a test script or example locally, without any server. <p><b>Tip</b> If both Zeus and Spork DRb servers are running simultaneously, it is Zeus that gets priority. If a pre-loaded server is already running, it will be selected from the drop-down list.</p> <p>Refer to <a href="#">Executing Tests on DRb Server</a> or <a href="#">Executing Tests on Zeus Server</a> for details.</p>
Runner options	Specify the options to be passed to the test runner.
Working directory	Specify the current directory to be used by the running task. By default, the project directory is used as a working directory.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Bundler tab









### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

## ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window. <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Code Coverage Results</a> .
Merge data with previous results	When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View, taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration. <b>Tip</b> Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.
	Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .  Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.
	Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.
	Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.
Do not use the optimized C runtime	Select this check box to enable the option <code>--no-rcovrt</code> . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.
Enable coverage in test folders.	If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py if this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one	This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter. When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.</li><li>– If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the <code>ng</code> argument.</li></ul> If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.
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## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription


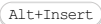






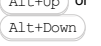



Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Full paths to specific files.</li><li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li><li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file</li></ul>

instead of the log entry alias.

Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar


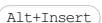
### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.  <b>ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut</b>

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: – Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is
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external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .

- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.

If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.

- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.

See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.

This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.

- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .

- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:

- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
- If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.


- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .

- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#) .

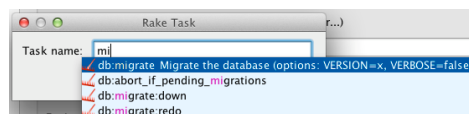
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) .

For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .

- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.



Note that [code completion](#) is available here.





To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

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  Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.

  Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.





Alt+Up

Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.



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Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.

Show this page

Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.

Active tool window

Select this option if you want the [Run /Debug](#) tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | Tomcat Server | Local or Remote

Tomcat Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [Apache Tomcat](#). (The Tomcat and TomEE Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#).




## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click <a href="#">Configure</a> to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" OR "some arg"</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> ) in the Run or Debug tool window). The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li><li>- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.</li><li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li></ul>

- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.



For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
HTTP port	The server HTTP port.
HTTPs port	The server HTTPS port.
JMX port	The server JMX port.
AJP port	The server AJP port.
Deploy applications configured in Tomcat instance	The Tomcat configuration files, among other things, may list the applications that should be deployed at the server start. If this checkbox is selected, all the applications so listed will be deployed on the server in addition to the artifacts specified on the <a href="#">Deployment tab</a> . If the checkbox is not selected, only the artifacts and the external resources specified on the Deployment tab will be deployed.
Preserve sessions across restarts	Select this checkbox to preserve active HTTP sessions when restarting the server.



## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: – Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode. – Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
JMX Port	The server JMX port. If you are not deploying anything with this run configuration, you don't need to specify this port.
Remote staging	This section contains the settings related to <a href="#">staging</a> . An <a href="#">example</a> of remote staging settings for a mounted folder is provided after this table.
Type	Select the way the staging environment or host is accessed for transferring the application artifact or artifacts from your local computer. (In the user interface of IntelliJ IDEA this setting is also referred to as the <a href="#">connection type</a> .) The available options are: – Same file system. Select this option if the target server is installed on your local computer. The artifacts in this case are deployed locally and, thus, don't need to be transferred to a remote host. – ftp. The <a href="#">File Transfer Protocol</a> or <a href="#">Secure FTP</a> is used. – Local or mounted folder. The staging environment is a local folder or is accessed as a <a href="#">mounted folder</a> .

If the list is empty, you have to [enable the Remote Hosts Access plugin](#) which supports the corresponding functionality.

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Host	<p>If Same file system is selected for Type , the only available option for Host is also Same file system . In all other cases, the list contains the existing configurations of the selected <a href="#">type</a> . So each configuration corresponds to an individual (S)FTP connection, or a local or mounted folder.</p> <p>Select an existing configuration or create a new one.</p> <p>To create a new configuration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Click  to the right of the list.</li><li>2. In the <a href="#">Deployment dialog</a> , click <a href="#">+</a>.</li><li>3. In the Add Server dialog, specify the configuration name, select the type, and click OK .</li><li>4. On the <a href="#">Connection tab</a> , specify the settings in the Upload/download project files section. The rest of the settings don't matter.</li><li>5. Click OK in the Deployment dialog.</li></ol>
Staging	<p>When deploying to the remote host, the application artifact or artifacts are placed into a staging folder which should be accessible to Tomcat. The settings in this section define the location of this staging folder. Note that if Same file system is selected for Type and Host , no settings in this section need to be specified.</p>
Path from root	<p>The path to the staging folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.</p>
Mapped as	<p>The absolute path to the staging folder in the local file system of the remote host.</p>
Remote connection settings	<p>The settings for accessing deployed applications.</p>
Host	<p>The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the Tomcat host.</p>
Port	<p>The server HTTP port.</p>

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## An example of remote staging settings for a mounted folder

Assuming that:

- `C:\shared` is a shared folder on the remote host which is mounted to the local computer as the drive `X:` .
- The folder that you are going to use for staging is `C:\shared\staging` .

Here are the corresponding remote staging settings:

- Type: Local or mounted folder.
- Host: The configuration should be selected in which the value in the Folder field is `X:\` (the Upload/download project files section on the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog).
- Staging/Path from root: `staging`
- Staging/Mapped as: `C:\shared\staging`

## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)

To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use [+](#) . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.







Note that deployment to a remote server is supported only for Tomcat 5 or later versions. Also note that to be able to deploy applications to a remote Tomcat server, you should enable the JMX support on the server. To do that, you should pass the following VM options to the server Java process:

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-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote=  
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.port=1099  
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.ssl=false  
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.authenticate=false  
-Djava.rmi.server.hostname=<host>
```

where `<host>` is the server hostname (domain name) or IP address.

If `catalina.bat` or `catalina.sh` is used to start the server, these options may be passed to the server using the `CATALINA_OPTS` environment variable.





### ItemDescription

 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.</li> <li>- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li> </ul>
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The <a href="#">Artifacts page</a> of the <a href="#">Project Structure dialog</a> will open.)
Application context	Specify the <a href="#">context root</a> for an artifact or external resource: select the artifact or the resource, and type or select the context root.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription




Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.




Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.</li> <li>To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click .</li> </ul>
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.




## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.
 Debug /	
 Coverage	




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**Startup script** Specify the script to be used to start the server.  
Use default:

- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.  
 in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field (readonly).
- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script:
  - To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the [dialog that opens](#) .
  - To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.  
When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:
    - Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" or "some arg"` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"` .



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**Shutdown script** Specify the script to be used to stop the server.  
Use default:

- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.  
 in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).
- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script:
  - To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the [dialog that opens](#) .
  - To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.  
When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:
    - Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" or "some arg"` .
    - If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"` .

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**Pass environment variables** To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables:

- To add a variable, click  and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.
- To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click  .

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**Port** Use this field to change the debugger port.


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**Debugger Settings** Click this button to edit the debugger options on the [Debugger page](#) of the [Settings dialog](#) .

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.

### ItemDescription

 **Run /** Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under [To run/debug...](#)

 **Debug**


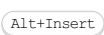
**To run/debug remote server JVM...** The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.

**Transport (and all that follows)** The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under [To run/debug...](#)

## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

  Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example:







- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
- Make. Select this option to compile the project.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
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- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript

source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .

- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.















For more information, see [Maven](#) .

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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.  Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and  . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.  To remove grouping, select a folder and click  .  See also, <a href="#">Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations</a> .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" OR "some arg"</code> .</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> ) in the Run or Debug tool window). The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li><li>- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.</li><li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li></ul>



- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.




For packed artifacts, the available options are:



- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.


Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
JRE	By default, the project JDK is used to run the application. If you want to specify an alternative JDK or JRE here, select it from the drop-down list.
HTTP port	The server HTTP port.
HTTPs port	The server HTTPS port.
JMX port	The server JMX port.
AJP port	The server AJP port.
Deploy applications configured in Tomcat instance	The TomEE configuration files, among other things, may list the applications that should be deployed at the server start. If this checkbox is selected, all the applications so listed will be deployed on the server in addition to the artifacts specified on the <a href="#">Deployment tab</a> . If the checkbox is not selected, only the artifacts and the external resources specified on the Deployment tab will be deployed.
Preserve sessions across restarts	Select this checkbox to preserve active HTTP sessions when restarting the server.

## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li> <li>– Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> </ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
JMX Port	The server JMX port.
Remote staging	This section contains the settings related to <a href="#">staging</a> . An <a href="#">example</a> of remote staging settings for a mounted folder is provided after this table.
Type	Select the way the staging environment or host is accessed for transferring the application artifact or artifacts from your local computer. (In the user interface of IntelliJ IDEA this setting is also referred to as the <a href="#">connection type</a> .) The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Same file system. Select this option if the target server is installed on your local computer. The artifacts in this case are deployed locally and, thus, don't need to be transferred to a remote host.</li> <li>– ftp. The <a href="#">File Transfer Protocol</a> or <a href="#">Secure FTP</a> is used.</li> <li>– Local or mounted folder. The staging environment is a local folder or is accessed as a <a href="#">mounted folder</a> .</li> </ul> <p>If the list is empty, you have to <a href="#">enable the Remote Hosts Access plugin</a> which supports the corresponding functionality.</p>
Host	If Same file system is selected for Type , the only available option for Host is also Same file system . In all other cases, the list contains the existing configurations of the selected <a href="#">type</a> . So each configuration corresponds to an individual (S)FTP connection, or a local or mounted folder.  Select an existing configuration or create a new one.  To create a new configuration:  <a href="#">Click</a> to the right of the list

1. Click  to the right of the list.
2. In the [Deployment dialog](#) , click  .
3. In the Add Server dialog, specify the configuration name, select the type, and click OK .
4. On the [Connection tab](#) , specify the settings in the Upload/download project files section. The rest of the settings don't matter.
5. Click OK in the Deployment dialog.

Staging	When deploying to the remote host, the application artifact or artifacts are placed into a staging folder which should be accessible to TomEE. The settings in this section define the location of this staging folder. Note that if Same file system is selected for Type and Host , no settings in this section need to be specified.
Path from root	The path to the staging folder relative to the local or mounted folder, or the root of the (S)FTP host. You can use  to select the folder in the Choose target path dialog.
Mapped as	The absolute path to the staging folder in the local file system of the remote host.
Remote connection settings	The settings for accessing deployed applications.
Host	The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the TomEE host.
Port	The server HTTP port.

## An example of remote staging settings for a mounted folder

Assuming that:


- `C:\shared` is a shared folder on the remote host which is mounted to the local computer as the drive `X:` .
- The folder that you are going to use for staging is `C:\shared\staging` .

Here are the corresponding remote staging settings:







- Type: Local or mounted folder.
- Host: The configuration should be selected in which the value in the Folder field is `X:\` (the Upload/download project files section on the Connection tab of the Deployment dialog).
- Staging/Path from root: `staging`
- Staging/Mapped as: `C:\shared\staging`

## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)

To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use  . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.

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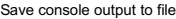
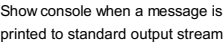
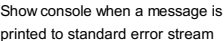




 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.</li> <li>- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> </ul>
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The <a href="#">Artifacts page</a> of the <a href="#">Project Structure dialog</a> will open.)
Application context	Specify the <a href="#">context root</a> for an artifact or external resource: select the artifact or the resource, and type or select the context root.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

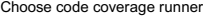


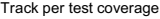
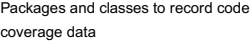



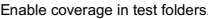
	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.












Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

	Select the desired code coverage runner.
	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
	<p>If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.</p> <p>To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .</p>
	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

	Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.
	
	
	<p>Specify the script to be used to start the server. Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.</li> <li>-  in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field (readonly).</li> <li>- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>- To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> Or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li> <li>- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul>
	<p>Specify the script to be used to stop the server. Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.</li> <li>-  in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).</li> <li>- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>- To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> Or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li> </ul>

- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .

Pass environment variables

To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables:

- To add a variable, click **+** and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.
- To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click **-** .

Port

Use this field to change the debugger port.



Debugger Settings

Click this button to edit the debugger options on the [Debugger page](#) of the [Settings dialog](#) .

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.


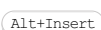
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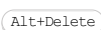
 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM...	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>



## Before Launch options



Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li> <li>- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> </ul>
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		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
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		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
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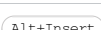

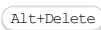
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
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Show this page	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
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Activate tool window	If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.
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## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.



Ctrl+D

Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.



View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.



Alt+Up /


Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list.



Alt+Down


The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.



You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.

To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.

Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.

To remove grouping, select a folder and click .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#).

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

The Tox run/debug configuration enables you running test with different Python versions and interpreters.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

Click [here](#) for the description of the options that are common for all run/debug configurations.

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Tox

**Arguments** Specify the arguments that are passed to the `tox.ini` script. So doing, the arguments are delimited with spaces, for example, `--some-arg --foo-arg`.

**Run only environment** Specify here the Python environments/interpreters, where your project will be executed. So doing, the environments are delimited with commas, for example, `py27,py34`.

Environment

**Project** Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, [opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window](#), where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.

**Environment variable** This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.

To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press `Shift+Enter` and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.

To create a new variable, click `+`, and type the desired name and value.

Python Interpreter

**Interpreter options** In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click `+`, and type the string in the editor.

**Working directory** Specify a directory to be used by the running task.

- When a default run/debug configuration is created by the keyboard shortcut `Ctrl+Shift+F10`, or by choosing Run on the context menu of a script, the working directory is the one that contains the executable script. This directory may differ from the project directory.
- When this field is left blank, the `bin` directory of the IntelliJ IDEA installation will be used.

**Path mappings** This field appears, if a remote interpreter has been selected in the field Python interpreter.

Click the browse button `...` to define the required mappings between the local and remote paths. In the Edit Path Mappings dialog box, use `+`/`-` buttons to create new mappings, or delete the selected ones.

**Add content roots to PYTHONPATH** Select this check box to add all [content roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

**Add source roots to PYTHONPATH** Select this check box to add all [source roots](#) of your project to the environment variable PYTHONPATH;

Docker container settings

**Warning!** This field only appears when [Docker-based remote interpreter](#) has been selected for a project.

**Note** Speaking about the correspondence of settings with some options (`--net`, `--link`, etc.), note that these options come from [Docker command line arguments](#).

Click `...` to open the dialog and specify the following settings:

- **Disable networking** : select this checkbox to have the networking disabled. This corresponds to `--net="none"`, which means that inside a container the external network resources are not available.
- **Network mode** : corresponds to the other values of the option `--net`.
  - `bridge` is the default value. An IP address will be allocated for container on the bridge's network and traffic will be routed through this bridge to the container.

Containers can communicate via their IP addresses by default. To communicate by name, they must be linked.

- `host` : use the host's network stack inside the container.
- `container:name|id` : use the network stack of another container, specified via its name or id.

Refer to the [Network settings](#) documentation for details.

- **Links** : Use this section to link the container to be created with the other containers. This is applicable to `Network mode = bridge` and corresponds to the `--link` option.
- **Publish all ports** : This corresponds to the option `--publish-all`.
- **Port bindings** : Use this field to specify the
- **Extra hosts** : This corresponds to the `--add-host` option. Refer to the page [Managing /etc/hosts](#) for details.
- **Volume bindings** : Use this field to specify the bindings between the special folders- volumes and the folders of the computer, where the Docker daemon runs. This corresponds to the `-v` option.

See [Managing data in containers](#) for details.





- Environment variables : Use this field to specify the list of environment variables and their values. This corresponds to the `-e` option. Refer to the page [ENV \(environment variables\)](#) for details.

Click  to expand the tables. Click ,  or  to make up the lists.

## Logs tab


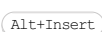

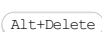









Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>– Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

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Single instance only If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.

This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.

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Before launch Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

**Item**  
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Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:

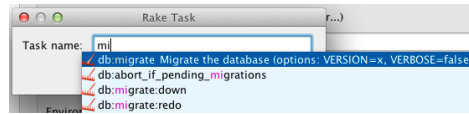
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#).
- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The [Make Module command](#) will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the [Make Project command](#) otherwise.  
If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.
- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.
- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#).
- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#).
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#).
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application



files automatically uploaded to the server according to the default server access configuration .









For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .

- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you specify a Run/Debug configuration for [utest](#) .

This section provides descriptions of the [configuration-specific items](#) , as well as the [toolbar](#) and [options](#) that are common for all run/debug configurations.

The dialog box consists of the following tabs:

- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription


**Test kind** From this drop-down list, select the scope for your tests and fill in the fields depending on your selection.

You can choose from the following options:

- **Test name** - select this option to run the specified Scala test. The name of the test appears in the Test Name field.
- **All in package** - select this option to run all Scala tests in the specified package.


Fill in the following fields:


- **Test Package** - specify the name of the package to be tested.
- **Search for tests** - use this drop-down list to select the scope of your search.
- **Class** - select this option to run all tests in a class.


Specify the fully qualified name of the class to be launched in the Test Class field. Type the class name or click  and select the desired class in the dialog that opens.


**VM parameters** If necessary, specify the string to be passed to the VM. When specifying the options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" or "some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .

If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.

**Environment variables** Click  to open the Environment Variables dialog box where you can create variables and specify their values.

**Test options** Use this field to specify the additional test options. If there is not enough space, you can click  and enter the string in the dialog that opens.

**Working Directory** Specify the directory that will act as the current directory when running the test. It will act as the root directory for all relative input and output paths. By default, the directory where the project file resides, is used as a working directory. Type directory name, or click  and select the desired directory in the dialog that opens.

**Use classpath and SDK of module** From this drop-down list, select the module whose classpath will be used to run the application.

**Print information messages to console** Select this checkbox if you want to print information messages to the Scala console.

## Code Coverage tab


Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

**Choose code coverage runner** Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose [JaCoCo](#) or [Emma](#) for calculating coverage.

**Sampling** Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.

**Tracing** Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.

**Track per test coverage** Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.




**Note** This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.


Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

**Merge data with** When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in

previous results the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.


**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.


Packages and classes to record code coverage data Click  and  buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the  button.

 Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis.


The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

 Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

 Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test  are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

Log File Entry The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.


If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.


Skip Content Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.

Save console output to file Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .


Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.

Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.

 Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.

 Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) .



 Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.


 Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.


## Toolbar



### ItemShortcutDescription

  `Alt+Insert` Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.


  `Alt+Delete` Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.

  `Ctrl+D` Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.

 Edit defaults Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.

  `Alt+Up` or `Alt+Down` Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.

Move into new folder / Create new folder Use this button to [create a new folder](#) .  
If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.

Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.



Sort configurations Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

**Name** In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.

**Defaults** This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.  
If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate .xml file in the `.idea\runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea\workspace.xml` file otherwise.

If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Single instance only** If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.  
Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.


This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.

If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.


**Before launch** Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

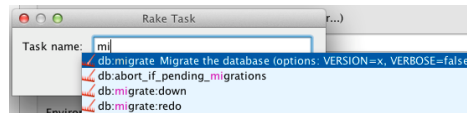
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




- Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:
- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see [Configuring Third-Party Tools](#) and [External Tools](#) .
  - Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an [artifact](#) or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built.  
See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .
  - Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
  - Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
  - Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
  - Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
  - Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
  - Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the

- Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
- If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).
  - Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).
  - Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
  - Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks. Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
<b>Show this page</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
<b>Active tool window</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | WebLogic Server | Local or Remote

WebLogic Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [Oracle WebLogic Server](#). (The WebLogic Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

- [Name field and Share option](#)
- [Server tab for a local configuration](#)
- [Server tab for a remote configuration](#)
- [Deployment tab](#)
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- [Toolbar](#)

See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#).




## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration. This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
VM options	If necessary, specify the command-line options to be passed to the server JVM at the server start. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to open the VM Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.  When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code>.</li><li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code>.</li></ul>
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> in the Run or Debug tool window). The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.  For exploded artifacts, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).</li><li>- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled. In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.</li><li>- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li></ul>

- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.



For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
User	Specify the user name associated with the domain administrator's account.
Password	Specify the password of the domain administrator.
Domain Path and associated settings	Specify the path to the desired WebLogic domain directory. Also specify which of the server instances in your WebLogic domain should be started and provide the associated settings. Note that the server instance that is started is also the one to which your <a href="#">artifacts</a> are <a href="#">deployed</a> .  The available options depend on the domain structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The domain contains only one WebLogic Server instance, the Administration Server: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Admin Server. Select the name of the Administration Server from the list.</li> </ul> </li> <li>– The domain contains the Administration Server and one or more Managed Servers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Server to launch. Select the type of the server instance that should be started and specify the associated settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Admin. The Administration Server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Admin Server. Select the name of the Administration Server from the list.</li> </ul> </li> <li>– Managed. One of the Managed Servers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Managed server. Select the name of the desired Managed Server from the list.</li> <li>– Admin server host. Specify the name or the IP address of the Administration Server host (e.g. <code>localhost</code> or <code>127.0.0.1</code> ).</li> <li>– Admin server port. Specify the Administration Server port.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>By the time you execute the run/debug configuration which starts a Managed Server, the Administration Server in the corresponding domain must be already up and running.</p>

## Server tab for a remote configuration

### ItemDescription

Application server	Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.) Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The <a href="#">Application Servers dialog</a> will open.)
After launch	Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts. Select the browser from the list. Click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to configure your web browsers.
With JavaScript debugger	If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled. Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.
The field underneath After launch	Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <a href="#">Ctrl+F10</a> in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li> <li>– Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> </ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
User	Specify the user name associated with the domain administrator's account.
Password	Specify the password of the domain administrator.
Connect to and associated settings	Specify the server instance or cluster the project <a href="#">artifacts</a> should be <a href="#">deployed</a> to. Select the target category of the server instances and specify the associated settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– admin server. The Administration Server.</li> </ul>

- Server. Specify the name of the Administration Server.
- managed server. One of the Managed Servers.
  - Managed Server name. Specify the name of the target Managed Server.
  - Admin Server host. Specify the DNS name or the IP address of the Administration Server host.
  - Admin Server port. Specify the Administration Server port.
- cluster. One of the Managed Server clusters.
  - Cluster name. Specify the name of the target cluster.
  - Admin Server name. Specify the name of the Administration Server.

For the run/debug configuration to be functional, the following server instances in the target domain must be up and running:

- The Administration Server (in all cases).
- The target Managed Server if you are deploying the artifacts to a Managed Server.
- At least one of the Managed Servers in the target cluster if you are deploying the artifacts to a cluster.

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Test Connection	Click this button to test the connection with the server to make sure that the current settings are correct.
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Host	The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the host to which the applications are deployed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If you are deploying the applications to the Administration Server or a Managed Server cluster, this is the Administration Server host.</li> <li>- If you are deploying the applications to a Managed Server, this is the Managed Server host.</li> </ul>
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Port	The server HTTP port.
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## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)

To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use . To edit the settings for an artifact or external resource, select the corresponding item in the list and use the controls in the right-hand part of the tab. For more information, see the table below.

### ItemDescription

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or 	Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.</li> <li>- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li> </ul>
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or 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.
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or	Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The <a href="#">Artifacts page</a> of the <a href="#">Project Structure dialog</a> will open.)
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Deployment method	For local run configurations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Weblogic.Deployer. The server admin interface is used.</li> <li>- Auto deploy. The artifact is copied to the server auto-deployment folder.</li> </ul>
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Check EJB CMP datasources	If this checkbox is selected, the names of persistent entities for EJB CMP data sources are validated. The validation is based on the mappings defined in WebLogic Server-specific EJB deployment descriptor files.
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## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#).

### ItemDescription

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Is Active	Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the <a href="#">Run tool window</a> or <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> .
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Log File Entry	The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full paths to specific files.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Ant patterns</a> that define the range of files to be displayed.</li> <li>- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.</li> </ul> If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.
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Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
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Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
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Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
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Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
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	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.












Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	<p>If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.</p> <p>To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click .</p>
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration



### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.
 Debug /	
 Coverage	
Startup script	<p>Specify the script to be used to start the server. Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.</li> <li>-  in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field (readonly).</li> <li>- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li> <li>- To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li> <li>- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code>.</li> <li>- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li> </ul>
Shutdown script	<p>Specify the script to be used to stop the server. Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.</li> <li>-  in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).</li> <li>- Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li> <li>- To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li> <li>- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code>.</li> <li>- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li> </ul>
Pass environment variables	<p>To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To add a variable, click  and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.</li> <li>- To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click .</li> </ul>
Port	Use this field to change the debugger port.

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.









### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM..	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>

## Before Launch options












Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.



### ItemShortcutDescription


		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>– Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>– Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li><li>– Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>– Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li><li>– Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li></ul>
		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list.)
Show this page		Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Activate tool window		If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.
		You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders. To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click  . Specify the name of the folder.

Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.

To remove grouping, select a folder and click .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Run | Edit Configurations | + | WebSphere Server | Local or Remote

WebSphere Server [run/debug configurations](#) let you deploy and debug your applications on [WebSphere Application Server](#) (version 6.1 or later) and the [WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile](#) . (The WebSphere Integration [plugin](#) must be enabled.)

When it's necessary to distinguish between the features for the Liberty profile and WebSphere Application Server, the first of the two is referred to as WAS LP, while the second - simply as WAS.

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See also, [Working with Server Run/Debug Configurations](#) .

## Name field and Share option

### ItemDescription

**Name** Use this field to edit the name of the run/debug configuration.  
This field is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

**Share** Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.  
If the [directory-based project format](#) is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate `.xml` file in the `.idea\runConfigurations` folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the `.idea\workspace.xml` file otherwise.


If the [file-based format](#) is used, the settings are stored in the `.ipr` file for shared configurations, or in the `.iws` file otherwise.

This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.

## Server tab for a local configuration: WAS LP


### ItemDescription

**Application server** Select the server configuration to be used.  
Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The [Application Servers dialog](#) will open.)

**After launch** Select this checkbox to start a web browser after starting the server and deploying the artifacts.  
Select the browser from the list. Click  ( `Shift+Enter` ) to configure your web browsers.


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Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.

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**On 'Update' action** Select the necessary option for the [Update application](#) function ( or `Ctrl+F10` in the Run or Debug tool window).

The update options are different for exploded and packed artifacts.

For exploded artifacts, the available options are:

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**Server** Select the name of the target server.  
If the list is empty, create a server: in your Liberty profile installation folder, from the `wlp/bin` directory, run the following command:

```
server create <server-name>
```

If the message *Error: JMX administration should be enabled* is shown in the lower part of the dialog, click Fix.


As a result, the following is added into the configuration file `wlp/usr/servers/<server-name>/server.xml`:

```
<feature>localConnector-1.0</feature> (within <featureManager> )
<applicationMonitor updateTrigger="mbean"/>
```

## Server tab for a local configuration: WAS


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**Application server** Select the server configuration to be used.  
Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The [Application Servers dialog](#) will open.)

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- Update resources. All changed resources are updated (HTML, JSP, JavaScript, CSS and image files).
- Update classes and resources. Changed resources are updated; changed Java classes (EJBs, servlets, etc.) are recompiled.  
In the debug mode, the updated classes are hot-swapped. In the run mode, IntelliJ IDEA just updates the changed classes in the output folder. Whether such classes are actually reloaded in the running application, depends on the capabilities of the runtime being used.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

For packed artifacts, the available options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug

mode.

- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.
- Restart server. The server is restarted. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.


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Show dialog Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the [Update application](#) function. The Update dialog is used to select the [update option](#) prior to actually updating the application.

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On frame deactivation Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.)  
The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the [Update action](#) .

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Profile path Select the server profile from the list. Alternatively, click  and select the server profile directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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Cell Specify the target server cell.

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Node Specify the target server node.

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Server Specify the target server.

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Username Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.

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Password The password of the user specified in the [Username field](#) .


## Server tab for a remote configuration: WAS LP

### ItemDescription

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Application server Select the server configuration to be used. Note that this is a local server configuration. (When working with a remote server, the same server version must be available locally.)  
Click Configure to create a new server configuration or edit an existing one. (The [Application Servers dialog](#) will open.)

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After launch Select this checkbox to start a web browser after connecting to the server and deploying the artifacts.  
Select the browser from the list. Click  ( [Shift+Enter](#) ) to configure your web browsers.


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With JavaScript debugger If this checkbox is selected, the web browser is started with the JavaScript debugger enabled.  
Note that JavaScript debugging is available only for Firefox and Google Chrome. When you debug your JavaScript in Firefox for the first time, the JetBrains Firefox extension is installed.

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The field underneath After launch Specify the URL the browser should go to when started. In most typical cases, this URL corresponds to the root of your Web application or its starting page.

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On 'Update' action Select the necessary option for the [Update application](#) function (  or [Ctrl+F10](#) in the Run or Debug tool window).  
The options are:

- Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.
- Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.

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Show dialog Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the [Update application](#) function. The Update dialog is used to select the [update option](#) prior to actually updating the application.

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On frame deactivation Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.)  
The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the [Update action](#) .

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Server Specify the name of the target server.

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Test Connection Click this button to test the connection with the server to make sure that the current settings are correct.

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Host The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the server host.

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Port The server HTTP port.


## Server tab for a remote configuration: WAS

### ItemDescription

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underneath After launch	your Web application or its starting page.
On 'Update' action	Select the necessary option for the <a href="#">Update application</a> function (  or <b>Ctrl+F10</b> ) in the Run or Debug tool window). The options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hot swap classes. Changed classes are recompiled and reloaded at runtime. This option works only in the debug mode.</li> <li>– Redeploy. The application artifact is rebuilt and redeployed.</li> </ul>
Show dialog	Select this checkbox if you want to see the Update dialog every time you use the <a href="#">Update application</a> function. The Update dialog is used to select the <a href="#">update option</a> prior to actually updating the application.
On frame deactivation	Specify what IntelliJ IDEA should do when you switch from the IDE to a different application (for example, a web browser). (Frame deactivation means switching to a different application.) The options other than Do nothing have the same meanings as in the case of the <a href="#">Update action</a> .
Cell	Specify the target server cell.
Node	Specify the target server node.
Server	Specify the target server.
Username	Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the server.
Password	The password of the user specified in the <a href="#">Username field</a> .
SOAP Port	Specify the server SOAP port.
Test Connection	Click this button to test the connection with the server to make sure that the current settings are correct.
Use SSL connection	Select this checkbox to connect to the server using SSL. Specify the associated settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Trust store. Specify the path to the truststore file. You can click  and select the necessary file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>– Trust store password. Specify the password for accessing the truststore.</li> <li>– Key store. Specify the path to the keystore file. You can click  and select the necessary file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>– Key store password. Specify the password for accessing the keystore.</li> </ul>
Remote connection settings	The settings for accessing deployed applications.
Host	The fully qualified domain name or the IP address of the server host.
Port	The server HTTP port.


## Deployment tab

Use this tab to specify which [artifacts](#) and/or external resources should be deployed onto the server. (An external resource means a deployable Web component such as a `.war` file which is not represented by a project artifact. Usually, such components are stored outside of the project scope.)


To add items to the deployment list (shown under Deploy at the server startup ), use . For more information, see the table below.


Note that deployment to WAS LP that runs on a different computer is not supported.

### ItemDescription

 or **Alt+Insert** Use this icon or shortcut to add an artifact or an external resource to the list.

- To add an artifact, select Artifact and choose the desired artifact in the dialog that opens.
- To add an external resource, select External Source and choose the location of the desired resource in the [dialog that opens](#) .

 or **Alt+Delete** Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected artifacts and external resources from the list.

 or **F4** Use this icon or shortcut to configure the selected artifact. (The [Artifacts page](#) of the [Project Structure dialog](#) will open.)

Use custom context root If you want to assign a particular [context root](#) to an artifact or external resource, select the artifact or the resource, select the checkbox and specify the desired context root in the field underneath the checkbox.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .





### ItemDescription

Is Active Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

Log File Entry The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.

- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown.  
If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.




Skip Content	Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.
Save console output to file	Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.
	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.
	Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the <a href="#">Edit Log Files Aliases dialog</a> .
	Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.
	Click this button to edit the select log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.










Note that this tab is not available for remote servers.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this checkbox to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line.
Packages and classes to record code coverage data	<p>If necessary, specify the classes and packages to be measured. Use  or  to add classes or packages to the list.</p> <p>To remove the classes or packages from the list, select the corresponding list items and click  .</p>
Enable coverage in test folders.	Select this checkbox to include the test source folders in code coverage analysis.

## Startup/Connection tab for a local configuration

### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run, debug and code coverage modes.
 Debug /	
 Coverage	
Startup script	<p>Specify the script to be used to start the server. Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.  in this case opens the Default Startup Script dialog which shows the contents of the Startup script field (readonly).</li> <li>– Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>– To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul>
Shutdown script	<p>Specify the script to be used to stop the server. Use default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the default script is used.  in this case opens the Default Shutdown Script dialog which shows the contents of the Shutdown script field (readonly).</li> <li>– Clear this checkbox to change the parameters passed to the script or to specify a different script: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– To specify the script, click  and select the desired script in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li> <li>– To specify the parameters, click  and specify the script parameters and VM options in the Configure VM and Program Parameters dialog.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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- Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" OR "some arg"` .
- If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"` .

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**Pass environment variables** To pass specific variables to the server environment, select this checkbox and specify the variables:

- To add a variable, click **+** and specify the variable name and value in the Name and Value fields respectively.
- To remove a variable from the list, select the variable and click **-** .

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**Port** Use this field to change the debugger port.



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**Debugger Settings** Click this button to edit the debugger options on the [Debugger page](#) of the [Settings dialog](#) .

## Startup/Connection tab for a remote configuration

This tab shows command-line options for starting the server JVM in the run and debug modes.



### ItemDescription

 Run /	Use to switch between the settings for the run and debug modes. The settings are shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>
 Debug	
To run/debug remote server JVM...	The command-line options for starting the server JVM. These are shown just for copying elsewhere.
Transport (and all that follows)	The GUI for generating the remote debug command-line options shown in the area under <a href="#">To run/debug...</a>



## Before Launch options

Specify which tasks should be carried out before starting the run/debug configuration.



### ItemShortcutDescription

	 Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li><li>- Make. Select this option to compile the project. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to build an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li><li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to execute another run/debug configuration. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to be run.</li><li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to run an Ant target. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li><li>- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to generate the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a> .</li><li>- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to run a Maven goal. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Maven</a> .</li><li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li></ul>
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
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	 Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
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	 Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
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	 Click these icons to move the selected task one line up or down in the list. (The tasks are performed in the order that they appear in the list)
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







Show this page	Select this checkbox to show the run/debug configuration settings prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
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Activate tool window	If this checkbox is selected, the <a href="#">Run</a> or the <a href="#">Debug tool window</a> opens when you start the run/debug configuration. Otherwise, the tool window isn't shown. However, when the configuration is running, you can open the corresponding tool window for it yourself if necessary.
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## Toolbar

## ItemShortcutDescription

		Create a run/debug configuration.
		Delete the selected run/debug configuration.
		Create a copy of the selected run/debug configuration.
		View and edit the default settings for the selected run/debug configuration.
		Move the selected run/debug configuration up and down in the list. The order of configurations in the list defines the order in which the configurations appear in the corresponding list on the main toolbar.

 You can group run/debug configurations by placing them into folders.  
To create a folder, select the configurations to be grouped and click . Specify the name of the folder.

Then, to move a configuration into a folder, between the folders or out of a folder, use  and . You can also drag a configuration into a folder.

To remove grouping, select a folder and click .

See also, [Creating Folders and Grouping Run/Debug Configurations](#).

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.




This run/debug configuration becomes available, when [XPath View+XSLT Support](#) plugin is enabled.

## Getting access to the Run/Debug Configuration: XSLT dialog

Make sure the [XPath View+XSLT Support](#) plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

## Settings tab

### ItemDescription

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| Input  | <p>Use the controls in this area to specify the XML file to process and the script to be executed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- XSLT Script File - in this text box, specify the path to the XSLT stylesheet file. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the Choose XSLT File dialog box, that opens.</li><li>- Choose XML Input File - from this drop-down list, select the XML input file to be transformed. The list contains all the XML files that have been associated with the chosen stylesheet via the File Associations functionality. To specify a file, which is not on the list, click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the Choose XML File dialog box, that opens.</li></ul>   |
| Output | <p>Use the controls in this area to configure handling of the script output.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Show in Default Console - select this option to have the output displayed in the normal run console, together with any warnings and error messages from the XSLT transformer, as well as messages generated by the script, e.g. by <code>xsl:message</code>.</li><li>- Show in Extra Console Tab - select this option to have the produced output displayed in an extra, XSLT Output, tab. This option is selected by default.</li><li>- Highlight Output As - from this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">file type</a> to highlight the output as.</li><li>- Save to File - select this option to have the output saved directly to a file. In the text box, specify the name of the target file. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the Choose Output File dialog box, that opens. If you type the name of a file that does not exist, IntelliJ IDEA will create a file and save the output to it.</li><li>- Open File in Editor After Execution - select this checkbox to have the file with the output opened in the editor after the script is executed successfully.</li><li>- Open File in Web Browser After Execution - select this checkbox to have the file with the output opened in the configured Web browser after the script is executed successfully.</li></ul> |

**Warning!** The specified file will be overwritten without requesting for confirmation.



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| Parameters | <p>Use the controls in this area to create and manage a list of parameters to be passed to the script.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Add (+) - click this button to create a new entry.</li><li>- Remove (-) - click this button to remove the selected entry from the list.</li><li>- Name - in this text box, specify the name of the parameter.</li><li>- Value - in this text box, specify the value of the parameter.</li></ul> |
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**Warning!** The field is mandatory. Parameters without values are not passed to the script. Values are not assigned by default.

## Advanced tab

In this tab, configure additional options that are not commonly required in run configurations.

### ItemDescription

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| Smart Error Handling | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Clear this checkbox to have the console display full error messages including their complete stack traces, when an error occurs during execution.</li><li>- Select this checkbox to suppress showing stacktraces and have the console display only the relevant information about errors.</li></ul>  |
| VM Arguments         | <p>In this text box, specify optional VM arguments to be passed to the VM where the XSLT script is executed. These can be heap size, garbage collection options, file encoding, etc. If the line of VM arguments is too long, click the  button and type the text in the VM Arguments dialog box, that opens.</p>           |
| Working Directory    | <p>In this text box, specify the working directory to use. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the Working Directory dialog box, that opens.</p> <p>If no folder is specified in text box, the working directory will be the one where the XSLT script file is located.</p> |
| Classpath and JDK    | <p>In this area, specify the environment to run the script in. By default, it is the module the XSLT file belongs to.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- From Module - select this option to execute the script in a specific module. From this drop-down list, select the desired module.</li></ul>  |


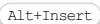











**Tip** The full classpath to the selected module is included. This can be required if the script uses custom XSLT Extension Functions.

- Use JDK - select this option to choose the JDK without including anything module- or project-related into the classpath.

**Tip** It can be useful to explicitly choose a specific JDK to test the script with.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription


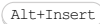
		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
	 or 	Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	<p>Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.</p>
Single instance only	<p>If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once.</p> <p>Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.</p> <p>This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.</p> <p>If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.</p>
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.

### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

		<p>Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a> .</li> <li>- Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li> <li>- Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li> <li>- Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be built. See also, <a href="#">Working with Artifacts</a> .</li> <li>- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run. This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.</li> <li>- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see <a href="#">Ant</a> .</li> <li>- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt</li> </ul>
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task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.

- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Gulp task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.

- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.

Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.

- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.


- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#).

- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run. For more information, see [Maven](#).

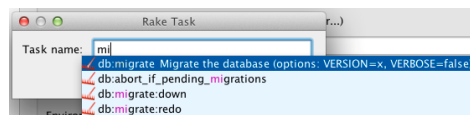
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.

- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#).

For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#).









- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.

Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

		Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
		Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
		Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when RubyPlugin is installed and enabled!

Zeus run/debug configuration is created as a temporary one on launching the Zeus server. You can change settings as required, assign a name, save this configuration as permanent, and further use it to run Zeus server.

In this section:

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- [Configuration tab](#)
- [Bundler tab](#)
- [Code Coverage tab](#)
- [Nailgun tab](#)
- [Logs tab](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
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## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Ruby, make sure that Ruby plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Ruby SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:

- [Ruby](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

## Configuration tab

### ItemDescription

Command	In this text field, type one of the supported <a href="#">Zeus commands</a> . When the server is launched, the default command is <code>start</code> .  Note that <a href="#">code completion</a> is available in this field.
Arguments	In this text field, type the arguments to be passed to the Zeus command specified above.  Note that <a href="#">code completion</a> is available in this field.
Environment variables	Specify the list of environment variables as the name-value pairs, separated with semi-colons. Alternatively, click the ellipsis button to create variables and specify their values in the Environment Variables dialog box.
Ruby arguments	Specify the arguments to be passed to the Ruby interpreter. Classpath property is added to Nailgun settings.
Ruby SDK	Specify the desired Ruby interpreter. You can opt to choose the project default Ruby SDK, or select a different one from the drop-down list of configured Ruby SDKs.

## Bundler tab


### ItemDescription

Run the script in the context of the bundle	If this check box is selected, the script in question will be executed as specified in the <code>gemfile</code> .
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## Code Coverage tab

Use this tab to configure [code coverage](#) monitoring options.

### ItemDescription

Choose code coverage runner	Select the desired code coverage runner. By default, IntelliJ IDEA uses its own coverage engine with the Sampling mode. You can also choose <a href="#">JaCoCo</a> or <a href="#">Emma</a> for calculating coverage.
Sampling	Select this option to measure code coverage with minimal slow-down.
Tracing	Select this option to collect accurate branch coverage. This mode is available for the IntelliJ IDEA code coverage runner only.
Track per test coverage	Select this check box to detect lines covered by one test and all tests covering line. If this check box is selected,  becomes available on the toolbar of the coverage statistic pop-up window.  <b>Note</b> This option is only available for the Tracing mode of code coverage measurement for the testing run/debug configurations.

Refer to the section [Viewing Code Coverage Results](#) .

Merge data with previous results When you run your unit testing or application configuration several times, use this item to calculate statistics in the Project View , taking into account the statistics of each time you have run the configuration.

**Tip** Finally, the line is considered covered if it is covered at least once.

Packages and classes to record code coverage data Click and buttons to specify classes and packages to be measured. You can also remove classes and packages from the list by selecting them in the list and clicking the button.

Click this button to define the scope of code coverage analysis. In the Add Pattern dialog box that opens, type the comma-delimited list of Ruby regular expressions, and specify whether the matching files should be included into or excluded from code coverage analysis. The patterns defining files to be included into code coverage analysis, are marked with + ; the ones to be excluded are marked with - .

Each pattern can be enabled or disabled. To do that, select or clear the check box next to a pattern. By default, all newly created patterns are enabled.

Click this button to delete the selected pattern from the list.

Click this button to change the selected code coverage pattern.

Do not use the optimized C runtime Select this check box to enable the option `--no-rcovrt` . Use this option with discretion, since it significantly slows down performance.

Enable coverage in test folders. If this check box is selected, the folders marked as test are included in the code coverage analysis.

Use bundled coverage.py If this check box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled `coverage.py` .

If this check box is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.

Refer to the section [Code Coverage](#) for details.

## Nailgun tab

### ItemDescription

Run new instance of the Nailgun server, or use already started one This check box is only available for JRuby used as the project interpreter. When a run/debug configuration, with this check box selected, is launched, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the running processes, and does one of the following, depending on the presence of the running Nailgun server:

- If there is no running Nailgun server, or if there is a Nailgun server on a non-default port, or with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with the required gemset, IntelliJ IDEA does nothing.
- If a Nailgun server runs on a different port with the required gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA suggests to specify the desired port number.
- If a Nailgun server runs on the default port with a different gemset, then IntelliJ IDEA deletes the `ng` argument.

If this check box is not selected, then the script is launched in a usual way, without Nailgun.

## Logs tab

Use this tab to specify which log files generated while running or debugging should be displayed in the console, that is, on the dedicated tabs of the [Run](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

### ItemDescription

Is Active Select check boxes in this column to have the log entries displayed in the corresponding tabs in the [Run tool window](#) or [Debug tool window](#) .

Log File Entry The read-only fields in this column list the log files to show. The list can contain:

- Full paths to specific files.
- [Ant patterns](#) that define the range of files to be displayed.
- Aliases to substitute for full paths or patterns. These aliases are also displayed in the headers of the tabs where the corresponding log files are shown. If a log entry pattern defines more than one file, the tab header shows the name of the file instead of the log entry alias.

Skip Content Select this check box to have the previous content of the selected log skipped.

Save console output to file Select this check box to save the console output to the specified location. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and point to the desired location in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.out.


Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream Select this check box to activate the output console and bring it forward if an associated process writes to Standard.err.

Click this button to open the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#) where you can select a new log entry and specify an alias for it.




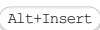






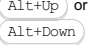



Click this button to edit the properties of the selected log file entry in the [Edit Log Files Aliases dialog](#).

Click this button to remove the selected log entry from the list.

 Click this button to edit the selected log file entry. The button is available only when an entry is selected.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription


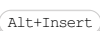
		Click this button to add a new configuration to the list.
		Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list.
		Click this button to create a copy of the selected configuration.
	Edit defaults	Click this button to edit the default configuration templates. The defaults are used for newly created configurations.
		Use these buttons to move the selected configuration or folder up and down in the list. The order of configurations or folders in the list defines the order in which configurations appear in the Run/Debug drop-down list on the main toolbar.
	Move into new folder / Create new folder	Use this button to <a href="#">create a new folder</a> . If one or more run/debug configurations are in focus, the selected run/debug configurations are automatically moved to the newly created folder. If only a category is in focus, an empty folder is created.  Move run/debug configurations to a folder using drag-and-drop, or the  buttons.
	Sort configurations	Click this button to sort configurations in alphabetical order.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the current run/debug configuration. This field does not appear for the default run/debug configurations.
Defaults	This node in the left-hand pane of the dialog box contains the default run/debug configuration settings. Select the desired configuration to change its default settings in the right-hand pane. The defaults are applied to all newly created run/debug configurations.
Share	Select this check box to make the run/debug configuration available to other team members. If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.  If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.  This check box is not available when editing the run/debug configuration defaults.
Single instance only	If this check box is selected, this run/debug configuration cannot be launched more than once. Every time a new run/debug configuration is launched, IntelliJ IDEA checks the presence of the other instances of the same run/debug configuration, and displays a confirmation dialog box. If you click OK in the confirmation dialog box, the first instance of the runner will be stopped, and the next one will take its place.  This makes sense when the usage of certain resources can cause conflicts, or when launching two run/debug configurations of the same type consumes too much of the CPU and memory resources.  If this check box is not selected, it is possible to launch as many instances of the runner as required. So doing, each runner will start in its own tab of the Run tool window.
Before launch	Specify which tasks must be performed before applying the run/debug configuration. The specified tasks are performed in the order they appear in the list.


### ItemKeyboardDescription shortcut

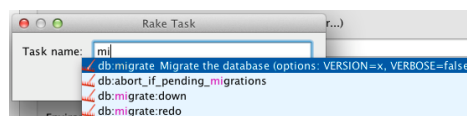
		Click this icon to add a task to the list. Select the task to be added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Run External tool. Select this option to run an application which is external to IntelliJ IDEA. In the dialog that opens, select the application or applications that should be run. If the necessary application is not defined in IntelliJ IDEA yet, add its definition. For more information, see <a href="#">Configuring Third-Party Tools</a> and <a href="#">External Tools</a>.</li><li>– Make. Select this option to have the project or module compiled. The <a href="#">Make Module command</a> will be carried out if a particular module is specified in the run/debug configuration, and the <a href="#">Make Project command</a> otherwise. If an error occurs during the compilation, IntelliJ IDEA won't attempt to start the run/debug configuration.</li><li>– Make, no error check. The same as the Make option but IntelliJ IDEA will try to start the run/debug configuration irrespective of the compilation result.</li><li>– Build Artifacts. Select this option to have an <a href="#">artifact</a> or artifacts built. In the dialog that opens, select the artifact or artifacts that should be</li></ul>
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See also, [Working with Artifacts](#) .

- Run Another Configuration. Select this option to have another run/debug configuration executed. In the dialog that opens, select the configuration to run.  
This option is available only if you have already at least one run/debug configuration in the current project.
- Run Ant target. Select this option to have an Ant target run. In the dialog that opens, select the target to be run. For more information, see [Ant](#) .
- Run Grunt task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Grunt task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gruntfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Grunt tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `grunt-cli` package.
- Run Gulp task. Select this option to run a Grunt task. In the Gulp task dialog box that opens, specify the `Gulpfile.js` where the required task is defined, select the task to execute, and specify the arguments to pass to the Gulp tool.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter, the parameters to pass to it, and the path to the `gulp` package.
- Run npm Script. Select this check box to execute an npm script. In the NPM Script dialog box that opens, specify the `package.json` file where the required script is defined, select the script to execute, choose the command to apply to it, and specify the arguments to execute the script with.  
Specify the location of the Node.js interpreter and the parameters to pass to it.
- Compile TypeScript. Select this option to run the built-in TypeScript compiler and thus make sure that all the changes you made to your TypeScript code are reflected in the generated JavaScript files. In the TypeScript Compile Settings dialog that opens, select or clear the Check errors checkbox to configure the behaviour of the compiler in case any errors are detected:
  - If the Check errors checkbox is selected, the compiler will show all the errors and the run configuration will not start.
  - If the Check errors checkbox is cleared, the compiler will show all the detected errors but the run configuration still will be launched.
- Generate CoffeeScript Source Maps. Select this option to have the source maps for your CoffeeScript sources generated. In the dialog that opens, specify where your CoffeeScript source files are located. For more information, see [CoffeeScript](#) .
- Run Maven Goal. Select this option to have a Maven goal run. In the dialog that opens, select the goal to be run.  
For more information, see [Maven](#) .
- Run Remote External tool : Add a remote SSH external tool. Refer to the section [Remote SSH External Tools](#) for details.
- Upload files to Remote Host. Select this option to have the application files automatically uploaded to the server according to the [default server access configuration](#) .  
For more information, see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#) and [Uploading and Downloading Files](#) .
- Run Rake task :Add a Rake task to be executed prior to running or debugging. To choose a Rake task, click the browse button  , and select the desired task from the list of available tasks.  
Note that [code completion](#) is available here.



To learn more about Rake support, refer to [Rake Support](#) section.

- Run JRuby compiler : choose this option to execute JRuby compiler with the specified target path, compiler process heap size, and command line parameters (if any).

	<input type="button" value="Alt+Delete"/>	Click this icon to remove the selected task from the list.
	<input type="button" value="Enter"/>	Click this icon to edit the selected task. Make the necessary changes in the dialog that opens.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Up"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line up in the list.
	<input type="button" value="Alt+Down"/>	Click this icon to move the selected task one line down in the list.
Show this page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this check box to have the run/debug configuration settings shown prior to actually starting the run/debug configuration.
Active tool window	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select this option if you want the <a href="#">Run /Debug</a> tool windows to be activated automatically when you run/debug your application. This option is enabled by default.

Ctrl+Shift+Alt+L

The dialog appears when you press `Ctrl+Shift+Alt+L` in the editor of the current file. If you choose `Code | Reformat Code` on the main menu or press `Ctrl+Alt+L`, IntelliJ IDEA tries to reformat the source code of the specified scope automatically.

#### ItemDescription

Only VCS changed text	<p>If this checkbox is selected, then reformatting will apply only to the files that have been <a href="#">changed locally</a>, but not yet checked in to the repository.</p> <p>This checkbox is only available for the files under version control.</p>
Selected text	<p>Choose this option to have the currently selected fragment of source code reformatted.</p>
Whole file	<p>Choose this option to have all the source code in the current file reformatted.</p>
Optimize imports	<p>Select this checkbox to remove unused import statements from the code within the selected scope.</p>
Rearrange code	<p>Select this checkbox to reorder your source code entries according to the configurations specified in the Arrangement tab of your <a href="#">Code Style settings</a>.</p> <p>This checkbox is not available for Python files.</p>
Run	<p>Click this button to start reformatting the source code within the specified scope.</p>

Ctrl+Alt+L

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This dialog box appears when you select a Reformat Code action on the directory.

#### ItemDescription

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**Directory/Module** This is a read-only field that displays the name of the selected directory or module.

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**Options** This area displays options for your code reformatting.

You can select from the following options:


- Include subdirectories: select this checkbox to have source code from files in the nested directories reformatted. This checkbox only appears when the nested directories exist.
- Optimize imports: select this checkbox to remove unused import statements from the code within the selected scope.
- Rearrange entries: select this checkbox to reorder your source code entries.
- Only VCS changed text: if this checkbox is selected, then reformatting will apply only to the files that have been [changed locally](#) , but not yet checked in to the repository.

This checkbox is only available for the files under version control.

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**Filters** This area displays options for the filters that you can apply to the code reformatting action.

You can select from the following options:

- Scope: select this checkbox to choose, from the drop-down list, a scope to which you want to apply your reformatting options. If you want to configure a custom scope, click  button to open a [Scopes](#) dialog.
  - File mask(s): select this checkbox to choose, from the drop-down list, file extensions to which you want to apply your reformatting options.
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**Run** Click this button to start reformatting the source code within the specified scope.




This dialog appears when you define rules aliases in the Arrangement tab for Java in [Code Style](#) dialog.

#### ItemDescription

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<alias name> Use this area to add a new alias definition, check the existing one or remove the ones you do not need.

You can use the following commands respectively:

-  - click this icon to add a new alias.
  -  - click this icon to remove an existing alias from the list.
  -  - click this icon to copy a specified rules' sequence to the created alias.
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Rules alias definitions Use this area to define the rules' sequence for the created alias. You can also add a new rule, edit and remove the existing ones, and move them up or down.

For more information on the rules, see [Code Style](#) reference page, arrangement section.

The dialog box opens when you attempt to open a file in the editor, but IntelliJ IDEA does not recognize its type by the file extension. Use the dialog box to associate unknown file extensions with existing file types.

#### ItemDescription


Open matching files in IntelliJ IDEA	When this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA treats the type of the file to be opened as one of the recognized file types. Choose the relevant type from the list box below, that displays all the file types recognized by IntelliJ IDEA.
File Pattern	In this text box, specify the file pattern to be associated with the selected file type. By default, the text box shows the following pattern: <code>*.&lt;current file full extension&gt;</code> .
Open matching files in associated application	When this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA attempts to open the selected file using its native application, if this application is available.


**TIP** You can [change the association](#) later in the [File Types](#) settings page.

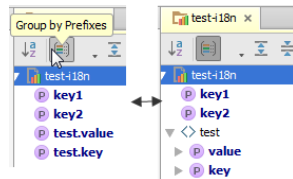
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The Resource Bundle Editor is a special tool designed to work with sets of [properties files](#) . It shows all files in a bundle, and enables you to perform mass actions on the properties files.


#### ItemTooltip and shortcut

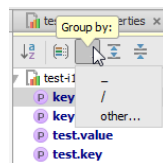
 Sort Alphabetically If this button is pressed, the properties in the left pane are sorted in alphabetical order. Otherwise, they are shown as they are introduced in the properties file.


 Group by Prefixes If this button is pressed, the properties are grouped according to the separators they have. The Group by drop-down menu enables you to choose the necessary separator:




If the button is not pressed, properties are shown as the items of the property node.

 Group By Specify the desired separator character, or choose one from the list.




 Expand all Use these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed.

 Ctrl+NumPad Plus

Collapse all

Ctrl+NumPad -

 F1 Click this button to open the current reference page.

IntelliJ IDEA helps you create the [file templates](#) from the existing files.

## ItemDescription

Name	Specify here the name under which the new template will appear in the Files tab of the <a href="#">File and Code Templates</a> settings. By default, the name of the current file is used.
Extension	Specify here the extension of the file to be created by this new template. By default, the extension of the current file is used.

Template text	<p>Edit the template contents. You can use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Plain text.</li><li>– <code>#parse</code> directives to work with <a href="#">template includes</a>.</li><li>– Custom variables. Variables' names can be defined either directly in the template through the <code>#set</code> directive or during the file creation. Note that IntelliJ IDEA doesn't prompt for the values of Velocity variables defined with <code>#set</code>.</li><li>– Variables to be expanded into corresponding values in the <code>\${&lt;variable_name&gt;}</code> format. The available predefined file template variables are:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <code>\${PACKAGE_NAME}</code> - the name of the target package where the new class or interface will be created.</li><li>– <code>\${PROJECT_NAME}</code> - the name of the current project.</li><li>– <code>\${FILE_NAME}</code> - the name of the PHP file that will be created.</li><li>– <code>\${NAME}</code> - the name of the new file which you specify in the New File dialog box during the file creation.</li><li>– <code>\${USER}</code> - the login name of the current user.</li><li>– <code>\${DATE}</code> - the current system date.</li><li>– <code>\${YEAR}</code> - the current year.</li><li>– <code>\${MONTH}</code> - the current month.</li><li>– <code>\${DAY}</code> - the current day of the month.</li><li>– <code>\${TIME}</code> - the current system time.</li><li>– <code>\${HOUR}</code> - the current hour.</li><li>– <code>\${MINUTE}</code> - the current minute.</li><li>– <code>\${PRODUCT_NAME}</code> - the name of the IDE in which the file will be created.</li><li>– <code>\${MONTH_NAME_SHORT}</code> - the first 3 letters of the month name. Example: Jan, Feb, etc.</li><li>– <code>\${MONTH_NAME_FULL}</code> - full name of a month. Example: January, February, etc.</li></ul></li></ul>
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IntelliJ IDEA provides a set of additional variables for [PHP include templates](#). Include templates are used to define reusable pieces of code (namely, file headers and [PHPDoc comments](#)) to be inserted in file templates via the [#parse directive](#).

The following variables are available in [PHP include templates](#):

- `${NAME}` - the name of the class, field, or function (method) for which the PHPDoc comment will be generated.
- `${NAMESPACE}` - the fully qualified name (without a leading slash) of the class or field namespace.
- `${CLASS_NAME}` - the name of the class where the field to generate the PHPDoc comment for is defined.
- `${STATIC}` - gets the value `static` if the function (method) or field to generate the comment for is `static`. Otherwise evaluates to an empty string.
- `${TYPE_HINT}` - a prompt for the `return` value of the function (method) to generate the comment for. If the return type cannot be detected through the static analysis of the function (method), evaluates to `void`.
- `${PARAM_DOC}` - a documentation comment for parameters. Evaluates to a set of lines `@param type name`. If the function to generate comments for does not contain any parameters, the variable evaluates to empty content.
- `${THROWS_DOC}` - a documentation comment for exceptions. Evaluates to a set of lines `@throws type`. If the function to generate comments for does not throw any exceptions, the variable evaluates to empty content.
- `${DS}` - a dollar character ( `$` ). The variable evaluates to a plain dollar character ( `$` ) and is used when you need to escape this symbol so it is not treated as a prefix of a variable.
- `${CARET}` - indicated the position of the caret after generating and adding the comment.  
This `${CARET}` variable is applied only when a PHPDoc comment is generated and inserted during file creation. When a PHPDoc comment is created through Code | Generate | PHPDoc block, multiple selection of functions or methods is available so documentation comments can be created to several classes, functions, methods, or fields. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA cannot "choose" the block to apply the `${CARET}` variable in, therefore in this case the `${CARET}` variable is ignored.
- `${DATE}` - the current system date.
- `${YEAR}` - the current year.
- `${MONTH}` - the current month.
- `${DAY}` - the current day of the month.

Treating dollar sign

- You can prevent treating dollar characters ( `$` ) in template variables as prefixes. If you need a dollar character ( `$` ) inserted as is, use the `${DS}` file template variable instead. When the template is applied, this variable evaluates to a plain dollar character ( `$` ).  
Examples:
  - To use some version control keywords (such as `$Revision$`, `$Date$`, etc.) in your default class template, write `${DS}` instead of the dollar prefix ( `$` ).
  - The template code `${DS}this` will be rendered as `$this`.

Reformat according to style	Select this checkbox, to have IntelliJ IDEA reformat generated stub files according to the style defined on the <a href="#">Code Style page</a> . This option is only available in the Files tab.
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Enable Live Templates	Select this checkbox to use a live template inside a file template. So doing, one has to put the live template fragments into Velocity escape syntax. For example: <pre>#[[ \$MY_VARIABLE\$ \$END\$ ]]</pre> Thus, one can specify the cursor position. Note that it is required to use the <a href="#">live template variables</a> here!
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Description This read-only field provides information about the template, its predefined variables, and the way they work.



Specify the settings for the template that you are creating.

#### ItemDescription

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**Save** If the project that you are saving as a template contains more than one module, you can select to create a template for the whole project, or to include only for one of the modules in the template. So select <whole project> or the name of the corresponding module.  
This option is not available if your project contains only one module.

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**Name** Specify the name of the template.

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**Description** Type the template description.  
You can enclose text fragments between <b> and </b>, and <i> and </i> to make the corresponding fragments bold or italicized. For example:

```
A project with a <b>Java</b> module and support for <i>Web development</i> and <i>Tomcat</i>.
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**Replace parameters with placeholders** If you select this checkbox (recommended), you will have additional options when creating a new template-based project or module. For example, you will be able to specify the base Java package and an application server different from the ones defined in the current project.

Use this dialog to select the necessary files or folders.

The dialog name and the available functions depend on the task you are performing at the moment (inappropriate functions are normally disabled). For example, depending on the situation, you may be able to select only one item, or a number of items. There may be cases when you can select a folder or folders but cannot select a file or files, etc.










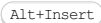



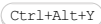



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## Main functions

Most of the functions available in this dialog are accessed by means of the toolbar icons (shown in the **Icon** column).

Alternatively, you can use context menu commands (accessed by right-clicking items in the tree; listed in the **Command** column) or keyboard shortcuts (the **Shortcut** column).


### IconCommandShortcutDescription


Icon	Command	Shortcut	Description
	Home		Use this icon, command or shortcut to select your home directory. For example, on Windows, this may be <code>C:\Users\ &lt;your_name&gt;</code> .
	Desktop		Use this icon, command or shortcut to select the Desktop directory
	Project		Use this icon, command or shortcut to select your project root directory.
	Module		Use this icon, command or shortcut to select the root directory of the current module.
	New Folder		Use this icon, command or shortcut to create a new folder in the selected folder.
	Delete		Use this icon, command or shortcut to delete the selected file or folder.
	Refresh		Use this icon, command or shortcut to synchronize the tree with the current state of the file system. (Under certain circumstances, IntelliJ IDEA may not be aware of the changes made externally unless you use this command.)
	Show or Hide Hidden Files and Folders		Use this icon or command to turn showing hidden files and folders on or off.
	Show Quick List		Use this icon or command to show a list of all JDKs available on your computer. This icon is only available when selecting a JDK.
	Hide or Show path		Use this command or shortcut to hide or show the <a href="#">path field</a> . (The command is located on the toolbar in the right-hand part of the dialog and is shown as a hyperlink.)

## Path field

The path field (if not hidden) is located underneath the toolbar. This field shows the path to the item selected in the tree.

By using the path auto-completion feature available in this field, you can quickly navigate through the file system to select the necessary file or folder.

To activate path auto-completion, place the cursor in the field and press . Start typing. A pop-up will appear showing the contents of the current directory. Select an item in the pop-up. Continue typing and selecting until the necessary item is selected.

Use the  button to the right to show the history list of recent entries.

## Using drag-and-drop from a file browser

You can quickly locate and select the necessary file or folder if you drag the corresponding item from your file browser (Explorer, Finder, etc.) into the area where the tree is shown.

Use this dialog to set up a [library](#) .

- If the necessary files ( `.jar` ) are already available on your computer, you can arrange those files in a library and use that new library. To do that, select Use library , click Create and select the necessary files in the [dialog that opens](#) . (Use the `Ctrl` key for multiple selections.)  
Optionally, click Configure to edit your new library. (The [Create Library dialog](#) will open.)
- You can also download the necessary files and use those files as a library. To do that, select Download .  
Optionally, click Configure to edit the library settings and contents. (The [Downloading Options dialog](#) will open.)

Analyze | Analyze Dependencies


Analyze | Analyze Backward Dependencies

Analyze | Analyze Dependency Matrix

Analyze | Infer Nullity

Use this dialog box to define the scope for the search of dependencies or nullable elements. The contents of the dialog boxes slightly differ depending on the type of analysis.

#### ItemDescription

Whole project	Select this option to perform the analysis for the whole project.
Module <name>	Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze the module that is currently selected in the Project tool window.
File <name>	Select this option to analyze the file that is currently selected in the Project tool window or opened in the editor.
Selected files	Select this option to analyze the files that are currently selected in the Project tool window.
Uncommitted files	<p>This scope is only available for the projects under version control.</p> <p>Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze only files that have not been committed to the version control system. Use the drop-down list to further limit the analysis scope. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All - select this option to have files from all changelists analyzed.</li><li>– Default - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze only files from the Default changelist.</li></ul>
Custom scope	<p>Select this option to use a custom scope. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list, or click  and define the scope in the <a href="#">Scopes dialog</a>.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> Use a special <a href="#">language</a> to define a scope.</p>
Include test sources	Select this check box to perform analysis on the test sources.
Scope of interest	<p>From this drop-down list, select the scope to seek for backward dependencies.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> The field is available for the <a href="#">backward dependencies</a> analysis only.</p>
Show transitive dependencies. Do not travel deeper than	<p>Select this check box to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze transitive dependencies. From the Do not travel deeper than drop-down list, choose the desired level.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> The field is available for the <a href="#">dependencies</a> analysis only.</p>
Annotate local variables	<p>If this check box is selected, then the local variables of a class will be included in the nullity analysis, and annotated.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> The field is available for <a href="#">inferring nullity</a> only.</p>

Use this dialog box to launch the search for duplicated code fragments in the specified scope.

**ItemDescription**

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Whole project    Select this option to perform the analysis for the whole project.

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Module  
<name>            Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze the module that is currently selected in the Project tool window.

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File <name>        Select this option to analyze the file that is currently selected in the Project tool window or opened in the editor.


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Selected files      Select this option to analyze the files that are currently selected in the Project tool window.

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Uncommitted files    This scope is only available for the projects under version control.  
  
Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze only files that have not been committed to the version control system. Use the drop-down list to further limit the analysis scope. The available options are:  
– All - select this option to have files from all changelists analyzed.  
– Default - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze only files from the Default changelist.

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Custom scope        Select this option to use a custom scope. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list, or click  and define the scope in the [Scopes dialog](#) .

 Use a special [language](#) to define a scope.



Include test sources    Select this check box to perform analysis on the test sources.

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Specify the scope for code cleanup. (Code cleanup means finding potentially problematic code fragments and automatically fixing them right away.)

**ItemDescription**


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Whole project	Select this option if you want to perform code cleanup for the whole project.
Uncommitted files	This option is only available for projects under version control. Select this option if you only want to perform code cleanup for the files that have not yet been committed to a version control system, and choose a changelist from the drop-down list.
File <file path>	Select this option to perform code cleanup for the file that is open in the editor or selected in the Project tool window.
Module <module name>	Select this option to perform code cleanup for the module that is currently selected in the Project tool window. This option is only available, when <a href="#">a IntelliJ IDEA project consists of several modules</a> .
Directory <directory path>	Select this option to perform code cleanup for the directory currently selected in the Project tool window.
Selected files	Select this option to perform code cleanup for the files selected in the Project tool window.
Custom scope	Select this option to specify a custom scope. Select one of the predefined scopes from the drop-down list, or click  and define the scope in the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog that opens. For instructions on how to define a scope, refer to <a href="#">Scope Language Syntax Reference</a> .
Include test sources	Select this option to apply code cleanup to test sources.
Inspection profile	Select the inspection profile to be used. Choose a pre-defined profile from the drop-down list, or click  and configure a profile in the <a href="#">Inspections</a> dialog that opens. You can open the <a href="#">Inspections</a> dialog to check which fixes will be applied to the selected scope when you run code cleanup.

Use this dialog box to define the scope to apply inspection to and the profile against which the source code should be inspected.

Note that the list of scopes varies depending on the project type.

#### ItemDescription

Whole project	Select this option to perform the analysis for the whole project.
File <name>	Select this option to analyze the file that is currently selected in the Project tool window or opened in the editor.
Selected files	Select this option to analyze the files that are currently selected in the Project tool window.
Uncommitted files	<p>This scope is only available for the projects under version control.</p> <p>Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze only files that have not been committed to the version control system. Use the drop-down list to further limit the analysis scope. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– All - select this option to have files from all changelists analyzed.</li><li>– Default - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA analyze only files from the Default changelist.</li></ul>
Custom scope	<p>Select this option to use a custom scope. Select a pre-defined scope from the drop-down list, or click  and define the scope in the <a href="#">Scopes dialog</a>.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> Use a special <a href="#">language</a> to define a scope.</p>
Include test sources	Select this check box to perform analysis on the test sources.
Inspection profile	<p>Select a profile to inspect the specified scope against.</p> <p>A profile is selected from the drop-down list. If the desired profile is not in the list, click the ellipsis button and configure the desired profile on the <a href="#">Inspections</a> page of the Settings dialog.</p>

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Edit | Find | Search Structurally

Edit | Find | Replace Structurally

Use these dialog boxes to find and replace fragments of code that structurally match the suggested [search template](#).

**Tip** To learn more about the possible usages, refer to the section [Structural Search and Replace](#).

Item	Description	Available in
Search template	Use this text area to specify the <a href="#">template</a> to be sought for. You can type the template code in the field or click the Copy existing template button to use one of the existing templates.	Both
Replacement template	Use this text area to specify the <a href="#">template</a> to be substituted. You can type the template code in the field or click the Copy existing template button to use one of the existing templates.	Structural Replace
Save template	Click this button to open the Save Template dialog box, where you have to specify the name of the new template. Note that the new template is stored under the User Defined node of the existing templates tree view.	Both
Edit variables	Calls the <a href="#">Edit variables</a> dialog box to set constraints for template variables.	Both
History	Click this button to open the History dialog box, that shows up to 25 last invoked templates.	Both
Copy existing template	Click this button to open the Existing Templates dialog box, where you can select one of the pre-defined or custom templates. Selected template is displayed in the Preview field. Clicking OK in the Existing Templates dialog box inserts the source code of the template into the Search template or Replace template field.	Both
Recursive matching	If this checkbox is selected, the search is performed recursively in the results.	Structural Search
Case sensitive	If this checkbox is selected, the search discerns lower and upper case letters.	Both
File type	Select file type from the drop-down list.	Both
Shorten fully qualified names	This option makes sense in case the template text contains fully qualified class names. If the checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically reduces these names in the template. Otherwise, fully qualified class names are used.	Structural Replace
Reformat according to style	Check this option, if you want IntelliJ IDEA to automatically reformat the expanded code fragment according to your code style settings (for details, refer to the <a href="#">Code Style</a> dialog box). If the option is not checked, IntelliJ IDEA will only indent the whole template according to the position in code at which it is expanded, leaving its formatting as is.	Structural Replace
Use static import if possible	Check this option, if you want IntelliJ IDEA to shorten any references to static elements in the replaced code. IntelliJ IDEA will insert a static import for those elements. The elements are then referenced by their short name. If there are no references to static elements in the replaced code, the option will be ignored.	Structural Replace
Scope	Select one of the existing scopes from the drop-down list or click the ellipsis button (alternatively, press <code>Shift+Enter</code> ), and create your own scope in the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog box.	Both
Open in new tab	If this checkbox is selected, the results of the new search display in a new tab in the Find results tool window. Otherwise, the search results update the existing tab.	Both




This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Edit | Find | Search Structurally | Edit variables

Use this dialog to define constraints for the variables of a [search template](#) .

**Tip** The contents of the dialog box depend on the selected variable type.

#### ItemDescription

Variables	This area shows a list of variables used in the current search template.
Text constraints	<p>In this area define the following constraints of the selected variable regarding text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Text/regular expression - in this text box, type a perl-like expression or a class name to be used as a variable constraint. Basic code completion is available for class names.</li><li>- Invert condition - select this checkbox to have the text pattern inverted.</li><li>- Apply constraint within type hierarchy - select this checkbox to have the search according to the pattern performed both in type names and in parents (within the hierarchy).</li><li>- Whole words only - when this checkbox is selected, only whole words within text are matched. This option recognizes string literals and comments.</li></ul>
Occurrences count	<p>In this area, define how pattern hits will be counted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Minimum count - in this text box, type the minimum number of elements in the list.</li><li>- Maximum count - in this text box, type the maximum number of elements in the list.</li><li>- Unlimited - select this checkbox to allow unlimited number of elements in the list.</li></ul>
Expression constraints	<p>In this area, define how expressions should be processed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Value is read - if this checkbox is selected, the matching variable is to be read.</li><li>- Value is written - if this checkbox is selected, the matching variable is to be written.</li><li>- Expression type (regexp) - if the calculated variable is an expression, this constraint checks its type. For instance, for the <code>foo(\$a\$)</code> expression the type of the method parameter would be checked.</li><li>- Expected type of expression (regexp) - if the calculated variable is matched to any expected type of an expression, this constraint checks the expression type anywhere the expression was used. For instance, correspondence between the method parameter type (e.g. <code>\$a\$</code> ) in method calls will be checked for methods like <code>foo(\$a\$)</code> .</li><li>- Apply constraint within type hierarchy - select this checkbox to have the search according to the pattern performed both in type names and in parents (within the hierarchy).</li><li>- Invert condition - select this checkbox to have the value of the corresponding checkbox changed to the opposite one.</li></ul>
Script constraints	<p>In this area, define a variable constraint via a script. Specify the script in the text box or click the  button to open the Edit Groovy Script Constraint dialog box. The constraint is applied after the initial matching process is finished.</p>
This variable is target of the search	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the search results will show not the entire expression but the selected variable(s) only.</p>

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

Edit | Find | Search Structurally | Edit variables | Complete Match

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Use the Complete Match dialog to define constraints for the entire pattern that you have specified in the [search template](#) .

#### ItemDescription

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Text constraints	<p>In this area define the constraints of the selected variable regarding text. In case of Complete Match this area might not be useful.</p> <p>The constraints are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Text/regular expression - in this text box, type a perl-like expression or a class name to be used as a variable constraint. Basic code completion is available for class names.</li><li>- Invert condition - select this checkbox to have the text pattern inverted.</li><li>- Apply constraint within type hierarchy - select this checkbox to have the search according to the pattern performed both in type names and in parents (within the hierarchy).</li><li>- Whole words only - when this checkbox is selected, only whole words within text are matched. This option recognizes string literals and comments.</li></ul>
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Contained in constraints	<p>In this area, define additional constraint pattern inside the already defined search template. Specify the pattern in the text box or click the <input type="button" value="..."/> button to open the Existing Templates dialog box. Invert condition - select this checkbox to have the value of the corresponding field changed to the opposite one.</p>
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Script constraints	<p>In this area, define a variable constraint via a script. Specify the script in the text box or click the <input type="button" value="..."/> button to open the Edit Groovy Script Constraint dialog box. The constraint is applied after the initial matching process is finished.</p>
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This variable is target of the search	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the search results will show not the entire expression but the selected variable(s) only.</p>
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**ItemDescription**

Migrate type	Use this drop-down list to specify the new type.
Choose scope	Use this drop-down list to specify the migration scope. Click the Browse button  , if necessary.
Refactor	Click this button to launch refactoring to all usages in the specified scope. If there are any conflicts, IntelliJ IDEA will notify you about them.
Preview	Click this button to open <a href="#">Type Migration Preview</a> where you can browse items to be changed, exclude/include them from refactoring, and view the conflicts detected.

Use this dialog box to initiate validation of the debugger setup in a local or remote environment. In the context of IntelliJ IDEA, the term **remote** denotes any environment outside the project root. This can be a server on physically remote host, or a **Vagrant box**, or a server on the same machine but in a folder outside your project root.

**ItemDescription**


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**Local Web Server or Shared Folder** Choose this option to check a debugger associated with a local Web server.

- Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. For Web servers of the type **Inplace**, the folder is under the project root. The folder must be accessible through **http**.
- URL to Validation Script: In this text box, type the URL address of the folder where the validation script will be created. If the project root is mapped to a folder accessible through **http**, you can specify the project root or any other folder under it.

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**Remote Web Server** Choose this option to check a debugger associated with a remote server.

- Path to Create Validation Script: In this field, specify the absolute path to the folder under the server document root where the validation script will be created. The folder must be accessible through **http**.
- Deployment Server: In this field, specify the server access configuration of the type **Local Server** or **Remote Server** to access the target environment. For details see [Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server](#). Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click the Browse button  in the **Deployment dialog**.

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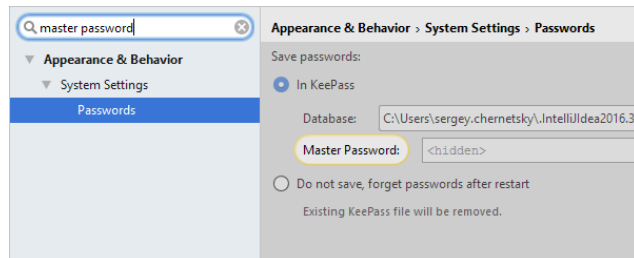
**Validate** Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA create a validation script, deploy it to the target remote environment, and run it there.

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**Note** The settings that pertain to the current project, are marked with the  icon.


The Settings dialog lets you control every aspect of the IntelliJ IDEA behavior and appearance.

Use the search box in the upper-left part of the dialog to find the options of interest. Alternatively, you can browse the settings using the hierarchical list of categories (groups of settings) underneath the search box.



On this page find the descriptions of the main [controls](#) of the dialog.

#### ItemDescription

<a href="#">Search</a>	Enter a search keyword in the text area. While typing the search string, the list of options in the dialog reduces to the matching occurrences.
	Click this button to clear the search area.
OK	Apply changes and close the dialog box.
Cancel	Discard changes and close the dialog box.
Apply	Apply changes and leave the dialog box opened.
Help	Show reference page.

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When you select the Appearance and Behavior category in the left-hand pane, its main subcategories are listed in the right-hand part of the dialog.


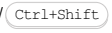
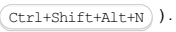

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Use this page to change the overall look and feel of your IDE.

## UI Options

### OptionDescription

Theme	Use this drop-down list to select the desired theme from the list.
Adjust colors for red-green vision deficiency	Select this option to adjust the IDE colors (code highlighting in the editor, text notifications, etc.) for people with the red-green color deficiency. For more information, see <a href="#">Color-Deficiency Adjustment</a> .
Override default fonts by (not recommended)	Select this checkbox to enable specifying font family and size to be used instead of the default one. When first installed, IntelliJ IDEA takes Windows default font size and style.
Cyclic scrolling in list	Select this checkbox to enable scrolling through a list by jumping from the last item to the first one and vice versa.
Show icons in quick navigation	Select this checkbox to have icons shown in the <a href="#">quick navigation</a> pop-up menu (  /  /  ) .
Automatically position mouse cursor on default button	Select this checkbox to have the mouse pointer placed at the default button when a dialog box opens. If the checkbox is not selected, the pointer location does not change.
Hide navigation popups on focus loss	If this checkbox is selected, the navigation pop-up frames ( <a href="#">go to class/file/symbol</a> ) close, when any other IntelliJ IDEA component gets the focus. If this checkbox is not selected, the navigation pop-up frames persist on changing the focus, and the only way to close such pop-up lays with pressing  .
Drag-n-Drop with ALT pressed only	If this checkbox is not selected (by default), IntelliJ IDEA allows moving editor tabs, tool window buttons, files and folders in the <a href="#">Project Tool Window</a> , using drag-n-drop.  Select this checkbox to avoid accidental moving of a file or folder, or a UI component. Thus drag-n-drop only works while ALT key is pressed.
Tooltip initial delay (ms)	Use this slider to specify the time to pass between the moment you hover the mouse over an item in the editor and the moment when the tooltip with its value appears. This settings is especially important during debugging. If the delay is too short using the mouse becomes inconvenient because every mouse move across the screen brings forward a number of tooltips with the values of all the variables.

## Antialiasing

### OptionDescription

IDE	From this drop-down list, select which antialiasing mode you want to apply to the IDE (including menus, tool windows, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subpixel : this option is recommended for LCD displays and takes advantage of the fact that each pixel on a colour LCD is composed of red, green and blue sub-pixels. This allows smoothing text and rendering it with greater detail.</li> <li>Greyscale : this option is recommended for non-LCD displays or displays positioned vertically. It deals with text at the pixel level.</li> <li>No antialiasing : this option can be used for displays with high resolution, where non-antialiased fonts are rendered faster and may look better.</li> </ul>
Editor	From this drop-down list, select which antialiasing mode you want to apply to the <a href="#">Editor</a> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subpixel : this option is recommended for LCD displays and takes advantage of the fact that each pixel on a colour LCD is composed of red, green and blue sub-pixels. This allows smoothing text and rendering it with greater detail.</li> <li>Greyscale : this option is recommended for non-LCD displays or displays positioned vertically. It deals with text at the pixel level.</li> <li>No antialiasing : this option can be used for displays with high resolution, where non-antialiased fonts are rendered faster and may look better.</li> </ul>

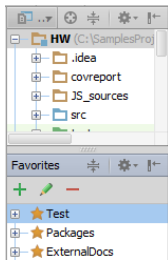
## Window Options

### OptionDescription

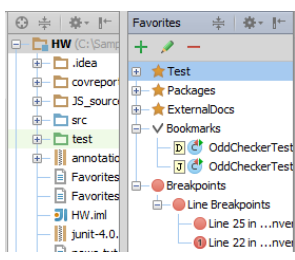
Animate windows	Select this checkbox to have undocked tool windows slide with the animation effect. This option applies only when a tool window is undocked.
Show memory indicator	Select this checkbox to show the Memory Indicator on the <a href="#">Status Bar</a> .
Disable mnemonics in menu	Select this checkbox to hide underlining of hot keys in the IntelliJ IDEA menus.

- Disable mnemonics in controls** Select this checkbox to hide underlining of hot keys in the IntelliJ IDEA controls.
- Display icons in menu items** If this checkbox is selected (by default), the icons are displayed to the left of the menu commands.  
If this checkbox is not selected, the menu commands are displayed without icons.

**Side by side layout on the left/right** When these checkboxes are selected, the way the tool windows are positioned is optimized for a wide-screen display.  
Side-by-side layout is OFF:



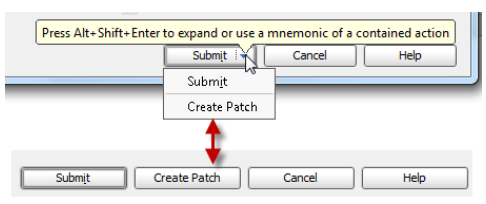
Side by side layout is ON:



Toggle layout by `Ctrl+MouseClicked` on splitter between the tool windows.  
This only applies to the tool windows located on the left and right sides, but not at the top and bottom of the IntelliJ IDEA window.

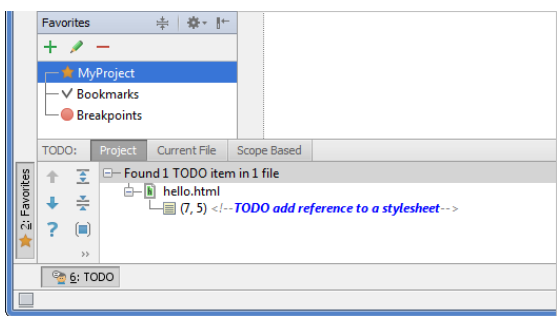
- Smooth scrolling** Select this option to enable by-pixel scrolling instead of by-line scrolling when you turn your mouse wheel.
- Show tool window bars** Select this checkbox to display tool window bars.
- Show tool window numbers** Select this checkbox to show tool window quick access numbers on the tool window buttons.  
You can use the `Alt+number` shortcuts regardless of this setting and change the shortcuts on the [Keymap page](#).  
  
Note that the tool window mnemonics show up only when the corresponding keybindings have the format `Alt+n`, where `n` is an integer number in the range from 1 to 9. In the case of a different keyboard shortcut, the mnemonics are not displayed.

**Allow merging buttons on dialogs** If this checkbox is selected, the multiple commands in a dialog box are grouped under a single button with a down arrow. You can view all merged commands by clicking the drop-down list, or pressing `Shift+Alt+Enter`.  
If this checkbox is not selected, the buttons will be shown in a row. Compare:



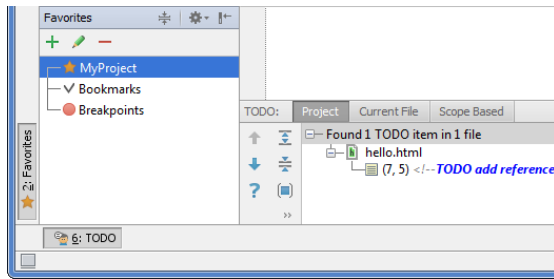
**Small labels in editor tabs** If this checkbox is selected, the font size on the editor tabs is set to the smaller value.  
If this checkbox is not selected, the font size on the editor tabs is set to the default value, as in the project tree view.

**Widescreen tool window layout** If this checkbox is selected, the way the tool windows are positioned is optimized for a wide-screen display.  
Widescreen tool window layout is OFF:



Widescreen tool window layout is ON:





**Note** That this is effective for macOS and for Windows with some mouse devices.

## Presentation Mode

### ItemDescription

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Font size Use the drop-down list to select the font size for the [presentation mode](#) .

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Use this page to configure the IntelliJ IDEA [menus and toolbars](#) .

## Menus and Items List

The list shows the items for the menus and toolbars. The items are grouped according to the areas of their use.

To configure an item, expand the corresponding node and select the desired item. After that, the buttons in the right-hand part of the page become available.

## Controls

### ItemDescription

Add After	Click this button to add a new action to the menu after the selected one. In the Choose Actions to Add dialog box that opens choose the desired action and optionally assign an icon to it.
Add Separator	Click this button to have a separator added to the menu after the selected item.
Edit Action Icon	Click this button to associate an icon with the selected menu item. In the Choose Action Icon Path dialog box that opens specify the path to the desired image. <div data-bbox="258 712 975 801" style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><b>Tip</b> – The image file should have <code>.png</code> extension. – The size of the toolbar icons should be 16x16.</div>
Remove	Click this button to delete the selected item from the list.
Move Up	Click this button to move the selected item one position up.
Move Down	Click this button to move the selected item one position down.
Restore All Defaults	Click this button to abandon all the changes made to the all items and return to the default settings.
Restore Default	Click this button to abandon all the changes made to the selected item and return to the default settings.

The dialog box opens when you select an item in the Menus and Items List and click the Add After button.


In the dialog box, choose the desired action to be added to the menu or toolbar and optionally assign an icon to it.

#### ItemDescription

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**Action List** The list shows all the actions available in IntelliJ IDEA. The actions are grouped below nodes according to the areas of their use.

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**Icon Path** In this text box, specify the location of the file with the icon you want to assign to the selected action. If necessary, use the Browse button  to select the file in the [corresponding dialog](#) .

**Tip**

- The image file should have `.png` extension.
- The size of the toolbar icons should be 16x16.

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**Set Icon** Click this button to associate the selected action with the icon specified in the Icon Path dialog box.

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Use this page to configure general behavior of IntelliJ IDEA.

## Startup/Shutdown

### ItemDescription

Reopen last project on startup	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA re-open the last opened project on startup.
Confirm application exit	Select this checkbox to have a warning message displayed when you attempt to close IntelliJ IDEA.

## Project opening

### ItemDescription

Open project in a new window	Click this radio button to always open a new project in a new window.
Open project in the same window	Click this radio button to always close the current project, and reuse the same window.
Confirm window to open project in	Click this radio button to have IntelliJ IDEA ask you whether you want to open a new project in the same frame, or in a new one.

## Synchronization

### ItemDescription

Synchronize files on frame or editor tab activation	If this checkbox is selected, all the files that were changed externally are reloaded from disk when you switch to IntelliJ IDEA from a different application, or when you switch to their editor tab.
Save files on frame deactivation	If this checkbox is selected, all modified files are auto saved when you switch from IntelliJ IDEA to a different application. Note that you cannot disable autosave completely by turning off this and the following option. See also, the <a href="#">Saving and Reverting Changes</a> section.
Save files automatically if application is idle for N seconds	If this checkbox is selected, all modified files are auto saved at regular time intervals. See also, the <a href="#">Saving and Reverting Changes</a> section.
Use "safe write" (save changes to a temporary file first)	If this checkbox is selected, a changed file is first saved in a temporary file. If the save operation succeeds, the file being saved is replaced with the saved file. (Technically, the original file is deleted and the temporary file is renamed.)  Also, the ownership of such file changes. If this checkbox is not selected, the ownership of a file does not change, but all the advantages of safe write will be lost.

## Accessibility

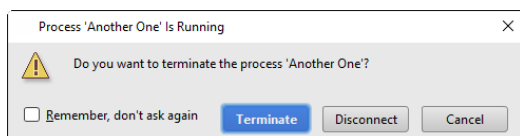
### ItemDescription

Support screen readers (requires restart)

## On Closing Tool Windows with Running Process

### ItemDescription

Terminate	If this option is selected, the running process disconnects and terminates silently.
Disconnect (if available)	If this option is selected, the running process is disconnected.
Ask	If this option is selected, the dialog box shows up:





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Specify whether IntelliJ IDEA should save your passwords - ones you use to access password-protected resources such as version control repositories and databases.

When you use [KeePass password manager](#), the master password will be used to access a file that stores individual passwords. Once IntelliJ IDEA remembers your passwords, it will not ask for the passwords again including the master password unless you need to access the password database.

Under Save passwords, you can configure password settings.

#### ItemDescription

In native Keychain	<p>IntelliJ IDEA displays this option for macOS and Linux only.</p> <p>Select this option to use native Keychain for storing your passwords.</p>
In KeePass	<p>Select this option to use the <a href="#">KeePass password manager</a> for storing your passwords.</p>
Database	<p>This field displays the location of your current <code>c.kdbx</code> file. If you need to select another location, click  and in the <a href="#">dialog</a> that opens, choose the appropriate one.</p> <p>If you want to import another <code>c.kdbx</code> file, click  icon and from the drop-down list select Import. If you want to remove the existing passwords in the <code>c.kdbx</code> file, select Clear.</p>
Master Password	<p>Use this field to enter a password that you want to use for accessing <code>c.kdbx</code> file. The first time IntelliJ IDEA generates a password automatically.</p>
Do not save, forget password after restart	<p>Select this option if you want to remove the <code>c.kdbx</code> file containing individual passwords after the restart.</p>

This dialog opens only once when you launch a new IntelliJ IDEA version with configurations from the previous IntelliJ IDEA version.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you convert the current saved password database into a new one.

**ItemDescription**

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**Password**      Use this field to enter a master password that you have used in the previous version of IntelliJ IDEA.

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**Convert**      Click this button to store your saved passwords in a new password database.

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**Clear Password**      If you click this button nothing will be converted and your old passwords will not be saved. The same action will be taken if you close this dialog without entering the master password.

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If to access the Internet IntelliJ IDEA should use an HTTP proxy, specify the proxy settings on this page.

**ItemDescription**

No proxy	Click this radio button to connect to the Internet without a proxy.
Auto-detect proxy settings	Click this radio button to enable using an auto-configuration URL to configure the web proxy settings. When this option is selected, the following controls become enabled: <b>ItemDescription</b> Automatic proxy configuration URL      Select this checkbox to manually specify the location of the proxy settings file, in case IntelliJ IDEA does not find it automatically. Clear passwords      Click this button to clear the passwords to the specified proxy.
Manual proxy configuration	Click this radio button to enable manual proxy configuration. When this option is selected, the following controls become enabled: <b>ItemDescription</b> HTTP      Click this radio button if you want IntelliJ IDEA to use an HTTP proxy when accessing the Internet. SOCKS      Click this radio button if you want IntelliJ IDEA to use the <a href="#">Socket Secure protocol</a> when accessing the Internet. Host name      Specify the proxy hostname or IP address. Port number      Specify the proxy port number. No proxy for      Specify here the patterns for the URLs or IP addresses, for which proxy should not be specified. Proxy authentication      Select this checkbox if your proxy requires authentication. Login      Specify the name of the user on whose behalf IntelliJ IDEA will connect to the proxy. Password      Specify the password associated with the user name (login). Remember password      Select this checkbox if you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember the password. Otherwise, you will be asked to provide the password every time IntelliJ IDEA connects to the proxy.

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Use this page to:

- Enable automatic update of IntelliJ IDEA and specify to which kind of release you want it updated.
- Obtain information about the current IntelliJ IDEA version and availability of a newer version.

#### ItemDescription

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Automatically check for updates for	<p>Select this checkbox to enable the automatic update function, and select the desired update channel (for example, stable version).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Channel <b>Early Access Program</b> : this channel gets patch from the previous EAP/release version. This is not recommended for production development. More details about the Early Access Program, or EAP, are available at <a href="http://eap.jetbrains.com/">http://eap.jetbrains.com/</a> .</li><li>- Channel <b>Beta Releases or Public Previews</b> : this channel includes release candidates (RC).</li><li>- Channel <b>Stable Releases</b> : this channel includes all IntelliJ IDEA releases, for example, IntelliJ IDEA X.Y.Z</li></ul> <p>Note that the list is only available for the <b>stable versions</b> . For the various EAPs, it is enforced to <b>Early Access Program</b> .</p>
Use secure connection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, the secure connection protocol ( <b>HTTPS</b> ) is used.</li><li>- If this checkbox is cleared, the <b>HTTP</b> protocol is used. Note that the <b>HTTP</b> protocol may be blocked due to security reasons.</li></ul> <p>By default, the checkbox is selected.</p>
Check Now	Click this button to check for updates immediately.
View/edit ignored updates	Follow this link to show/change the builds which were ignored on IntelliJ IDEA update. These build numbers are included in the list of ignored updates and not suggested any more.

**Tip** You can alternatively choose Help | Check for Updates (for Windows or \*NIX) or IntelliJ IDEA | Check for Updates (for macOS) on the main menu.



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Use this page to share the statistics of your IntelliJ IDEA usage with JetBrains.

**ItemDescription**

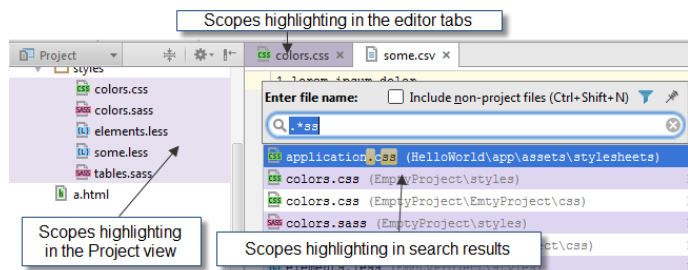
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Allow to send usages statistics to JetBrains	Select this checkbox to allow JetBrains to collect your anonymous statistics.
Daily, Weekly or Monthly	Select one of these options to define how often your usage statistics should be sent to JetBrains.

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Use this page to set different background colors for distinguishing between project files, folders, and packages of specific [scopes](#). The settings apply to the following UI elements:

- The headers of editor tabs.
- [Navigation lists](#) when one searches for files or classes by their names
- [Project Tool Window](#)



## Common Options

### Item Description





Enable File Colors	Select this checkbox to apply background color settings to <a href="#">navigation lists</a> .
Use in Editor Tabs	Select this checkbox to apply background color settings to the headers of editor tabs.
Use in Project View	Select this checkbox to apply background color settings to the Project view.
Manage Scopes	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Scopes</a> dialog in which you can define custom scopes for various actions.

## Local Colors

In this area, configure the color-scope associations to be applied locally.

Once defined, a color-scope association cannot be changed. To re-assign a color to a scope, remove the existing association and define a new one.

### Item Tooltip Description





Scope	This read-only field shows the scope to apply the color setting to.	
Color	This read-only field shows the color to be applied to the corresponding scope.	
	Add	Click this button to open the Add Color Label dialog in which you can configure a new color-scope association.
	Remove	Click this button to remove the selected color-scope association.
	Move up or Move down	Use these buttons to resort the color-scope associations and thus determine the order in which they are applied.
	Share	Click this button to have the selected scope-color association shared among the members of the team. The selected association will be accordingly moved to the list in the <a href="#">Shared Colors</a> area.

## Shared Colors

Use the controls in this area to configure the color-scope associations to be shared among all the members of the team.

Once defined, a color-scope association cannot be changed. To re-assign a color to a scope, remove the existing association and define a new one.

### Item Tooltip Description

Scope	This read-only field shows the scope to apply the color setting to.	
Color	This read-only field shows the color to be applied to the corresponding scope.	
	Add	Click this button to open the Add Color Label dialog in which you can configure a new color-scope association.
	Remove	Click this button to remove the selected color-scope association.
	Move up or Move down	Use these buttons to resort the color-scope associations and thus determine the order in which they are applied.
	Unshare	Click this button to have the selected scope-color association applied only locally. The selected association will be accordingly moved to the list in the <a href="#">Local Colors</a> area.











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A scope is a set of files to which various operations apply. Using this dialog, you can define scopes for the various IntelliJ IDEA actions, for example, Find Usages, or Code Inspections.





## Main toolbar

### ItemTooltipDescription

	Add scope	Click this button to add a new local or shared scope.
		
	Delete	Click this button to delete the selected scope from the list.
		
	Copy configuration	Click this button to create a copy of the selected scope.
		
	Save as	Click this button to have the selected local scope saved as shared or a selected shared scope as local.
	Move Up/Move Down	Use these buttons to move the scopes up and down in the list. If some file is included into several scopes, the order of the scopes becomes important: IntelliJ IDEA uses the color of the uppermost scope (shown in the <a href="#">Scopes</a> settings page) to highlight such file. Of course, you can change the order of the scopes, and thus the resulted highlighting.

## Scope configuration controls

### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the scope name.
Pattern	<p>In this text box, specify the pattern that defines the current scope. The following elements and structures can be used:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <code>file:</code> modifier. The element is mandatory.</li> <li>The <code>*</code> asterisk to denote any symbol in a file name or file extension.</li> <li>Logical operators <code>AND (&amp;&amp;)</code>, <code>OR (  )</code>, and <code>NOT (!)</code>.</li> </ol> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Scope Language Syntax Reference</a>.</p> <p>Do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Type or edit the pattern manually in the text field <code>Pattern</code>.</li> <li>Click , or press  to type or edit in the expanded area. (Click  or press  to return to a single-line area.)</li> <li>Choose the desired files in the <a href="#">Project Tree View</a> and use the <a href="#">buttons described below</a> to make IntelliJ IDEA generate the corresponding pattern automatically.</li> </ul>

**Warning!** Storing empty or incorrect patterns is not allowed. In such cases, you will be prompted with the SyntaxError warning.

## Examples

- `file[MyMod]:src/main/java/com/example/my_package/*` - include in a project all the files from module "MyMod", located in the specified directory and all subdirectories.
- `src[MyMod]:com.example.my_package.*` - recursively include all classes in a package in the source directories of the module.
- `lib:com.company.*||com.company.*` - recursively include all classes in a package from both project and libraries.
- `test:com.company.*` - include all test classes in a package, but not in subpackages.
- `[MyMod]:com.company.util.*` - include all classes and test classes in the package of the specified module.
- `file:*.js||file:*.coffee` - include all JavaScript and CoffeeScript files.
- `file:*js&!file:*.min.*` - include all JavaScript files except those that were generated through minification, which is indicated by the `min` extension.

Include	Click this button to have the selected element included in the scope. The corresponding expression is automatically generated and added to the expression in the Pattern text box.
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**Tip** If the current element is a folder, the nested subfolders are ignored.

Include Recursively	Click this button to have the selected folder included in the scope, together with the nested subfolders. The corresponding expression is automatically generated and added to the expression in the Pattern text box.
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Exclude	Click this button to have the selected element excluded from the scope. The corresponding expression is automatically added to the Pattern. If the current element is a folder, the nested subfolders are ignored.
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Exclude Recursively	Click this button to have the selected folder excluded from the scope, together with the nested subfolders. The
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corresponding expression is automatically added to the Pattern field.


## Scope toolbar


### ItemTooltipDescription

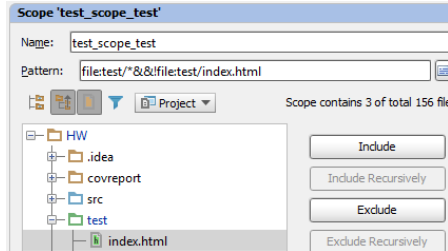
**Project tree view** The tree view contains all the files available in your project. In the view, select the desired files to be included in the current scope and have the scope definition pattern generated automatically. The message on the toolbar shows the total number of available files and the number of files included in the scope. See also the [color legend](#) below. Use the toolbar buttons described below to change the view presentation. The way of presentation of the project tree view, the available controls and [scopes language syntax](#) depend on the selection in project vs package drop-down list.

 **Flatten Packages** When the button is pressed, all the packages are displayed as a single-level tree view. This enables you to find a package somewhere deep within the project by its name without going through the entire tree hierarchy.


 **Compact Empty Middle Packages** This option lets you specify how or whether empty packages are to be shown. (Empty packages are ones that contain nothing but other packages.)

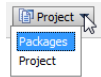
 **Group by** When this button is pressed, the items in the tree-view are grouped below three nodes:  
– Library Classes  
– Production Classes  
– Test Classes  
  
This button is only available for the Package presentation of scopes.

 **Show Files** If this button is pressed, source files are displayed explicitly in the tree view. When the files are shown, they can be selected for exclusion/inclusion into a pattern.



If this button is not pressed, the files are hidden.

 **Show Included Only** When the button is pressed, the tree shows only the elements that are included in the scope.






Use this drop-down box to define how you want the project files to be displayed in the tree view. The available options are:  
– Project  
– Packages

The project tree view presentation, [scopes language syntax](#) and the available toolbar buttons differ depending on the selection.

## Legend of the project tree view

### ItemDescription

-  Folders and files included in scope.
-  Folders and files excluded from scope.
-  Folders that contain both excluded and included files and subfolders.

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Use this page to enable and disable notifications about certain events, change their presentation, and optionally enable their logging.

#### ItemDescription

**Display balloon** Select this checkbox to enable event notifications for IntelliJ IDEA. (The notifications, generally, are shown in the balloons that appear on the screen when the corresponding events take place.)

**Enable system notifications** Select this checkbox to allow showing system notification.

**Warning:** This option is not available on platforms where system notifications are not supported (Windows and some Unixes).

**Group** This column lists groups of events that you may be notified of and/or that may be logged.

**Popup** If the Display balloon notification checkbox is selected, the settings in this column specify how the notifications for the corresponding group of events are shown.

The available display options are:














- Balloon : The balloons with the notification messages appear on the screen for a short period of time and then disappear automatically. The notifications are also shown in the Status bar, and added to the list of notifications.
- Sticky balloon : The notification balloons stay on the screen unless you close them.
- Tool window balloon : The notification balloons are shown only if an appropriate tool window is open.
- No popup : The notifications for the corresponding group of events are not shown.

**Log** If the checkbox for a group of events is selected, the corresponding events are logged and can be seen in the [Event Log tool window](#).



Use this page to configure quick lists. A Quick List is a pop-up menu of IntelliJ IDEA commands, configured by the user and associated with a keyboard or mouse shortcut. You can create as many quick lists as necessary. Each command, included in a quick list, is identified by a sequential number. Numbering starts from the numerals (0 to 9), and then proceeds with the letters in alphabetical order.

**Item ShortcutDescription**

		Create a new Quick List.
		Delete the selected Quick List.
Display name		Edit the name of the selected Quick List.
Description		Edit the description of the selected Quick List. (The description is optional.)
		Use this button to add actions to the Quick List. Select the actions in the Add Actions to Quick List dialog that opens.
		Use this button to add a separator at the end of the Quick List. (Separators help you organize menu commands in logical groups.)
		Remove selected actions from the Quick List.
		Use this button to move the selected item one line up in the list.
		Use this button to move the selected item one line down in the list.

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





On this page:

- [Path Variables page](#) . Use this page to configure [path variables](#) and the list of [ignored variables](#) .
- [Add / Edit Variable dialog](#) . Use this dialog to specify the name and value for a new or existing path variable.
- [Example](#) .

## Path Variables page

### ItemDescription

Reset	Use this link to revert path variables and the list of ignored variables to their initial saved states.
Name	This field shows the name of a path variable (readonly).
Value	This field shows the value of a path variable (readonly).
+ or 	Use this icon or shortcut to create a new path variable. (The <a href="#">Add Variable</a> dialog will open.)
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected path variable. (The <a href="#">Edit Variable</a> dialog will open.)
– or 	Use this icon or shortcut to delete the selected path variable.
Ignored Variables	List the names of the variables that should be <a href="#">ignored</a> . Use semicolons ( ; ) to separate individual list items.

## Add / Edit Variable dialog


### ItemDescription

Name	Specify the path variable name.
Value	Specify the path variable value. Use  (  ) to select the necessary file or folder in the <a href="#">Select Path dialog</a> .

## Example

Consider storing a library on your disk. This library is attached to your project, and the path to this library is included in the `*.iml` file of your project. However, this path should not be absolute, since the other teammates may store same library in the different locations.

That's why it makes sense to create a dedicated path variable `PATH_TO_LIB` :

1. On the Settings dialog, click [Path Variables](#) .
2. Click .
3. In the [Add Variable](#) dialog box, type the variable name `PATH_TO_LIB` , and its value that points to the library location on your disk.
4. Share the `*.iml` file on the version control.
5. The other developers should update their projects, and change the value of `PATH_TO_LIB` variable to point to the locations of their libraries.



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Use this page to create, edit, and remove custom keymaps for specific environments, and change shortcuts associated with actions.

Note that default keymaps are not editable. To re-configure shortcut associations, create a child keymap based on the desired default one and edit it as required.

On the other hand, as soon as you try to change a keyboard shortcut associated with an action in one of the default keymaps, a copy of the corresponding keymap is automatically created.







## Keymap Management Buttons

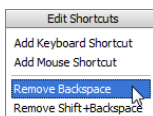
### ItemDescription

Keymaps	From this drop-down list, select the desired keymap.
Copy	Click this button to create a child keymap on the basis of the keymap selected in the Keymaps drop-down list.
Reset	Click this button to abandon all the changes made to a custom keymap and restore the configuration of the parent keymap.
Delete	Click this button to remove the selected custom keymap from the list.
Prefer key position over key char with national layout	This checkbox appears when a non-English keyboard layout has been detected (only available for MacOS). When this option is selected, key position is preferred over its meaning for keymap in national layouts.
Based on keymap	This read-only field shows the name of the parent keymap.

## Keymap Toolbar

### ItemTooltip Description and shortcut

	Expand All	Click this button to expand all nodes in the content pane of actions.
		
	Collapse All	Click this button to collapse all nodes in the content pane of actions.
		
	Edit Shortcut	Click this button to change shortcuts for the selected action. It is possible to remove existing shortcuts, and add new ones. Choose the desired change from the drop-down menu:
		





- Select the option Add Keyboard Shortcut to open the [Enter Keyboard Shortcut](#) dialog box, where you can specify the combination of keystrokes to be assigned to the selected action in the current keymap.
- Select the option Add Mouse Shortcut to open the [Enter Mouse Shortcut](#) dialog box, where you can specify the combination of mouse clicks and buttons to be assigned to the selected action in the current keymap.
- Select the options Remove <shortcut> to delete the selected shortcut from the selected action.


These commands are duplicated on the context menus of the actions in the Actions content pane.


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Use this text box to search through the content pane of actions. As you type a search string, the actions that match the search pattern are displayed.

The previously used search patterns are stored in the search history list. To add the search string to the history list, press .

Click  to reveal the history list of the previous searches.

Click  to clear the current search pattern from the text box.

	Find Action by Shortcut	Click this button to open the Find Shortcut dialog to filter out the desired actions by keystrokes. Refer to the section <a href="#">Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts</a> to learn how to specify keyboard shortcuts. The actions with shortcuts that match the specified criteria are shown in the content pane of actions.
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	Clear Filtering	Click this button to restore the initial list of actions in the content pane.
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## Actions

### ItemDescription

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All Actions



This content pane shows all actions currently available in IntelliJ IDEA. The actions are grouped below nodes according to the areas of their use.

- Note that default keymaps are not editable. As soon as you try to change a keyboard shortcut associated with an action, a copy of the corresponding keymap is automatically created.
- If some of the actions have no mapped keyboard shortcuts, they still can be invoked by [Go to Action](#) .

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Shortcuts

This read-only field shows the list of shortcuts associated with the selected action in the current keymap.

**Tip** The shortcuts are represented depending on the platform. However, some keys are missing on certain keyboard layouts. For example,  /  keys are not available on notebooks. That's why one should use plus arrow keys.

### Context menu of an action

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Add Keyboard Shortcut

Choose this command on the context menu of an action to open the [Enter Keyboard Shortcut](#) dialog box, where you can specify the combination of keystrokes to be assigned to the selected action in the current keymap.

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Add Mouse Shortcut

Choose this command on the context menu of an action to open the [Enter Mouse Shortcut](#) dialog box, where you can specify the combination of mouse clicks and buttons to be assigned to the selected action in the current keymap.

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Add abbreviation

Choose this command to add an abbreviation that can be used in [Search Everywhere](#) .

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Remove

Choose this command on the context menu of an action to delete the selected shortcut or abbreviation.

<shortcut>/<abbreviation>

The dialog box opens when you select an action and click the Add Mouse Shortcut button. Use this dialog box to bind the selected action with a new mouse shortcut, which may be a single or a double clicking one of the mouse buttons or the wheel button.

The resulting mouse shortcut is marked with the  icon in the Shortcuts list.

#### ItemDescription

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**Click Count** In this area, specify the type of mouse click to be assigned to the selected action. The available options are:

- Single Click
- Double Click

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**Click Pad** Click the desired mouse button anywhere in this area.

**Tip** The number of clicks in this area does not affect the shortcut configuration. No matter how many times you click a button, the click type chosen in the Click Count area will be assigned.


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**Shortcut Preview** This read-only field shows the newly defined shortcut.

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**Conflicts** This read-only field shows messages about conflicts that arise if a suggested mouse shortcut is already in use.

**Warning!** You can ignore a conflict and assign a shortcut to several actions. However it is strongly recommended that you avoid binding two actions with the same shortcut, because the priority of these actions is not defined.

The dialog box opens when you select an action and click the Add Keyboard Shortcut button. Use this dialog box to bind the selected action with a new keyboard shortcut, which may consist of one or two keystrokes. The resulting keyboard shortcut is marked with the  icon in the Shortcuts list.

**Warning!** Use your mouse pointer to click buttons in the dialog box. Any key stroke is interpreted as a shortcut!

#### ItemDescription

First stroke	Use this no-name field to define the primary shortcut by pressing keyboard keys and key combinations.
Second stroke	Select this checkbox to allow an optional second shortcut. Use the text box to the right to define an optional shortcut by pressing keyboard keys and key combinations. This field is available after the Second stroke checkbox is selected.
Conflicts	This read-only field shows messages about conflicts that arise if a suggested keystroke is already in use. Note that this field only appears if a conflict exists!

**Warning!** You can ignore a conflict and assign a shortcut to several actions. However it is strongly recommended that you avoid binding two actions with the same shortcut, because the priority of these actions is not defined.

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When you select the Editor category in the left-hand pane, its main subcategories are listed in the right-hand part of the dialog.



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Use the General page of the Settings/Preferences dialog to configure the editor behaviour and customize its view.

**ItemDescription****Mouse**

**Honor "CamelHumps" word settings when selecting using double click** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA invoke the CamelHumps selection when words are selected by double-clicking. This feature works only if the [Use 'CamelHumps' words](#) option is enabled.


**Change font size (Zoom) with Ctrl/Command+Mouse Wheel** If this checkbox is selected, a particular editor font size can be changed by [rolling the mouse wheel](#) while holding the  key. This checkbox also affects font size in [quick documentation lookup](#) .  
If this option is unchecked, rolling the mouse wheel while holding the  key scrolls the editor.

**Enable Drag'n'Drop functionality in editor** If this checkbox is selected, you can [drag-n-drop](#) code fragments in the editor.

**Soft Wraps**

**Use soft wraps in editor** If this checkbox is selected, soft wraps (or word wraps ) are used in the editor. The horizontal scroll bar is not normally shown when this option is enabled. However, in certain cases, when a line cannot be "soft-wrapped", the horizontal scroll bar still appears (for example, if a line consists of a single string that is wider than the visible area.)

**Use original line's indent for wrapped parts** Select this checkbox to use custom indentation for soft wraps on resizing the editor or console. Specify the indent value in the Additional shift text field on the right.

**Show soft wrap indicators for current line only** If this checkbox is selected, the soft wrap characters  will be shown in the active logical line only. Otherwise, soft wraps characters will be shown at the end of each line, and at the beginning of each next line.

**Virtual Space**

**Allow placement of caret after end of line** If this checkbox is cleared, the caret never rests after the last symbol in a line.

**Allow placement of caret inside tabs** Select this checkbox to allow placing the caret inside tab characters. The reason is that each tab character shows in the editor as a set of 'virtual' space characters.

**Show virtual space at file bottom** If this checkbox is selected, the currently edited line (even if it is the final line) can be scrolled to the top of the screen. IntelliJ IDEA adds the necessary amount of virtual lines.

**Other**

**Strip trailing spaces on Save** Select the mode in which IntelliJ IDEA will handle trailing spaces at the end of lines on file saving:  
– Modified lines : strips trailing spaces only in the end of modified lines.  
– All : strips trailing spaces in all lines.  
– None : does not strip trailing spaces.

**Always keep trailing spaces on caret line** If this option is selected, trailing spaces will not be stripped on the line where the caret is placed on save operation (for example, when you switch to another window).

**Ensure line feed at file end on Save** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add an empty line in the end of a file during the save procedure.

**Show quick documentation on mouse move** Select this checkbox to [show quick documentation](#) for the symbol at caret. The quick documentation pop-up window appears after the specified delay.

**Highlight modified lines in gutter** Select this checkbox if you want added/modified lines to be highlighted with a color stripe in the left editor gutter.

**Different color for lines with whitespace-only modifications** This option only becomes available if the Highlight modified lines in gutter option is enabled. Select this checkbox if you want lines where only whitespaces were added/removed to be highlighted with a different color from lines with more significant modifications.

**Highlight on Caret Movement**

**Highlight matched brace** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA highlight pairs of opening/closing braces when you position the caret right before the opening or right after the closing one. It also works for HTML and XML tags.

**Highlight current scope** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA highlight the available scope for the code typed in the current caret location.

**Highlight usages of element at caret** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA highlight all usages of the element at which the caret is currently positioned.

**Formatting**

**Show notification** Select this checkbox to show a notification with changes in your code and a shortcut to the [Reformat Code](#)

after reformat code action dialog every time you try to reformat the code. Otherwise, IntelliJ IDEA will reformat code silently.

Show notification after optimize imports action Select this checkbox to show notification with changes in your code. Otherwise, IntelliJ IDEA will optimize imports silently.

### Scrolling

Smooth scrolling If this option is enabled, the editor scrolls the page when you navigate to an element, instead of just jumping to the target location.

Prefer scrolling editor canvas to keep caret line centered Click this option to choose scrolling editor canvas and keeping the caret in place. Keeping the caret in place and scrolling the editor canvas can be helpful in course of [debugging session](#). As you step through the lines of code, the editor canvas scrolls, while the line at caret is always in the center of the screen.

Prefer moving caret line to minimize editor scrolling Click this option to choose moving the caret. When you step through the lines of code during the [debugging session](#), the caret moves down, and the editor canvas doesn't scroll until the caret line reaches the bottom of the screen.

### Refactorings

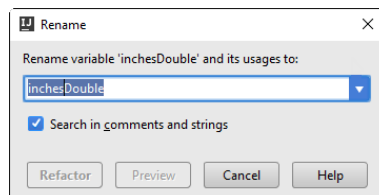
Enable in-place mode Select or clear this checkbox to enable or disable in-place refactorings for Java. The in-place in connection with the refactorings means specifying all or most of the information necessary for the refactoring by typing, right in the editor. All the affected code fragments are highlighted and change as you type. If appropriate, additional refactoring options are selected in corresponding option boxes.

The in-place refactoring mode is available for the following refactorings:

- [Extract Constant](#)
- [Extract Field](#)
- [Extract Parameter](#)
- [Extract Variable](#)
- [Rename](#)

If this checkbox is not selected, the refactoring settings for all of the refactorings are specified in the corresponding dialogs.

Preselect old name If this checkbox is selected, the old name of a symbol is selected when the [Rename refactoring](#) is invoked for that symbol.



```
//region m1
double inchesDouble = metersTo
String v ble.t
convert inchesDouble INVERS
convert inchesdouble you
//endregion
```

If checkbox is not selected, the symbol being renamed is not selected.

Show inline dialog for local variables Select this checkbox if you want to display a confirmation dialog for the "Inline local variable" refactoring.

### Limits

Maximum number of contents to keep in clipboard In this text box, specify how many code blocks can be kept in clipboard.

Recent file limit In this text box, specify how many file names can be included in the list of recent files.

### Rich-text copy

Copy as rich text by default Select this checkbox to copy a rich text from the editor to any other editor that recognizes RTF.

Note that you can override this option if you select Copy as Plain Text from the context menu in your editor and vice versa, using the Copy as Rich Text option from the context menu overrides the unselected checkbox in the editor settings.

Color scheme Use this drop-down list to select a color scheme for the text copy. You can select from the following options:  
- Default  
- Active scheme  
- Darcula

### Error highlighting

Error stripe mark min height (pixels) In this text box, specify the minimum size of the error and warning stripes.

Autoreparse delay (ms) In this text box, specify the time period after which IntelliJ IDEA starts reparsing the entered text.

'Next Error' action goes to high priority problems only Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA pass through the highest priority problems only (for example, errors), when executing `Navigate | Next/Previous Highlighted Error` command (`F2` / `Shift+F2`). Clear this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA pass through all the existing problems (for example, errors and warnings) sequentially.

Suppress with Select this checkbox to have `@SuppressWarnings` implemented as an annotation.

`@SuppressWarnings` Clear this checkbox to have `@SuppressWarnings` implemented as a JavaDoc comment.  
(for 5.0 only)

**Note** Significant trailing spaces which affect an output of a program, are not removed where applicable. For example, trailing spaces in the multiline strings in Groovy are not removed etc.



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## XML

Show import pop-up Automatically display an import pop-up dialog box when typing the name of an unbound namespace.

## Java

Insert imports on paste Use this drop-down list to define how IntelliJ IDEA will insert imports for pasted blocks of code, if they contain references to classes that are not imported into the target class.

The available options are:

- **All** - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add import statements for all classes that are found in the pasted block of code and are not imported in the current class yet.
- **Ask** - if this option is selected, when pasting code blocks, IntelliJ IDEA will open a dialog box, where you can choose the desired imports.
- **None** - select this option to suppress import.

**Tip** If you skip an import suggested in the **Ask** mode or choose the **None** mode, the non-imported classes will be red-highlighted and an import pop-up window will appear to help you create import statements using the **Alt+Enter** keyboard shortcut.

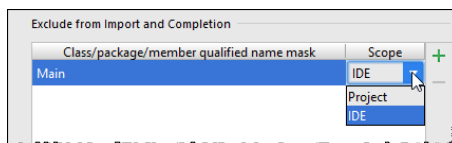
Show import pop-up Automatically display import pop-up dialog box when typing the name of a symbol that lacks import statement.

Optimize imports on the fly Select this checkbox to have the [Optimize Imports](#) operation automatically performed for your files.

Add unambiguous imports on the fly Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add imports that can be added without user intervention.

Exclude from Import and Completion In this area, create a list of packages and classes that should not be automatically included in the import statements.

Note that you can exclude packages and classes both on the project level and on the IDE level. This can be done in the cells of the Scope column:



Use:

- **+** (**Alt+Insert**) to enter the name of the class/package to be excluded from import and completion.
- **-** (**Alt+Delete**) to remove the selected item from the list.

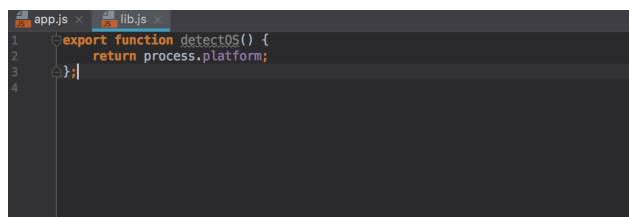
**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA allows using an asterisk wildcard to define the classes/packages to be excluded.

## TypeScript/JavaScript

Add ES6 imports automatically

**Tip** Auto import in ES6 works only when the ECMAScript 6 language level is chosen on the [JavaScript](#) page (File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript for macOS).

- If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically inserts an `import` statement in JavaScript code when you complete a symbol exported using ES6 exports in another project file:



- When the checkbox is cleared, on pressing **Alt+Enter** IntelliJ IDEA shows a pop-up that suggests to import the completed symbol:

```

1  export default class Invoice {
2    constructor() {
3      new Customer()
4    }
5  }
6

```

- Completion and auto import also work for React components, including stateless components. IntelliJ IDEA properly detects them, provides code completion, and adds `import` statements automatically:

```

1  import React from 'react'
2
3  import { ColorWrap } from './common'
4
5  export const Github = ({ width, colors, onChange, triangle }) => {
6    const handleChange = (hex, e) => onChange({ hex, source: 'hex' }, e)
7
8    return (
9      <div className="github-picker">
10         |
11       </div>
12     )
13   }
14
15   Github.defaultProps = {

```

Add TypeScript imports automatically

- If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically inserts an `import` statement in TypeScript code when you complete a symbol exported in another project file.
- When the checkbox is cleared, on pressing `Alt+Enter` IntelliJ IDEA shows a pop-up that suggests to import the completed symbol.

## JSP

Add unambiguous imports on-the-fly

Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add imports that can be added without user intervention.

## Scala

**Note** This table is only available when Scala plugin is downloaded and installed. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Insert imports on page

Use this drop-down list to define how IntelliJ IDEA will insert imports for pasted blocks of code, if they contain references to classes that are not imported into the target class. The available options are:

- **All** - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add import statements for all classes that are found in the pasted block of code and are not imported in the current class yet.
- **Ask** - if this option is selected, when pasting code blocks, IntelliJ IDEA will open a dialog box, where you can choose the desired imports.
- **None** - select this option to suppress import.

**Tip** If you skip an import suggested in the **Ask** mode or choose the **None** mode, the non-imported classes will be red-highlighted and an import pop-up window will appear to help you create import statements using the `Alt+Enter` keyboard shortcut.

To disable import import pop-up, use Java settings

Refer to the same options in the settings for Java.

Add unambiguous imports on the fly

Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add imports that can be added without user intervention.

Optimize imports on the fly

Select this checkbox to have the [Optimize Imports](#) operation automatically performed for your files.

## PHP

**Note** This table is only available when PHP plugin is downloaded and installed. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Enable auto-import in file scope

Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically import PHP namespaces, add `use` statements, and [complete short class names](#) on the fly, when you are typing in a class or file that does not belong to any specific namespace. By default, the checkbox is cleared.

Enable auto-import in namespace scope

Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically import PHP namespaces, add `use` statements, and [complete short class names](#) on the fly when you are typing in a class or file that belongs to a certain namespace. The checkbox is selected by default.

Enable auto-import from global space

When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically adds `use` statements for classes, functions, and constants from the `global namespace`, for example, `Exception`, `is_array()`, `strlen()` etc.

When this checkbox is cleared, no `use` statement for such classes, functions, and constants is added. By default, the referenced symbol is not prepended with a backslash. To have a backslash inserted automatically, select the `Prepend functions and constants from the global space with '\'` checkbox.

Prepend functions and constants from the global space with '\'

The checkbox is available only when the Enable auto-import from global space is cleared. When the checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically prepends called functions and referenced constants from the `global namespace` with a backslash.

When the checkbox is cleared, no backslashes are added.

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To keep your code easy to read and increase productivity by avoiding additional loops during name resolution, select either the Enable auto-import from global space or the Prepend functions and constants from the global space with '\' checkbox. See [PHP name resolution rules](#) for more details.

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Use this page to enable or disable specific smart keys and to define which actions you want to be invoked automatically.

**ItemDescription**

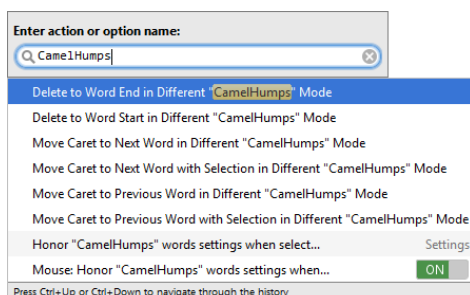
Home	When this checkbox is selected, on pressing <code>Home</code> , the caret is positioned at the first non-space character of the current line. Pressing <code>Home</code> subsequently moves the caret from the <i>Smart Home position</i> to the first column and back.
End (on blank line)	When this checkbox is selected, on pressing <code>End</code> in an empty line, the caret is positioned with the indent, which IntelliJ IDEA assumes to be reasonable in the current code point (indentation is based on the current <a href="#">Code Style Settings</a> ).
Insert pair bracket	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add a closing round or square bracket for each typed opening round or square bracket, respectively.
Insert pair quote	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add a closing single or double quote for each typed opening single or double quote, respectively.
Reformat block on typing "}"	If this checkbox is selected, then, on typing the closing curly brace, the enclosed code block is reformatted automatically, if the formatting of this code block does not match the selected code style.
Use 'CamelHumps' words	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA discern separate words within CamelHump names. Words within a name should start with a capital letter or an underscore. This option impacts some editor actions, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Caret Move</b> (<code>Ctrl+Right</code> / <code>Ctrl+Left</code>)</li> <li>- <b>Caret Move with Selection</b> (<code>Ctrl+Shift+Right</code> / <code>Ctrl+Shift+Left</code>)</li> <li>- <b>Select Word at Caret</b> (<code>Ctrl+W</code>)</li> <li>- <b>Delete to Word Start/End</b> (<code>Ctrl+Backspace</code> and <code>Ctrl+Delete</code> respectively)</li> <li>- <b>Double-clicking</b> (if Honor "CamelHumps" word settings when selecting using double click is enabled on the Editor   General settings page).</li> </ul>

IntelliJ IDEA also provides similar actions that work in a mode opposite to the one selected in the Use 'CamelHumps' words setting:

- Move Caret to Previous Word in Different "CamelHumps" mode
- Move Caret to Previous Word with Selection in Different "CamelHumps" mode
- Move Caret to Next Word in Different "CamelHumps" mode
- Move Caret to Next Word with Selection in Different "CamelHumps" mode
- Delete to Word End in Different "CamelHumps" mode
- Delete to Word Start in Different "CamelHumps" mode

For example, if Use 'CamelHumps' words is *enabled*, the action **Move Caret to Next Word in Different "CamelHumps" mode** moves the caret to the end of word regardless of uppercase characters in this word; if Use 'CamelHumps' words is *disabled*, then the caret moves to the next CamelHump within this word.

These actions have no default keyboard shortcuts, and are not included in the menus but you can invoke them from **Go to Action** (`Ctrl+Shift+A`):



You can bind them with the shortcuts of your choice as described in the section [Configuring Keyboard Shortcuts](#).

Surround selection on typing quote or brace	If this checkbox is selected, the selected text on typing a quote, double-quote or brace, will be surrounded with these characters. If this checkbox is not selected, then the typed quotes, double-quotes or braces will replace the selection.
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Add multiple carets on double <code>Ctrl</code> / <code>⌘</code> with arrow keys	If this checkbox is selected, then: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- pressing <code>Ctrl</code> (for Windows or *NIX) or <code>⌘</code> (for macOS) twice plus up/down arrow keys leads to creating multiple carets.</li> <li>- pressing <code>Ctrl</code> (for Windows or *NIX) or <code>⌘</code> (for macOS) twice plus left/right arrow keys or Home/End leads to creating a selection.</li> </ul>
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For more information, see the [Multicursor](#) section.

Enter	Use this area to define the actions to be invoked by pressing <code>Enter</code> . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Smart Indent</b> - select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA add a new line and position the caret in it, with the indent that IntelliJ IDEA assumes to be reasonable in the current point of code (indentation is based on the current <a href="#">Code Style</a> settings).</li> <li>If the checkbox is cleared, upon pressing <code>Enter</code> in a blank line, IntelliJ IDEA adds a new line and positions</li> </ul>
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the caret at the current non-space character column.

- **Insert pair '}'** - select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically position a closing brace `}` at the proper column when `Enter` is pressed in an empty line. In this case IntelliJ IDEA seeks backward for the nearest unclosed opening brace `{` and places the closing one at the corresponding indentation level.
- **Insert documentation comment stub** - this check box defines the behavior on pressing `Enter` after an opening documentation tag.
  - If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA generates a documentation comment stub.  
For the method comments, this stub contains the required tags ( `@param` tags for each method parameter, `@return` , or `@throws` ). Refer to [Creating Documentation Comments](#) and [Creating JSDoc Comments](#) for details.  
  
For the function comments, this stub contains the required tags ( `@param` tags for each parameter declared in the signature, and `@return` ). Refer to [Creating JSDoc Comments](#) for details.
  - If this checkbox is not selected, only the closing tag is generated.

**Warning!** Note that this checkbox refers to JavaScript, Java and the other languages that have special beginning of documentation comments.

**Backspace** Use this drop-down list to define the actions to be invoked by pressing `Backspace` key. The available options are:

- **Disabled** - pressing `Backspace` returns the caret by one position at a time.
- **To nearest indent position**
- **To proper indentation**

**Reformat on paste** Use this drop-down list to specify how to place pasted code blocks. The available options are:

- **None** - The pasted code is inserted at the caret location as plain text without any reformatting or indenting.
- **Indent Block** - The pasted code block is positioned at the proper indentation level, according to the current [Code Style Settings](#) , but its inner structure is not changed.
- **Indent Each Line** - Each line of the pasted code block is positioned at the proper indentation level, according to the current [Code Style Settings](#) .
- **Reformat Block** - The pasted code block is reformatted according to the current [Code Style Settings](#) .

**Tip** This feature is applicable to lines that contain the trailing line feed characters.

**XML/HTML** In this area, define the actions to be invoked automatically when editing XML or HTML code.

- **Insert closing tag on tag completion** : select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a closing XML or HTML tag upon entering the corresponding opening one.
- **Insert required attributes on tag completion** : select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA display a template with all mandatory attributes of the typed tag.
- **Insert required subtags on tag completion** : select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA display a template with all mandatory subtags.
- **Start attribute on tag completion** : select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA display a template with the first mandatory attribute of the typed tag.
- **Add quotes for attribute value on typing '='** : select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically add quotes for the value of the attribute that you are currently typing.
- **Auto-close tag on typing '</'** : select this check box to automatically add a closing tag after entering `</`. Clear this checkbox to turn off such auto-completion.
- **Simultaneous `<tag></tag>` editing** :
  - When this checkbox is selected and you edit an opening tag the corresponding closing tag is automatically changed accordingly.
  - If this checkbox is cleared, editing the opening tag does not affect the closing tag which remains unchanged. As a result, the opening and closing tags do not match and the entire construct is underlined as erroneous.

This checkbox controls the behaviour of IntelliJ IDEA in the following contexts:

- HTML files
- HTML injections within JavaScript code
- HTML with templates [Handlebars](#)/[Mustache](#) templates
- Handlebars/Mustache template files with the extension `.hbs`
- XML, XHTML files
- DTD files
- JSX files
- JSP files
- HTML injections in PHP files

**CSS** In this area, define the selection of CSS identifiers/classes:

- **Select whole CSS identifier on double-click** : If this checkbox is selected, double-click on a CSS identifier or class name selects the entire name up to the prefix

`.ic-arrow-left`

If this checkbox is not selected, double-click on a CSS identifier or class name selects a portion of a name up to the nearest hyphens:

`.ic-arrow-left`

**AngularJS** Use this area to define the behavior of AngularJS:

- **Auto-insert white space in the interpolation** : If this checkbox is selected, a white space is automatically inserted between the braces: `{{ }}` .

If this checkbox is not selected, the white space is not inserted: `{{}}` .

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Javadoc

In this area, define the behavior of the closing tags in Javadoc.

- Automatically insert closing tag - select this checkbox to make IntelliJ IDEA insert closing tag automatically, after typing `>` . So doing, the caret rests inside the tag. For example, if you type `<b>` , the closing tag `</b>` will be generated automatically.

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SQL

Insert string concatenation on Enter. You may want to turn this option off, if the DBMS you are working with supports multiline string literals:

Say, there is the following fragment for PostgreSQL `text` value `notes` :

```
SET notes = 'Lightest element'
```

and the cursor is in front of the word `element` .

If the option is on, and you press `Enter` , the fragment will change to:

```
SET notes = 'Lightest ' ||
           'element'
```

Otherwise, the fragment will change to:

```
SET notes = 'Lightest
element'
```

Qualify object on code completion. The selected option defines how the name of an object is inserted in the editor when using the code completion suggestion box.

- Always. The qualified object names are always used, i.e. `<schema_name>.<object_name>` .
- On collisions. The qualified object name is used only if the short name is ambiguous, e.g. when there is the object with the same name in more than one schema.
- Never. The unqualified object names are always used.

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Insert pair '%>' on Enter in JSP

Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically position the opening angle bracket `<` at the proper column when entered in an empty line in JSP code. In this case IntelliJ IDEA seeks backward for the nearest unclosed angle bracket and places a closing one `>` at the corresponding indentation level.

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PHP

Use this area to define the behavior of the editor in the PHP context:

- Enable smart function parameter completion : when this checkbox is selected, you can use the "automatic" live template that provides completion lists for the parameters passed into functions, methods, or class constructors.

To invoke the magic live template, type the `params` keyword as the first parameter in the call of the function, method, or class:

```
$result = foo(params);
           (smart function parameters completion) [Tab]
           pg_parameter_status(connection : null|resource .. string
```

IntelliJ IDEA displays a live template where the parameters are automatically completed with the variable names defined in the function declaration. To move to the next parameter, press `Enter` or `Tab` . To move to the previous parameter, press `Shift+Tab` .

The completion list contains variables from a local scope in the next order: with the same type, with a similar name, defined nearby. You can always switch to the usual completion mode by pressing `Ctrl+Space` or just typing anything which is not in the list. Variables with similar names are inserted automatically.

- Select variable name without `$` sign on double click : when this check box is selected, only the variable name that follows the `$` sign is selected on double click or pressing `Ctrl+W` . This is helpful if you often need to copy variable names without `$` : just double-click and copy the selection.

If you still need a variable name with `$` selected, place the cursor before the `$` sign and double click it or press `Ctrl+W` .

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Use this page to customize the appearance of the Editor.

**ItemDescription**

Caret blinking (ms)	Select this checkbox to make the caret blink with the specified period (in milliseconds).
Use block caret	Select this checkbox to have the block caret applied in the Insert mode and the usual caret applied in the Overwrite mode.  Clear this checkbox to have the usual caret applied in the Insert mode and the block caret applied in the Overwrite mode.
Show right margin (configured in Code Style options)	Select this checkbox to have a thin vertical line at the right margin of the editor displayed. Refer to the description of the <a href="#">Code Style settings</a> .
Show line numbers	Select this checkbox to have line numbering shown in the left gutter area.
Show method separators	Select this checkbox to have thin lines displayed in classes to separate methods from each other and to separate methods from field declarations.
Show whitespaces	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA display white spaces or tabs (depending on the <a href="#">Code Style settings</a> ).  You can select the following options: – Leader - select this checkbox to add white spaces before your code line. – Inner - select this checkbox to display white spaces inside the line of your code. – Trailing - select this checkbox to display white spaces after the code line.

Show vertical indent guides	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA display vertical lines in the editor to indicate positions of indents and thus facilitate typing, manual formatting, reading, and maintaining code.
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Show code lens on scrollbar hover	Select this checkbox to enable <a href="#">lens mode</a> .
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Show breadcrumbs	Select this checkbox to show a breadcrumb trail on top of the editor tab for an HTML or an XML file. Reopen the editor for the changes to take effect.
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```
topic content table conditional tr td
```

(XML)

```
html body table tr td
```

(HTML)

Show parameter name hints	If the checkbox is selected, the parameter name hints appear in the editor for SQL, Java and Groovy. E.g. the column name hints may be shown for SQL INSERT statements.
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```
1 INSERT INTO family (member_id, name, relation) VALUES
2 ( member_id: 1, name: 'Chloe', relation: 'mother');
```

Here is how the same statement is shown when this checkbox is not selected.

```
1 INSERT INTO family (member_id, name, relation) VALUES
2 (1, 'Chloe', 'mother');
```

Click Configure to change the contents of the Blacklist. See [Type Hinting in IntelliJ IDEA](#).

Show CSS color preview icon in gutter	Select this checkbox to show color preview icons for the color values. See <a href="#">Changing Color Values in Style Sheets</a> .
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```
#header h1{
  color: #0000ff;
}
#body bodytext{
  color: brown;
}
color: #a52a2a
```

If this checkbox is not selected, it is still possible to invoke the color picker and change color values, by choosing the Change color intention action.

```
s.css x
body {
  background: #ffffff;
  color: #3f3f3f;
}
Change color
Convert color to HSL
Convert color to RGB
```

Show CSS color preview as background	If this checkbox is selected, the background of the color value shows the color preview.
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```

some.css x
1 body{
2   background: #010203;
3   color: blue;
4 }

```

Enable XML/HTML tag tree highlighting

Select this checkbox to show the hierarchy of tags highlighted with different colors. If this option is enabled, you can define the following options:

- Levels to highlight : specify the depth of hierarchy to be highlighted.
- Opacity : specify brightness of highlighting

```

sample.html x
html body ul li ul li
<ul>
  <li>Level 1
    <ul>
      <li>Level 2</li>
      <ul>
        <li>Level 3</li>
        <li>This is a hierarchy high
      </ul>
    </ul>
  </li>
</ul>

```

Highlighting is activated when there is more than one tag with the same name in the hierarchy.

Highlight RDoc and ruby in comments  
This feature is only supported, when Ruby plugin is installed!

If this checkbox is selected, the keywords are highlighted in comments. Otherwise, they are displayed as plain text.  
Changing state of this checkbox takes effect upon IntelliJ IDEA restart only.

Show Spring Profiles panel

If this checkbox is selected, Spring configuration files show the active profile names on top of the editor. This panel also provides the Change Profiles action.

```

transfer-service-config.xml x DefaultTransferServiceTests.java x TransferService.java
Active profiles: "production" Change Profiles Close
<bean id="transferService" class="com.bank.service.internal.DefaultTransferService"...>

```

Clicking this action opens up the Change Active Spring Profiles dialog where you can choose a scope to which you want to apply the selected profiles.

If there are no profiles in a file set, the panel is not displayed.

Show Spring Multiple Contexts panel

If this option is selected, a panel notifying you that a file belongs to different filesets is displayed.

```

additional-spring-configuration-metadata.json x qqqq.xml
Spring Application Context in module hello spring boot . File is included in 4 contexts.
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<beans xmlns="http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"

```

Clicking the Spring Application Context link allows you to switch between different contexts.

Show Spring Boot meta-data panel

If this option is selected, a panel notifying you that Spring Boot Configuration Annotation Processor is not found in classpath will be displayed when you create a top-level class annotated with `@ConfigurationProperties` or the `additional-spring-configuration-metadata.json` file.

```

application.properties x m demo x CustomConfigProperties.java x additional-spring-configuration-metadata.json x
Spring Boot Configuration Annotation Processor not found in classpath Open Documentation...
package demo;

```



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Use this page to enable or disable breadcrumbs for all supported languages or for some of them. Optionally customize the placement for breadcrumbs in the editor and highlighting for them.

#### ItemDescription

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**Show breadcrumbs** When this checkbox is selected, breadcrumbs are shown in the contexts selected in the Languages area:

`DataStructure` `EvenIterator` `next()`

When this checkbox is cleared, the Placement and Languages areas are disabled.

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**Placement** In this area, choose whether you want to have breadcrumbs at the top or at the bottom of the editor. The default option is Bottom .

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**Languages** Select the checkboxes next to the language contexts where you want to have breadcrumbs.

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**Manage colors** Click this link to open [Color Scheme](#) page and configure colors for highlighting breadcrumbs.

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Use this page to configure the appearance of the editor tabs and tab headers, specify their positioning on the screen, and define the tab closing policy.

**ItemDescription**

## Tab Appearance

**Placement** Use this drop-down list to define the location of the editor tab. The available options are:


- Top - the default setting.
- Bottom
- Right
- Left
- None - select this option to have single editor without any tabs displayed.

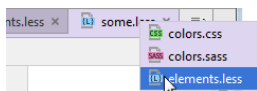
Refer to the section [Changing Placement of the Editor Tab Headers](#) for details.

**Show tabs in single row** Select this checkbox to have headers of currently opened editor tabs displayed in a single row. As a result, some tab headers may become invisible. To cope with this problem, use the command Window | Editor Tabs | Show All Tabs . Refer to the section [Navigating Between Editor Tabs](#) .

If this checkbox is selected, the [sorting in alphabetical order](#) mode becomes available for the top and bottom placement of the editor tabs.

If this checkbox is not selected, headers of all the currently opened tabs are displayed, possibly, in several rows.

**Hide tabs if there is no space** If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA shows as many tabs as fits into the current IntelliJ IDEA frame; the rest of the tabs are hidden under the  drop-down:




If this checkbox is not selected, all the editor tabs are shown; so doing, each tab's size reduces:




This checkbox becomes enabled when Show tabs in single row checkbox is selected.

**Hide file extensions in editor tabs** Select this checkbox to have only file names displayed in editor tab headers.

**Show directory in editor tabs for non-unique file names** If this checkbox is selected, the editor tabs will show the file name together with the parent directory name; if this checkbox is not selected, only the file name will be included in the editor tab.

**Show "close" button on editor tabs** Select this checkbox to have the Close Active Editor button  displayed in editor tab headers.

**Mark modified tabs with asterisk** If this checkbox is selected, changed but yet unsaved files have an asterisk  on their editor tabs.




**Show tabs tooltips** If this checkbox is selected, a tooltip with the complete path to a file displays on hovering the mouse pointer over a tab.

If this checkbox is not selected, a tooltip is not shown.

## Tab Closing Policy

**Tab limit** In this text box, specify the maximum number of the editor tabs to display.

**Navigation from non-modified tab will reuse it** Use this option to specify the IntelliJ IDEA behaviour on . This option allows you to avoid [cluttering of the editor space](#) .

If this checkbox is **selected** , then, if a file in an editor tab has not been modified and the users has navigated from this file, the target file opens in the same tab. If a file has been modified, then the target file opens in a new tab.

If this checkbox is **not selected** , the target file always opens in a new tab.

Note that a file is considered modified if its [VCS status has changed](#) .

**When number of opened editors exceeds tab limit** In this area, specify which editor tab should be closed when the tab limit is reached and the user attempts to open a new file. The available options are:

- Close non-modified files first - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA examines the tabs in the order they were opened and closes the first tab with content that has not been modified.
- Close less frequently used files - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA closes the tab with the less frequently modified content.

**When closing** In this area, specify which editor tab to activate when closing the currently active tab. The available options are:


active editor

- Activate left neighbouring tab - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA activates the closest tab to the left from the tab being closed.
- Activate right neighbouring tab - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA activates the closest tab to the right from the tab being closed.
- Activate most recently opened tab - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA activates the tab with the file which was opened last.

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Use this page to hide or show the icons in the gutter area that invoke actions related to the basic, IntelliJ IDEA-wide features or to framework- and technology-specific features for all the newly created editors.

The right-hand pane shows all the gutter icons available in IntelliJ IDEA. The basic, IntelliJ IDEA-wide features, such as  (Run), are displayed at the top of the list under the Common title. Other features are grouped by the frameworks and technologies to which they are related, for example, Groovy, Spring Support, etc.

Note that a group of technology-related features is displayed only if the corresponding plugin is installed and activated, see [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) and [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) for details.

- To have an icon displayed in the gutter area, find the icon or the corresponding action in the list and then select the checkbox next to it.
- To have an icon hidden, clear the checkbox next to it.

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Use this page to specify your [code folding](#) preferences.

**ItemDescription**

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Show code folding outline    Select this checkbox if you want the code folding toggles (⌵, ⌶ and ⌷) to be shown in the editor. Clear the checkbox to hide the toggles.

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Collapse by default    Select the code fragments which should be folded by default, that is, when a file is first opened in the editor.

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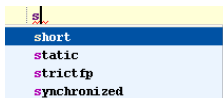
Use this page to configure the [code completion](#), and [parameter information](#) settings.

**ItemDescription**

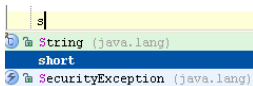
## Code Completion

**Case sensitive completion** From this drop-down list, select the degree to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to take into consideration the case sensitivity when suggesting matches for code completion. The available options are:

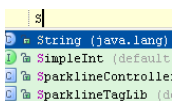
- **All** : The lookup list includes only those items that match the case of all typed letters. This option is most restrictive.



- **None** : The lookup list includes all matches regardless of their case.





- **First letter** : The lookup list includes only the items with the first letter matching.

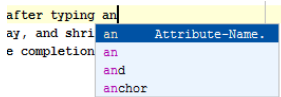


**Auto-insert when only one choice on:** When the checkboxes in this section are selected, IntelliJ IDEA doesn't show a lookup list for the corresponding completion type in cases when only one variant of code completion is available, and completes code automatically.

**Sort lookup items lexicographically** If this checkbox is selected, the entries in the suggestion list will be sorted according to their lexical order.

If this checkbox is not selected, the entries in the suggestion list will be sorted by relevance. Note that the checkbox defines the default behavior. You can change it any time by clicking the  or  icons in the [suggestion list](#).

**Autopopup code completion** Select this checkbox, if you want suggestion list to appear after typing anything.




If the checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will not suggest code completion automatically.

**Insert selected variant by typing dot, space, etc.** If this checkbox is selected, code is completed by pressing certain character: comma, colon, semicolon, opening parentheses of the various kinds, equality sign, asterisk. This option is turned off by default.

**Autopopup documentation (ms)** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically show a pop-up window with the documentation for the class, method, or field currently highlighted in the lookup list. In the text field to the right, specify the delay (in milliseconds), after which the pop-up window should appear.

**For explicitly invoked completion** If this checkbox is not selected, use  to show quick documentation for the element at caret.

Quick documentation window will automatically pop up with the specified delay in those cases only, when code completion has been invoked explicitly. For the automatic code completion list, documentation window will only show up on pressing .

## Parameter Info

**Autopopup in (ms)** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically show a pop-up window with all available method signatures, when an opening bracket is typed in the editor, or a method is selected from the lookup list. In the text field to the right, specify the delay (in milliseconds) after when the pop-up window should appear.

If this checkbox is not selected, use  to show the parameter info.

**Show full signatures** If this checkbox is selected, the parameter info displays full signatures, including the method name and returned type.

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## Overview

**Postfix code completion** lets you transform an already typed expression to another one based on the postfix you type after a dot, the type of the expression, and its context. This transformation is performed by expanding the postfix-specific predefined template.

For example, the `.if` postfix applied to an expression wraps it with an `if` statement.

### Before/After

<pre>function m(arg) {   arg.if }</pre>	<pre>function m(arg) {   if (arg) {   } }</pre>
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See more at: [Postfix Code Completion](#).

On this page, enable and disable postfix templates and appoint the key to activate the template expansion.

## Controls

### Item/Description

Enable postfix completion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA transform expressions with postfixes into other expressions by expanding postfix-specific templates. When the checkbox is selected, choose the postfixes to apply transformations to by selecting the checkboxes next to the desired postfixes in the list below.</li> <li>– When this checkbox is cleared, no template expansion is applied.</li> </ul>
Expand template with	From this drop-down box, choose the key that will invoke template expansion. The available options are: <code>Tab</code> , <code>Space</code> , and <code>Enter</code> .
Table of available postfix templates	The table below shows the list of available postfix templates. To enable or disable a template, select or clear the checkbox next to it. When you select a template, the right-hand pane shows its description and illustrates how it works by displaying the expression before and after the selected template is applied.







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Use this page to define lines to be folded in consoles. This lets you hide extraneous information and make console output easier to read and comprehend.

#### ItemDescription







Use soft wraps in console	If this checkbox is selected, soft wraps (or word wraps ) are used in consoles.
Console commands history size	In this text box, specify how many console commands will be included in the console history and can be browsed through.
Override console cycle buffer size (1024 KB)	Select this checkbox if you want to delete old messages when the console buffer size exceeds the specified value.
Fold console lines that contain	In this area, configure a list of patterns that determine the lines to be hidden in console output. Any line that contains one of these patterns as a substring is hidden. Use the following icons or shortcuts:

#### IconKeyboard Description shortcut

	 Use this icon or shortcut to open the Folding Pattern dialog box and type a new pattern.
	 Use this icon or shortcut to open the Folding Pattern dialog box and edit the selected pattern.
	 Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected pattern from the list.

Exceptions	In this area, configure a list of patterns that determine the lines not to be folded in console output. Any line that contains one of these patterns as a substring is displayed. Use the following icons or shortcuts:
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#### IconKeyboard Description shortcut


	 Use this icon or shortcut to open the Folding Pattern dialog box and type a new pattern.
	 Use this icon or shortcut to open the Folding Pattern dialog box and edit the selected pattern.
	 Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected pattern from the list.



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Use this section to select the color scheme for the IntelliJ IDEA editor.

#### ItemDescription

Scheme	From this drop-down list, select the color scheme to be used in your workspace.
	<p>Click this button to invoke the following commands (depending on the selected scheme):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Duplicate : click to save the currently selected Color settings as a new scheme. Hit <code>Enter</code> to save the new scheme, or <code>Escape</code> to cancel operation.</li><li>- Restore Defaults : click to reset the selected color scheme to the initial defaults shipped with IntelliJ IDEA. Available if a predefined color scheme has been selected and changed.</li><li>- Export : click to export the current scheme to a file.</li><li>- Rename : click to rename the current scheme. This command is only available for copies or imported schemes, since the predefined schemes cannot be renamed.</li><li>- Delete : click to delete the current scheme. This command is only available for copies or imported schemes, since the predefined schemes cannot be deleted.</li><li>- Import Scheme : click to import a IntelliJ IDEA color scheme (you can either import a file in an internal <code>.icls</code> format, or a <code>.jar</code> created through the File   Export Settings menu), or an Eclipse color scheme in the XML format.</li></ul>

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## Scheme

In this area, choose the code style scheme and change it as required. Code style scheme settings are automatically applied every time IntelliJ IDEA generates, refactors, or reformats your code.

Code styles are defined at the project level and at the IDE level (global).

- At the **Project** level, settings are grouped under the Project scheme, which is predefined and is marked in bold. The **Project** style scheme is applied to the current project only.

You can copy the Project scheme to the IDE level, using the Copy to IDE... command.

- At the **IDE** level, settings are grouped under the predefined Default scheme (marked in bold), and any other scheme created by the user by the Duplicate command (marked as plain text). Global settings are used when the user doesn't want to keep code style settings with the project and share them.

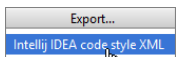
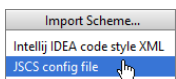
You can copy the IDE scheme to the current project, using the Copy to Project... command.

### ItemDescription

**Scheme** From this drop-down list, select the scheme to be used. The **predefined** schemes are shown bold. The **custom** schemes, ones created as copies of the predefined schemes, are in plain text. The location where the scheme is stored is written next to each scheme, for example, the Default scheme is stored in the IDE, the Project scheme is stored in the project.

 Click this button to invoke the drop-down list of commands to manage the schemes:

#### ItemDescriptionAvailable for

Copy to IDE...	Choose this command to copy the scheme settings to the IDE.	Project
Export...	Choose this command to export the selected scheme to an <code>xml</code> file in the selected location: 	Project and IDE
Import Scheme...	Choose this command to import the scheme of the selected type from the specified location: 	Project and IDE
Copy to Project...	Choose this command to copy the scheme settings to be stored with a project.	IDE
Duplicate...	Choose this command to create a copy of the selected scheme.	IDE
Reset	Choose this command to reset the default or bundled color scheme to the initial defaults shipped with IntelliJ IDEA. This command becomes available only if some changes have been done.	IDE
Rename	Choose this command to change the name of the selected custom scheme. Press <code>Enter</code> to save changes, or <code>Escape</code> to cancel.	Custom schemes

## Line Separators

IntelliJ IDEA lets you configure line separator and indentation options for various languages. When [reformatting source code](#), IntelliJ IDEA will apply the specified indentation behavior and skip the sections denoted with the special formatting off/on markers.

### ItemDescription

**Line Separator (for new files)** Use this drop-down list to specify which [line separator](#) is to be used in files created by IntelliJ IDEA. The available options are:

- System dependent - choose this option to use the default selection.
- Unix and macOS (`\n`) - choose this option to use the Unix and macOS line separator.
- Windows (`\r\n`) - choose this option to use the Windows line separator.
- Classic Mac (`\r`) - choose this option to use the Classic Mac line separator.

**Hard wrap at** In this text box, specify the number of columns to be used to display pages in the editor.

**Wrap on typing** Select this checkbox to ensure that edited text always fits in the specified right margin.

**Visual guides** In this field, specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

## Indents Detection

Use this area to specify the default options for indentation.

### ItemDescription

Detect and use existing file indents for editing	Select this checkbox for IntelliJ IDEA to detect the existing indents in a file and use them for editing instead of the indents specified in the Code Style settings for the specific language.
Show notifications about detected indents	Select this checkbox to show a notification if IntelliJ IDEA detects indents that are different from the ones specified in the Code Style settings for the specific language.

## Formatter Control

In this area, specify the markers to limit code fragments that you want to exclude from [reformatting](#) . In the source code, formatting markers are written inside [line comments](#) .

### ItemDescription

Enable formatter markers in comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, fragments of code between line comments with the formatting markers will not be reformatted and will preserve the original formatting. After you select this checkbox, the fields below become available and you can specify the character strings to be treated as formatting markers.</li> <li>– If the checkbox is cleared, the formatting markers will be ignored and the code between the line comments with markers will be reformatted.</li> </ul>
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### Markers

**Formatter off:** In this text box, specify the character string that will indicate the beginning of a code fragment which you want to exclude from reformatting. Type a character string with the `@` symbol in preposition or leave the predefined value `@formatter:off` .

**Formatter on:** In this text box, specify the character string that will indicate the end of a code fragment which you want to exclude from reformatting. Type a character string with the `@` symbol in preposition or leave the predefined value `@formatter:on` .

**Regular expressions** Select this checkbox to use regular expressions instead of specifying the formatting markers explicitly. IntelliJ IDEA matches formatter on/off markers using the regular expression specified instead of the exact string.

## Formatting markers usage example

**The original source code**      **The code after reformatting**

```
//@formatter:off
- "scripts": {
-   "post-install-cmd": [
-     "php artisan optimize"
-   ],
-   "post-update-cmd": [
-     "php artisan clear-compiled",
-     "php artisan optimize"
-   ],
-   "post-create-project-cmd": [
-     "php artisan key:generate"
-   ],
- }
//@formatter:on
```

When the formatting markers are disabled, the original formatting is broken:

```
//@formatter:off
- "scripts": {
-   "post-install-cmd": [
-     "php artisan optimize"
-   ],
-   "post-update-cmd": [
-     "php artisan clear-compiled",
-     "php artisan optimize"
-   ],
-   "post-create-project-cmd": [
-     "php artisan key:generate"
-   ],
- }
//@formatter:on
```

When the formatting markers are enabled, the original formatting is preserved:

```
//@formatter:off
- "scripts": {
-   "post-install-cmd": [
-     "php artisan optimize"
-   ],
-   "post-update-cmd": [
-     "php artisan clear-compiled",
-     "php artisan optimize"
-   ],
-   "post-create-project-cmd": [
-     "php artisan key:generate"
-   ],
- }
//@formatter:on
```

## EditorConfig

In this area enable the support of the EditorConfig plugin.

### ItemDescription

Enable EditorConfig support	Select this checkbox to enable the EditorConfig plugin support. In this case you can specify your own code style settings that override the IDE settings. However, if you decide to use IDE settings after creating the EditorConfig settings file then you need clear the Enable EditorConfig support check box.
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**Export** Click this button if you want to export the current IDE code style settings into the `.editconfig` file.

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Use this dialog box to manage the set of code style schemes.

#### ItemDescription

Save As...	Click this button to create a copy of the currently selected scheme. This new scheme can be used for copying a scheme to project, and for <a href="#">export</a> .
Delete	Click this button to remove the currently selected scheme. Note that the predefined schemes cannot be deleted.
Copy to Project	Click this button to copy the settings of the currently selected scheme to project. When the settings are copied, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to switch to this scheme.
Import	Click this button to import IntelliJ IDEA XML code style settings, or JSCS config file.
Export	Click this button to export to IntelliJ IDEA XML code style settings file. The resulting XML file is exported to the specified location and has the specified name. This XML file is used by the <a href="#">Command Line Formatter</a> .
Close	Click this button to close the Code Style Schemes dialog box.

Note that any changes to the set of schemes (creating copies, or deleting unnecessary schemes) only take place on clicking Apply or OK buttons in the [Settings/Preferences dialog](#) .


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Use this page to configure formatting options for HOCON files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

**Note** This page appears when the [Scala plugin](#) is enabled.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On pressing the  key</li> <li>For indentation</li> <li>For code reformatting</li> </ul> </li> <li>When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li> <li>If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply on [reformatting the source code](#). The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions (Keep when reformatting), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.) The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the *Line breaks* checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks check box before you [reformat the source code](#).

## Wrapping options

The wrapping style applies to the various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

### ItemDescription

Wrapping style	<p>From this drop-down list, select the desired wrapping style:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied. With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.</li> <li>Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.</li> <li>Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.</li> <li>Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.</li> </ul>
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## Alignment options

### ItemDescription

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
<code>&lt;character(s)&gt;</code> on next line	Select this checkbox to have the specified character or characters moved to the next line when the lines are wrapped.
'else' on new line	Use this checkbox to have the corresponding statements or characters moved to the next line.

New line after <character>	Select this checkbox to have the code after the specified character moved to a new line.
Special else if treatment	If this checkbox is selected, <code>else if</code> statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, <code>else if</code> statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.
Indent case branches	If this checkbox is selected, the <code>case</code> statement is located at the corresponding indent level. Otherwise, <code>case</code> statement is placed at the same indent level with <code>switch</code> .

## Braces placement options

### ItemDescription

Braces placement style	Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations , method declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- End of line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the declaration line end.</li><li>- Next line if wrapped - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.</li><li>- Next line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.</li><li>- Next line shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.</li><li>- Next line each shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and have the next line shifted to the next indent level as well.</li></ul>
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Force braces	From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for <code>if</code> , <code>for</code> , <code>while</code> , and <code>do () while</code> statements. The available options are:
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## Blank lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of location, specify the number of blank lines to be inserted. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

### ItemDescription


Keep Maximum Blank Lines	In this area, specify the number of blank lines to be kept after reformatting in the specified locations.
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Use this page to configure formatting options for Java files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On pressing the  key</li> <li>- For indentation</li> <li>- For code reformatting</li> </ul> </li> <li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li> <li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Keep indents on empty lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA will keep indents on the empty lines as if they contained some code.</li> <li>If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will delete the tab characters and spaces.</li> </ul>
Label indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted at the next line before a label statement.
Absolute label indent	If this checkbox is selected, label indentation is counted as an absolute number of spaces. Otherwise, label indentation is counted relative to previous indent levels.
Do not indent top level class members	Select this checkbox to have top level class members located at the class declaration indentation level.
Use indents relative to expression start	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use this checkbox to switch between the two possible indentation behaviors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is not selected, the blocks of code will be formatted against the closest ancestor block that starts on a new line.</li> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the blocks of code will be formatted in columns.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply on [reformatting the source code](#) . The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions ( Keep when reformatting ), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.) The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

## Right Margin (columns)

Use the Hard wrap at field to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the [global settings](#) is used.

## Wrap on typing

Use the Wrap on typing settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at . You can select one the following options:

- Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the [global settings](#) .
- Yes - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the value specified in the Right Margin field.
- No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

## Visual guides

Use the Visual guides field to specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by

default, the *Line breaks* checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks check box before you [reformat the source code](#) .

## Wrapping options

The wrapping style applies to the various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

### ItemDescription

- Wrapping style From this drop-down list, select the desired wrapping style:
- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied. With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
  - Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.
  - Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
  - Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Alignment options

### ItemDescription

Align when multiline If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.

<character(s)> on next line Select this checkbox to have the specified character or characters moved to the next line when the lines are wrapped.

'else' on new line Use this checkbox to have the corresponding statements or characters moved to the next line.

New line after <character> Select this checkbox to have the code after the specified character moved to a new line.

Special else if treatment If this checkbox is selected, `else if` statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, `else if` statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.

Indent case branches If this checkbox is selected, the `case` statement is located at the corresponding indent level. Otherwise, `case` statement is placed at the same indent level with `switch` .

## Braces placement options

### ItemDescription

Braces placement style Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations , method declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are:

- End of line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the declaration line end.
- Next line if wrapped - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.
- Next line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.
- Next line shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.
- Next line each shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and have the next line shifted to the next indent level as well.

Force braces From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for `if` , `for` , `while` , and `do () while` statements. The available options are:

## Blank lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of location, specify the number of blank lines to be inserted. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

### ItemDescription

Keep Maximum Blank Lines In this area, specify the number of blank lines to be kept after reformatting in the specified locations.

Minimum Blank Lines In the text boxes in this area, specify the number of blank lines to be present in the specified locations.

**Warning!** These settings do not influence the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## JavaDoc

### ItemDescription

Alignment In this area, define how JavaDoc comments should be aligned.

- Align parameter description : select this checkbox to have parameter descriptions aligned against the longest parameter name. Otherwise, the description is separated from the corresponding parameter name by a single space.
- Align thrown exception description : select this checkbox to have thrown exception descriptions aligned against the longest exception name. Otherwise, the description is separated from the exception name by a single space.



Blank Lines	<p>In this area, define where blank lines should be inserted in JavaDoc comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– After description : select this checkbox to have a blank line automatically inserted after the description section of a JavaDoc comment.</li> <li>– After parameter descriptions : select this checkbox to have a blank line inserted after the group of <code>@param</code> tags.</li> <li>– After return tag : select this checkbox to have a blank line inserted after the <code>@return</code> tag.</li> </ul>
Invalid Tags	<p>In this area, define whether invalid tags should be preserved or not.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Keep invalid tags : select this checkbox to have the <code>@invalidTag</code> preserved.</li> <li>– Keep empty <code>@param</code> tags : select this checkbox to have <code>@param</code> tags without description preserved.</li> <li>– Keep empty <code>@return</code> tags : select this checkbox to have <code>@return</code> tags without description preserved.</li> <li>– Keep empty <code>@throws</code> tags : select this checkbox to have <code>@throws</code> tags without description preserved.</li> </ul>
Other	<p>In this area, specify additional formatting options for JavaDoc comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Enable leading asterisks : select this checkbox to have each line of a JavaDoc comment start with an asterisk.</li> <li>– Use <code>@throws</code> rather than <code>@exception</code> : select this checkbox to have the <code>@throws</code> tag used.</li> <li>– Wrap at right margin : select this checkbox to have the text that exceeds the right margin wrapped to the next line.</li> <li>– Generate <code>&lt;/p&gt;</code> on empty lines : select this checkbox to have a <code>&lt;/p&gt;</code> tag automatically inserted in an empty line.</li> <li>– Keep empty lines : select this checkbox to have manually added empty lines preserved.</li> <li>– Do not wrap one-line comment : select this checkbox to have short comments kept in one line with the opening and closing tags.</li> <li>– Preserve line feed : If this checkbox is not selected (by default), line feeds are not preserved on reformatting. This is convenient when comments should be formatted within the boundaries of a paragraph, to occupy minimum space. If this checkbox is selected, line feeds will be preserved.</li> <li>– Parameter description on new line : select this checkbox to instruct the IntelliJ IDEA formatter to place the description of a JavaDoc parameter (if any) to a new line. It uses indent based on the continuation indent value.</li> </ul>

## Arrangement

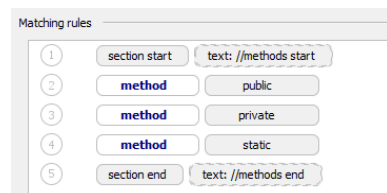
This tab lets you define a set of rules that rearranges your code according to your preferences.

### ItemDescription

Grouping Rules	<p>Use this area to set the grouping rules.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Keep getters and setters together Select this checkbox to keep getter and setter methods together. By default, this checkbox is selected.</li> <li>– Keep overridden methods together Select this checkbox to group the overridden methods together by class and interface. In order: list, select keep or by name options.</li> <li>– Keep dependent methods together Select this checkbox to group the dependent methods together. In order: list, select depth-first or breadth-first options.</li> </ul>
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Matching rules	<p>Use this area to define elements order as a list of rules, where every rule has a set of matches such as modifier or type.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>+</b> - use this button to add a rule. The empty rule area opens.</li> <li>– <b>+</b> - use this button to add a section rule. The section rule lets you move methods or variables into sections that you have defined.</li> </ul>
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For example, you can create the following section rule:




After the arrangement, methods in the class will be rearranged as specified in the created section rule and will be surrounded by comments:

```
//methods start
public void test() {}
private int a() { return 1; }
static void r() {}
//methods end
```

- **-** - use this button to remove the rule from the list.
- **✎** - use this button to edit an existing rule. To see this button, navigate to the rule that you want to edit and click on the button. In pop-up window that opens, modify the rule fields.
- **↑↓** - use these buttons to move the selected rule up or down.
- **⚙** - use this button to configure an alias for the matching rule. In this case, when you create an arrangement rule you can define a custom rule (alias) that would include a sequence of different rules and apply the alias to your current rule.

- Empty rule Use this area to create a new matching rule or edit an existing one. You can select from the following filters:
- Type - use this filter to choose classes or methods for your rule.
- Note that clicking a type keyword twice negates the condition.
- Modifier - use this filter to select the types of modifiers for the rule.
- Note that clicking a modifier keyword twice negates the condition.
- Name - use this field to specify entry names in the rule. This filter matches only entry names, such as field names, method names, class names, etc. The filter supports regular expressions and uses a [standard syntax](#). The match is performed against the entire name.
  - Order - use this drop-down list to select the sorting order for the rule. This option is useful when more than one element uses the same matching rule. In this case, selecting Keep order will keep the same order as was set before the rearrangement and selecting Order by Name will sort the elements with the same matching rule by their names.
  - Aliases - this option displays aliases that were defined in the Rules Alias Definition dialog. You can remove the ones you do not need.

 This icon appears when you select Order by Name from the Order list. The icon indicates that the items in this rule are sorted alphabetically.

## Imports

This table lists actions to be performed when [imports are optimized](#).

### ItemDescription

General	<p>In this area, configure general import options.</p> <p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use single class import : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA import only a particular class from a package during code generation or <a href="#">import optimization</a>. Otherwise, a statement importing an entire package is inserted.</li> <li>– Use fully qualified class names : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use the fully qualified name of the class to be imported during code generation or <a href="#">import optimization</a>. Otherwise, a normal import statement is inserted.</li> <li>– Insert imports for inner classes : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA create imports for the inner classes referenced in your code.</li> <li>– Use fully qualified names in Javadoc : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use a fully qualified class name in Javadoc. Otherwise, a class is imported.</li> <li>– Class count to use import with "*" : In this text field, specify the number of classes to be imported from a single package until all statements importing a single class are substituted with a statement importing an entire package.</li> <li>– Names count to use static import with "*" : In this text box, specify the number of members to be imported from a single class until all statements importing a single member are substituted with a statement importing an entire class.</li> </ul>
JSP Imports Layout	<p>In this area, configure how JSP import statements should be organized in your code. The introduced changes are displayed in the Preview pane below.</p> <p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Prefer comma separated import list : Select this option to import statements organized in a comma separated list.</li> <li>– Prefer one import statement per page directive : Select this option to have one import statement created per line.</li> </ul>
Packages to Use Import with "*"	<p>In this area, configure a list of packages and classes to be always imported completely.</p> <p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Static : Select this checkbox, if you want to declare static import for the selected class.</li> <li>– Package : In the text fields of this column, specify the packages and classes to be always imported completely.</li> <li>– With Subpackages : Select this checkbox to have all the subpackages of the selected package imported completely.</li> <li>– Add Package : Click this button to add a new entry to the list of packages and classes.</li> <li>– Add Blank : Click this button to add an empty separator to the list of packages and classes.</li> <li>– Remove : Click this button to delete the selected package or class from the list.</li> </ul>
Import Layout	<p>In this area, configure how import statements should be organized in your code. You can set up certain classes to be positioned first, or last, or one after another. Imported classes will be grouped as per their packages and sorted alphabetically within a package.</p> <p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Layout static imports separately : If this checkbox is selected, all static imports will be kept in a separate section. Otherwise, all import statements will be sorted according to the specified layout rules.</li> <li>– Static : Select this checkbox, if you want to declare static import for the selected package.</li> <li>– Package : In the text fields of this column, specify the packages to be imported.</li> <li>– With Subpackages : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the layout rules to all the subpackages of the selected package.</li> <li>– Add Package : Click this button to add a new entry to the list of packages.</li> <li>– Add Blank : Click this button to have a blank line inserted after the selected entry, which indicates that a blank line should be inserted between the corresponding import statements.</li> <li>– Move Up / Move Down : Click these buttons to move a package or a blank line up or down in the list thus defining the order of import statements.</li> <li>– Remove : Click this button to delete the selected package from the list.</li> </ul>

## Code Generation

### ItemDescription

Naming	<p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Prefer longer names : select this checkbox to have the longest name highlighted in a lookup list for code</li> </ul>
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completion. Otherwise, the shortest name is highlighted.

- Name prefix / suffix : in these text boxes, type the prefixes and suffixes to be used when generating suggestions for naming new symbols through the IntelliJ IDEA code-generation features.  
If the fields are left blank, then the default name suggestions without prefixes or suffixes will be used. When you add a prefix value, IntelliJ IDEA automatically converts the first letter of the suggested base name to upper case.

For example, if the prefix for a static field is defined as `s`, and the type of the field is `Counter`, then the suggested static field name will be `sCounter`.

Note that this prefix will not take part in the generation of the getter and setter method names. So, in our example, the accessor names will be `getCounter` and `setCounter` respectively.

Specify the name prefixes and suffixes for fields, static fields, parameters, and local variables.

Final Modifier Options:

- Make generated local variables final - select this checkbox to have local variables in the IntelliJ IDEA-generated code supplied with final modifiers.
- Make generated parameters final - select this checkbox to have parameters in the IntelliJ IDEA-generated code supplied with final modifiers.

Comment Options:

- Line comment at first column - select this checkbox to have **generated line comments** placed in the first column.
- Block comment at first column - select this checkbox to have **generated block comments** placed in the first column.

Order of Specify the necessary order:

- Order of Members - the list defines the order in which code elements appear when IntelliJ IDEA inserts them by itself (for instance, in case of **Intention Actions**).
- Move Up/Move Down - Use these buttons to change the order of members on the list and thus re-define the order in which corresponding elements appear in the generated code.

Other Controls Select the necessary options:

- Use External Annotations - if this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will prompt to specify whether you want an **annotation** to be stored in the source code or **externally**. Otherwise, if the checkbox is cleared, annotations are added to the source code by default.
- Insert @Override Annotation - Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA insert @Override annotations automatically.

## Java EE Names

Use this tab to specify prefixes and suffixes for the names of bean classes, bean interfaces, `<ejb-name>` tags, servlets, filters, and listeners. These prefixes and suffixes will by default appear in the corresponding fields of the **New Bean**, **New Servlet**, **New Filter**, and **New Listener** dialog boxes. For entity beans, you can also specify the default primary key class that appears in the **Create CMP Field** dialog box.

### ItemDescription

Entity Bean Use the text boxes in this area to specify prefixes and/or suffixes to be used in the names of Entity Bean components:

- EJB Class : default suffix `Bean`.
- Home Interface : default suffix `Home`.
- Remote Interface
- Local Home Interface : default prefix `Local`, default suffix `Home`.
- Local Interface : default prefix `Local`.
- `<ejb-name>` tag : default suffix `EJB`.
- Transfer Object : default suffix `vo`.
- Default PK Class : `java.lang.String`.

Session Bean Use the text boxes in this area to specify prefixes and/or suffixes to be used in the names of Session Bean components:

- EJB Class : default suffix `Bean`.
- Home Interface : default suffix `Home`.
- Remote Interface
- Local Home Interface : default prefix `Local`, default suffix `Home`.
- Local Interface : default prefix `Local`.
- Service Endpoint Interface : default suffix `Service`.
- `<ejb-name>` tag : default suffix `EJB`.

Message Driven Bean Use the text boxes in this area to specify prefixes and/or suffixes to be used in the names of Message Driven Bean components:

- EJB Class : default suffix `Bean`.
- `<ejb-name>` tag : default suffix `EJB`.

Servlet Use the text boxes in this area to specify prefixes and/or suffixes to be used in the names of Servlets :

- Servlet Class
- `<servlet-name>` tag

Filter Use the text boxes in this area to specify prefixes and/or suffixes to be used in the names of Filters :

- Filter Class
- `<filter-name>` tag

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Listener


In this area, specify the prefix and suffix to be used in the names of listener classes.

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Use this page to configure formatting options for ActionScript files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On pressing the  key</li> <li>- For indentation</li> <li>- For code reformatting</li> </ul> </li> <li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li> <li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply on [reformatting the source code](#) . The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions ( Keep when reformatting ), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.) The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

## Right Margin (columns)

Use the Hard wrap at field to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the [global settings](#) is used.

## Wrap on typing

Use the Wrap on typing settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at . You can select one of the following options:

- Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the [global settings](#) .
- Yes - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the value specified in the Right Margin field.
- No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

## Visual guides

Use the Visual guides field to specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the *Line breaks* checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks check box before you [reformat the source code](#) .

## Wrapping options

The wrapping style applies to the various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

### ItemDescription

Wrapping style	<p>From this drop-down list, select the desired wrapping style:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied.</li> <li>- With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.</li> <li>- Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.</li> </ul>
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- Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Alignment options

### ItemDescription

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
<character(s)> on next line	Select this checkbox to have the specified character or characters moved to the next line when the lines are wrapped.
'else' on new line	Use this checkbox to have the corresponding statements or characters moved to the next line.
New line after <character>	Select this checkbox to have the code after the specified character moved to a new line.
Special else if treatment	If this checkbox is selected, <code>else if</code> statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, <code>else if</code> statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.
Indent case branches	If this checkbox is selected, the <code>case</code> statement is located at the corresponding indent level. Otherwise, <code>case</code> statement is placed at the same indent level with <code>switch</code> .

## Braces placement options

### ItemDescription

Braces placement style	Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations, method declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- End of line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the declaration line end.</li> <li>- Next line if wrapped - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.</li> <li>- Next line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.</li> <li>- Next line shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.</li> <li>- Next line each shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and have the next line shifted to the next indent level as well.</li> </ul>
Force braces	From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for <code>if</code> , <code>for</code> , <code>while</code> , and <code>do () while</code> statements. The available options are:

## Blank lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of location, specify the number of blank lines to be inserted. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

### ItemDescription

Keep Maximum Blank Lines	In this area, specify the number of blank lines to be kept after reformatting in the specified locations.
Minimum Blank Lines	In the text boxes in this area, specify the number of blank lines to be present in the specified locations. <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> <b>Warning!</b> These settings do not influence the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item. </div>

## Other

### Item Description

Indent package statement children	Select this checkbox to have the nested statements of package statements indented on code reformatting.
Align C-style comments /*...*/	Select this checkbox to adjust lines in C-style comments.
Align object properties	From the drop-down list, select the type of objects' alignment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not align : the attributes in sequential lines will be not aligned.</li> <li>- On colon : the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the colon.</li> <li>- On value : the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the value.</li> </ul>
Field prefix	In this text box, specify the prefix to be used in ActionScript fields.
Property prefix	In this text box, specify the prefix to be used in ActionScript properties.
Use semicolon to terminate statements	Select this checkbox to have statements terminated with a semicolon.
Spaces before type reference colon ':'	Select this checkbox to separate type reference with the space before colon.
Spaces after type reference colon ':'	Select this checkbox to separate type reference with the space after colon.

## Arrangement

This tab lets you define a set of rules that rearranges your code according to your preferences.

### ItemDescription





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Grouping Use this area to set the grouping rules.  
Rules

- Group property field with corresponding getter/setter

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Matching rules Use this area to define elements order as a list of rules, where every rule has a set of matches such as modifier or type.


-  - use this button to add a rule. The empty rule area opens.
-  - use this button to remove the rule from the list.
-  - use this button to edit an existing rule. To see this button, navigate to the rule that you want to edit and click on the button. In pop-up window that opens, modify the rule fields.
-  - use these buttons to move the selected rule up or down.

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Empty rule Use this area to create a new matching rule or edit an existing one. You can select from the following filters:

- Type - use this filter to choose classes or methods for your rule.  
  
Note that clicking a type keyword twice negates the condition.
- Modifier - use this filter to select the types of modifiers for the rule.  
  
Note that clicking a modifier keyword twice negates the condition.
- Name - use this field to specify entry names in the rule. This filter matches only entry names, such as field names, method names, class names, etc. The filter supports regular expressions and uses a [standard syntax](#). The match is performed against the entire name.
- Order - use this drop-down list to select the sorting order for the rule. This option is useful when more than one element uses the same matching rule. In this case, selecting Keep order will keep the same order as was set before the rearrangement and selecting Order by Name will sort the elements with the same matching rule by their names.
- Aliases - this option displays aliases that were defined in the Rules Alias Definition dialog. You can remove the ones you do not need.

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 This icon appears when you select Order by Name from the Order list. The icon indicates that the items in this rule are sorted alphabetically.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for CFML files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply on [reformatting the source code](#). The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions (Keep when reformatting), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.) The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

## Right Margin (columns)

Use the Hard wrap at field to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the [global settings](#) is used.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the *Line breaks* checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks check box before you [reformat the source code](#).

## Wrapping options

The wrapping style applies to the various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

### ItemDescription

Wrapping style	From this drop-down list, select the desired wrapping style: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied. With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.</li> <li>– Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.</li> <li>– Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.</li> <li>– Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.</li> </ul>
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## Alignment options

### ItemDescription

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
<code>&lt;character(s)&gt;</code> on next line	Select this checkbox to have the specified character or characters moved to the next line when the lines are wrapped.
'else' on new line	Use this checkbox to have the corresponding statements or characters moved to the next line.
New line after <code>&lt;character&gt;</code>	Select this checkbox to have the code after the specified character moved to a new line.
Special else if treatment	If this checkbox is selected, <code>else if</code> statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, <code>else if</code> statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.
Indent case branches	If this checkbox is selected, the <code>case</code> statement is located at the corresponding indent level. Otherwise, <code>case</code> statement is placed at the same indent level with <code>switch</code> .

## Braces placement options

### ItemDescription

Braces placement style	Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations, method declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– End of line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the declaration line end.</li> <li>– Next line if wrapped - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.</li> <li>– Next line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.</li> <li>– Next line shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.</li> <li>– Next line each shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and have the next line shifted to the next indent level as well.</li> </ul>
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Force braces From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for `if` , `for` , `while` , and `do () while` statements. The available options are:

## Blank lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of location, specify the number of blank lines to be inserted. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

### ItemDescription

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Keep Maximum Blank Lines In this area, specify the number of blank lines to be kept after reformatting in the specified locations.

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In code Use this field to set the number of the blank lines.

## Set from...

Click this link to choose the base for the current language default code style from the pop-up list, that appears. The list contains two options:

- Language: choose this option to inherit the coding style settings from another language. Select the source language from the list, that opens. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.
- Predefined code style: choose this option to use the coding standards defined for a specific framework. Select one of the following frameworks from the list:
  - [PEAR](#)
  - [Zend](#)
  - [PSR1 /PSR2](#)
  - [Symfony2](#)
  - [Joomla!](#)

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for CoffeeScript files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.
Indent chained methods	<p>In declarations of functions, the second and further methods in a chain are displayed on a separate line.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– When the checkbox is selected, the second and further methods in a chain are aligned with the first call.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, the second and further methods in a chain are aligned with the object on which they are invoked.</li> </ul>

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want IntelliJ IDEA to insert spaces automatically. Select the checkboxes next to the description of relevant locations and check the results in the Preview pane.

### Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the exceptions, brace placement and alignment options that IntelliJ IDEA will apply to various code constructs on [reformatting the source code](#). Check the results in the Preview pane.

**Tip** Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

#### Hard wrap at

In this field, specify the number of spaces required to the right of an element. If you accept the Default option then the value from the [global settings](#) is used.

#### Wrap on typing

In this field, specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at field.

- Default - choose this option to use the Wrap on typing value from the [global settings](#).
- Yes - choose this option to use the value from the Right Margin field.
- No - if you choose this option a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

**Visual guides** In this field, specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

#### Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the Line breaks checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks checkbox before reformatting.

#### Wrapping options

A wrapping style applies to various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

Do not wrap	When this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied, the nested alignment and braces settings
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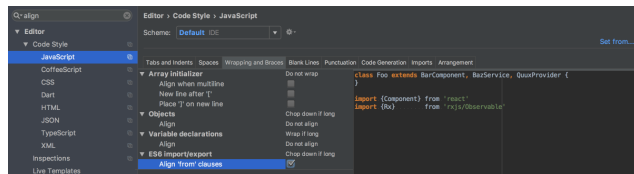
are ignored.

Wrap if long	Select this option to wrap lines going beyond the right margin with proper indentation.
Wrap always	Select this option to wrap all elements in lists so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
Chop down if long	Select this option to wrap elements in lists that go beyond the right margin so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Alignment options

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
<character(s)> on next line	Select this checkbox to move the specified character or characters to the next line when the lines are wrapped.
'else' on new line	Use this checkbox to move the corresponding statements or characters to the next line.
New line after <character>	Select this checkbox to move the code after the specified character to a new line.
Special else if treatment	If this checkbox is selected, <code>else if</code> statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, <code>else if</code> statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.
Variable declarations	Choose one of the following options to configure alignment for equality signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not align - the equality signs are not aligned.</li><li>– Align when multiline - the equality signs in multiline <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li><li>– Align when grouped - the equality signs in multiple <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li></ul>

**ES6 import/export** Align 'from' clauses: When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA aligns `import` and `export` statements in [ECMAScript 6](#) code automatically making your code easier to read and maintain. Compare the appearance of a code fragment with alignment and without it in the Preview pane.



With this option on, IntelliJ IDEA will align the new code on the fly. Existing `import` and `export` statements will be aligned after you reformat the code by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+L`, see the [Reformat Source Code](#) section for details.

## Braces placement options

Braces placement style	Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations, method declarations, function declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– End of line - select this option to place the opening brace at the declaration line end.</li><li>– Next line if wrapped - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.</li><li>– Next line - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.</li><li>– Next line shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.</li><li>– Next line each shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and shift the next line to the next indent level as well.</li></ul>
Force braces	From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for <code>if</code> , <code>for</code> , <code>while</code> , and <code>do ()</code> <code>while</code> statements. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not force - select this option to suppress introducing braces automatically.</li><li>– When multiline - select this option to insert braces automatically if a statement occupies more than one line. Note that IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the number of lines in the entire statement but not only its condition.</li><li>– Always - when this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA always inserts braces automatically.</li></ul>

## Blank Lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

**Keep Maximum Blank Lines** In this area, specify the number of extra blank lines to be kept after reformatting.

**Tip** These settings do not affect the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## Other

### Item Description

**Align object properties** From the drop-down list, select the type of objects' alignment:

- Do not align : the attributes in sequential lines will be not aligned.

- On colon : the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the colon.
- On value : the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the value.

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Line comments at first column      Select this checkbox to place a line comment in the first column.

## Set from

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Use this page to configure formatting options for CSS files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Other

In this tab, specify the alignment, braces and spaces options to be applied on reformatting.

### ItemDescription

Braces placement	<p>Use this drop-down list to specify where IntelliJ IDEA should place the opening braces of selectors. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– At the end of line</li> <li>– Next line</li> </ul>
Align values	<p>Use this drop-down list to specify how IntelliJ IDEA should align attributes and values. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Do not align : select this option to specify alignment on the first character of an attribute name.</li> <li>– On value : select this option to specify alignment on the first character of the value of an attribute.</li> <li>– On colon</li> </ul>
Blank lines between blocks	In this text box, specify the minimum number of sequential blank lines to be retained after reformatting.
Align closing brace with properties	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the closing brace of the selector will be placed under the list of properties.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, the closing brace of the selector will be placed under the selector.</p>
Keep single-line blocks	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the blocks with a single property will be confined to one line.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, each property will be placed to its own line.</p>
Spaces	Select the checkboxes in this area to add a space after the colon delimiting key and value, and before the opening brace of the selector.
HEX Colors	<p>Use this area to configure the hex color syntax. You can select from the following check options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Convert hex colors to - select this checkbox to configure the hex color letter case. You can choose Lower case or Upper case .</li> <li>– Convert hex colors format to - select this checkbox to configure the hex color format length. You can choose Long format or Short format .</li> </ul> <p>View changes in the Preview pane.</p>

## Set from

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To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click Reset .

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Dart files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Dartfmt

In this tab choose whether you want to format your Dart code using the [dartfmt tool](#).

- Use the `dartfmt` tool when formatting the whole file
- When the checkbox is selected, `dartfmt` is applied when you reformat an entire file by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+L` or choosing Code | Reformat Code. For reformatting a selected fragment of code the IntelliJ IDEA internal formatter is still used.
  - When this checkbox is cleared, `dartfmt` is never used and the code is always reformatted by the IntelliJ IDEA internal formatter.

**Tip** The file will be reformatted successfully only if the code is syntactically correct.

## Tabs and Indents

- Use tab character
- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.
  - When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.
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- Smart tabs
- An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.
- If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.
  - If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.
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- Tab size
- In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
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- Indent
- In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
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- Continuation indent
- In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
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- Keep indents on empty lines
- If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want IntelliJ IDEA to insert spaces automatically. Select the checkboxes next to the description of relevant locations and check the results in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the exceptions, brace placement and alignment options that IntelliJ IDEA will apply to various code constructs on [reformatting the source code](#). Check the results in the Preview pane.

**Tip** Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

### Hard wrap at

In this field, specify the number of spaces required to the right of an element. If you accept the Default option then the value from the [global settings](#) is used.

### Wrap on typing

In this field, specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at field.

- Default - choose this option to use the Wrap on typing value from the [global settings](#).
- Yes - choose this option to use the value from the Right Margin field.
- No - if you choose this option a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

**Visual guides** In this field, specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

### Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the Line breaks checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks checkbox before reformatting.

## Wrapping options

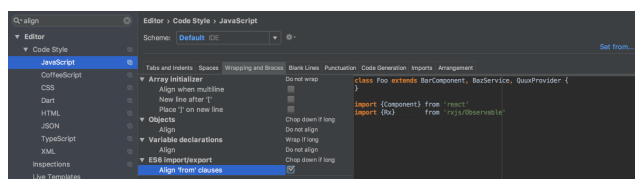
A wrapping style applies to various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

Do not wrap	When this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
Wrap if long	Select this option to wrap lines going beyond the right margin with proper indentation.
Wrap always	Select this option to wrap all elements in lists so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
Chop down if long	Select this option to wrap elements in lists that go beyond the right margin so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Alignment options

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
<character(s)> on next line	Select this checkbox to move the specified character or characters to the next line when the lines are wrapped.
'else' on new line	Use this checkbox to move the corresponding statements or characters to the next line.
New line after <character>	Select this checkbox to move the code after the specified character to a new line.
Special else if treatment	If this checkbox is selected, <code>else if</code> statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, <code>else if</code> statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.
Variable declarations	Choose one of the following options to configure alignment for equality signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not align - the equality signs are not aligned.</li><li>– Align when multiline - the equality signs in multiline <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li><li>– Align when grouped - the equality signs in multiple <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li></ul>

ES6 import/export Align 'from' clauses: When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA aligns `import` and `export` statements in [ECMAScript 6](#) code automatically making your code easier to read and maintain. Compare the appearance of a code fragment with alignment and without it in the Preview pane.



With this option on, IntelliJ IDEA will align the new code on the fly. Existing `import` and `export` statements will be aligned after you reformat the code by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+L`, see the [Reformat Source Code](#) section for details.

## Braces placement options

Braces placement style	Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations, method declarations, function declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– End of line - select this option to place the opening brace at the declaration line end.</li><li>– Next line if wrapped - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.</li><li>– Next line - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.</li><li>– Next line shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.</li><li>– Next line each shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and shift the next line to the next indent level as well.</li></ul>
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Force braces	From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for <code>if</code> , <code>for</code> , <code>while</code> , and <code>do ()</code> <code>while</code> statements. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not force - select this option to suppress introducing braces automatically.</li><li>– When multiline - select this option to insert braces automatically if a statement occupies more than one line. Note that IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the number of lines in the entire statement but not only its condition.</li><li>– Always - when this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA always inserts braces automatically.</li></ul>
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## Blank Lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

Keep Maximum Blank Lines	In this area, specify the number of extra blank lines to be kept after reformatting.
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**Tip** These settings do not affect the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## Code Generation

On this tab, configure the code style for generated code.

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Insert `@override` annotation

## Set from

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To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click `Reset`.




Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for ERB files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- On pressing the  key</li><li>- For indentation</li><li>- For code reformatting</li></ul></li><li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li><li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Gherkin files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li><li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.


To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click [Reset](#).

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Groovy files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On pressing the  key</li> <li>- For indentation</li> <li>- For code reformatting</li> </ul> </li> <li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li> <li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Keep indents on empty lines	<p>If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA will keep indents on the empty lines as if they contained some code.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will delete the tab characters and spaces.</p>
Label indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted at the next line before a label statement.
Absolute label indent	If this checkbox is selected, label indentation is counted as an absolute number of spaces. Otherwise, label indentation is counted relative to previous indent levels.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply on [reformatting the source code](#) . The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions ( Keep when reformatting ), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.) The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

## Right Margin (columns)

Use the Hard wrap at field to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the [global settings](#) is used.

## Wrap on typing

Use the Wrap on typing settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at . You can select one the following options:

- Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the [global settings](#) .
- Yes - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the value specified in the Right Margin field.
- No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

## Visual guides

Use the Visual guides field to specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the *Line breaks* checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks check box before you [reformat the source code](#) .

## Wrapping options

The wrapping style applies to the various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

## ItemDescription

- Wrapping style From this drop-down list, select the desired wrapping style:
- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied. With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
  - Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.
  - Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
  - Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Alignment options

### ItemDescription

Align when multiline If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.

<character(s)> on next line Select this checkbox to have the specified character or characters moved to the next line when the lines are wrapped.

'else' on new line Use this checkbox to have the corresponding statements or characters moved to the next line.

New line after <character> Select this checkbox to have the code after the specified character moved to a new line.

Special else if treatment If this checkbox is selected, `else if` statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, `else if` statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.

Indent case branches If this checkbox is selected, the `case` statement is located at the corresponding indent level. Otherwise, `case` statement is placed at the same indent level with `switch`.

## Braces placement options

### ItemDescription

Braces placement style Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations, method declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are:

- End of line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the declaration line end.
- Next line if wrapped - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.
- Next line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.
- Next line shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.
- Next line each shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and have the next line shifted to the next indent level as well.

Force braces From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for `if`, `for`, `while`, and `do () while` statements. The available options are:

## Blank lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of location, specify the number of blank lines to be inserted. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

### ItemDescription

Keep Maximum Blank Lines In this area, specify the number of blank lines to be kept after reformatting in the specified locations.

Minimum Blank Lines In the text boxes in this area, specify the number of blank lines to be present in the specified locations.

**Warning!** These settings do not influence the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## Imports

This table lists actions to be performed when [imports are optimized](#).

### ItemDescription

General In this area, configure general import options. Options:

- Use single class import : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA import only a particular class from a package during code generation or [import optimization](#). Otherwise, a statement importing an entire package is inserted.
- Use fully qualified class names : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use the fully qualified name of the class to be imported during code generation or [import optimization](#). Otherwise, a normal import statement is inserted.
- Insert imports for inner classes : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA create imports for the inner classes referenced in your code.
- Use fully qualified names in Javadoc : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use a fully qualified class name in Javadoc. Otherwise, a class is imported.
- Class count to use import with "\*" : In this text field, specify the number of classes to be imported from a single package until all statements importing a single class are substituted with a statement importing an entire package.
- Names count to use static import with "\*" : In this text box, specify the number of members to be imported from a

single class until all statements importing a single member are substituted with a statement importing an entire class.

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**JSP Imports Layout** In this area, configure how JSP import statements should be organized in your code. The introduced changes are displayed in the Preview pane below.

Options:

- Prefer comma separated import list : Select this option to import statements organized in a comma separated list.
- Prefer one import statement per page directive : Select this option to have one import statement created per line.

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**Packages to Use Import with ""** In this area, configure a list of packages and classes to be always imported completely.

Options:

- Static : Select this checkbox, if you want to declare static import for the selected class.
- Package : In the text fields of this column, specify the packages and classes to be always imported completely.
- With Subpackages : Select this checkbox to have all the subpackages of the selected package imported completely.
- Add Package : Click this button to add a new entry to the list of packages and classes.
- Add Blank : Click this button to add an empty separator to the list of packages and classes.
- Remove : Click this button to delete the selected package or class from the list.

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**Import Layout** In this area, configure how import statements should be organized in your code. You can set up certain classes to be positioned first, or last, or one after another. Imported classes will be grouped as per their packages and sorted alphabetically within a package.

Options:

- Layout static imports separately : If this checkbox is selected, all static imports will be kept in a separate section. Otherwise, all import statements will be sorted according to the specified layout rules.
- Static : Select this checkbox, if you want to declare static import for the selected package.
- Package : In the text fields of this column, specify the packages to be imported.
- With Subpackages : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the layout rules to all the subpackages of the selected package.
- Add Package : Click this button to add a new entry to the list of packages.
- Add Blank : Click this button to have a blank line inserted after the selected entry, which indicates that a blank line should be inserted between the corresponding import statements.
- Move Up / Move Down : Click these buttons to move a package or a blank line up or down in the list thus defining the order of import statements.
- Remove : Click this button to delete the selected package from the list.

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.


Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for GSP files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- On pressing the  key</li><li>- For indentation</li><li>- For code reformatting</li></ul></li><li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li><li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

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Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Haml files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li><li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click [Reset](#).

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for HTML files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.



## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.





**TIP** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Other

### ItemDescription

Right Margin	Use these settings to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the <a href="#">global settings</a> will be used.
Wrap on typing	<p>Use these settings settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Right margin . You can select one the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the <a href="#">global settings</a> .</li> <li>– Yes - in this case the value in the specified right margin is used.</li> <li>– No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the number that is specified in the right margin.</li> </ul>
Keep line breaks	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA honor line breaks when reviewing HTML files in the editor.
Keep line breaks in text	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA honor line breaks in attributes (for example, lengthy descriptions) when reviewing HTML files in the editor.
Keep blank lines	In this text box, specify the minimum number of sequential blank lines to be retained after reformatting.
Wrap attributes	<p>Use this drop-down list to determine how attribute lines should be wrapped. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Do not wrap - if this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied to the code.</li> <li>– Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.</li> <li>– Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped to give one element per line with proper indentation.</li> <li>– Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped to give one element per line with proper indentation.</li> </ul>
Wrap text	Select this checkbox to have long lines wrapped according to the code style settings.
Align attributes	Select this checkbox to have attributes in sequential lines aligned.
Align text	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA align the text that occupies several lines within a tag.
Keep white spaces	Select this checkbox to suppress replacing actual white spaces with tabs.
Spaces	<p>In this area, define the use of spaces for attributes and tag names.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Around "=" in attribute - select this checkbox to have spaces added around the "=" symbol in attributes.</li> <li>– After tag name - select this checkbox to have spaces added after tag names.</li> <li>– In empty tag - select this checkbox to have spaces added in empty tags.</li> </ul>
Insert new line before	This display field shows a list of tags before which a new line should be inserted. Use the button  next to the field or press <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> to open the Insert New Line Before Tags dialog box, where you can edit the list of tags.
Remove new line before	This display field shows a list of tags before which a break line should be removed. Use the button  next to the field or press <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> to open the Remove Line Breaks Before Tags dialog box, where you can edit the list of tags.



Do not indent children of	This display field shows a list of tags whose children should not be indented. Use the button  next to the field or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the Do Not Indent Children Of dialog box, where you can edit the list of tags.
Or if tag size more than	In this text box, specify the minimum length of a tag in lines starting from which its children are not indented.
Inline elements	This display field shows a list of tags that are presented in the source code in the same line with the other tags. If a tag is removed from the list, the editor automatically moves it to a new line, when you add such tag to the source code. Use the button  next to the field or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the Inline Elements dialog box, where you can edit the list of tags.
Keep white spaces inside	This display field shows a list of tags inside which you want the editor to preserve white spaces as is, without any changes. Use the button  next to the field or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the Keep Whitespaces Inside dialog box, where you can edit the list of tags.
Don't break if inline content	This display field shows a list of tags that are not to be wrapped if their content is inlined. Use the button  next to the field or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the Don't Wrap If Inline Content Only dialog box, where you can edit the list of tags.
Generated quote marks	Choose the style of the quote marks (double, single, or none) to be automatically inserted around HTML attributes on typing = . This is important when HTML is inserted dynamically using JavaScript or PHP and you want to consistently use double-quote pairs for JavaScript or PHP strings and single-quote pairs for HTML to prevent problems, for example, when copying and pasting.
Enforce on format	If this checkbox is selected, then on <a href="#">code reformatting</a> the previously generated quote marks will be replaced (for example, double quotes with single quotes).

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click [Reset](#).

Use this page to configure formatting options for JavaScript files. View the result in the Preview pane.

On this page:

- [Tabs and Indents](#)
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## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.
Indent chained methods	<p>In declarations of functions, the second and further methods in a chain are displayed on a separate line.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– When the checkbox is selected, the second and further methods in a chain are aligned with the first call.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, the second and further methods in a chain are aligned with the object on which they are invoked.</li> </ul>
Indent all chained calls in a group	The checkbox is available only when the Indent chained methods checkbox is selected.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want IntelliJ IDEA to insert spaces automatically. Select the checkboxes next to the description of relevant locations and check the results in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and Braces

In this tab, customize the exceptions, brace placement and alignment options that IntelliJ IDEA will apply to various code constructs on [reformatting the source code](#) . Check the results in the Preview pane.

**Tip** Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

### Hard wrap at

In this field, specify the number of spaces required to the right of an element. If you accept the Default option then the value from the [global settings](#) is used.

### Wrap on typing

In this field, specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at field.

- Default - choose this option to use the Wrap on typing value from the [global settings](#) .
- Yes - choose this option to use the value from the Right Margin field.
- No - if you choose this option a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

**Visual guides** In this field, specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the Line breaks checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks checkbox before reformatting.

## Wrapping options

A wrapping style applies to various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

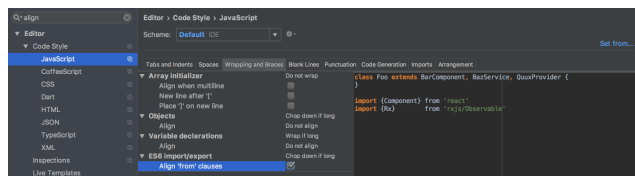
Do not wrap	When this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
Wrap if long	Select this option to wrap lines going beyond the right margin with proper indentation.
Wrap always	Select this option to wrap all elements in lists so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
Chop down if long	Select this option to wrap elements in lists that go beyond the right margin so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Alignment options

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
<character(s)> on next line	Select this checkbox to move the specified character or characters to the next line when the lines are wrapped.
'else' on new line	Use this checkbox to move the corresponding statements or characters to the next line.
New line after <character>	Select this checkbox to move the code after the specified character to a new line.
Special else if treatment	If this checkbox is selected, <code>else if</code> statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, <code>else if</code> statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.
Objects	From the drop-down list, choose how to align objects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not align - the attributes in sequential lines will be not aligned.</li><li>– On colon - the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the colon.</li><li>– On value - the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the value.</li></ul>
Variable declarations	Choose one of the following options to configure alignment for equality signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not align - the equality signs are not aligned.</li><li>– Align when multiline - the equality signs in multiline <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li><li>– Align when grouped - the equality signs in multiple <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li></ul>

## ES6 import/export

Align 'from' clauses: When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA aligns `import` and `export` statements in [ECMAScript 6](#) code automatically making your code easier to read and maintain. Compare the appearance of a code fragment with alignment and without it in the Preview pane.



With this option on, IntelliJ IDEA will align the new code on the fly. Existing `import` and `export` statements will be aligned after you reformat the code by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+L`, see the [Reformat Source Code](#) section for details.

## Braces placement options

Braces placement style	Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations, method declarations, function declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– End of line - select this option to place the opening brace at the declaration line end.</li><li>– Next line if wrapped - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.</li><li>– Next line - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.</li><li>– Next line shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.</li><li>– Next line each shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and shift the next line to the next indent level as well.</li></ul>
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## Force braces

From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for `if`, `for`, `while`, and `do () while` statements. The available options are:

- Do not force - select this option to suppress introducing braces automatically.
- When multiline - select this option to insert braces automatically if a statement occupies more than one line. Note that IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the number of lines in the entire statement but not only its condition.

- Always - when this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA always inserts braces automatically.

## Blank Lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

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**Keep Maximum Blank Lines** In this area, specify the number of extra blank lines to be kept after reformatting.

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**Minimum Blank Lines** In this area, configure whether to have or not to have extra empty lines after the blocks of `import` statements and around classes, fields, methods, or functions.

In the text box next to each option, specify the minimum number of extra blank lines to be left.

**Tip** These settings do not affect the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## Punctuation

Use the drop-down lists in this tab to form directives in automatic insertion of terminating semicolons, single and double quotes, and trailing commas.

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**Semicolon to terminate statements**

- Use semicolon to terminate statements in new code
- Use semicolon to terminate statements always
- Don't use semicolon to terminate statements in new code
- Don't use semicolon to terminate statements always

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**Quotes**

- Use double quotes in new code
- Use double quotes always
- Use single quotes in new code
- Use single quotes always

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**Trailing comma** Use this drop-down list to configure whether you want to use [trailing commas](#) in objects, arrays, and for the parameters in method definitions and calls. The available options are:

- Keep
- Remove
- Add when multiline

## Code Generation

On this tab, configure the code style for generated code.

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**Naming conventions** In this area, configure or accept default prefixes that will be added automatically to the names of generated fields and properties.

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**Comment Code** In this area, configure code style for generated comments.

- Line comment at first column - select this checkbox to start line comments at the first column. When the checkbox is cleared, line comments are aligned in the code.
- Add a space at comment start - when this checkbox is selected, a space will be inserted between a line comment character and the first character of a commented line.

## Imports

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**Merge imports for members from the same module**

- When this checkbox is selected, imported symbols from the same module are listed in one `import` statement with a comma as separator. The members are listed in the order in which they are imported. To arrange them alphabetically, select the Sort imported members checkbox and run Code | Optimize Imports .
- When this checkbox is cleared, for each imported symbol a separate `import` statement is generated.

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**Use paths relative to the project, resource or sources roots** This option is applied during automatic generation of import statements in JavaScript code.

- When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA suggests paths relative to the project root, resource root, or sources root.
- By default, this checkbox is cleared and IntelliJ IDEA suggests paths relative to the current file.

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**Use directory import (Node-style module resolution)**

- When this checkbox is selected, `import` statements are generated in compliance with the [Node.js module resolution strategy](#) .
- When this checkbox is cleared, `import` statements are generated in compliance with the [JavaScript module resolution strategy](#) .

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**Sort imported members**

- When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA lists the imported members in merged `import` statements alphabetically. Note that the members are listed comma-separated in the order they are imported and re-sorted only when you run Code | Optimize Imports .
- When this checkbox is cleared, the members in merged `import` statements are always listed comma-separated in the order they are imported.

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**Sort imports by modules**






- When this checkbox is selected, `import` statements are re-sorted alphabetically by the module names when you run Code | Optimize Imports .
- When this checkbox is cleared, `import` statements are always shown in the order they are generated and

this order is not changed after you run Code | Optimize Imports .

## Arrangement

In this tab, define a set of rules to rearrange your JavaScript code according to your preferences.

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Grouping Rules	Use this area to set the grouping rules. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Group property field with corresponding getter/setter</li></ul>
Matching rules	Use this area to define elements order as a list of rules, where every rule has a set of matches such as modifier or type. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-  - use this button to add a rule. The empty rule area opens.</li><li>-  - use this button to remove the rule from the list.</li><li>-  - use this button to edit an existing rule. To see this button, navigate to the rule that you want to edit and click on the button. In pop-up window that opens, modify the rule fields.</li><li>-  - use these buttons to move the selected rule up or down.</li></ul>
Empty rule	Use this area to create a new matching rule or edit an existing one. You can select from the following filters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Type - use this filter to choose classes or methods for your rule.<p>Note that clicking a type keyword twice negates the condition.</p></li><li>- Modifier - use this filter to select the types of modifiers for the rule.<p>Note that clicking a modifier keyword twice negates the condition.</p></li><li>- Name - use this field to specify entry names in the rule. This filter matches only entry names, such as field names, method names, class names, etc. The filter supports regular expressions and uses a <a href="#">standard syntax</a>. The match is performed against the entire name.</li><li>- Order - use this drop-down list to select the sorting order for the rule. This option is useful when more than one element uses the same matching rule. In this case, selecting Keep order will keep the same order as was set before the rearrangement and selecting Order by Name will sort the elements with the same matching rule by their names.</li><li>- Aliases - this option displays aliases that were defined in the Rules Alias Definition dialog. You can remove the ones you do not need.</li></ul> <hr/>  This icon appears when you select Order by Name from the Order list. The icon indicates that the items in this rule are sorted alphabetically.

## Set from

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To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click Reset .

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for JSON files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want IntelliJ IDEA to insert spaces automatically. Select the checkboxes next to the description of relevant locations and check the results in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the exceptions, brace placement and alignment options that IntelliJ IDEA will apply to various code constructs on [reformatting the source code](#). Check the results in the Preview pane.

**Tip** Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

### Hard wrap at

In this field, specify the number of spaces required to the right of an element. If you accept the Default option then the value from the [global settings](#) is used.

### Wrap on typing

In this field, specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at field.

- Default - choose this option to use the Wrap on typing value from the [global settings](#).
- Yes - choose this option to use the value from the Right Margin field.
- No - if you choose this option a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

**Visual guides** In this field, specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

### Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the Line breaks checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks checkbox before reformatting.

### Wrapping options

A wrapping style applies to various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

Do not wrap	When this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
Wrap if long	Select this option to wrap lines going beyond the right margin with proper indentation.
Wrap always	Select this option to wrap all elements in lists so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

Chop down if long      Select this option to wrap elements in lists that go beyond the right margin so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

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Ensure right margin is not exceeded      If this checkbox is selected, the formatter will do its best to avoid having document lines exceeding the right margin. This option takes precedence over the Do not wrap wrapping style.

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### Alignment options

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Objects      From the drop-down list, choose how to align objects:

- Do not align - the attributes in sequential lines will be not aligned.
- On colon - the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the colon.
- On value - the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the value.

## Blank Lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

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Keep Maximum Blank Lines      In this area, specify the number of extra blank lines to be kept after reformatting.


**Tip** These settings do not affect the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for JSP files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- On pressing the  key</li><li>- For indentation</li><li>- For code reformatting</li></ul></li><li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li><li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.

## Wrapping

Use this tab to configure wrapping options.

### ItemDescription

Right Margin	Use these settings to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the <a href="#">global settings</a> will be used.
Wrap on typing	Use these settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Right margin . You can select one the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the <a href="#">global settings</a> .</li><li>- Yes - in this case the value in the specified right margin is used.</li><li>- No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the number that is specified in the right margin.</li></ul>

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.




Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for JSPX files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- On pressing the  key</li><li>- For indentation</li><li>- For code reformatting</li></ul></li><li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li><li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.

## Wrapping

Use this tab to configure wrapping options.

### ItemDescription

Right Margin	Use these settings to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the <a href="#">global settings</a> will be used.
Wrap on typing	Use these settings settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Right margin . You can select one the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the <a href="#">global settings</a> .</li><li>- Yes - in this case the value in the specified right margin is used.</li><li>- No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the number that is specified in the right margin.</li></ul>

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Kotlin files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On pressing the <code>Tab</code> key</li> <li>- For indentation</li> <li>- For code reformatting</li> </ul> </li> <li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li> <li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	<p>If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA will keep indents on the empty lines as if they contained some code.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will delete the tab characters and spaces.</p>

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply on [reformatting the source code](#). The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions (Keep when reformatting), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.) The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the *Line breaks* checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks check box before you [reformat the source code](#).

## Wrapping options

The wrapping style applies to the various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

### ItemDescription

Wrapping style	<p>From this drop-down list, select the desired wrapping style:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied. With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.</li> <li>- Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.</li> <li>- Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.</li> <li>- Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.</li> </ul>
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## Alignment options

### ItemDescription

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
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## Imports

### ItemDescription

Top-level Symbols Use this area to define how the top-level symbols are imported. The possible options are:

- **Use single name import** : if this option is selected, only a particular declaration from a package during code generation or import optimization is imported.
- **Use import with "\*"** : if this option is selected, a statement importing an entire package is inserted.
- **Use import with "\*" if at least <n> names used** : if this option is selected, specify the number of declarations to be imported from a single package, until all the statements importing a single declaration are substituted with a statement importing an entire package.

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Java Statics and Enum Members Use this area to define how Java statics and enums are imported.

Other Use this area to define how the other symbols are imported.

**Insert imports for nested classes** :

- If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA creates imports for the nested classes referenced in your code.
- If this option is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA generates import for the top-level class and qualifies the name of the nested class with the name of its top-level class.

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Packages to Use Import with "\*" Use the table as follows:

- **Package** : In the text fields of this column, specify the packages to be imported.
- **With Subpackages** : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA import all the subpackages of the selected package.

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Less files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li><li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click [Reset](#).

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for PHP files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Set from...

Click this link to choose the base for the current language default code style from the pop-up list, that appears. The list contains two options:


- Language: choose this option to inherit the coding style settings from another language. Select the source language from the list, that opens. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.
- Predefined code style: choose this option to use the coding standards defined for a specific framework. Select one of the following frameworks from the list:
  - [PEAR](#)
  - [Zend](#)
  - [Symfony2](#) . IntelliJ IDEA supports the official Symfony2 code style for [Twig](#) and automatically inserts one space **after** an opening pair of curly braces and **before** a closing pair of curly braces in Twig templates: `{{ some_variable }}` .
  - [PSR1 /PSR2](#)
  - [WordPress](#)
  - [Drupal](#)
  - [Joomla!](#)
  - [JavaScript Standard Style](#)
  - [Google JavaScript Style Guide](#)

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

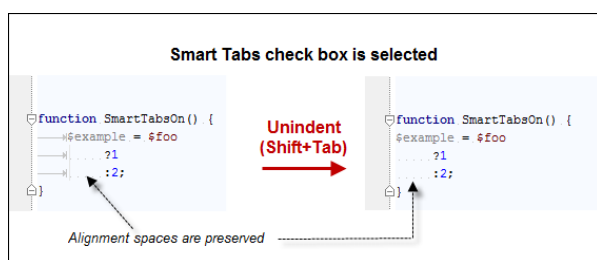
Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

## Tabs and Indents

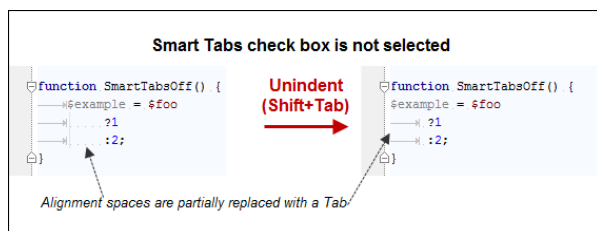
### ItemDescription

- Use tab character
- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:
    - On pressing the  key
    - For indentation
    - For code reformatting
  - When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.

- Smart tabs
- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.



- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.



The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

Tab size In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.

Indent In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.

Continuation indent In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.

- Keep indents on empty lines If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA will keep indents on the empty lines as if they contained some code.
- If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will delete the tab characters and spaces.

## PHP-specific formatting settings for Spaces

Select or clear the checkboxes to have spaces inserted, not inserted, or removed in the following PHP contexts:

### ItemDescription

- Before Parentheses - Array initializer parentheses  
Select this checkbox to have a space inserted before the opening parenthesis in array declarations, such as:

```
$array = array (0 => "zero", 1 => "one");
```

If the checkbox is cleared, no space is inserted and the code looks as follows:

```
$array = array(0 => "zero", 1 => "one");
```

- Around Operators - Concatenation  
Select this checkbox to have spaces inserted before and after the concatenation operator ( . ) so the code looks as follows:

```
echo "The result is " . $i;
```

When the checkbox is cleared, no spaces are inserted around the concatenation operator so the code looks as follows:

```
echo "The result is ".$i;
```

- Before Left Brace - Class left brace  
Select this checkbox to have a space inserted between the class name and the opening brace in class declarations:

```
class Class1 {
    function Foo()
}
```

When the checkbox is cleared, no space is inserted:

```
class Class1{
    function Foo()
}
```

Selecting or clearing the checkbox is relevant only when Braces placement in class declarations is set to End of line on the Wrapping and Braces tab.

- In Ternary Operator ( ?: ) - Select the checkboxes in this section to have spaces automatically inserted before and after ? , before and after : , and between ? and : in [ternary \(conditional\) operators](#) .

- Other - Select the checkboxes in this section to have spaces automatically inserted before and after commas, semicolons, unary NOT operators ( ! ), and after type casts.

- After type cast

When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically inserts a space after the closing parentheses of a `cast` :

```
$fst = (string) $foo;
```

If the checkbox is cleared, no spaces is inserted and the casted variable sticks to the cast: `$fst = (string)$foo;`

## PHP-specific formatting settings for Wrapping and Braces

### ItemDescription

- Braces placement In this section, choose the position for opening braces in declarations of namespaces, classes, and functions, in loops, and in other constructions. Choose the required position from the drop-down list, the available options are:
  - End of line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the declaration line end.
  - Next line if wrapped - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.
  - Next line - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.
  - Next line shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.
  - Next line each shifted - select this option to have the opening brace placed at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and have the next line shifted to the next indent level as well.

- Extends/implements list In this section, configure wrapping and subsequent alignment of `extend` and `implements` lists:

- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied.
- With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
- Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.

- Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Align when multiline  
When this checkbox is selected, each item in an **extends** or an **implements** list, which after wrapping starts on a new line, are aligned by the first item, which remains unwrapped:

```
abstract class Foo extends
  Class1 implements
  Class2,
  Class8 {
}
```

When the checkbox is cleared, the position of each item in a wrapped list is determined by the chosen indentation level.

The status of the checkbox affects the formatting only if you have chosen to wrap lists, if the Do not wrap option is chosen, selecting or clearing the checkbox has no effect.

**Extends/implements keyword** In this section, configure wrapping for the **extends** and **implements** keywords in class declarations. If you choose the Do not wrap option, no wrapping will be applied, if you choose Wrap if long or Wrap always, each keyword and each item in an **extends** or **implements** list will be displayed on a new line:

```
abstract class Foo
  extends
  Class1
  implements
  Class2,
  Class8 {
}
```

**Function declaration parameters** In this area, configure formatting in declarations of functions and methods.

- Keep ')' and '{' on one line  
When this checkbox is cleared, the opening curly brace is moved to the next line:

```
function Foo()
{
}
```

When the checkbox is selected, the opening curly brace is displayed on the same line as the function parameters:

```
function Foo() {
}
```

**Chained method calls** In this section, configure wrapping and subsequent alignment of chained calls.

- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied. With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
- Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.
- Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Align when multiline  
When the checkbox is selected, each called method, which after wrapping is positioned on a new line, is aligned by the first one, which remains unwrapped:

```
$x = $x->one( "a", "b" )
      ->two( "c", "d", "e" )
      ->three( "fg" )
      ->four;
```

When the checkbox is cleared, the position of each item in a wrapped list is determined by the chosen indentation level.

The status of the checkbox affects the formatting only if you have chosen to wrap lists, if the Do not wrap option is chosen, selecting or clearing the checkbox has no effect.

- Place ';' on new line  
When the checkbox is cleared, the semicolon ( ; ) is displayed after the last item in a chained call. If the checkbox is selected, the semicolon is moved to a new line:

```
$x = $x->one( "a", "b" )
      ->two( "c", "d", "e" )
      ->three( "fg" )
      ->four
;
```

**Assignment statement** In this section, configure wrapping and subsequent alignment in assignment statements.

- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied.

With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.

- Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.
- Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Assignment sign on new line
- Align consecutive assignments

When this checkbox is selected, the assignment signs in consecutive assignment statements are aligned by the rightmost one:

```
$y           = foo( $x );
$intermediate = foo( $intermediate );
$result      = $result . $y . $intermediate;
```

When this checkbox is cleared, no alignment is applied:

```
$y = foo( $x );
$intermediate = foo( $intermediate );
$result = $result . $y . $intermediate;
```

#### Class field/constant groups

In this section, configure wrapping and subsequent alignment within lists of [class properties \(fields\)](#) or [class constants](#).

- Align fields in columns
- Align constants

#### Array initializer

In this section, configure wrapping and subsequent alignment in array declarations.

- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied.
- With this option selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
- Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.
  - Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
  - Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
  - Align when multiline
- When the checkbox is selected and the New line after '(' checkbox is cleared, each element, which after wrapping is positioned on a new line, is aligned by the first one, which remains unwrapped:

```
$colours = array( "blue",
                  "red",
                  "white",
                  "green",
                  "yellow" );
```

When both the Align when multiline and the New line after '(' checkboxes are selected, all the elements are aligned according to the indentation settings:

```
$colours = array(
    "blue",
    "red",
    "white",
    "green",
    "yellow" );
```

Selecting or clearing the Align when multiline and the New line after '(' checkboxes affects the formatting only if you have chosen to wrap lists, if the Do not wrap option is chosen, the status of the checkboxes has no effect.

- New line after '('

When this checkbox is selected, the first element of the array is displayed on a new line and all the elements of the array are aligned according to the indentation settings, regardless of the status of the Align when multiline checkbox.

When this checkbox is cleared, the first element of the array remains on the same line, and the other elements are aligned according to the indentation settings.

- Place ')' on new line

#### Modifier list

- Wrap after modifier list

When this checkbox is selected, the code is wrapped after a list of visibility modifiers:

```
protected
function Foo() {
}
```

When the checkbox is cleared, no wrapping is performed:

```
protected function Foo() {
}
```

#### Blank lines



Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of location, specify the number of blank lines to be inserted. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

#### ItemDescription

Keep Maximum Blank Lines In this area, specify the number of blank lines to be kept after reformatting in the specified locations.

Minimum Blank Lines In the text boxes in this area, specify the number of blank lines to be present in the specified locations.

**Warning!** These settings do not influence the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## PHPDoc

In this tab, configure the code style to be applied inside [PHPDoc](#) comments. Learn more about documenting PHP code at [PHPDoc Comments](#).

#### ItemDescription

Align parameter names Select this checkbox to have the `<paramname>` elements aligned.

Keep blank lines Select this checkbox to suppress removing blank lines automatically.

Blank lines around parameters Select this checkbox to have a blank line inserted above and below the section with `@param` tags.

Blank line before the first tag Select this checkbox to have a blank line inserted above the first PHPDoc tag.

Align tag comments Select this checkbox to have the `description` elements aligned.

Wrap long lines Select this checkbox to have the text that exceeds the right margin wrapped to the next line.

Generated Doc Blocks In this area, configure the code style to be applied within generated PHP documentation blocks, see [PHPDoc Comments](#).

- Use fully-qualified class names: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA specify fully qualified class names for properties, function parameters, `return` and `throws` values, etc.

`@throws` Tag Analysis

- Call tree analysis depth : specify the depth of analysis. IntelliJ IDEA can analyze exceptions up to 3 levels deep.
- Ignore Runtime exceptions : If this checkbox is selected, the exceptions which can only be found at runtime (either based on `RuntimeException` or any of its subclasses), are ignored.
- Ignore Logic exceptions : If this checkbox is selected, exceptions caused by the error in the program logic (either based on `LogicException` or any of its subclasses), are ignored.

## Other

#### ItemDescription

Indent code in PHP tags Select this checkbox to have the code enclosed in `<?php>` tags indented against the opening `<?php` tag.

Convert True/False constants to upper case Select this checkbox to have the `true` and `false` constants displayed in the upper case.

Convert Null constant to upper case Select this checkbox to have the `null` constant displayed in the upper case.

Blank line before return statement Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a blank line before each `return` statement.

Spaces around variables/expressions in brackets

- Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA insert spaces inside brackets during reformatting only if the brackets enclose a variable or an expression. This setting affects reformatting only if you have not configured force insertion of spaces inside brackets by selecting the Brackets checkbox under the Within node in the Spaces tab. This option helps you keep your code in accordance with the [WordPress PHP Coding Standards](#).
- If this checkbox is cleared, the spaces insertion policy depends on the settings under the Within node in the Spaces tab regardless of the type of content inside brackets:
  - if the Brackets checkbox is selected, spaces are always inserted
  - if the Brackets checkbox is cleared, spaces are never inserted.

Code Commenting In this area, configure the code style options to be applied to comments.

- Line comment at first column : select this checkbox to have line comments start at the first column, without any indentation. Note that no extra blank spaces are added after the line comment characters. The checkbox is by default selected. When the checkbox is cleared, the line comments start from the minimum indentation within the selected code block to be commented.

Array declaration style

- Force short declaration style: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA replace the `array()` constructs with `[]` in array declarations during reformatting. When the checkbox is cleared, the traditional literal style in array declarations is preserved after reformatting.
- Align key-value pairs: select this checkbox to have the `=>` separators in key-value assignments aligned.

- Add a comma after last element in multiline array: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a comma after the last item in declarations of multiline arrays to meet the required coding standard, for example, the [Symfony coding standards](#) .

See [Arrays. Syntax](#) for details.

## Arrangement

In this tab, define a set of rules to rearrange your PHP code according to your preferences.

### ItemDescription

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**Grouping** Use this area to set the grouping rules.

**Rules**

- Keep getters and setters together  
Select this checkbox to keep getter and setter methods together. By default, this checkbox is selected.
- Keep overridden methods together  
Select this checkbox to group the overridden methods together by class and interface. In order: list, select keep or by name options.
- Keep dependent methods together  
Select this checkbox to group the dependent methods together. In order: list, select depth-first or breadth-first options.

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**Matching rules** Use this area to define elements order as a list of rules, where every rule has a set of matches such as modifier or type.

-  - use this button to add a rule. The empty rule area opens.
-  - use this button to remove the rule from the list.
-  - use this button to edit an existing rule. To see this button, navigate to the rule that you want to edit and click on the button. In pop-up window that opens, modify the rule fields.
-  - use these buttons to move the selected rule up or down.

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**Empty rule** Use this area to create a new matching rule or edit an existing one. You can select from the following filters:

- Type - use this filter to choose classes or methods for your rule.

Note that clicking a type keyword twice negates the condition.

- Name - use this field to specify entry names in the rule. This filter matches only entry names, such as field names, method names, class names, etc. The filter supports regular expressions and uses a [standard syntax](#) . The match is performed against the entire name.
- Order - use this drop-down list to select the sorting order for the rule. This option is useful when more than one element uses the same matching rule. In this case, selecting Keep order will keep the same order as was set before the rearrangement and selecting Order by Name will sort the elements with the same matching rule by their names.
- Aliases - this option displays aliases that were defined in the Rules Alias Definition dialog. You can remove the ones you do not need.

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 This icon appears when you select Order by Name from the Order list. The icon indicates that the items in this rule are sorted alphabetically.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

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Use this page to configure formatting options for Properties files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Controls

### ItemDescription

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Align properties in columns	Select this checkbox to align properties and their values.
Insert space around key-value delimiter	Select this checkbox to insert whitespace symbols around the key-value delimiters.
Key-value delimiter	Select the desired key-value delimiter from the drop-down list.
Keep blank lines	Select this checkbox to preserve blank lines as is.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Python files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Prerequisites

Before you start working with Python, make sure that Python plugin is [installed and enabled](#) . The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

Also make sure that the following prerequisites are met:

- Python SDK is downloaded and installed on your machine.
- The required framework SDKs are downloaded and installed on your machine.

Refer to their respective download and installation pages for details:


- [Python](#)
- [Django](#)

**Tip** When a piece of code is selected in the editor, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the quick fix [Adjust code style settings](#) .

- You can change the maximum line length for Python sources in Code Style | Python | Wrapping and Braces | Right margin of the editor settings.

## Tabs and Indents

### Item Description

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– On pressing the  key</li> <li>– For indentation</li> <li>– For code reformatting</li> </ul> </li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	<p>If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA will keep indents on the empty lines as if they contained some code.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will delete the tab characters and spaces.</p>

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply on [reformatting the source code](#) . The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions ( Keep when reformatting ), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.) The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

## Right Margin (columns)

Use the Hard wrap at field to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the [global settings](#) is used.

## Wrap on typing

Use the Wrap on typing settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at . You can select one the following options:

- Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the [global settings](#) .
- Yes - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the value specified in the Right Margin field.
- No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

## Visual guides

Use the Visual guides field to specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the *Line breaks* checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks check box before you [reformat the source code](#).

## Blank lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of location, specify the number of blank lines to be inserted. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

### ItemDescription

**Keep Maximum Blank Lines** In this area, specify the number of blank lines to be kept after reformatting in the specified locations.

**Minimum Blank Lines** In the text boxes in this area, specify the number of blank lines to be present in the specified locations.

**Warning!** These settings do not influence the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## Imports

This table lists actions to be performed when [imports are optimized](#).

### ItemDescription

**General** In this area, configure general import options.  
Options:

- Use single class import : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA import only a particular class from a package during code generation or [import optimization](#). Otherwise, a statement importing an entire package is inserted.
- Use fully qualified class names : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use the fully qualified name of the class to be imported during code generation or [import optimization](#). Otherwise, a normal import statement is inserted.
- Insert imports for inner classes : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA create imports for the inner classes referenced in your code.
- Use fully qualified names in Javadoc : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use a fully qualified class name in Javadoc. Otherwise, a class is imported.
- Class count to use import with "\*" : In this text field, specify the number of classes to be imported from a single package until all statements importing a single class are substituted with a statement importing an entire package.
- Names count to use static import with "\*" : In this text box, specify the number of members to be imported from a single class until all statements importing a single member are substituted with a statement importing an entire class.

**JSP Imports Layout** In this area, configure how JSP import statements should be organized in your code. The introduced changes are displayed in the Preview pane below.  
Options:

- Prefer comma separated import list : Select this option to import statements organized in a comma separated list.
- Prefer one import statement per page directive : Select this option to have one import statement created per line.

**Packages to Use Import with ""** In this area, configure a list of packages and classes to be always imported completely.  
Options:

- Static : Select this checkbox, if you want to declare static import for the selected class.
- Package : In the text fields of this column, specify the packages and classes to be always imported completely.
- With Subpackages : Select this checkbox to have all the subpackages of the selected package imported completely.
- Add Package : Click this button to add a new entry to the list of packages and classes.
- Add Blank : Click this button to add an empty separator to the list of packages and classes.
- Remove : Click this button to delete the selected package or class from the list.

**Import Layout** In this area, configure how import statements should be organized in your code. You can set up certain classes to be positioned first, or last, or one after another. Imported classes will be grouped as per their packages and sorted alphabetically within a package.  
Options:

- Layout static imports separately : If this checkbox is selected, all static imports will be kept in a separate section. Otherwise, all import statements will be sorted according to the specified layout rules.
- Static : Select this checkbox, if you want to declare static import for the selected package.
- Package : In the text fields of this column, specify the packages to be imported.
- With Subpackages : Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the layout rules to all the subpackages of the selected package.
- Add Package : Click this button to add a new entry to the list of packages.
- Add Blank : Click this button to have a blank line inserted after the selected entry, which indicates that a blank line should be inserted between the corresponding import statements.
- Move Up / Move Down : Click these buttons to move a package or a blank line up or down in the list thus defining the order of import statements.
- Remove : Click this button to delete the selected package from the list.

## Other

### ItemDescription

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Dict alignment      From the drop-down list, select the type of `dict` alignment:

- Do not align : the `dict`'s elements in sequential lines will be not aligned.
- Align on colon : the `dict`'s elements in sequential lines will be aligned against the colon.
- Align on value : the `dict`'s elements in sequential lines will be aligned against the value.

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Add line feed at the end of file      Select this checkbox to add line feed character at the end of file.

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Use continuation indent for arguments      Select this checkbox to use continuation indent (defined in the Tabs and Indents tab) for list of arguments. If this checkbox is not selected, then the indent value is used.

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## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.



Use this page to configure formatting options for Sass files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li><li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click [Reset](#).

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for SCSS files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li><li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click Reset .



Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for SQL files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## General

Use this tab to specify certain formatting behaviors in your code. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

### ItemDescription

**Word Case** In this node, specify whether the keywords, identifiers, or quoted identifiers case should change automatically. Click the right-hand column, and check the desired behavior on the menu to turn it on.  
The possible options are:

- To upper : the elements are automatically converted to the upper case.
- To lower : The elements are automatically converted to lower case.
- Do not change : The case of elements is left as is.

**Identifier quotations** Click the right-hand column, and check the desired behavior on the menu to turn it on.  
The possible options are:

- Quote : the identifiers are automatically quoted.
- Unquote : The identifiers are automatically unquoted.
- Do not change : The identifiers are left as is.

**New line before/after** Use these nodes to define how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. For each type of SQL element, select or clear the checkbox to the right. The results are highlighted in the Preview pane.

**New line around semicolon** Use this checkbox to manage line delimiters around a semicolon.

**Alignment** Select the checkboxes next to the desired elements of source code to have them automatically aligned.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

**Use tab character**

- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:
  - On pressing the `Tab` key
  - For indentation
  - For code reformatting
- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.

**Smart tabs**

- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.
- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.

The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

**Tab size** In this text box, specify the number of spaces included in a tab.

**Indent** In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.

**Continuation indent** In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.

**Keep indents on empty lines** If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA will keep indents on the empty lines as if they contained some code.

If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will delete the tab characters and spaces.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want spaces in your code. To have IntelliJ IDEA automatically insert a space at a location, select the checkbox next to this location in the list. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and Braces

In this tab, customize the code style options, which IntelliJ IDEA will apply when [reformatting the source code](#). The left-hand pane contains the list of exceptions (Keep when reformatting), and placement and alignment options for the various code constructs (lists, statements, operations, annotations, etc.). The right-hand pane shows preview.

Alignment takes precedence over [indentation options](#).

### ItemDescription

**Keep When** Use the checkboxes in this node to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source

Reformatting	code. For example, by default, the <i>Line brakes</i> checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the <i>Line brakes</i> check box before you <a href="#">reformat the source code</a> .
Wrap inside	Use this node to define wrapping style for the lengthy elements.  You can use different <a href="#">wrapping style options</a> that are available from the drop-down list in the left-hand pane.
Values expression	Use this option to define wrapping style for values expressions. You can use different <a href="#">wrapping style options</a> that are available from the drop-down list in the left-hand pane.
Wrapping Style Options	The wrapping style applies to the various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, expressions, or assignment statements).

From the drop-down list, select the desired wrapping style:

- Do not wrap - when this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied.

**Note** If this option is selected, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.

- Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.
- Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
- Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Blank Lines

Use this tab to insert blank lines into your code.

### ItemDescription

Keep Maximum Blank Lines      Use this area to specify blank lines in your code.

Use In code field to enter the number of lines you want to insert. The default number is 2.

## Code Generation

The tab contains templates for the names of primary and foreign key constraints, and indexes. These templates are used to generate default names for the constraints and indexes when you create them in the Create Table or the Modify Table dialog.

The templates can contain variables (e.g. `{table}` ) and text. When generating a name, the specified text is reproduced literally.

To get the info about the variables and how you should use them, place the cursor into the field of interest and press

`Ctrl+Q` .

`{columns}` and `{ref_columns}` , depending on the situation, are the name of the column, or a list where the column names are separated with the underscore ( \_ ).

`{unique?u:}` checks if the index is unique ( `unique?` ), and, if it is, inserts the sequence of characters specified between `?` and `:` (in this example, it's `u` ). If the index is not unique, the sequence between `:` and `}` is inserted (in this example, it's nothing).

Example. Using the template `{table}_{columns}_{unique?u:index}` , you are creating an index on the columns

`FirstName` and `LastName` in the table `persons` . If the index is unique, its name, by default, will be

`persons_FirstName_LastName_uindex` . If the index is not unique, its name will be `persons_FirstName_LastName_index` .

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to configure formatting options for Stylus files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li><li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**TIP** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click [Reset](#).

Use this page to configure formatting options for TypeScript files. View the result in the Preview pane.

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- [Punctuation](#)
- [Code Generation](#)
- [Imports](#)
- [Arrangement](#)
- [Set from](#)

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.
Indent chained methods	<p>In declarations of functions, the second and further methods in a chain are displayed on a separate line.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– When the checkbox is selected, the second and further methods in a chain are aligned with the first call.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, the second and further methods in a chain are aligned with the object on which they are invoked.</li> </ul>
Indent all chained calls in a group	The checkbox is available only when the Indent chained methods checkbox is selected.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Spaces

Use this tab to specify where you want IntelliJ IDEA to insert spaces automatically. Select the checkboxes next to the description of relevant locations and check the results in the Preview pane.

## Wrapping and braces

In this tab, customize the exceptions, brace placement and alignment options that IntelliJ IDEA will apply to various code constructs on [reformatting the source code](#) . Check the results in the Preview pane.

**Tip** Alignment takes precedence over indentation options.

### Hard wrap at

In this field, specify the number of spaces required to the right of an element. If you accept the Default option then the value from the [global settings](#) is used.

### Wrap on typing

In this field, specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Hard wrap at field.

- Default - choose this option to use the Wrap on typing value from the [global settings](#) .
- Yes - choose this option to use the value from the Right Margin field.
- No - if you choose this option a line can exceed the value specified in the right margin.

**Visual guides** In this field, specify multiple right margins. You can leave a default value or enter the number of spaces for your margin. If you want to specify several margins, enter numbers separated by comma.

## Keep when reformatting

Use the checkboxes to configure exceptions that IntelliJ IDEA will make when reformatting the source code. For example, by default, the Line breaks checkbox is selected. If your code contains lines that are shorter than a standard convention, you can convert them by disabling the Line breaks checkbox before reformatting.

## Wrapping options

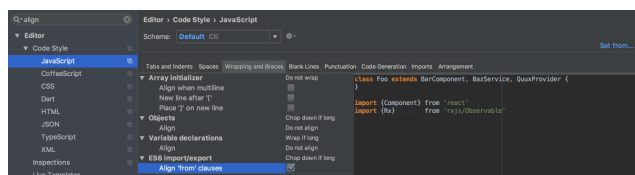
A wrapping style applies to various code constructs, specified in the left-hand pane (for example, method call arguments, or assignment statements).

Do not wrap	When this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied, the nested alignment and braces settings are ignored.
Wrap if long	Select this option to wrap lines going beyond the right margin with proper indentation.
Wrap always	Select this option to wrap all elements in lists so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.
Chop down if long	Select this option to wrap elements in lists that go beyond the right margin so that there is one element per line with proper indentation.

## Alignment options

Align when multiline	If this checkbox is selected, a code construct starts at the same column on each next line. Otherwise, the position of a code construct is determined by the current indentation level.
<character(s)> on next line	Select this checkbox to move the specified character or characters to the next line when the lines are wrapped.
'else' on new line	Use this checkbox to move the corresponding statements or characters to the next line.
New line after <character>	Select this checkbox to move the code after the specified character to a new line.
Special else if treatment	If this checkbox is selected, <code>else if</code> statements are located in the same line. Otherwise, <code>else if</code> statements are moved to the next line to the corresponding indent level.
Indent case branches	If this checkbox is selected, the <code>case</code> statement is located at the corresponding indent level. Otherwise, <code>case</code> statement is placed at the same indent level with <code>switch</code> .
Objects	From the drop-down list, choose how to align objects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not align - the attributes in sequential lines will be not aligned.</li><li>– On colon - the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the colon.</li><li>– On value - the attributes in sequential lines will be aligned against the value.</li></ul>
Variable declarations	Choose one of the following options to configure alignment for equality signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not align - the equality signs are not aligned.</li><li>– Align when multiline - the equality signs in multiline <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li><li>– Align when grouped - the equality signs in multiple <code>var</code> statements are aligned by inserting additional spaces.</li></ul>

**ES6 import/export** Align 'from' clauses: When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA aligns `import` and `export` statements in [ECMAScript 6](#) code automatically making your code easier to read and maintain. Compare the appearance of a code fragment with alignment and without it in the Preview pane.



With this option on, IntelliJ IDEA will align the new code on the fly. Existing `import` and `export` statements will be aligned after you reformat the code by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+L`, see the [Reformat Source Code](#) section for details.

## Braces placement options

Braces placement style Use this drop-down list to specify the position of the opening brace in class declarations, method declarations, function declarations, and other types of declarations. The available options are:

- End of line - select this option to place the opening brace at the declaration line end.
- Next line if wrapped - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the multiline declaration line.
- Next line - select this option to place the opening brace at the beginning of the line after the declaration line.
- Next line shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level.
- Next line each shifted - select this option to place the opening brace at the line after the declaration line being shifted to the corresponding indent level, and shift the next line to the next indent level as well.

**Force braces** From this drop-down list, choose the braces introduction method for `if`, `for`, `while`, and `do ()` `while` statements. The available options are:

- Do not force - select this option to suppress introducing braces automatically.
- When multiline - select this option to insert braces automatically if a statement occupies more than one line. Note that IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the number of lines in the entire statement but not only its condition.
- Always - when this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA always inserts braces automatically.

## Blank Lines

Use this tab to define where and how many blank lines you want IntelliJ IDEA to retain and insert in your code after reformatting. The results are displayed in the Preview pane.

Keep Maximum Blank Lines	In this area, specify the number of extra blank lines to be kept after reformatting.
Minimum Blank Lines	In this area, configure whether to have or not to have extra empty lines after the blocks of <code>import</code> statements and around classes, fields, methods, or functions.  In the text box next to each option, specify the minimum number of extra blank lines to be left.

**Tip** These settings do not affect the number of blank lines before the first and after the last item.

## Punctuation

Use the drop-down lists in this tab to form directives in automatic insertion of terminating semicolons, single and double quotes, and trailing commas.

Semicolon to terminate statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use semicolon to terminate statements in new code</li> <li>- Use semicolon to terminate statements always</li> <li>- Don't use semicolon to terminate statements in new code</li> <li>- Don't use semicolon to terminate statements always</li> </ul>
Quotes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use double quotes in new code</li> <li>- Use double quotes always</li> <li>- Use single quotes in new code</li> <li>- Use single quotes always</li> </ul>
Trailing comma	Use this drop-down list to configure whether you want to use <a href="#">trailing commas</a> in objects, arrays, and for the parameters in method definitions and calls. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Keep</li> <li>- Remove</li> <li>- Add when multiline</li> </ul>

## Code Generation

On this tab, configure the code style for generated code.

Use 'public' modifier	Use this checkbox to have the public access modifier inserted or omitted in the generated code.
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For example, during generation of a public method from the following:

```
class Test {
  public test():void {
    var x = 1;
  }
}
```

- If the checkbox is selected, the public access modifier is automatically inserted in the generated code:

```
class Test {
  public test():void {
    this.extracted();
  }
  public extracted() {
    var x = 1;
  }
}
```

- If the checkbox is cleared, the public access modifier is omitted during code generation:

```
class Test {
  public test():void {
    this.extracted();
  }
  extracted() {
    var x = 1;
  }
}
```

See [TypeScript Language Handbook](#), chapter Private/Public Modifiers .

Naming conventions	In this area, configure or accept default prefixes that will be added automatically to the names of generated fields and properties.
Comment Code	In this area, configure code style for generated comments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Line comment at first column - select this checkbox to start line comments at the first column. When the checkbox is cleared, line comments are aligned in the code.</li> </ul>

- Add a space at comment start - when this checkbox is selected, a space will be inserted between a line comment character and the first character of a commented line.

**Tip** The Add a space at comment start checkbox is unavailable when Line comment at first column is selected.

## Imports

- Merge imports for members from the same module
- When this checkbox is selected, imported symbols from the same module are listed in one `import` statement with a comma as separator. The members are listed in the order in which they are imported. To arrange them alphabetically, select the Sort imported members checkbox and run Code | Optimize Imports .
  - When this checkbox is cleared, for each imported symbol a separate `import` statement is generated.

- Use paths relative to `tsconfig.json`
- When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA calculates import paths using the `tsconfig.json` file as the root. When this checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA calculates import paths relative to the project root. For example, if your project is structured as follows:

```

▼ ts_import_example
  ▼ directory_1
    file_1.ts
  ▼ directory_2
    file_2.ts
    tsconfig.json
  
```

With the checkbox selected, IntelliJ IDEA generates the following import statement:

```
import {ClassName} from 'directory_2/file_2'
```




If the checkbox is cleared, the following import statement is generated:

```
import {ClassName} from '../directory_2/file_2'
```

- Use directory import (Node-style module resolution)
- When this checkbox is selected, `import` statements are generated in compliance with the [Node.js module resolution strategy](#) .
  - When this checkbox is cleared, `import` statements are generated in compliance with the [TypeScript classic module resolution strategy](#) .

- Do not import exactly from
- In this field, specify the exact paths that IntelliJ IDEA should skip during automatic import of a symbol. Instead, IntelliJ IDEA will look for alternative paths to import the symbol. This is particularly useful for modules that allow importing their submodules instead of the entire module. For example, to prefer imports like `import {Observable} from 'rxjs/Observable'` to a more general `import {Observable} from 'rxjs'` , add `rxjs` to the list.

To manage the list of modules to skip:

1. Click  to the right of the field.
2. In the Change modules dialog box that opens, click  and specify the module name in the Add module dialog box. To remove a module from the list, select it and click  .






- Sort imported members
- When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA lists the imported members in merged `import` statements alphabetically. Note that the members are listed comma-separated in the order they are imported and re-sorted only when you run Code | Optimize Imports .
  - When this checkbox is cleared, the members in merged `import` statements are always listed comma-separated in the order they are imported.

- Sort imports by modules
- When this checkbox is selected, `import` statements are re-sorted alphabetically by the module names when you run Code | Optimize Imports .
  - When this checkbox is cleared, `import` statements are always shown in the order they are generated and this order is not changed after you run Code | Optimize Imports .

## Arrangement

In this tab, define a set of rules to rearrange your TypeScript code according to your preferences.

- Grouping Rules
- Use this area to set the grouping rules.
- Group property field with corresponding getter/setter

- Matching rules
- Use this area to define elements order as a list of rules, where every rule has a set of matches such as modifier or type.
-  - use this button to add a rule. The empty rule area opens.
  -  - use this button to remove the rule from the list.
  -  - use this button to edit an existing rule. To see this button, navigate to the rule that you want to edit and click on the button. In pop-up window that opens, modify the rule fields.
  -   - use these buttons to move the selected rule up or down.

- Empty rule
- Use this area to create a new matching rule or edit an existing one. You can select from the following filters:
- Type - use this filter to choose classes or methods for your rule.
- Note that clicking a type keyword twice negates the condition.
- Modifier - use this filter to select the types of modifiers for the rule.

Note that clicking a modifier keyword twice negates the condition.

- Name - use this field to specify entry names in the rule. This filter matches only entry names, such as field names, method names, class names, etc. The filter supports regular expressions and uses a [standard syntax](#). The match is performed against the entire name.
- Order - use this drop-down list to select the sorting order for the rule. This option is useful when more than one element uses the same matching rule. In this case, selecting Keep order will keep the same order as was set before the rearrangement and selecting Order by Name will sort the elements with the same matching rule by their names.
- Aliases - this option displays aliases that were defined in the Rules Alias Definition dialog. You can remove the ones you do not need.



This icon appears when you select Order by Name from the Order list. The icon indicates that the items in this rule are sorted alphabetically.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click Reset .




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Use this page to configure formatting options for Velocity files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

### ItemDescription

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- On pressing the  key</li><li>- For indentation</li><li>- For code reformatting</li></ul></li><li>- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li></ul>
Smart tabs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If this checkbox is selected, the part of indentation defined by the nesting of code blocks, is made of the tabs and (if necessary) spaces, while the part of indentation defined by the alignment is made only of spaces.</li><li>- If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li></ul> <p>The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.</p>
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	<p>If this checkbox is selected, then IntelliJ IDEA will keep indents on the empty lines as if they contained some code.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will delete the tab characters and spaces.</p>

## Set from...

Click this link to reveal the list of languages to be used as the base for the current language code style. So doing, only the settings that are applicable to the current language are taken. All the other settings are not affected.

This link appears in the upper-right corner of the language-specific code style page, when applicable.

Click Reset to discard changes and return to the initial set of code style settings.

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Use this page to configure formatting options for XML files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.
Continuation indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted between the elements of an array, in expressions, method declarations, and method calls.
Keep indents on empty lines	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA retains indents on empty lines as if they contained some code. If the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA deletes the tab characters and spaces on empty lines.

**TIP** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Other

### ItemDescription





Right Margin	Use these settings to specify a margin space required on the right side of an element. If you select Default option then a value of the right margin from the <a href="#">global settings</a> will be used.
Wrap on typing	Use these settings settings to specify how the edited text is fitted in the specified Right margin . You can select one the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Default - in this case IntelliJ IDEA uses the Wrap on typing option that is specified in the <a href="#">global settings</a> .</li> <li>– Yes - in this case the value in the specified right margin is used.</li> <li>– No - in this case this option is switched off and a line can exceed the number that is specified in the right margin.</li> </ul>
Keep line breaks	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA honor line breaks when reviewing XML files in the editor.
Keep line breaks in text	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA honor line breaks in attributes (for example, lengthy descriptions) when reviewing XML files in the editor.
Keep blank lines	In this text box, specify the minimum number of sequential blank lines to be retained after reformatting.
Wrap attributes	Use this drop-down list to determine how attribute lines should be wrapped. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Do not wrap - if this option is selected, no special wrapping style is applied to the code.</li> <li>– Wrap if long - select this option to have lines going beyond the right margin wrapped with proper indentation.</li> <li>– Chop down if long - select this option to have elements in lists that go beyond the right margin wrapped to give one element per line with proper indentation.</li> <li>– Wrap always - select this option to have all elements in lists wrapped to give one element per line with proper indentation.</li> </ul>
Wrap text	Select this checkbox to have long lines wrapped according to the code style settings.
Align attributes	Select this checkbox to have attributes in sequential lines aligned.
Keep white spaces	When this checkbox is selected, the editor preserves all whitespaces within tags. The same refers also to the indents, and line breaks.
Spaces	In this area, define the usage of spaces for attributes and tag names. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Around "=" in attribute : select this checkbox to have spaces added around the "=" symbol in attributes.</li> <li>– After tag name : select this checkbox to have spaces added after tag names.</li> <li>– In empty tag : select this checkbox to have spaces added in empty tags.</li> </ul>
CDATA	In this area, define the usage of whitespaces around and inside CDATA sections in MXML files: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Whitespaces around : from the drop-down list, choose how whitespaces around <code>CDATA[</code> will be treated. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Preserve : all whitespaces will be left intact after reformatting.</li> <li>– Remove (keep with tags) : all whitespaces around <code>CDATA[</code> will be removed, and tags will be kept on the same lines.</li> <li>– New lines : new lines will be added before and after <code>CDATA[</code> .</li> </ul> </li> <li>– Keep whitespaces inside : If this checkbox is selected, whitespaces will be preserved after <code>CDATA[</code> and before <code>]]</code> .</li> </ul>

## Arrangement

This tab lets you define a set of rules that rearranges your code according to your preferences.

### ItemDescription

**Matching rules** Use this area to define elements order as a list of rules, where every rule has a set of matches such as modifier or type.


-  - use this button to add a rule. The empty rule area opens.
-  - use this button to remove the rule from the list.
-  - use this button to edit an existing rule. To see this button, navigate to the rule that you want to edit and click on the button. In pop-up window that opens, modify the rule fields.
-  - use these buttons to move the selected rule up or down.

**Empty rule** Use this area to create a new matching rule or edit an existing one. You can select from the following filters:

- **Type** - use this filter to choose classes or methods for your rule.

Note that clicking a type keyword twice negates the condition.

- **Name** - use this field to specify entry names in the rule. This filter matches only entry names, such as field names, method names, class names, etc. The filter supports regular expressions and uses a [standard syntax](#). The match is performed against the entire name.
- **Namespace** - use this field to specify the namespace in the rule. It lets you specify a rule that controls a namespace attribute position.
- **Order** - use this drop-down list to select the sorting order for the rule. This option is useful when more than one element uses the same matching rule. In this case, selecting **Keep order** will keep the same order as was set before the rearrangement and selecting **Order by Name** will sort the elements with the same matching rule by their names.
- **Aliases** - this option displays aliases that were defined in the Rules Alias Definition dialog. You can remove the ones you do not need.

 This icon appears when you select **Order by Name** from the **Order** list. The icon indicates that the items in this rule are sorted alphabetically.

**Additional Settings** Use this area to set additional arrangement options. The **Force rearrange** drop-down list lets you select options that affect the **Rearrange entries** checkbox in the **Reformat Code** dialog.

You can select from the following options:

- **Use current mode** (toggled in the **Reformat Code** dialog) - In this case the **Rearrange entries** checkbox stays active and you can modify it in the **Reformat Code** dialog.
- **Always** - In this case the **Rearrange entries** checkbox is selected and becomes read-only.
- **Never** - In this case the **Rearrange entries** checkbox is cleared and becomes read-only.

## Android

### ItemDescription

**Use custom formatting settings for Android XML files** Use this checkbox to set a custom formatting for the Android XML files. This might be helpful if you need to format Android files differently from other XML files or need to use specific Android formatting options.

If this checkbox is not selected, the default XML files formatting is applied.

**AndroidManifest.xml** Use this area to set the following formatting for **AndroidManifest.xml**:

- **Wrap attributes** - use this drop-down list to determine how attribute lines should be wrapped. See the [available options](#).
- **Insert line break before first attribute** - select this checkbox to insert a line before the first attribute.
- **Insert line break after last attribute** - select this checkbox to insert a line after the last attribute.
- **Group tags with the same name** - select this checkbox to group tags with the same name.

**Layout Files** Use this area to set the following formatting for the layout files:

- **Wrap attributes** - use this drop-down list to determine how the attribute lines should be wrapped. See the [available options](#).
- **Insert line break before first attribute** - select this checkbox to insert a line break before the first attribute.
- **Insert line break after last attribute** - select this checkbox to insert a line after the last attribute.
- **Insert blank line before tag** - select this checkbox to insert a blank line before the tag.

**Value Resources Files and Selectors** Use this area to set the following formatting for value resource files and selectors:

- **Wrap attributes** - use this drop-down list to determine how attribute lines should be wrapped. See the [available options](#).
- **Insert line breaks around style declaration** - select this checkbox to insert line breaks around a style declaration.

**Other XML resource files** Use this area to set **Wrap attributes** for other XML resource files. See the [available options](#).

- **Insert line break before first attribute** - select this checkbox to insert line breaks before the first attribute. This option is selected by default.
- **Insert line break after last attribute** - select this checkbox to insert line breaks after the last attribute.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click **Reset**.



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Use this page to configure formatting options for YAML files. View the result in the Preview pane on the right.

## Tabs and Indents

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**Use tab character**

- If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.
- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.

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**Indent**                      In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

## Set from

The link appears in the upper-right corner of the page, when applicable. Click this link and choose the language to be used as the base for the current language code style.

To return to the initial set of code style settings and discard the changes, click [Reset](#) .

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On this page:

- [Scheme](#)
- [Tabs and Indents](#)

## Scheme

In this area, choose the code style scheme and change it as required. Code style scheme settings are automatically applied every time IntelliJ IDEA generates, refactors, or reformats your code.

Code styles are defined at the project level and at the IDE level (global).

– At the **Project** level, settings are grouped under the Project scheme, which is predefined and is marked in bold. The **Project** style scheme is applied to the current project only.


You can copy the Project scheme to the IDE level, using the Copy to IDE... command.

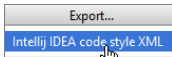
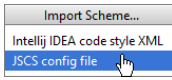
– At the **IDE** level, settings are grouped under the predefined Default scheme (marked in bold), and any other scheme created by the user by the Duplicate command (marked as plain text). Global settings are used when the user doesn't want to keep code style settings with the project and share them.

You can copy the IDE scheme to the current project, using the Copy to Project... command.

### ItemDescription

**Scheme** From this drop-down list, select the scheme to be used. The **predefined** schemes are shown bold. The **custom** schemes, ones created as copies of the predefined schemes, are in plain text. The location where the scheme is stored is written next to each scheme, for example, the Default scheme is stored in the IDE, the Project scheme is stored in the project.

 Click this button to invoke the drop-down list of commands to manage the schemes:

ItemDescriptionAvailable for		
Copy to IDE...	Choose this command to copy the scheme settings to the IDE.	Project
Export...	Choose this command to export the selected scheme to an <code>.xml</code> file in the selected location:	Project and IDE
		
Import Scheme...	Choose this command to import the scheme of the selected type from the specified location:	Project and IDE
		
Copy to Project...	Choose this command to copy the scheme settings to be stored with a project.	IDE
Duplicate...	Choose this command to create a copy of the selected scheme.	IDE
Reset	Choose this command to reset the default or bundled color scheme to the initial defaults shipped with IntelliJ IDEA. This command becomes available only if some changes have been done.	IDE
Rename	Choose this command to change the name of the selected custom scheme. Press <code>Enter</code> to save changes, or <code>Escape</code> to cancel.	Custom schemes

## Tabs and Indents

Use tab character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, tab characters are used for indentation and for code reformatting.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA uses spaces instead of tabs.</li> </ul>
Smart tabs	<p>An indentation consists of two parts. One part results from nesting code blocks and the other part is determined by alignment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If this checkbox is selected, the part that results from nesting contains both tabs and spaces (if necessary), while the part defined by alignment consists only of spaces.</li> <li>– If this checkbox is cleared, only tabs are used. This means that after reformatting a group of spaces that fits the specified tab size is automatically replaced with a tab, which may result in breaking fine alignment.</li> </ul>
Tab size	In this text box, specify the number of spaces that fits in a tab.
Indent	In this text box, specify the number of spaces (or tabs if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected) to be inserted for each indent level.

**Tip** The Smart Tabs checkbox is available if the Use Tab Character checkbox is selected.

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Use this page to [customize inspection profiles](#) , [configure inspection severities](#) , [disable and enable inspections](#) , and [configure inspections for different scopes](#) . The page is divided into the following areas:

- [Profile management](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Inspection severity and scopes](#)
- [Options](#)

## Profile management

### ItemDescription

Profile	From this drop-down list, select the name of the profile to configure. All modified inspections are highlighted. Note that the selected profile is automatically used for project highlighting after clicking Apply .
*-	Click this button to reveal the following submenu:
Copy to IDE/Copy to Project	Choose the command Copy as IDE to move the selected profile to the global level. Choose the command Copy to Project to create the project level duplicate of the selected profile.
Duplicate	Choose this command to create a copy, <a href="#">based on the current profile</a> .
Rename	Choose this command to change the name of the current profile in the Profile field.
Delete	Choose this command to delete the current profile. The pre-defined profiles cannot be deleted, so this command is only available for the user-defined profiles.
Add description	If this command is selected, a text field appears on the right of the Profile field, enabling you to type in the description of the current profile. Press <b>Enter</b> to save the entered description, or <b>Escape</b> to cancel typing.
Export	Choose this command to export the selected profile as an <code>xml</code> file.
Import Profile	Choose this command to import a profile from an <code>xml</code> file.

**Note** Inspections that differ from the default profile are highlighted in blue.

## Toolbar

### Item Tooltip and Shortcut

Q in

Use this text box to search through the list of inspections. In the search field, start typing the desired inspection name, or any characters contained in the inspection name or description. IntelliJ IDEA shows the list of matching occurrences.

As you type a search string, the matching inspections are highlighted. To finalize the search, press **Enter** . The used search strings are memorized in the history list.

- : Click this button to reveal the history list.
- : Click this button to clear the search history.






Filter Inspections

Click this button to show the list of available filters:

Reset Filter
Show Only Enabled
Show Only Disabled
Show Only Modified Inspections
Error
Warning
Weak Warning
Server Problem
Typo
No highlighting, only fix
Filter by Language
Show Only "Available only for Analyze   Inspect Code"
Show Only Cleanup Inspections

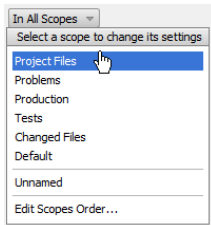
Click the desired filters to reduce the list. The command Reset Filters becomes available, if some of the filters are checked.

	<p><b>Expand All/Collapse All</b> Click these buttons to have all inspection nodes expanded/collapsed.</p> <p>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</p> <p>Ctrl+NumPad -</p>
	<p><b>Reset to Empty</b> Click this button to have all the checkboxes of the profile cleared and thus disable all the profile inspections.</p>
	<p><b>Advanced Settings</b> Click this button to show the menu with the following check commands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Disable new inspections by default : select this checkbox, if you don't want the new inspections that appear after IntelliJ IDEA update, to become available.</li> <li>- Reset to Default settings : select this checkbox to discard all changes.</li> </ul>

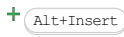
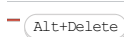
## Inspection severity and scopes

### ItemDescription

Description	This read-only field shows the description of the selected inspection.
Inspection severity	From this drop-down list, select the desired severity to assign to the current inspection. Refer to the section <a href="#">Configuring Inspection Severities</a> for details.
Scopes	Click this drop-down list to reveal the list of available scopes:



Clicking a scope in the list results in showing the scopes toolbar:

	Click this button to specify the scope for the selected inspection.
	Click this button to delete the selected scope for the current inspection.

Choosing the option Edit Scopes Order results in showing the Scopes Order dialog box, where one can change the order of scopes using the up and down arrows (↑ ↓) or keyboard shortcuts ((Alt+Up) / (Alt+Down)).

It is possible to select several inspections and add/remove scopes for the entire selection.

## Options

This area is only available for some types of inspections, provided that an inspection of this type is enabled (the checkbox next to it is selected). Use the controls in this area to re-configure the default inspection settings.



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Files can be created according to pre-defined templates (file templates). Use this page to view, edit, and create such templates.

Different groups of templates are located on different [tabs](#).

When you select a template, its contents and description are displayed in the right-hand part of the page.

- [Per-project vs default scheme](#)
- [Tabs](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Template settings and contents](#)

## Per-project vs default scheme

### ItemDescription

Scheme	From this drop-down list, choose whether file and code template settings pertain to the entire workspace, or the current project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Default scheme is selected, when file and code templates are global.</li> <li>– Project scheme is selected, if you want to use the sharable project-specific file and code templates.</li> </ul>
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Refer to the section [Project and IDE Settings](#) for details.

## Tabs

### TabDescription

Files	This tab displays the available file templates. You can edit the existing templates, or create new ones.
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**Note** The templates shown in bold font cannot be deleted; their names and extensions cannot be edited.





Includes	This tab shows the templates for reusable fragments that can be included in file templates. You can edit the existing templates, or create new ones.
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Code	This tab displays built-in snippets, i.e. templates for code fragments that IntelliJ IDEA can generate in various typical situations, for example, for generating implemented or overridden method bodies. You can edit the existing snippets, but you cannot create new ones.
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Other	This tab displays groups of templates related to various application servers and frameworks. You can edit the existing templates, but you cannot create new ones.
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## Toolbar

### ItemTooltipDescription

	<b>Create Template</b>	Click this button to create a new template in the currently opened tab. This option is only available in the Files and the Includes tabs. The location of the new template is defined by the Schema drop-down list.
	<b>Remove Template</b>	Click this button to delete the selected template. This option is only available for certain templates in the Files and the Includes tabs.
	<b>Copy Template</b>	Click this button to create a copy of the selected template. This option is only available in the Files and the Includes tabs.
	<b>Reset to Default</b>	Click this button to revert the selected template to its original state. This option is only available for the templates that have been modified (such templates are highlighted in blue).
NA	<b>Reset</b>	This link appears in the top-right corner of the page when you start editing a template. Clicking this link resets all unsaved changes to any template in any tab.

## Template settings and contents

### ItemDescription

Name	This text box appears when a new template is created. Specify the name of the new template.
Extension	In this text box, specify the extension. IntelliJ IDEA will apply this template when new files of this type are created.
Template text	Edit the template contents. You can use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Plain text.</li> <li>– <code>#parse</code> directives to work with <a href="#">template includes</a>.</li> <li>– Custom variables. Variables' names can be defined either directly in the template through the <code>#set</code> directive or during the file creation.</li> </ul>

Note that IntelliJ IDEA doesn't prompt for the values of Velocity variables defined with `#set`.

– Variables to be expanded into corresponding values in the `#{<variable_name>}` format.

The available predefined file template variables are:

- `#{PACKAGE_NAME}` - the name of the target package where the new class or interface will be created.
- `#{PROJECT_NAME}` - the name of the current project.
- `#{FILE_NAME}` - the name of the PHP file that will be created.
- `#{NAME}` - the name of the new file which you specify in the New File dialog box during the file creation.
- `#{USER}` - the login name of the current user.
- `#{DATE}` - the current system date.
- `#{YEAR}` - the current year.
- `#{MONTH}` - the current month.
- `#{DAY}` - the current day of the month.
- `#{TIME}` - the current system time.
- `#{HOUR}` - the current hour.
- `#{MINUTE}` - the current minute.
- `#{PRODUCT_NAME}` - the name of the IDE in which the file will be created.
- `#{MONTH_NAME_SHORT}` - the first 3 letters of the month name. Example: Jan, Feb, etc.
- `#{MONTH_NAME_FULL}` - full name of a month. Example: January, February, etc.

IntelliJ IDEA provides a set of additional variables for [PHP include templates](#). Include templates are used to define reusable pieces of code (namely, file headers and [PHPDoc comments](#)) to be inserted in file templates via the `#parse directive`.

The following variables are available in [PHP include templates](#):

- `#{NAME}` - the name of the class, field, or function (method) for which the PHPDoc comment will be generated.
- `#{NAMESPACE}` - the fully qualified name (without a leading slash) of the class or field namespace.
- `#{CLASS_NAME}` - the name of the class where the field to generate the PHPDoc comment for is defined.
- `#{STATIC}` - gets the value `static` if the function (method) or field to generate the comment for is `static`. Otherwise evaluates to an empty string.
- `#{TYPE_HINT}` - a prompt for the `return` value of the function (method) to generate the comment for. If the return type cannot be detected through the static analysis of the function (method), evaluates to `void`.
- `#{PARAM_DOC}` - a documentation comment for parameters. Evaluates to a set of lines `@param type name`. If the function to generate comments for does not contain any parameters, the variable evaluates to empty content.
- `#{THROWS_DOC}` - a documentation comment for exceptions. Evaluates to a set of lines `@throws type`. If the function to generate comments for does not throw any exceptions, the variable evaluates to empty content.
- `#{DS}` - a dollar character (`$`). The variable evaluates to a plain dollar character (`$`) and is used when you need to escape this symbol so it is not treated as a prefix of a variable.
- `#{CARET}` - indicated the position of the caret after generating and adding the comment.  
This `#{CARET}` variable is applied only when a PHPDoc comment is generated and inserted during file creation. When a PHPDoc comment is created through Code | Generate | PHPDoc block, multiple selection of functions or methods is available so documentation comments can be created to several classes, functions, methods, or fields. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA cannot "choose" the block to apply the `#{CARET}` variable in, therefore in this case the `#{CARET}` variable is ignored.
- `#{DATE}` - the current system date.
- `#{YEAR}` - the current year.
- `#{MONTH}` - the current month.
- `#{DAY}` - the current day of the month.

Treating dollar sign

– You can prevent treating dollar characters (`$`) in template variables as prefixes. If you need a dollar character (`$`) inserted as is, use the `#{DS}` file template variable instead. When the template is applied, this variable evaluates to a plain dollar character (`$`).

Examples:

- To use some version control keywords (such as `$Revision$`, `$Date$`, etc.) in your default class template, write `#{DS}` instead of the dollar prefix (`$`).
- The template code `#{DS}this` will be rendered as `$this`.

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Reformat according to style	Select this checkbox, to have IntelliJ IDEA reformat generated stub files according to the style defined on the <a href="#">Code Style page</a> . This option is only available in the Files tab.
Enable Live Templates	Select this checkbox to use a live template inside a file template. So doing, one has to put the live template fragments into Velocity escape syntax. For example: <pre>#[[ \$MY_VARIABLES \$ENDS ]]</pre> Thus, one can specify the cursor position. Note that it is required to use the <a href="#">live template variables</a> here!
Description	This read-only field provides information about the template, its predefined variables, and the way they work. This field is not available in custom templates.

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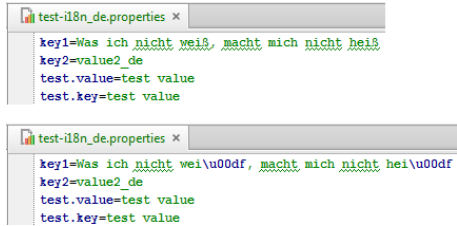
Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this dialog to configure encoding options for a project and for the entire IDE.

The [file or directory encodings](#) take precedence over the [project encoding](#), which, in turn, takes precedence over the [IDE encoding](#).

If the file or directory encodings are not defined, then the project encoding is taken. If the project encoding cannot be taken (for example, if a project is not yet created), then the IDE encoding is taken.

#### ItemDescription

IDE Encoding	From this drop-down list, choose the encoding to be used when no project is currently opened. The encoding will be applied, for example, when you specify settings of a default project or check out sources from a version control storage. Choose System Default to have the default encoding of your operating system used or choose a specific encoding.
Project Encoding	From this drop-down box, choose the default encoding to use in the folders for which no encoding is appointed in the Default encoding field below. Choose System Default to have the default encoding of your operating system used or choose a specific encoding.
File/Directory	This column displays the project tree view.
Default encoding	This column displays encoding for a file or directory, if applicable. If encoding is defined within a file, it cannot be configured, and is shown in grey font. If encoding is configurable, click the Default Encoding column for a selected file or directory, and choose encoding from the drop-down list. Encoding information embedded in a file overrides the selected one; encoding information for the nested files or directories overrides that for the outer directories or the whole project.
Default encoding for properties files	Use this drop-down list to define encoding for the properties files in the project. According to the Java API, the <code>load(InputStream) / store(OutputStream, String)</code> methods of the <code>java.util.Properties</code> class, use ISO 8859-1 encoding for input/output stream. It is advisable to use this encoding unless you have special reasons to change it. In this case, you can select the desired encoding from the drop-down list; in particular, you can use encoding defined for the whole project.
Transparent native-to-ascii conversion	Select this option to show in properties files the national characters (non-ISO 8859-1), stored as escape sequences. For more details refer to <a href="#">Configuring Encoding for Properties Files</a> .  If this checkbox is not selected, the national characters will not be shown. Compare two representations of the national characters:
	
Create UTF-8 files	Use this drop-down list to select how you want to save the <a href="#">UTF-8</a> files: with <i>byte order mark</i> (BOM), without BOM, or BOM only for Windows. It might be helpful if you are working with the OS other than Windows and want more flexibility for the UTF-8 file encoding. Keep in mind that the UTF-8 with BOM option may cause problems with software which is not compatible with BOM or with scripts that need to be run by an interpreter.

Ctrl+Alt+S Use this page to [create, manage, and edit live templates](#) .

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## List of available live templates

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
and  
**shortcut**

By default expand with





Use this drop-down list to specify the default invocation key for all templates. Individual expansion keys for the particular templates are defined in the [editing area](#) . If the standard expansion keys (Tab, Enter, or Space) are not desirable, select the Custom option from this drop-down list.

When Custom is selected, the Change link appears next to the drop-down, leading you to the [Keymap](#) page.

Live Templates

This list shows all currently available template abbreviations supplied with their descriptions. The abbreviations are grouped below nodes and sorted alphabetically within each group. To activate a template or an entire group, select the checkbox to its left.

**Note** – Only active templates are displayed upon invoking live templates in the editor.  
– If a template is active, the editor is sensitive to its abbreviation. Otherwise, the abbreviation is considered merely a set of characters.

	Add	Click this button to have a new template item added to the current group of template. You can define the template abbreviation, description, text, variables, expansion key, and context in the editing area <a href="#">below</a> .
	Remove	Click this button to have the selected live template removed from the list.
	Duplicate	Click this button to create a new template based on the selected template. A new template item is added to the current node and the fields in the Template Text area show the definition of the selected template.
	Restore	Click this button to restore the deleted live templates. This button is only enabled when the changes are applied.



## Context menu of a live template

**Item****Description**

Move	Choose a group to move the selected template to.
Change context	Choose this command to modify the set of contexts where the current template is enabled. Upon choosing this command, a list of supported language contexts is displayed. To make IntelliJ IDEA consider a context sensitive to the template, select a checkbox next to the context name. The available context types depend on the enabled plugins.
Copy	Choose this command to create a <a href="#">serialized template XML</a> in the system clipboard.
Paste	Choose this command to paste an XML representation of the <a href="#">copied templates</a> to the selected <a href="#">group of templates</a> .
Restore defaults	This command only appears on the context menus of the modified templates, marked blue. Choose this command to restore the default template settings.

## Template editing area

The focus is moved to this area in the following cases:

- When you click the Add  or Copy  button.
- When you select a live template in the list.

– When you select a fragment of code in the editor and choose [Tools | Save as Live Template](#) .

Use controls of this area to create new [live templates](#) and edit the settings for the existing ones.

You can navigate through the Template Text Area using the hot keys that are marked in the field labels.

#### ItemDescription

**Abbreviation** In this text box, specify the [template abbreviation](#) , i.e a sequence of characters that identify the template in the editor.

**Description** In this text box, provide optional description of a template or an example of its usage.

**Template Text** In this text box, type the template body that may contain plain text and variables in the format `<variable name>$` .

When editing the live template variables, mind the following helpful hints:

- If you need a dollar sign ( `$` ) in the template text, escape it by duplicating this character ( `$$` ) .
- To change the variables in a template, click the Edit Variables button and [configure the variables](#) .

The Edit Variables button is enabled only if the template body contains at least one user-defined variable, that is, a variable different from `$$END$` or `$$SELECTION$` .

### Side note about predefined template variables

IntelliJ IDEA supports two predefined live template variables : `$$END$` and `$$SELECTION$` .

You cannot edit the predefined live template variables `$$END$` and `$$SELECTION$` .

- `$$END$` indicates the position of the cursor after the template is expanded. For example, the template `return` `$$END$`; will be expanded into

```
return ;
```

with the cursor positioned **right before** the semicolon.

- `$$SELECTION$` is used in surround templates and stands for the code fragment to be wrapped. After the template is expanded, the selected text is wrapped as specified in the template.

For example, if you select `EXAMPLE` in your code and invoke the `$$SELECTION$` template via the assigned abbreviation or by pressing `Ctrl+Alt+T` and selecting the desired template from the list, IntelliJ IDEA will wrap the selection in double quotes as follows:

```
"EXAMPLE"
```

**Applicable in:** This read-only field shows the languages and/or pieces of code where the editor should be sensitive to the template. Upon pressing `Ctrl+J` in such context, IntelliJ IDEA displays a list of templates that are valid for this context.

**Change** Click this link to modify the set of contexts where the current template is enabled. Upon clicking the link, a list of supported language contexts is displayed. To make IntelliJ IDEA consider a context sensitive to the template, select a checkbox next to the context name. The available context types depend on the enabled plugins.

**Edit Variables** Click this button to open the [Edit Template Variables](#) dialog box, where you can define how IntelliJ IDEA should process template variables upon template expansion. The Edit Variables button is enabled only if the template body contains at least one user-defined variable, that is, a variable different from `$$END$` or `$$SELECTION$` .

The Edit Template Variables dialog box contains a complete list of available functions. See the [list of predefined functions](#) below on this page.

**Options** In this area, define the behavior of the editor when a template is expanded.

- Expand with - from this drop-down list, choose the key to invoke the template.
- Reformat according to style - select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically reformat the expanded text according to the current style settings, defined on the [Code Style page](#) .
- Use static import if possible - select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA add static import statements instead of inserting `Class.methodName()` .
- Shorten FQ names - select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA truncate fully qualified names in the expanded template and add the corresponding import statements.

## Predefined functions to be used in live template variables

**Warning!** Note that the list of predefined functions in IntelliJ IDEA depends upon the installed and enabled plugins.

#### ItemDescription

`annotated("annotation qname")` Creates a symbol of type with an annotation that resides at the specified location. For an example, see [Live Templates in the iterations group](#).

`arrayVariable()` Suggests all array variables applicable in the current scope. For an example, see [Live Templates in the iterations group](#).

`anonymousSuper()` Suggests a supertype for a Kotlin object expression.

<code>camelCase(String)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter, converted to camel case. For example, <code>my-text-file</code> / <code>my text file</code> / <code>my_text_file</code> will be converted to <code>myTextFile</code> .
<code>capitalize(String)</code>	Capitalizes the first letter of the name passed as a parameter.
<code>capitalizeAndUnderscore(sCamelCaseName)</code>	Capitalizes the all letters of a CamelCase name passed as a parameter, and inserts an underscore between the parts. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>FooBar</code> , then the function returns <code>FOO_BAR</code> .
<code>castToLeftSideType()</code>	Casts the right-side expression to the left-side expression type. It is used in the iterations group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>className(sClassName)</code>	Returns the name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).
<code>classNameComplete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the <a href="#">class name completion</a> at the variable position.
<code>clipboard()</code>	Returns the contents of the system clipboard.
<code>snakeCase(String)</code>	Returns CamelCase string out of snake_case string. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> , then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>complete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the code completion invocation at the variable position.
<code>completeSmart()</code>	This expression substitutes for the smart type completion invocation at the variable position.
<code>componentTypeOf (&lt;array variable or array type&gt;)</code>	Returns component type of an array. For example, see the <a href="#">Live Templates</a> in the iterations group in the other group.
<code>currentPackage()</code>	Returns the current package name.
<code>date(sDate)</code>	Returns the current system date in the specified format. By default, the current date is returned in the default system format. However, if you specify date format in double quotes, the date will be presented in this format:
	
<code>decapitalize(sName)</code>	Replaces the first letter of the name passed as a parameter with the corresponding lowercase letter.
<code>descendantClassEnum(&lt;String&gt;)</code>	Shows the children of the class entered as a string parameter.
<code>enum(sCompletionString1,sCompletionString2,...)</code>	List of comma-delimited strings suggested for completion at the template invocation.
<code>escapeString(sEscapeString)</code>	Escapes the specified string.
<code>expectedType()</code>	Returns the type which is expected as a result of the whole template. Makes sense if the template is expanded in the right part of an assignment, after return, etc.
<code>fileName(sFileName)</code>	Returns file name with extension.
<code>fileNameWithoutExtension()</code>	Returns file name without extension.
<code>firstWord(sFirstWord)</code>	Returns the first word of the string passed as a parameter.
<code>groovyScript("groovy code")</code>	Returns Groovy script with the specified code.  You can use <code>groovyScript</code> macro with multiple arguments. The first argument is a script text that is executed or a path to the file that contains a script. The next arguments are bound to <code>_1, _2, _3, ..._n</code> variables that are available inside your script.  Also, <code>_editor</code> variable is available inside the script. This variable is bound to the current editor.
<code>guessElementType (&lt;container&gt;)</code>	Makes a guess on the type of elements stored in a <code>java.util.Collection</code> . To make a guess, IntelliJ IDEA tries to find the places where the elements were added to or extracted from the container.
<code>iterableComponentType(&lt;ArrayOrIterable&gt;)</code>	Returns the type of an iterable component, such as an array or a collection.
<code>iterableVariable()</code>	Returns the name of a variable that can be iterated.
<code>lineNumber()</code>	Returns the current line number.
<code>lowercaseAndDash(String)</code>	Returns lower case separated by dashes, of the string passed as a parameter. For example, the string <code>MyExampleName</code> is converted to <code>my-example-name</code> .
<code>methodName()</code>	Returns the name of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodParameters()</code>	Returns the list of parameters of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodReturnType()</code>	Returns the type of the value returned by the current method (the method within which the template is expanded).

<code>qualifiedClassName()</code>	Returns the fully qualified name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).
<div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 2px;"> <b>Tip</b> Clear the Shorten FQ names check box.         </div>	
<code>rightSideType()</code>	Declares the left-side variable with a type of the right-side expression. It is used in the iterations group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>snakeCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns snake_case string out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter.
<code>spaceSeparated(String)</code>	Returns string separated with spaces out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>fooBar</code> , then the function returns <code>foo bar</code> .
<code>subtypes(sType)</code>	Returns the subtypes of the type passed as a parameter.
<code>suggestIndexName()</code>	Suggests the name of an index variable. Returns <code>i</code> if there is no such variable in scope, otherwise returns <code>j</code> if there is no such variable in scope, etc.
<code>suggestVariableName()</code>	Suggests the name for a variable based on the variable type and its initializer expression, according to your code style settings that refer to the variable naming rules.  For example, if it is a variable that holds an element within iteration, IntelliJ IDEA makes a guess on the most reasonable names, also taking into account the name of the container being iterated.
<code>suggestFirstVariableName(sFirstVariableName)</code>	Doesn't suggest <code>true</code> , <code>false</code> , <code>this</code> , <code>super</code> .
<code>time(sSystemTime)</code>	Returns the current system time.
<code>typeOfVariable(VAR)</code>	Returns the type of the variable passed as a parameter.
<code>underscoresToCamelCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with CamelHump letters substituting for underscores. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> , then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>underscoresToSpaces(sParameterWithSpaces)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with spaces substituting for underscores.
<code>user()</code>	Returns the name of the current user.
<code>variableOfType(&lt;type&gt;)</code>	Suggests all variables that may be assigned to the type passed as a parameter, for example <code>variableOfType("java.util.Vector")</code> . If you pass an empty string ("") as a parameter, suggests all variables regardless of their types.
<code>jsArrayVariable</code>	Returns JavaScript array name.
<code>jsClassName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsComponentType</code>	Returns the JavaScript component type.
<code>jsMethodName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript method.
<code>jsQualifiedClassName</code>	Returns the complete name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsSuggestIndexName</code>	Returns a suggested name for an index.
<code>jsSuggestVariableName</code>	Returns a suggested name for a variable.

Ctrl+Alt+S



The dialog opens when you click the Edit Variables button in the [Template Text](#) area on the [Live Templates](#) page.

The Edit Variables button is enabled only if the template body contains at least one user-defined variable, that is, a variable different from `$END$` or `$SELECTION$`.

Use this dialog box to create and edit expressions for variables in the selected live template.

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## Controls

### ItemDescription

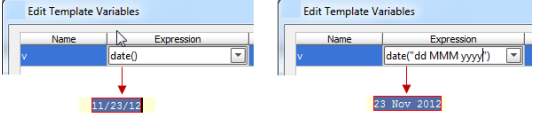
Name	In this text box, view or edit the variable name in the format <code>\$&lt;variable_name&gt;\$</code> .
Expression	<p>In this text box, specify the expression to have the value of the corresponding template input field calculated automatically.</p> <p>This expression may contain constructs of the following basic types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– String constants in double quotes.</li> <li>– The name of another variable defined in a live template.</li> <li>– Predefined functions with possible arguments.</li> </ul> <p>Type an expression manually or select a predefined function from the drop-down list. The list shows also the number and type of parameters, if any, for the selected function. The available functions are listed alphabetically in the <a href="#">Functions</a> table.</p>
Default value	<p>In this text box, specify the default string to be entered in the corresponding input field of the expanded template, if the expression does not give any result after calculation.</p> <p>Note that a default value of a variable is an expression that can refer to other live template variables. To define the default value as a literal, enclose it in quotation marks.</p>
Skip if defined	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA proceed with the next input field, if the value of the current input field is defined.
Move Up / Move Down	Use these buttons to change the order of variables in the list. The order of variables in the table determines the order in which IntelliJ IDEA will switch between the corresponding input fields when the template is expanded.

## Predefined Functions to Use in Live Template Variables

### ItemDescription

<code>annotated("annotation qname")</code>	Creates a symbol of type with an annotation that resides at the specified location. For an example, see <a href="#">Live Templates</a> in the <a href="#">iterations</a> group.
<code>arrayVariable()</code>	Suggests all array variables applicable in the current scope. For an example, see <a href="#">Live Templates</a> in the <a href="#">iterations</a> group.
<code>anonymousSuper()</code>	Suggests a supertype for a Kotlin object expression.
<code>camelCase(String)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter, converted to camel case. For example, <code>my-text-file / my text file / my_text_file</code> will be converted to <code>myTextFile</code> .
<code>capitalize(String)</code>	Capitalizes the first letter of the name passed as a parameter.
<code>capitalizeAndUnderscore(sCamelCaseName)</code>	Capitalizes the all letters of a CamelCase name passed as a parameter, and inserts an underscore between the parts. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>FooBar</code> , then the function returns <code>FOO_BAR</code> .
<code>castToLeftSideType()</code>	Casts the right-side expression to the left-side expression type. It is used in the <a href="#">iterations</a> group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>className(sClassName)</code>	Returns the name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).
<code>classNameComplete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the <a href="#">class name completion</a> at the variable position.
<code>clipboard()</code>	Returns the contents of the system clipboard.
<code>snakeCase(String)</code>	Returns CamelCase string out of snake_case string. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> , then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>complete()</code>	This expression substitutes for the code completion invocation at the variable position.
<code>completeSmart()</code>	This expression substitutes for the smart type completion invocation at the


















	variable position.
<code>componentTypeOf (&lt;array variable or array type&gt;)</code>	Returns component type of an array. For example, see the <a href="#">Live Templates</a> in the iterations group in the other group.
<code>currentPackage()</code>	Returns the current package name.
<code>date(sDate)</code>	Returns the current system date in the specified format. By default, the current date is returned in the default system format. However, if you specify date format in double quotes, the date will be presented in this format:
	
<code>decapitalize(sName)</code>	Replaces the first letter of the name passed as a parameter with the corresponding lowercase letter.
<code>descendantClassEnum(&lt;String&gt;)</code>	Shows the children of the class entered as a string parameter.
<code>enum(sCompletionString1,sCompletionString2,...)</code>	List of comma-delimited strings suggested for completion at the template invocation.
<code>escapeString(sEscapeString)</code>	Escapes the specified string.
<code>expectedType()</code>	Returns the type which is expected as a result of the whole template. Makes sense if the template is expanded in the right part of an assignment, after return, etc.
<code>fileName(sFileName)</code>	Returns file name with extension.
<code>fileNameWithoutExtension()</code>	Returns file name without extension.
<code>firstWord(sFirstWord)</code>	Returns the first word of the string passed as a parameter.
<code>groovyScript("groovy code")</code>	Returns Groovy script with the specified code.  You can use <code>groovyScript</code> macro with multiple arguments. The first argument is a script text that is executed or a path to the file that contains a script. The next arguments are bound to <code>_1, _2, _3, ..._n</code> variables that are available inside your script.  Also, <code>_editor</code> variable is available inside the script. This variable is bound to the current editor.
<code>guessElementType (&lt;container&gt;)</code>	Makes a guess on the type of elements stored in a <code>java.util.Collection</code> . To make a guess, IntelliJ IDEA tries to find the places where the elements were added to or extracted from the container.
<code>iterableComponentType(&lt;ArrayOrIterable&gt;)</code>	Returns the type of an iterable component, such as an array or a collection.
<code>iterableVariable()</code>	Returns the name of a variable that can be iterated.
<code>lineNumber()</code>	Returns the current line number.
<code>lowercaseAndDash(String)</code>	Returns lower case separated by dashes, of the string passed as a parameter. For example, the string <code>MyExampleName</code> is converted to <code>my-example-name</code> .
<code>methodName()</code>	Returns the name of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodParameters()</code>	Returns the list of parameters of the embracing method (where the template is expanded).
<code>methodReturnType()</code>	Returns the type of the value returned by the current method (the method within which the template is expanded).
<code>qualifiedClassName()</code>	Returns the fully qualified name of the current class (the class where the template is expanded).
	<b>Tip</b> Clear the Shorten FQ names check box.
<code>rightSideType()</code>	Declares the left-side variable with a type of the right-side expression. It is used in the iterations group to have a single template for generating both raw-type and Generics Collections.
<code>snakeCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns snake_case string out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter.
<code>spaceSeparated(String)</code>	Returns string separated with spaces out of CamelCase string passed as a parameter. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>fooBar</code> , then the function returns <code>foo bar</code> .
<code>subtypes(sType)</code>	Returns the subtypes of the type passed as a parameter.
<code>suggestIndexName()</code>	Suggests the name of an index variable. Returns <code>i</code> if there is no such variable in scope, otherwise returns <code>j</code> if there is no such variable in scope, etc.
<code>suggestVariableName()</code>	Suggests the name for a variable based on the variable type and its initializer expression, according to your code style settings that refer to the variable naming rules.  For example, if it is a variable that holds an element within iteration, IntelliJ IDEA makes a guess on the most reasonable names, also taking into account the name of the container being iterated.

<code>suggestFirstVariableName(sFirstVariableName)</code>	Doesn't suggest <code>true, false, this, super</code> .
<code>time(sSystemTime)</code>	Returns the current system time.
<code>typeOfVariable(VAR)</code>	Returns the type of the variable passed as a parameter.
<code>underscoresToCamelCase(sCamelCaseText)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with CamelHump letters substituting for underscores. For example, if the string passed as a parameter is <code>foo_bar</code> , then the function returns <code>fooBar</code> .
<code>underscoresToSpaces(sParameterWithSpaces)</code>	Returns the string passed as a parameter with spaces substituting for underscores.
<code>user()</code>	Returns the name of the current user.
<code>variableOfType(&lt;type&gt;)</code>	Suggests all variables that may be assigned to the type passed as a parameter, for example <code>variableOfType("java.util.Vector")</code> . If you pass an empty string ("") as a parameter, suggests all variables regardless of their types.
<code>JsArrayVariable</code>	Returns JavaScript array name.
<code>jsClassName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsComponentType</code>	Returns the JavaScript component type.
<code>jsMethodName()</code>	Returns the name of the current JavaScript method.
<code>jsQualifiedClassName</code>	Returns the complete name of the current JavaScript class.
<code>jsSuggestIndexName</code>	Returns a suggested name for an index.
<code>jsSuggestVariableName</code>	Returns a suggested name for a variable.

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Use this page to manage the list of file types and extension patterns to be recognized by IntelliJ IDEA.

#### ItemKeyboardDescription Shortcut

Recognized file types	<p>This list box displays all the default and custom file types currently <a href="#">supported</a> by IntelliJ IDEA.</p> <p>Use the Add , Edit , and Remove buttons to manage the contents of the list box.</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Tip</b> Default types cannot be edited or removed.</p> </div>	
		Click this button to open the <a href="#">New File Type dialog</a> and define a new custom file type there.
		Click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit File Type dialog</a> box and edit the selected file type there. This button is disabled when a default file type is selected.
		Click this button to delete the selected file type from the list. This button is disabled when a default file type is selected.
Registered Patterns	<p>Shown in this area are all the registered extensions associated with the file type selected in the Recognized file types list. Use  ,  and  to manage the corresponding patterns.</p>	
		Use this icon or shortcut to open the Add wildcard dialog box and specify a new pattern using wildcards there.
		Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected pattern.
		Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected pattern from the list.
Ignore files and folders	<p>In this text box, specify the files and folders, which you want to be ignored by IntelliJ IDEA. Such files and folders will be completely excluded from any kind of processing. By default the list includes temporary files, service files related to version control systems, etc. You can specify multiple names or wildcard masks, with semicolons ( ; ) as separators.</p> <p>Below is the default setting, in case you need to restore it:</p> <pre>CVS;SCCS;RCS;rcs;.DS_Store;.svn;.pyc;.pyo;*.pyc;*.pyo;.git;*.hprof;.svn;.hg;*.lib;*-;__pycache__;*.bundle;*.rbc;*\$py.class;</pre>	



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The dialog box opens when you click the Add button or select a custom file type and click the Edit button on the [File Types page](#).

Use the dialog box to configure and re-configure presentation and highlighting of keywords, comments, numbers etc. in files of a specific custom file type. These settings make the basis for parsing files of this type in the editor.

#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the file type.
Description	In this text box, provide an optional description of the file type.
Syntax Highlighting	In this area, specify the character strings to indicate borders of comments, the numeric system used, and configure highlighting for brackets, braces, etc. syntax elements.
Line comment	In this text box, specify the character string to indicate the start of a single-line comment.
Only at line start	If this checkbox is selected, the character string that denotes the beginning of a line comment, is recognized as a comment if located in the first position of a line. This checkbox becomes available if at least one character is inserted in the Line comment field.
Block comment start	In this text box, specify the character string to indicate the start of a block comment.
Block comment end	In this text box, specify the character string to indicate the end of a block comment.
Hex prefix	In this text box, specify the character string to indicate that the subsequent value is a hexadecimal number. For example, <code>0x</code> .
Number postfixes	In this text box, specify the character string to indicate which numeric system or unit is used. A postfix is a trailing string of characters, for example, <code>e-3</code> , <code>kg</code> etc.
Support paired braces	Select this checkbox, to have paired braces highlighted.
Support paired brackets	Select this checkbox, to have paired brackets highlighted.
Support paired parens	Select this checkbox, to have paired parentheses highlighted.
Support string escapes	Select this checkbox, to have string escapes highlighted.
Ignore case	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA ignore case when processing file type extensions.
Keywords	Use this area to flexibly configure highlighting of keywords by grouping them into sets and associating each set with its own <a href="#">highlighting scheme</a> . The area consists of 4 tabs. In each tab, create a set of keywords using the Add and Remove buttons. To associate a keyword set 1-4 with a highlighting scheme, edit the corresponding Keyword1 - Keyword4 property on the <a href="#">Custom</a> page of the Colors and Fonts dialog box.
	Click this button to open the Add a new keyword dialog box and define the new keyword there.
	Click this button to delete the selected keyword from the list.

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Use this page to associate copyright profiles with the specific scopes within your project.

In this section:

- Copyright
  - [Copyright options](#)
- [Copyright Profiles](#)
- [Formatting](#)
  - [File Types](#)

## Copyright options

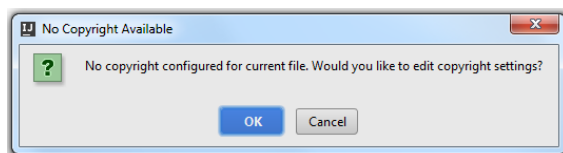
### Item Tooltip Description and shortcut

Default project copyright

Use this drop-down list to specify the default copyright profile at the project level. The default profile applies to those project files that do not belong to any defined scope. The default profile also applies when no specific profile-scope combinations have been created.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests **No copyright**.

If **No copyright** value is selected, then, on an attempt to create a copyright notice in a file out of any defined scope, IntelliJ IDEA will show a dialog box asking you whether you want to edit the copyright settings.



Choosing OK results in opening this page, where you can select the default project profile from the existing ones, or create a new one; choosing Cancel generates no copyright notice at all.

The drop-down list contains the available copyright profiles defined in the [Copyright Profiles](#) page.

If only No copyright option is available, the scope-profile combinations area is disabled. With at least one copyright profile defined, the scope-profile combinations area below becomes enabled.

Scope-profile combinations area


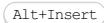
Note that unless you have at least one [copyright profile](#) and [scope](#), the controls below are disabled.



Scope



Click an entry in this column to select the desired [shared scope](#) from the drop-down list. If the desired scope is not yet defined, click the link below to open the [Scopes](#) dialog box, where you can create a new scope or edit an existing one.

Copyright

Click an entry in this column to select a copyright profile from the drop-down list of available copyright profiles.

 **Add**  
 Use this icon or shortcut to add a new scope-profile combination.

 **Delete**  
 Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item from the list.

 **Up/Down**  
 Use these icons or shortcuts to move the selected item one line up or down in the list. The order of scope-profile combination is important, because if a file belongs to several scopes, these scopes are checked upside down. So doing, the first scope where this file belongs, is declared the proper one, and its copyright profile is used.

Select Scopes to add new scopes or modify existing ones

Click this link to open the [Scopes page](#), where you can create a new scope or edit an existing one.

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Use this page to create, edit, and remove copyright profiles.

In this topic:

- [Profiles Toolbar](#)
- [Copyright Profile Page](#)

## Profiles Toolbar

Item	Tooltip and Shortcut	Description
		Click this button to add a new profile at the desired level. You can choose to create an empty profile or a profile based on the current default profile.
		Click this button to discard the selected profile.
		Click this button to open the Copy Copyright Profile dialog box, where you can create a copy of the selected profile.
	Import	Click this button to import a file that contains the desired copyright notice definition.

**Tip** You can perform the same actions using context menus of the profile nodes.

## Copyright Profile Page

Use this page to configure the selected profile: define the copyright notice to be generated and specify the keyword to detect copyright notices in comments.

### ItemDescription

Name	Description
Name	Use this text field to view or edit the name of the selected copyright profile.
Copyright text (may contain Velocity templates)	Use this text area to view or edit the copyright notice to be generated. A copyright profile can contain an explicit plain text of the copyright notice or its definition through a <a href="#">Velocity</a> template. Currently the following variables are available in the Velocity context:

#### Name Type Comment

Name	Type	Comment
<code>\$today</code>	<code>DateInfo</code>	The current date and time.
<code>\$file.fileName</code>	<code>String</code>	The name of the currently opened file where the notice is to be generated.
<code>\$file.pathName</code>	<code>String</code>	The complete path and name of the currently opened file where the notice is to be generated.
<code>\$file.className</code>	<code>String</code>	The name of the currently opened Java file where the notice is to be generated.
<code>\$file.qualifiedClassName</code>	<code>String</code>	The fully qualified name of the currently opened Java file where the notice is to be generated.
<code>\$file.lastModified</code>	<code>DateInfo</code>	The date and time when the current file was last changed.
<code>\$project.name</code>	<code>String</code>	The name of the current project.
<code>\$module.name</code>	<code>String</code>	The name of the current module.
<code>\$username</code>	<code>String</code>	The name of the current user.

`DateInfo` has the following properties:

Name	Type	Comment
<code>year</code>	<code>int</code>	The current year.
<code>month</code>	<code>int</code>	The current month (1-12).
<code>day</code>	<code>int</code>	The current date of month (1-31).
<code>hour</code>	<code>int</code>	The current hour (0-11).
<code>hour24</code>	<code>int</code>	The current hour (0-23).
<code>minute</code>	<code>int</code>	The current minute of the hour (0-59).
<code>second</code>	<code>int</code>	The current second of the minute (0-59).

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`DateInfo` has the following method:

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`format(String format)` `String` See `java.text.SimpleDateFormat` format options.

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**Validate** Click this button to check that the Velocity template has been specified correctly.

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**Regex to detect copyright in comments** Use this text box to type, view, or edit the [regular expression](#) that will be used to find copyright notices in comments. Note that this regular expression should match the above specified copyright notice. Otherwise instead of [updating](#) copyright notices, IntelliJ IDEA will insert new ones.

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**Allow replacing copyright if old copyright matches** Use this text box to type or edit the regular expression pattern that will be recognized in the existing copyright notice and allow replacing it with the new one. For example, if you specify the following pattern for `year` indication: `20[0-1][0-6]`, updates will affect all the copyrights with the indications of years 2000-2006 and 2010-2016.

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Use this page to configure common formatting options, regardless of the type of a particular file.

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**Item****Description**

<b>Comment Type</b>	<p>In this area, specify the type of comment to enclose copyright notices in. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use block comment - select this option to have copyright notices enclosed in block comments.</li><li>- Prefix each line - select this checkbox to have each line of a copyright notice prepended with the character defined in the Separator char text box. By default, an asterisk is used.</li><li>- Use line comment - select this option to have copyright notices represented as a sequence of line comments.</li></ul>
<b>Borders</b>	<p>In this area, define how to separate copyright notices from other comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Separator before - select this checkbox have a copyright notice prepended with a line of characters defined in the Separator char text box. The number of characters in a separator line is defined in the Length text box.</li><li>- Separator after - select this checkbox have a copyright notice followed by a line of characters defined in the Separator char text box. The number of characters in a separator line is defined in the Length text box.</li><li>- Separator char - in this text box, type the character that will be used in the separator strings and as a prefix or ending character in block comments.</li><li>- Box - select this checkbox to have each line of a copyright notice followed by a character defined in the Separator char text box.</li><li>- Add blank line after - select this checkbox to have a blank line inserted after a copyright notice.</li></ul>
<b>Relative Location</b>	<p>In this area, specify the location of a copyright notice relative to other comments in a file.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Before other comments - when this option is selected, copyright notices are inserted above other comments.</li><li>- After other comments - when this option is selected, copyright notices are inserted below other comments.</li></ul>
<b>Preview</b>	<p>Use this area to view a sample copyright notice with the formatting you have defined.</p>



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The page opens when you click a file type below the Formatting node. Use this page to define formatting of copyright notices depending on the target file type.

**ItemDescription**

No copyright	If this option is selected, the copyright notice will not be updated in the files of the selected type.
Use default settings	If this option is selected, the copyright notice will be updated according to the default project settings.
Use custom formatting options	If this option is selected, the copyright notice in the files of the selected type will be updated according to the custom settings defined below.
Comment Type	In this area, specify the type of comment to enclose copyright notices in. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use block comment - select this option to have copyright notices enclosed in block comments.</li> <li>– Prefix each line - select this checkbox to have each line of a copyright notice prepended with the character defined in the Separator char text box. By default, an asterisk is used.</li> <li>– Use line comment - select this option to have copyright notices represented as a sequence of line comments.</li> </ul>
Borders	In this area, define how to separate copyright notices from other comments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Separator before - select this checkbox have a copyright notice prepended with a line of characters defined in the Separator char text box.</li> <li>– Separator after - select this checkbox have a copyright notice followed by a line of characters defined in the Separator char text box.</li> <li>– Separator char - in this text box, type the character that will be used in the separator strings and as a prefix or ending character in block comments.</li> <li>– Length - in this text box, type the number of characters in a spartor line.</li> <li>– Box - select this checkbox to have each line of a copyright notice followed by a character defined in the Separator char text box.</li> <li>– Add blank line after - select this checkbox to have a blank line inserted after a copyright notice.</li> </ul>
Relative Location	In this area, specify the location of a copyright notice relative to other comments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Before other comments - when this option is selected, copyright notices are inserted above other comments.</li> <li>– After other comments - when this option is selected, copyright notices are inserted below other comments.</li> </ul>
Preview	Use this area to view a sample copyright notice with the formatting you have defined.
Location in File	Use this area to specify the location of the copyright notice in a file. Depending on the file type, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– JAVA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Before the package statements</li> <li>– Before imports</li> <li>– Before the class declaration</li> </ul> </li> <li>– HTML , JSP , JSPX , XML <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Before the root tag</li> <li>– Before the Doctype statement</li> </ul> </li> <li>– For Properties , PHP , JavaScript , CSS , SCSS , and SASS file types no choice is available. Copyright notices are always inserted at the top of a file.</li> </ul>

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On the nested pages, enable IntelliJ IDEA to use Emmet in [HTML](#), [XML](#), [JavaScript \(JSX Harmony\)](#) files and [style sheets](#).



#### ItemDescription

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Expand abbreviation with  Use this drop-down box to select the default key to expand Emmet selectors with. This key will also by default expand [Emmet live templates](#).

**Note** IntelliJ IDEA expands abbreviations only if their output does not exceed 15 KB.

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Enable CSS Emmet	Select this checkbox to enable Emmet support for style sheets. If this checkbox is not selected, the complicated abbreviations, like <code>bdcin</code> expanding into <code>border-corner-image: none;</code> , will not work in the editor.
Enable fuzzy search among CSS abbreviations	When this checkbox is selected, every unknown abbreviation will be scored against available template names. The match with the best score will be used to resolve the template. For example, with this option enabled, the following abbreviations can be equal to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <code>ov:h</code></li> <li>- <code>ov-h</code></li> <li>- <code>o-h</code></li> <li>- <code>oh</code></li> </ul>
Enable expansion of unknown properties ('unknown' to 'unknown:;')	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- When this checkbox is selected, any entered word will be expanded into the same word followed with a colon and a semicolon;</li> <li>- When this checkbox is cleared, only known properties (for example, <code>color</code>) will be expanded this way (<code>color;</code>)</li> </ul>
Auto insert CSS vendor prefixes	If this checkbox is selected, the CSS properties listed in the table below are expanded into constructs that contain pre-pending vendor prefixes. Learn more at <a href="#">Vendor prefixes</a> . If this checkbox is cleared, the entire table of properties is disabled.
Properties and vendor prefixes	The table contains a list of CSS properties and vendor prefixes that correspond to various browsers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To enable or disable a property in a browser, select or clear the checkbox under the browser column.</li> <li>- To add a new property to the list, click the Add button  or press <code>Alt+Insert</code>. Then type the name of the property in the dialog box that opens and enable it in the relevant browsers.</li> <li>- To delete one or more properties from the list, select them and press Remove  or press <code>Alt+Delete</code>.</li> </ul>

Ctrl+Alt+S **ItemDescription**

**Enable XML/HTML Emmet** Select this checkbox to enable Emmet support for XML and HTML. If this checkbox is not selected, complicated abbreviations, such as `div.class>ul#list>.item$)` and similar, will not work in the editor.

**Enable abbreviation preview** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA show a pop-up window with a preview of the entered abbreviation before actually expanding it.

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table#users>tr.user>td
<table id="users"><tr class="user"><td></td></tr></table>
Ctrl+Down and Ctrl+Up will move caret down and up in the editor >>
```

**Enable automatic URL recognition while wrapping text with <a> tag**

- If this checkbox is cleared and you attempt to wrap an URL address with the `<a>` tag, IntelliJ IDEA simply encloses the URL address in `<a href=""></a>` and positions the cursor inside the double quotes in the `href` attribute. For example, wrapping `http://www.jetbrains.com` will result in `<a href=" " >http://www.jetbrains.com</a>` :

```
<a href=" " >http://www.jetbrains.com</a>
```

- If this checkbox is selected and you attempt to wrap an URL address with the `<a>` tag, IntelliJ IDEA inserts the URL address inside the double quotes as the value of the `href` attribute and encloses the URL in `<a href=" <wrapped URL >"></a>` . For example, wrapping `http://www.jetbrains.com` will result in `<a href="http://www.jetbrains.com">http://www.jetbrains.com</a>` . Moreover, IntelliJ IDEA highlights the wrapped URL green as a recognized URL:

```
<a href="http://www.jetbrains.com">http://www.jetbrains.com</a>
```

**Add edit point at the end of template** If this checkbox is selected, an editing position adds to the end of an HTML template (`$END$`);

if this checkbox is not selected, then the new edit point is not added.

Compare the following:



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<tr>
  <td></td>
  <td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
  <td></td>
  <td></td>
</tr> $END$
```

**BEM** In this area, specify the BEM separators for the class names, modifiers and short elements. Refer to the [Emmet documentation](#) for details.

**Filters enabled by default** In this area, specify which **Emmet filters** you want to be applied to an expanded abbreviation before it is shown in the editor. Learn more about filters at <http://docs.emmet.io/filters/> . To have a filter always applied by default, select the checkbox next to it. The available options are:

- [XSL tuning](#)
- [Comment tags](#)
- [Escape](#)
- [Single line](#)
- [BEM](#)
- [Trim line markers](#)

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#### ItemDescription

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Enable JSX Emmet      Select this checkbox to use Emmet within XML fragments in the [JSX Harmony](#) context if you have chosen the JSX language level on the [JavaScript](#) page of the Settings dialog box.

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**ItemDescription**

Generate GUI into This option specifies what kind of output the GUI Designer generates for the visual forms you create. The available settings are:

- Binary class files . This is the default option. When selected, no Java source code is generated for GUI forms and components. When the project compiles, IntelliJ IDEA simply creates the necessary compiled runtime classes.
- Java source files .If this option is selected, the GUI Designer writes Java source code for the form and its components to the source file of the class to which the form is **bound** , on compiling, running or debugging. During compilation, two blocks of code are added to the form's class:
  - A private method `$$$setupUI$$$()` that contains the GUI initializer code for the bound form and its components.
  - A call to the `$$$setupUI$$$()` method.

**Warning!** Do not change the generated method, or call it from any other code. If you manually modify GUI initializer code, your UI will no longer be in sync with the `.form` file, and the next compilation will overwrite your changes.

Automatically copy form runtime classes to the output directory If this option is checked, the classes from the package `com.intellij.uiDesigner.core` package are copied to the configured output directory, when the project is compiled. These classes are used when working with the `GridLayoutManager(IntelliJ)`, or when there are components with `mnemonics` , specified by the `&` character.

Default Layout Manager Set the default layout manager for new components placed into forms. The selection here appears as the setting for the *Layout Manager* property whenever a new component is placed on a form.

- `BorderLayout`: Design-time behavior in forms emulates Java's *Border* layout manager.
- `CardLayout`: Design-time behavior in forms emulates Java's *Card* layout manager.
- `FlowLayout`: Design-time behavior in forms emulates Java's *Flow* layout manager.
- `FormLayout (JGoodies)`: Design-time behavior in forms emulates JGoodies Forms layout manager. (For more information, see <https://jgoodies.dev.java.net/> )
- `GridBagLayout`: Design-time behavior in forms emulates Java's *Grid Bag* layout manager.
- `GridLayoutManager (IntelliJ)`: Design-time behavior in forms is controlled by this custom layout manager. It's basically a simple grid layout scheme that's sufficient for many uses. It is the default layout manager in new IntelliJ IDEA installations.

Default accessibility for UI-bound fields Use this option, if you want to change the default accessibility for UI-bound fields from `private` to something else, like `public` .

Resize column and row headers with mouse This checkbox enables/disables resizing in captions.

If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA allows you to resize column and rows using mouse. When pointing to a column or a row, the mouse pointer changes its shape to the double arrow.

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Specify how you want images to be shown in IntelliJ IDEA. Optionally, specify an external editor for working with images.

**ItemDescription**

Editor	Use this area to specify the settings according to which images should be displayed in IntelliJ IDEA.
Show Grid lines by default	<p>Select this checkbox to have a grid displayed when reviewing image files.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> When the checkbox is selected, the area below is enabled where you can define how to display a grid and its elements.</p>
Show Grid lines only when zoom factor equal or more than	Use this spin box to specify the minimum zoom factor to have a grid displayed.
Show Grid line after every (pixels)	Use this spin box to specify the number of pixels between a pair of grid lines.
Grid line color	From this palette, click the colour to display grid lines.
Show transparency chessboard by default	Select this checkbox to have transparent pieces of images shown as a chessboard.
Chessboard cell size	Use this spin box to specify the chessboard cell size.
Color of 'white' cell	From this palette, click the colour to display chessboard cells located at initially 'white' positions.
Color of 'black' cell	From this palette, click the colour to display chessboard cells located at initially 'black' positions.
Zoom image with mouse wheel (Ctrl+Mouse Wheel)	Select this checkbox to enable zooming the image through the Ctrl+Mouse wheel combination.
Enable smart zooming for small images	Select this checkbox to have small images opened with the zooming factor to the size specified below.
Preferred minimum width/height for smart zooming (pixels)	Use this spin box to set the minimum number of pixels to zoom the small images to.
External Editor	In this area, specify an external editor for working with images.
Executable path	In this text box, specify the path to the executable image editor file.

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Use this page to enable and disable [intention actions](#) .






## Intention List

The list shows all intention actions currently available in IntelliJ IDEA.

The intention actions are grouped by languages. To enable an intention action, select the checkbox to its left.

## Toolbar and Controls

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
and  
**shortcut**

	Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Expand all nodes in the intention list.
	Ctrl+NumPad -	Collapse all nodes in the intention list.
		Use this text box to search through the list of intention actions. As you type a search string, the intention actions that match the search pattern are displayed. To finalize the search, press  . The previously used search patterns are stored in the search history list.
		Click this button to clear the search history list.
Description		This read-only field shows the description of the selected intention action.
Usage examples		<p>This area illustrates the effect of applying the selected intention action through the following fields:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Before - this read-only field shows an example of source code before applying the selected intention action.</li> <li>– After - this read-only field shows the result of applying the selected intention action to the above example of source code.</li> </ul>



For the Language Injections page to be available, the IntelliLang [plugin](#) must be enabled. (This plugin is bundled with the IDE and enabled by default.)



Use this page to manage the list of available language injections and configure the language injection feature for text, attributes, and parameters.

See also, [Using Language Injections](#) .

## Injection entries

You can sort the information by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row. The current sorting status is shown by the corresponding sorting marker: ▲ for the ascending order or ▼ for the descending order.

### ItemDescription


**Checkboxes** Use the checkboxes to enable or disable the corresponding injections. You can also enable or disable a number of injections at once. To do that, select the required injections in the list and click Enable Selected Injections  or Disable Selected Injections  on the toolbar.

**Name** The language in which the injection is available, the injection name and, in parentheses, the package that contains the corresponding implementation.

**Language** The injected language.


**Scope** One of the following:


- Built-in. This is a category for pre-defined injections. In terms of the scope, those are the IDE-level injections.
- IDE. User-defined injections that are available in all of your projects.
- Project. User-defined injections that are available only in the current project.


You can move the user-defined injections between the IDE and the project levels by using  on the toolbar.


## Toolbar

### ItemDescription


 Create a new injection entry. Select the injection category and then specify the injection settings in the dialog that opens.

 Remove the selected entries from the list.


 Edit the settings for the selected injection.  
**IMPORTANT:** Don't edit the settings for built-in injections.

 Create a copy of the selected injection entry. Then edit the settings for that copy as necessary.

 Enable all the injections currently selected in the list.


 Disable all the injections currently selected in the list.

 Move the selected injections between the IDE and the project levels. See also, [Scope](#) .

 Import injection entries from another IntelliJ IDEA installation:

1. In the [Select Path dialog](#) , select the `IntelliLang.xml` file to import the info from. As a result, a dialog opens that shows the entries contained in the selected configuration file.
2. Remove the entries that you don't want to import using the Delete button. (This doesn't affect the contents of the source configuration file.)

This selective import feature makes it easy to share certain configurations in a team without losing any local entries as it happens when the settings are imported via the core [Importing Settings](#) feature.

 Export the selected injection entries to a file. In the Export Selected Injections to File dialog that opens:

- To add the entries to an existing file, select the destination file.
- To save the entries in a new file, specify the file name and choose the file type from the list.

- Language Injection Settings dialog: Generic Groovy
- Language Injection Settings dialog: Generic JavaScript
- Language Injection Settings dialog: Java Parameter
- Language Injection Settings dialog: Sql Type Injection
- Language Injection Settings dialog: XML Attribute Injection
- Language Injection Settings dialog: XML Tag Injection

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The dialog opens when you click **+** on the [Language Injections](#) page, and choose Generic Groovy on the context menu, or select an entry and click .

IntelliJ IDEA comes with a set of predefined injection configurations which is quite sufficient to ensure high productivity and comfortable environment. Therefore it is **strongly recommended** that you use the predefined injection configurations and avoid creating new ones.

#### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the injection.
Language	<p>The language to be injected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ID. The language ID or name.</li> <li>– Prefix. A sequence of characters to be added before the corresponding string value.</li> <li>– Suffix. A sequence of characters to be added after the corresponding string value.</li> </ul> <p>The prefix and suffix are optional. For more info, see <a href="#">Using language injection prefixes and suffixes</a>.</p>

Places Pattern In this text box, type the rules that define the context where you want IntelliJ IDEA recognize literals as injections.

**Note** The rules are built from [Program Structure Interface Patterns](#) and are actually chained calls of methods of an internal IntelliJ IDEA language. The [Program Structure Interface](#) shows the structure of a file as IntelliJ IDEA treats it.

**Warning!** These rules are IntelliJ IDEA internals, and it is strongly recommended that you use the predefined injection configurations and avoid creating new ones.

Advanced In this area, specify additional settings to narrow the context where the injection is applicable and thus to enable more fine-grained control over the injection process.

- Value pattern - in this text box, type a regular expression that determines the context to inject the language into. By using the first capturing group of the pattern as the target for injection, you can configure the procedure to have the language injected only into values that match a certain pattern or into multiple parts that match the pattern. For example, `^javascript:(.+)`  matches the `javascript` protocol that can be used in hyperlink-hrefs to execute JavaScript code.
- Single file - If the option is off, the fragments that match the value pattern are treated separately, as different "files" - e.g. from the fragment editor's viewpoint.

If the option is on, the corresponding fragments are all merged together to form a single unit, or "file".

Given the value pattern

```
xxx (.+) yyy (.+) zzz
```

and the fragment

```
xxx select * yyy from family zzz ,
```

`select *` and `from family` are treated as two independent fragments (or "files") if the option is off. If the option is on, `select * from family` is treated as a single unit or "file".

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The dialog box opens when you click and choose Generic JS on the context menu, or select an entry and click .

#### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the injection.
Language	<p>The language to be injected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ID. The language ID or name.</li> <li>– Prefix. A sequence of characters to be added before the corresponding string value.</li> <li>– Suffix. A sequence of characters to be added after the corresponding string value.</li> </ul> <p>The prefix and suffix are optional. For more info, see <a href="#">Using language injection prefixes and suffixes</a> .</p>

Places Pattern In this text box, type the rules that define the context where you want IntelliJ IDEA recognize literals as injections.

**Note** The rules are built from [Program Structure Interface Patterns](#) and are actually chained calls of methods of an internal IntelliJ IDEALanguage. The [Program Structure Interface](#) shows the structure of a file as IntelliJ IDEA treats it.

**Warning!** These rules are IntelliJ IDEA internals, and it is strongly recommended that you use the predefined injection configurations and avoid creating new ones.

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- Single file - If the option is off, the fragments that match the value pattern are treated separately, as different "files" - e.g. from the fragment editor's viewpoint.

If the option is on, the corresponding fragments are all merged together to form a single unit, or "file".

Given the value pattern

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```

`select *` and `from family` are treated as two independent fragments (or "files") if the option is off. If the option is on, `select * from family` is treated as a single unit or "file".


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The dialog box opens when you click  on the [Language Injections](#) page, and choose Java Parameter on the context menu, or select an entry and click .

Use this dialog box to configure language injections for Java parameters. The dialog box provides the ability to make use of IntelliJLang's features, if, for any reason, the injection annotations cannot be used. This mainly applies to configuring third party/library methods as well as projects that still have to use Java 1.4.

#### ItemDescription

Language	<p>In this area, specify the language to inject and the injection context.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ID - from this drop-down list, select the ID of the language to inject.</li> <li>– Prefix - in this text box, specify a prefix to make up the injection context.</li> <li>– Suffix - in this text box, specify a suffix to make up the injection context.</li> </ul> <p>Note that the Prefix and Suffix fields are optional.</p>
Class Methods	<p>Click  and select the class of interest. As a result, the methods of the class along with their parameters are shown.</p> <p>Select the parameters for which you want to enable the injection.</p>
Advanced	<p>Specify additional settings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Value pattern - type a regular expression for the injection context.</li> <li>– Single file - If the option is off, the fragments that match the value pattern are treated separately, as different "files" - e.g. from the fragment editor's viewpoint.</li> </ul> <p>If the option is on, the corresponding fragments are all merged together to form a single unit, or "file".</p> <p>Given the value pattern</p> <pre>xxx (.+) yyy (.+) zzz</pre> <p>and the fragment</p> <pre>xxx select * yyy from family zzz ,</pre> <p><code>select *</code> and <code>from family</code> are treated as two independent fragments (or "files") if the option is off. If the option is on, <code>select * from family</code> is treated as a single unit or "file".</p>


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Specify a data type pattern and associated injection language. See also, [Using pattern-based injections for user-defined data types](#) .

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#### ItemDescription

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**Type pattern** A regular expression pattern for a data type in your SQL code. E.g. `(?i).*DATA` would be a case-insensitive pattern for data types ending in `data` .  
You can test your pattern: click  or press `Alt+Enter` , and select `Check RegExp` . Then type the text to be matched against the pattern in the `Sample` field.

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**Language** The language to be injected into a string value of the corresponding type.

- ID. The language ID or name.
- Prefix. A sequence of characters to be added before the corresponding string value.
- Suffix. A sequence of characters to be added after the corresponding string value.

The prefix and suffix are optional. For more info, see [Using language injection prefixes and suffixes](#) .

**ItemDescription**

<b>Name</b>	The name of the injection.
<b>Language</b>	<p>The language to be injected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ID. The language ID or name.</li> <li>– Prefix. A sequence of characters to be added before the corresponding string value.</li> <li>– Suffix. A sequence of characters to be added after the corresponding string value.</li> </ul> <p>The prefix and suffix are optional. For more info, see <a href="#">Using language injection prefixes and suffixes</a> .</p>
<b>XML Tag</b>	<p>In this area, specify the XML tags in which the attributes are impacted by the defined configuration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Local name - in this text box, specify the tag name without a namespace prefix. Use regular expressions to specify multiple tag names ( <code>name1 name2</code> ), case-insensitive names ( <code>(?i)tagname</code> matches <i>tagname</i> as well as <i>TagName</i> ), etc.</li> </ul> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 2px;"> <p><b>Warning!</b> Space characters are not allowed as they affect the match result.</p> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Namespace - in this text box, specify the namespace URI of the XML tag.</li> </ul> <p>Both fields are optional. However, if the Local name text box is empty the configuration will apply to any attribute that matches the configured name, regardless of its containing XML tag.</p>
<b>XML Attribute</b>	<p>In this area, define the XML tag attribute which indicates that the text enclosed in a tag with such attribute should be treated as the selected language.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Local name - in this text box, specify the attribute name without a namespace prefix. Use regular expressions: For example, to match HTML event handler attributes, type <code>on.*</code> in the text box. The field is optional, unless the Local name text box in the XML Tag area is empty. If the attribute local name is not specified, the configuration applies to all attributes of the enclosing tag.</li> <li>– Namespace - in this text box, specify the namespace URI of the attribute.</li> </ul>
<b>Advanced</b>	<p>In this area, specify additional settings to enable more fine-grained control over the injection process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Value pattern - in this text box, type a regular expression that determines the part of the attribute's value to inject the language into. By using the first capturing group of the pattern as the target for injection, you can configure the procedure to have the language injected only into values that match a certain pattern or into multiple parts that match the pattern.</li> <li>– Single file - If the option is off, the fragments that match the value pattern are treated separately, as different "files" - e.g. from the fragment editor's viewpoint.</li> </ul> <p>If the option is on, the corresponding fragments are all merged together to form a single unit, or "file".</p> <p>Given the value pattern</p> <pre>xxx (.+) yyy (.+) zzz</pre> <p>and the fragment</p> <pre>xxx select * yyy from family zzz ,</pre> <p><code>select *</code> and <code>from family</code> are treated as two independent fragments (or "files") if the option is off. If the option is on, <code>select * from family</code> is treated as a single unit or "file".</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– XPath condition - in this text box, specify an XPath expression to address the injection-target more precisely. The context in which the expression is evaluated is the attribute itself. For the field to be active, the XPathView + XSLT Support <a href="#">plugin</a> must be enabled.</li> </ul>

**ItemDescription**

<b>Name</b>	The name of the injection.
<b>Language</b>	<p>The language to be injected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ID. The language ID or name.</li> <li>– Prefix. A sequence of characters to be added before the corresponding string value.</li> <li>– Suffix. A sequence of characters to be added after the corresponding string value.</li> </ul> <p>The prefix and suffix are optional. For more info, see <a href="#">Using language injection prefixes and suffixes</a> .</p>
<b>XML Tag</b>	<p>In this area, define the XML tag which indicates that the text enclosed in this tag should be treated as the selected language.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Local name - in this text box, specify the tag name without a namespace prefix. Use regular expressions to specify multiple tag names ( <code>name1 name2</code> ), case-insensitive names ( <code>(?i)tagname</code> matches <i>tagname</i> as well as <i>TagName</i> ), etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Warning!</b> Be sure not to enter any space characters as they would be significant for the match.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Namespace - in this text box, specify the namespace URI of the XML tag. The field is optional.</li> </ul>
<b>Sub-tags</b>	Select this checkbox to include all the subtags recursively.
<b>Advanced</b>	<p>In this area, specify additional settings to enable more fine-grained control over the injection process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Value pattern - in this text box, type a regular expression that determines the part of the XML text's value to inject the language into. By using the first capturing group of the pattern as the target for injection, you can configure the procedure to have the language injected only into values that match a certain pattern or into multiple parts that match the pattern.</li> </ul> <p>Examples:</p> <p><code>[\$#]\{(.*)\}</code> matches the pattern used by the JSP/JSF Expression Language.</p> <p><code>^javascript:(.*)</code> matches the <code>javascript</code> protocol that can be used in hyperlink-hrefs to execute JavaScript code.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Single file - If the option is off, the fragments that match the value pattern are treated separately, as different "files" - e.g. from the fragment editor's viewpoint.</li> </ul> <p>If the option is on, the corresponding fragments are all merged together to form a single unit, or "file".</p> <p>Given the value pattern</p> <pre>xxx (.+) yyy (.+) zzz</pre> <p>and the fragment</p> <pre>xxx select * yyy from family zzz ,</pre> <p><code>select *</code> and <code>from family</code> are treated as two independent fragments (or "files") if the option is off. If the option is on, <code>select * from family</code> is treated as a single unit or "file".</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– XPath condition - in this text box, specify an XPath expression to address the injection-target more precisely. The context in which the expression is evaluated is the surrounding XML tag. It is possible to use the XPath <a href="#">extension functions</a> that are provided by the <a href="#">Jaxen</a> XPath engine, e.g. <code>lower-case()</code> . Also, there are three additional functions that can be used to determine the current file's name, extension, and file type: <code>file-name()</code> , <code>file-ext()</code> and <code>file-type()</code> . Alternatively, a list of available functions can be retrieved through standard code completion.</li> </ul> <p>For the field to be active, the XPathView + XSLT Support <a href="#">plugin</a> must be enabled.</p> <p><b>Warning!</b> For performance reasons, it is recommended that you keep these expressions as simple as possible. Especially expressions that cause the whole document to be scanned, such as <code>//foo/bar</code> might cause performance problems with large files.</p>



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Use this page to specify different names for the base-annotations to be used. This helps avoid any dependencies on foreign code where it is not desired or possible. The custom annotations should provide the same properties as the original ones, i.e. `value` for all of them and an optional (default = "") `prefix` and `suffix` for the `@Language` replacement.

Also configure the runtime checks to be generated for the `@Pattern` validation.

#### ItemDescription

**Annotation** In this area, specify the classes that implement [annotations](#) of the following types:

- Classes**
- Language annotations
  - Pattern annotations
  - Substitution annotations

Type the class names, possibly using code completion. If necessary, use the Browse button  to open the Select Class dialog box, where you can locate the desired class in the project tree view. Alternatively, switch to the Search by Name tab and start typing the class name. As you type, the list of available classes narrows down to match your entry.

**Runtime Pattern Validation** In this area, configure the runtime checks to be generated for the `@Pattern` validation. The available options are:

- No runtime instrumentation - if this option is selected, no checks will be inserted and any compiled class files will be affected.

- Instrument with assertions - if this option is selected, pattern-validation is controlled with the `-ea` JVM switch and throws `AssertionError`.

**Tip** Selecting this option is recommended due to the potentially negative impact on the performance for methods that are invoked very often.

- Instrument with `IllegalArgumentException` - select this option to have the same result as when the `@NotNull` instrumentation of IntelliJ IDEA is used.

**Performance** Click one of the radio buttons in this area to select the level of analysis and performance of the language injections resolution procedure.

- Do not analyze (fast) - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA does not analyze injections.

**Tip** Selecting the Do not analyze option significantly improves performance.

- Analyze references - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA attempts to recognize injections introduced through variables.
- Look for variable assignments - if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA does not perform the dataflow analysis to detect the substitution strings, but looks for variable assignments only.
- Use dataflow analysis (slow) - if this option box is selected, IntelliJ IDEA applies [dataflow analysis](#) to language injections.

**Convert undefined operands to text in concatenation** If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA inserts an injected operand as a literal, if its type is not recognized.

**Add @Language annotation or comment if needed** This checkbox enables/disables adding annotations or comments.

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Use this settings page to create your own spelling dictionaries and thus expand the basic spelling support provided by IntelliJ IDEA by default.

## Accepted Words Tab

Use this tab to configure the list of words that should be skipped by the **Typo** inspection.

### ItemTooltip and Shortcut

  Click this icon to open the Add New Word dialog box and specify a new entry there. **CamelCase** or **snake\_case** are not supported. If you try to add a word that is already included in one of the spelling dictionaries, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message **The word <just typed word> is already in the dictionary .**

  Click this button to delete the selected item from the list.

## Dictionaries Tab



Use this tab to configure the dictionaries to be used for spellchecking.

### ItemDescription

**Dictionaries** This area in the bottom of the page shows a list of the dictionaries that can be used in spellchecking. The list contains the dictionaries that come bundled with IntelliJ IDEA by default and user-defined dictionaries detected in the folders from the Custom Dictionaries Folder area above.

- To have a default dictionary applied in the current project, select the check box next to it.
- To exclude a default dictionary from spellchecking within the scope of the current project, clear the check box next to it.

**Custom Dictionaries Folder** This area displays a list of directories that contain user-defined dictionary files (text files with the `dic` extension, containing words separated with a newline).

- To add a new folder to the list, click  and choose the required folder in the **Select Path Dialog** dialog that opens . The full path to the folder is added to the Custom Dictionaries Folder list, and all the `*.dic` files found in this folder are added to the Dictionaries list.
- To remove a folder from the list, select it and click  .

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Use this page to import the [TextMate/SublimeText 2 bundles](#) , and to map color scheme of IntelliJ IDEA to that of TextMate.

This page appears in the Settings/Preferences dialog, when TextMate bundle support plugin is [installed and enabled](#) .

The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.

#### ItemDescription

##### TextMate Bundles

This table of added bundles consists of the following columns:

- Checkbox : If a checkbox to the left of the added bundle name is selected, the bundle provides highlighting in the files of the corresponding type.
- Name of the TextMate Bundle
- Bundle location : for each added TextMate bundle, its location is shown.



Click this button to locate the desired bundle using the [Select Path](#) dialog box. When added, the bundle appears in the table of TextMate Bundles.

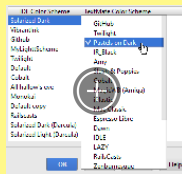


Click this button to remove the selected bundle. The bundle in question is removed from the list, but is not physically deleted from the computer.

##### IDE Color Scheme - TextMate Color Scheme

Use this table to establish mapping between the various color schemes of IntelliJ IDEA and TextMate.

**Tip** If you want to use a custom TextMate color scheme, you can import a TextMate bundle with schemes, and it will become visible in the list of TextMate color schemes after clicking Apply:



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In this page, configure filters to maintain your lists of TODO items in the [TODO tool window](#) and define TODO patterns to be used in filters.

## Patterns

In this area, create and manage the list of available TODO patterns.



### ItemDescription

**Icon** This read-only field displays the icon that is assigned to the current pattern. (This icon appears in the TODO tool window as a marker for the corresponding TODO items.)

**Case sensitive** This read-only checkbox indicates whether the current pattern is case sensitive or not. The status is changed in the [Edit Pattern](#) dialog box.

**Pattern** This read-only field displays the regular expression that describes the TODO pattern. IntelliJ IDEA recognizes regular expressions in the source code against the specified patterns and displays them in the TODO tool window.

**+ or** Use this icon or shortcut to open the [Add Pattern](#) dialog box, where you can create a new ToDo pattern by specifying a regular expression.

 or 

** or** Use this icon or shortcut to open the [Edit Pattern](#) dialog box, where you can modify the selected pattern.

 or 

**- or** Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected pattern from the list.

 or 

## Filters



In this area, manage the list of available filters.

### ItemDescription

**Name** This read-only field shows a list of filter names.

**Patterns** This read-only field shows the names of patterns included in the current filter. A filter can contain several patterns.

**+ or** Use this icon or shortcut to open the [Add Filter](#) dialog box, where you can define a new filter.

 or 

** or** Use this icon or shortcut to open the [Edit Filter](#) dialog box, where you can edit the settings for the selected filter.

 or 

**- or** Use this icon or shortcut to delete the selected filter.

 or 

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Use this dialog box to define filters that help track TODO items in your source code.

**ItemDescription**

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Name	In this text box, specify the name of the filter.
Patterns	From the list of available patterns, choose the ones to be included in the filter by selecting the checkboxes next to them.

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Use this dialog box to define patterns that help track TODO items in your source code. Make sure the TODO items in the source code are inserted inside comments that are valid for the supported file types.

#### ItemDescription

Pattern	In this text box, type the <a href="#">regular expression</a> that describes the desired TODO pattern.
Icon	From this drop-down list, choose an icon for the pattern.
Case sensitive	Select this check-box to make the pattern case-sensitive.
Font type	Select the corresponding checkbox to have the icon text displayed in bold or italic.
Foreground	Select this checkbox to enable the palette and choose the foreground color.
Background	Select this checkbox to enable the palette and choose the background color.
Error Stripe Mark	Select this checkbox to enable the palette and choose the error stripe color.
Effects	Select this checkbox to enable effects (underscore, strikethrough, etc.) and choose the color for them from the palette.


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The Plugins page shows the list of installed [plugins](#) . Use the checkboxes next to plugin names to enable or disable them.


Other controls on this page let you sort and filter the plugin list, update and uninstall [repository plugins](#) , access [plugin repositories](#) , and also install the plugins available locally.

## Main controls

### ItemDescription

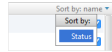
 Type the text to be found.  
As you type, the list of plugins changes: only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain the specified text are shown.


To bring the plugin list back to its initial state, delete the text in the search box or click  .

To access the list of memorized search strings, click  .

Show Use this list to specify which plugins should be shown:

- All plugins
- Enabled
- Disabled
- Bundled
- Custom (these are the plugins that are not bundled with the IDE).



If you want to add sorting by plugin status, click  and select Status . As a result, disabled plugins will be displayed at the end of the list.  
This option is also available from the context menu.

Install JetBrains plugin Click this button to open the Browse Repositories dialog to download and install plugins from the JetBrains repository.

Browse repositories Click this button to open the Browse Repositories dialog to work with plugin repositories (to download and install repository plugins, manage enterprise plugin repositories, etc.).

Install plugin from disk Click this button to install a plugin available locally. Select the file that implements the required plugin in the dialog that opens.

## Context menu commands

### CommandDescription

Reload List of Plugins Use this command to check if newer versions of installed plugins are available (see [Colors for plugin statuses](#) ).

Sort by | Status Use this command to sort plugins by their status.  
When this option is turned on, disabled plugins are shown at the end of the list, after the enabled plugins.

Update Plugin For repository plugins: use this command to download and install a newer version of the selected plugin (if available). See [Colors for plugin statuses](#) .

Uninstall For plugins that are not bundled with the IDE: use this command to uninstall the selected plugin.  
Alternatively, the Uninstall button in the plugin description area can be used.

## Colors for plugin statuses

The names of plugins are shown in different colors depending on their status.

### ColorPlugin status

Black "Normal" plugin status. For a repository plugin: the plugin version is up-to-date.

Red One of the following:

- The plugin is incompatible with the installed version of IntelliJ IDEA.
- The plugin depends on another plugin which is disabled.

Blue For a repository plugin: a newer version of the plugin is available.

Green For a repository plugin: the plugin has been downloaded and installed, but has not been activated yet (IntelliJ IDEA needs to be restarted).

Gray The plugin has been uninstalled, but the changes have not taken effect yet (IntelliJ IDEA needs to be restarted).

This dialog opens when you click the Install JetBrains plugin button on the [Plugins page](#) .

This dialog shows a list of the JetBrains [repository plugins](#) .





You can sort and filter the list, download and install plugins, and configure HTTP proxy settings.


– [Main controls](#)


– [Context menu commands](#)

## Main controls

### ItemDescription

	Type the search string. As you type, the list of plugins changes: only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain the specified string are displayed.  If you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember the search string, press  .  To bring the plugin list back to its initial state, delete the text in the search box or click  .  To access the list of memorized search strings, click  .
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	Click this icon to update the list of plugins and their statuses.
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	This drop-down list provides category-based filtering. You can select to see all plugins, or only the plugins that belong to a the selected category.
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Sort by	Click  and select a category.
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Install plugin	Click the Install plugin button in the description area to download and install the selected plugin.
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HTTP Proxy Settings	If you access the Internet via an HTTP proxy, click this button and specify the <a href="#">HTTP proxy settings</a> .
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## Context menu commands

### CommandDescription

Reload List of Plugins	Use this command to update the list of plugins and their statuses.
Sort by   <Category>	Use this command to enable or cancel sorting. The following categories are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Status</li><li>– Downloads</li><li>– Rating</li><li>– Last Updated</li></ul>
Download and Install	Use this command to download and install the selected plugin.










This dialog opens when you click the Browse repositories button on the [Plugins page](#) .


This dialog shows a list of [repository plugins](#) .

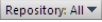
You can sort and filter the plugins list, download and install plugins, manage [enterprise plugin repositories](#) , and configure HTTP proxy settings.


## Main controls

### ItemDescription

	Type the search string. As you type, the list of plugins changes: only the plugins whose names and descriptions contain the specified string are displayed.
	If you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember the search string, press  .
	To bring the plugin list back to its initial state, delete the text in the search box or click  .
	To access the list of memorized search strings, click  .

	Use this icon to update the list of plugins and their statuses.
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	If you have <a href="#">enterprise plugin repositories</a> configured, there is a list that provides repository-based filtering. You can select to see the contents of all repositories or only the selected one.
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	This list provides category-based filtering. You can select to see all plugins, or the plugins that belong to the selected category.
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Sort by	Click  and select a category.
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Install plugin	Click the Install plugin button in the description area to download and install the selected plugin.
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HTTP Proxy Settings	If you access the Internet via an HTTP proxy, click this button and specify the <a href="#">HTTP proxy settings</a> .
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Manage repositories	Click this button to create or edit the list of <a href="#">enterprise plugin repositories</a> in the <a href="#">Custom Plugin Repositories dialog</a> .
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## Context menu commands

### CommandDescription

Reload List of Plugins	Use this command to update the list of plugins and their statuses.
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




Sort by   <Category>	Use this command to enable or cancel sorting. The following categories are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Status</li><li>- Downloads</li><li>- Rating</li><li>- Last Updated</li></ul>
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Download and Install	Use this command to download and install the selected plugin.
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This dialog opens when you click the Manage repositories button in the [Browse Repositories dialog](#) .

Use this dialog to manage the list of [enterprise plugin repositories](#) . The repositories are identified by their [URLs](#) .

#### IconShortcutDescription

		Use this icon or shortcut to add a new repository to the list. Specify the URL of the repository in the dialog that opens. Use the Check Now button to make sure that the specified URL is correct: IntelliJ IDEA will try to connect to the repository.
		Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected URL.
		Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected URL from the list.

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The settings under this node allow configuring integration with different version control systems.

[Common settings](#) that are applied to the project files regardless of which version control system is used:





- [Confirmation](#)
- [Background](#)
- [Ignored Files](#)
- [Issue Navigation](#)
- [Changelist Conflicts](#)

The settings for configuring integration with a specific version control system are located under the following nodes:

- [GitHub](#)
- [CVS](#)
- [Git](#)
- [Mercurial](#)
- [Perforce](#)
- [Subversion](#)
- [TFS](#)

Specify which version control systems will be used for specific directories, or the entire project.

#### ItemDescription

Directory	<p>This field shows the path to project directories or the project root(s). For projects with Git or Mercurial integration enabled, IntelliJ IDEA scans project directories to check if there are Git/Mercurial repositories that are not controlled by the IDE. If such repositories are found, they are listed here under Unregistered roots and are marked grey. To add an unregistered root, select it in the list and click the Add button .</p> <p>IntelliJ IDEA also checks if registered roots are valid, i.e. that a Git/Mercurial repository exists at the specified path. If invalid repositories are detected, they are marked with red.</p>
VCS	<p>Select a version control system for the specified directory. The list only displays the version control systems for which the corresponding <a href="#">plugins</a> are enabled.</p>
	<p>Click this button to open the Version Control Configurations dialog and update the configuration settings for the selected VCS.</p>
+	<p>Click this button to add a directory mapping to the list. The Add VCS Directory Mapping dialog box opens where you can specify the required directory, select a VCS for it, and open the Version Control Configurations dialog box to configure the specified VCS, if necessary.</p>
	<p>Click this button to edit the selected directory mapping. The Edit VCS Directory Mapping dialog box opens where you can update the selected mapping and configure the specified VCS, if necessary.</p>
-	<p>Click this button to remove the selected directory mapping from the list.</p>
Limit history to	<p>Select this checkbox to specify the number of lines displayed for a file's history. If this checkbox is selected, the text box of history depth, and the spin box become enabled.</p>
Show directories with changed descendants	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the directories that contain changes, are color-marked. The colors are configurable in the <a href="#">Color Scheme</a> pages of the Editor settings (File Status - Have immediate changed children, Have changed descendants).</p>
Shelve base revisions of files under distributed version control systems.	<p>This option is relevant only for <a href="#">Git</a> and <a href="#">Mercurial</a>. Select this check box to automatically shelve base revisions of files that are under Git or Mercurial version control. By default, IntelliJ IDEA always "remembers" the last commit hash. However, this information is not sufficient if the history has been changed since the last commit as a result of running the <a href="#">rebase</a> operation. In this case, having a copy of the base revision may help.</p>
Show changed in last <number> days	<p>Select this checkbox to have <a href="#">color indication of file status</a> applied during <a href="#">stacktrace analysis</a> and <a href="#">debugging</a>. The names of the files that have been changed within a certain period will be highlighted accordingly. Specify the number of days.</p>
Filter Update Project information by scope	<p>If this option is enabled and a scope is selected, the files that belong to this scope will be marked in bold in the <a href="#">Update Project Info</a> tab of the <a href="#">Version Control Tool Window</a>. If you click the Filter button  in the toolbar in the <a href="#">Update Project Info</a> tab, the files will be filtered by scope, i.e. only the files that belong to the selected scope will be displayed. Click the Manage Scopes link to open the <a href="#">Scopes</a> settings dialog and configure a scope.</p>
Commit message right margin (columns)	<p>In this field, specify the number of symbols that can fit into the right margin of the <a href="#">Commit Changes</a> dialog. Select the Wrap when typing reaches right margin option if you want the text to be transferred to the next line when the maximum number of characters has been reached.</p>

Show unversioned files in Commit dialog      Select this option to see newly added files that have not been added to version control yet under the Unversioned Files node in the [Commit Changes dialog](#) .

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Check commit message spelling      Select this checkbox if you want to automatically check spelling of your commit messages.

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In this page, enable performing specific version control related operations in the background without any activities from your side.

#### ItemDescription

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Background Operations	<p>In this area, specify the version control related operations to be performed in the background. To enable running an operation in the background, select the relevant checkbox:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Perform update from VCS in background</li><li>- Perform commit to VCS in background</li><li>- Perform checkout from VCS in background</li><li>- Perform Edit/Checkout in background</li><li>- Perform Add/Remove in background</li><li>- Perform revert in background</li></ul>
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Changelists to cache initially	Use this spin box to specify the number of changelists to be stored in the cache.
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Refresh changes every ... minutes	<p>Use this spin box to specify how often the VCS should check for new changes and refresh the cache.</p> <p>The spin box is only enabled when the Enable background processes checkbox is selected.</p>
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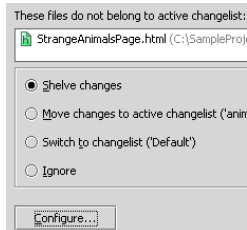
"Changed on server" conflicts	<p>In this area, specify whether you want IntelliJ IDEA to check whether a checked out files have been updated by someone else. To enable background synchronization with the server, select the Check every ... minutes . In the spin box, specify how often you want synchronization to take place.</p> <p>This area is only enabled when the Enable background processes checkbox is selected.</p>
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Use this page to configure protection of files belonging to inactive changelists, from occasional conflicts.

### ItemDescription

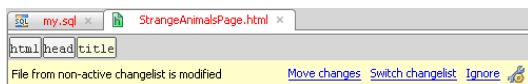
Enable changelist conflict tracking	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA makes it possible to protect files in inactive changelists. Such protection can be performed on the various levels enabled by the options listed below.
Show conflict resolving dialog	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA shows Resolve Changelist Conflict dialog box on an attempt to modify a file.



You need to define the way to resolve a conflict, before you proceed with changes. The possible ways to resolve a conflict are as follows:

- [Shelve](#) changes.
- [Move](#) file to the active changelist.
- Switch changelists to make the current changelist active.
- Ignore conflict. In this case, the file in question will be added to the list of files with ignored conflicts.

Highlight files with conflicts	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA shows a yellow stripe on top of a file from an inactive changelist, when such file has been modified.
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In this stripe, you can choose one of the possible ways to resolve conflict:

- Move file to the active changelist.
- Switch changelists.
- Ignore conflict.

Names of the files belonging to inactive changelists are shown in red font in the editor tabs and in the Project view.

Highlight files from non-active changelists	If this checkbox is selected, names of the files belonging to inactive changelists are shown in light-blue font in the editor tabs and in the Project view.
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Files with ignored conflicts	This area shows the list of files, for which Ignore option has been selected in the Resolve Changelist Conflict dialog box, or in the editor stripe.
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Clear	Click this button to remove all files from the list of files with ignored conflicts.
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In this page, specify whether you want IntelliJ IDEA to ask you for confirmation before performing specific version control related actions.

**ItemDescription**

When files are created	<p>In this section, specify whether and how to put a file created in IntelliJ IDEA under version control. The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Show options before adding to version control : When this option is selected, newly created files are put under version control after you specify the version control options in the dialog box that opens.</li> <li>– Add silently : When this option is selected, newly created files are automatically put under version control without displaying any messages.</li> <li>– Do not add : When this option is selected, newly created files remain unversioned and you can put them under version control later.</li> </ul>
When files are deleted	<p>In this section, specify whether and how to remove a file from the version control system when the file is removed in IntelliJ IDEA. The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Show options before removing from version control : When this option is selected, locally removed files are also removed from the specified VCS but first a dialog box for selecting version control options is displayed.</li> <li>– Remove silently : When this option is selected, all locally removed files are removed from the specified VCS without asking for confirmation.</li> <li>– Do not remove : When this option is selected, locally removed files remain under version control.</li> </ul>
When empty changelist becomes inactive	<p>In this section, specify IntelliJ IDEA behavior on deleting an empty changelist.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Show options before removing : When this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA asks for confirmation before removing an empty changelist that has lost its active status:</li> </ul>
	
<p>If you choose to delete such a changelist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to choose another changelist to be marked as active.</p>	
	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Remove silently : When this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically deletes empty changelists that become inactive, except for the Default changelist.</li> <li>– Do not remove : When this option is selected, empty changelist is not deleted on losing its active status.</li> </ul>	
Display Option dialogs when these commands are invoked	<p>In this area, specify whether you want IntelliJ IDEA to ask you for confirmation when invoking commands, specified below. To enable showing a prompt before performing an action, select the relevant checkboxes.</p>
<div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Tip</b> – Availability of commands depends on the particular version control system.          – Use controls in this area to restore the original settings, if you have suppressed showing operation-specific option dialog boxes by selecting the Do not show this dialog in the future checkbox.</p> </div>	
Show Clear Read-Only Status dialog box	<p>Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA explicitly require cancellation of the read-only status when you open a file in the editor and try to modify it.</p> <p>The read-only status can be cleared in two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Using the current VCS: the file is added to a <a href="#">changelist</a>.</li> <li>– Using a file system: the file is not added to the changelist.</li> </ul> <p>This option is relevant for those version control systems that separate check-out from opening for editing.</p>
Suggest to move uncommitted changes to another changelist	<p>When this option is selected, on committing a changelist to the repository with some files excluded from the commit, IntelliJ IDEA prompts to move these files to another changelist.</p>
Force non-empty check-in comments	<p>Select this checkbox to suppress committing changes without supplying them with corresponding comments.</p>
Clear initial commit message	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the previous check-in comment is cleared from the Comment area.</p>
Show patch in explorer after creation	<p>Use this drop-down list to define the IntelliJ IDEA behavior when a <a href="#">patch is created</a> . The available options are:</p>

- Yes : if this option is selected, native file manager always opens to show the patch file.
- No : if this option is selected, the native file manager will not open.
- Ask : if this option is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will display a dialog box informing about successful patch creation, and a suggestion to locate the patch file in the native file manager.

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Create changelist on failed commit

Use this drop-down list to define the IntelliJ IDEA behavior in case of failed commits. The available options are:

- Yes : if this option is selected, the Failed commit changelist will be automatically created, and the respective files will be moved to this changelist.
- No : if this option is selected, the files that failed to commit will remain in their original changelist.
- Ask : if this option is selected, on failed commit IntelliJ IDEA will display a dialog box asking whether the files should be moved to another changelist, or remain in the original one.

See the section [Resolving Conflicts](#) .



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Use this page to specify your [GitHub](#) remote storage account credentials or create a GitHub account if you do not have one yet.

#### ItemDescription

Host	Specify the URL of your GitHub repository.
Auth Type	Use this drop-down list to select how you want to be authenticated on GitHub. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Password . If this option is selected and you have <a href="#">two-factor authentication</a> enabled in your GitHub account settings, you will be asked to enter an authentication code each time IntelliJ IDEA requires you to log in to your GitHub account.</li><li>– Token (recommended by GitHub for authentication from third-party applications, as it does not require IntelliJ IDEA to remember your password).</li></ul>
Login	In this text box, type your GitHub logon name. This field is only available if Password is selected as authentication method above.
Password	In this text box, type your GitHub account password. This field is only available if Password is selected as authentication method above.
Test	Click this button to verify the credentials you have specified.
Token	Specify your personal access token. This field is only available if Token is selected as authentication method above.
Create API Token	Click this button if you do not have a personal API token yet. Specify your GitHub credentials in the Login to GitHub dialog that opens and click the Login button. The token will be generated automatically.
Sign up	Click this link to open the Sign up for GitHub page where you can create a GitHub account.
Connection timeout	Specify the time period to wait for connection to be established.

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Use this dialog to configure a list of files and directories that you do not want to put under version control. These can be file names associated with VCS administration, backup files, and any other artifacts that you want to remain unversioned. You can also specify patterns of files you want to ignore.

**Tip** You can only ignore unversioned files, i.e. files that have not yet been put under version control.

Item	Keyboard shortcut	Description
	Alt+Insert	Use this icon or shortcut to add an item to the list. The <a href="#">Ignore Unversioned Files</a> dialog box opens where you can type an exact path to a file or directory to be ignored or specify a pattern that defines the names of files and directories to be ignored.
	Enter	Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected path or pattern in the <a href="#">Ignore Unversioned Files</a> dialog box.
	Alt+Delete	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected path or pattern from the list.

Two characters can be used as wildcards:

- \* : to replace any string.
- ? : to replace a single character.

For example, \*.iml will ignore all files with the iml extension; \*.?ml will ignore all files whose extension ends with ml .

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The dialog box opens when you click the Add  or Edit  button on the [Ignored Files](#) page.


Use this dialog to configure rules that define which files and folders should be ignored by version control systems. The files you want to ignore can be appointed explicitly by their names or through name patterns with wildcards. To ignore a directory, you need to specify the full path to it relative to the project root.

**Tip** You can only ignore unversioned files, i.e. files that have not yet been put under version control.


Select the relevant option and fill in the text box next to it.

#### ItemDescription

**Ignore specified file** In this text box, specify the name of the file to be ignored. Do one of the following:

- Type the file name relative to the project root, for example, `my_folder/my_subfolder1/my_subfolder2/my_file` .
- Click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the Select File to Ignore dialog box.

**Ignore all files under** In this text box, specify the name of the directory to be ignored. Do one of the following:

- Type the directory name relative to the project root, for example, `my_folder/my_subfolder1/` .
- Click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the Select Directory to Ignore dialog box.

The rule is applied recursively to all subdirectories of the specified directory. If a directory has several subdirectories and you want only one of them ignored, specify the required directory explicitly, for example, `my_folder/my_subfolder1/my_subfolder2/` .






**Ignore all files matching** In this text box, specify a pattern that defines the names of files to ignore. The rule is applied to all directories under the project root.

**Note** Using wildcards in combination with slashes ( `/` ) to restrict the scope to a certain directory is not supported.

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Use this dialog to create a list of the so-called **issue navigation patterns**. An **issue navigation pattern** maps an **issue ID pattern** in commit messages with the URL addresses of the referenced issues. This enables you to navigate from committed changes to issues related to these changes. As soon as IntelliJ IDEA encounters a match to the issue ID pattern in a commit message, the match is displayed as a link in the **Version Control tool window**. If you mention several issues, all of them will be displayed as links. Clicking such link opens the matching issue in the default browser.

#### ItemDescription

Issue	This read-only field shows the issue pattern.
Link	This read-only field shows the link to navigate from the issue pattern in the current row to the issue in the bug tracking system.
	Click this button to create a new issue navigation pattern and link. The <b>Add Issue Navigation Link</b> dialog box opens where you can specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– A regular expression to define the issue ID.</li> <li>– A regular expression to define the navigation link to the issue.</li> </ul>
<div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"> <b>Tip</b> Refer to <a href="#">Regular Expressions Syntax Reference</a> for details on using special characters in regular expressions. </div>	
	Click this button to create a new JIRA pattern. The <b>Create JIRA Issue Navigation Pattern</b> dialog box is opened where you can specify the URL to your JIRA installation. The regular expression that defines the pattern is added automatically.
	Click this button to create a new pattern for <a href="#">YouTrack</a> . In the dialog box that opens, specify the URL to your YouTrack installation. The regular expression that defines the pattern is added automatically.
	Click this button to update the selected issue navigation link.
	Click this button to remove the selected issue navigation link from the list.

## Example

The example below shows how IntelliJ IDEA applies the abovementioned rules to detect a reference to an issue in a commit message and compose a link to it in the issue tracking system.

Issue ID pattern	The regular expression that defines the format in which issues are referenced in commit messages.
	<pre>[A-Z]+\-\d+</pre> <p>This regular expressions matches all character strings that consist of two substrings separated by an n-dash character:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Substring 1: An unlimited number of upper case alphabetic characters.</li> <li>2. Substring 2: An unlimited number of digital characters.</li> </ol>
Issue link pattern	A combination of the URL address of your issue tracking system and a regular expression that identifies issues in it.
	<pre>http://mytracker/issue/\$0</pre> <p>Here <code>\$0</code> indicates a back reference to the entire match. This means that as soon as IntelliJ IDEA detects a match in a commit message, it is added to the URL address of the tracker as is.</p>
Matching issue ID	IntelliJ IDEA detects the following reference to an issue in the commit message of interest:
	<pre>MYPROJECT-110</pre>
Composed issue link	In accordance with the above issue navigation pattern, the detected matching reference is added to the URL of the tracker as is, so the link to the referenced issue is composed as follows:

<http://mytracker/issue/MYPROJECT-110>

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Use this dialog box to create an issue pattern and navigation link to a bug tracking system.

**ItemDescription**

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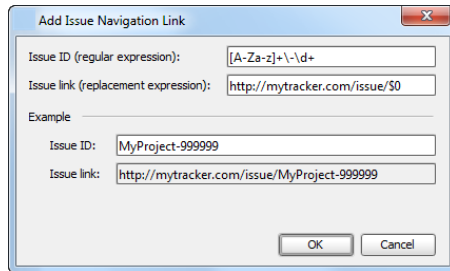
Issue ID (regular expression)      In this field, type a regular expression that will be converted to the a specific issue id.

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Issue link (replacement expression)      In this field, type a regular expression that will be converted to a navigation link to the issue.

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Example      In this section, type some specific issue id to make sure it matches the specified pattern:



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Use this page to specify the version control settings to be applied to the directories of your project that are under CVS control.

#### ItemDescription

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**Updating** In this area, define the IntelliJ IDEA behavior when merge conflicts occur during update from the server.

- Show dialog - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA display a dialog box where you can examine, analyze, and resolve possible conflicts before updating.
- Skip merging for all project or module files merged with conflicts - select this option to suppress updating files where conflicts occurred during merge.
- Get latest repository versions silently - select this option to have your local files in question automatically updated with their latest repository versions.

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**Use read-only flag for not edited file** Select this checkbox to have the read-only status assigned to a file automatically after the check out, update, or commit operations.

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**Show CVS server output** Select this checkbox to have the server output of CVS commands displayed in the CVS Output tool window.

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**Default keyword substitution for text files** Use this drop-down list to specify the keyword expansion mode. CVS uses the keyword substitution mode of a file to differentiate binary files from ASCII files and to indicate what type of keyword substitution is applied when files are committed and checked out.

The available options are:

- keyword&value ( `-kkv` )
- keyword, value&locker ( `-kkv1` )
- keyword only ( `-kk` )
- original string ( `-ko` )
- binary ( `-kb` )
- value only ( `-kv` )

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**Global Settings** Click this button to open the [Global CVS Settings](#) dialog box.

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Use this dialog box to set up CVS options at the global level. The dialog is available for files and directories that are under CVS control.

#### ItemDescription


Charset	From this drop-down list, select the character set to be used.
Use gzip compression	Select this checkbox to apply <code>gzip</code> compression.
Password file	In this text box, specify the fully qualified path to the <code>.cvspass</code> file. Click  to select the file in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .
Connection timeout	In this text box, type the timeout value in seconds.
Send environment variable to server	Select this checkbox to have CVS-related environment variables sent to the server.
Log CVS client/server output	Select this checkbox to enable logging and have the <code>cvs.log</code> log file stored in the <code>log</code> directory of your IntelliJ IDEA installation.
to <code>cvs.log</code> file	



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Use this page to specify the version control settings that will be applied to the directories of your project that are under [Git](#) control.

**ItemDescription**

**Path to Git executable** In this text box, specify the path to the Git executable file. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and specify the path in the dialog that opens.

**Test** Click this button to verify the path to the Git executable file.


**SSH executable** Use this drop-down list to specify the [SSH](#) version to be used with Git. The available options are:

- Built-in : select this option to use the implementation provided by IntelliJ IDEA.
- Native : select this option to use native implementation.

Note that on some platforms, the use of native ssh implementation may cause hang-up issues. You may need to configure a platform-specific `ssh-askpass` to receive prompts for passwords.

**Control repositories synchronously** This option only becomes available if you have a multirooted project, i.e. there are several Git repositories within a single project.

Select this option if you want branch operations (such as `checkout` , `merge` , etc.) to be applied synchronously to all repositories within your project.

**Commit automatically on cherry-pick** When you cherry pick a specific commit, the Commit Changes dialog is displayed. If the Commit automatically on cherry-pick option is selected, the selected commit is submitted silently on clicking the cherry-pick button  , without displaying the Commit Changes dialog.

**Warn if CRLF line separators are about to be committed** Select this option to enable smart handling of `LF` and `CRLF` line separators. IntelliJ IDEA will analyze your configuration, warn you if you are about to commit CRLF into the repository, and suggest changing the `core.autocrlf` setting to `true` or `input` depending on your operating system.

**Note** Note that this setting is not applied to files where you have set any related [Git attributes](#) . In this case, IntelliJ IDEA assumes that you clearly understand what you are doing and excludes such files from analysis.

If this option is deselected, you will have to fix issues with line endings manually using the [Difference Viewer dialog](#) .

**Warn when committing in detached HEAD or during rebase** Select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to display a warning when a commit is performed from a detached head or on rebase, as this may cause issues and code loss.

**Update method** Use this drop-down list to choose the strategy to synchronize your local repository with the remote storage. The selected method will be used when the `push` operation is rejected (if the [Auto-updated if push of the current branch was rejected](#) option is enabled), or when you invoke the Update Project operation. The following options are available:

- Merge: choose this option to have the [merge](#) strategy applied. The result is identical with that of running `git fetch ; git merge` or `git pull --no-rebase` .
- Rebase: choose this option to have the [rebase](#) strategy applied. The result is identical with that of running `git fetch ; git rebase` or `git pull --rebase` .
- Branch Default: choose this option to have the default command for the branch applied. The default command is specified in the `branch.<name>` section of the `.git/config` configuration file.

**Auto-update if push of the current branch was rejected** Select this checkbox if you want the current branch to be updated automatically if the `push` operation from the current branch to its tracked branch is rejected.

If this option is deselected, IntelliJ IDEA will display the Push Rejected dialog when [pushing a branch](#) is rejected because your local repository and the remote storage are not synchronized.

**Note** Note the following:

- If you have never seen the Push Rejected dialog box before and you are enabling the checkbox initially, IntelliJ IDEA will update the conflicting local branch silently by means of the `merge` operation.
- If you have already encountered the Push Rejected dialog box and selected the Remember the update method choice... option, IntelliJ IDEA saves your last choice ( `rebase` or `merge` ) and will apply it to update the conflicting local branch silently. Accordingly, to change the "remembered" setting, clear the checkbox, access the Push Rejected dialog box, select the Auto-update if push ... rejected option, and invoke another update strategy.

**Allow force push** If this checkbox is selected, the Force push option is added to the [Push Commits dialog](#) (as a drop-down option on the Push button).


**Protected branches** If you have selected the [Allow force push option](#) , but want to disable it for certain branches, list them here (this is a team-shared parameter that is stored in `.idea/vcs.xml` ).

You can list several branches separated by a colon, or supply branch patterns as the input is treated as a list of regular expressions.

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Use this page to specify the version control settings to be applied to the directories of your project that are under [Mercurial](#) control.

#### ItemDescription

Path to hg executable	<p>Specify the location of the Mercurial executable file. Enter the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog that opens.</p> <p>If you followed the standard installation procedure, the default location is <code>/opt/local/bin</code> or <code>/usr/local/bin</code> for Linux and macOS and <code>/Program Files/TortoiseHG</code> for Windows.</p> <p>It is recommended that you add the path to the Mercurial executable file to the <code>PATH</code> <a href="#">variable</a> . In this case, you can specify only the executable name, the full path to the executable location is not required.</p>
Test	<p>Click this button to verify the path to the Mercurial executable.</p>
Control repositories synchronously	<p>This option only becomes available if you have a multirooted project, i.e. there are several Mercurial repositories within a single project.</p> <p>Select this option if you want branch operations (such as <code>checkout</code> , <code>merge</code> , etc.) to be applied synchronously to all repositories within your project.</p>
Check for incoming and outgoing changesets	<p>Select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to detect incoming and outgoing changes in the background mode. IntelliJ IDEA will automatically request the server for incoming and outgoing changesets every 5 minutes.</p>
Ignore whitespace differences in annotations	<p>Select this option if you want white spaces to be ignored when annotating, and, thus, get more meaningful annotations and cast out senseless ones.</p>

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Use this page to specify the version control settings to be applied to those directories of your project that are under Perforce control



**ItemDescription**

Perforce is online	Select this checkbox to work with Perforce in the online mode.
Switch to offline mode automatically if Perforce is unavailable	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically <a href="#">go offline</a> as soon as Perforce becomes unavailable and display the corresponding message.
Use P4CONFIG or default connection	If this option is selected, <code>P4CONFIG</code> or the default Perforce connection are used to connect to the Perforce server. Using <code>P4CONFIG</code> makes it trivial to switch between Perforce settings for different projects, when necessary.
Use connection parameters	If this option is selected, the connection credentials (port, client, user name, and charset) are specified manually.
Port	In this text box, type the server and the port which your Perforce client will listen to. For the default Perforce server configuration, it looks like <code>perforce:1666</code> .
Client	In this text box, type the name of your Perforce workspace name.
User	In this text box, type your user name to authenticate to the server.
Charset	From this drop-down list, select the character set to be used.
Dump Perforce commands to <path>	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA create a file <code>P4.output</code> and store the output of Perforce commands in it.
Use login authentication	When this checkbox is selected, Perforce requires a login to authenticate a user.
Test Connection	Click this button to check whether the specified settings ensure establishing connection to the Perforce server.
Path to P4 executable	In this text box, specify the path to the Perforce Command Line Client's executable file <code>P4</code> . Click the Browse button  to open the Select Path - P4 Configuration dialog box and select the executable file in the directories tree.
Path to P4V executable	In this text box, specify the path to the Perforce Visual Client's executable file <code>P4V</code> . Click the Browse button  to open the Select Path - P4 Configuration dialog box and select the executable file in the directories tree.
Show branching history ...	Select this checkbox to enable displaying the branch history of a specified file, including all file branch points, edits, and merges.
Show integrated changelists in committed changes	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA point at committed changes that are also integrated to other changelists and provide information on the target changelists that received the content in question.
Server timeout	In this text box, specify the time period in seconds after when the Perforce client cancels its attempts to establish connection to the server.
Enable Perforce Jobs Support	When this checkbox is selected, user interface for attaching and detaching Perforce jobs to change lists is provided in the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window and in the <a href="#">Commit Changes</a> dialog box.

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Use this page to specify the version control settings to be applied to those directories of your project that are under Visual SourceSafe control


**Item Description**

Path to VSS client (ss.exe)	In this text box, specify the location of the SourceSafe client executable file <code>ss.exe</code> .
	Click this button to access the Open dialog box for choosing the <code>ss.exe</code> file.
Path to VSS configuration file (srcsafe.ini)	In this text box, specify the location of the SourceSafe configuration file <code>srcsafe.ini</code> .
	Click this button to access the Open dialog box for choosing the <code>srcsafe.ini</code> file.
User name	In this text box, type your VSS user ID for accessing the repository.
Password	In this text box, type your VSS user password.

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Use this page to specify the settings to be applied to your project directories that are under Subversion control

**Item Description**

Use command line client	Select this option if you want to use the command line svn client. Enter the name of the executable file, or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog that opens.
Enable interactive mode	Select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to emulate the behavior when Subversion commands are executed directly from the terminal in the interactive mode (dialogs will pop up where you can input credentials). This is required to handle password/passphrase prompts for svn+ssh repositories, and trust invalid server certificates for https repositories.
Use custom configuration directory	Select this option if you do not want to store Subversion configuration files in the system default location, and specify the path to the custom directory.
Update administrative information only in changed subtrees	<p>This option only applies to working copies older than SVN 1.7 managed by SVNKit.</p> <p>During synchronization with the server (update), SVN locks your working copy one subtree after another by creating empty <code>lock</code> files in the corresponding administrative <code>.svn</code> directories. After that, SVN starts comparing file hashes to detect which local files need to be synchronized.</p> <p>When this option is selected, SVN first checks if any files from a subtree have been modified on the server, and locks this subtree (i.e. creates a <code>.svn/lock</code> file) only if such files are detected. This approach improves performance but may cause concurrency issues, for example, with antiviral software.</p>

## Presentation

Use this settings page to configure data presentation settings.

**Item Description**

Check svn:mergeinfo in target subtree when preparing for merge	Select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to check the merge tracking information for the target branch before merging to prevent duplicates.
Maximum number of revisions to look back in annotations	Select this option to limit the number of revisions to look back at when calculating annotations, and specify the number of revisions.
Show merge source in history and annotations	Select this option if you want merge sources to be visible in annotations and file history.
Ignore whitespace differences in annotations	Select this option if you want white spaces to be ignored when annotating, and, thus, get more meaningful annotations and cast out senseless ones.

## Network

Use this settings page to configure the connection settings.


**Item Description**


Use IntelliJ IDEA general proxy settings as default for Subversion	Select this option if you want Subversion to use the default IntelliJ IDEA proxy settings.
HTTP timeout	Specify the number of seconds to wait for HTTP connection to be established.
SSH connection timeout	Specify the number of seconds to wait for SSH connection to be established.
SSH read timeout	Specify the number of seconds to wait for response.
SSL protocols	In this area, select which SSL protocol you want to use. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All</li> <li>- SSLv3</li> <li>- TLSv1</li> </ul>
Edit Network Options	Click this button to change Subversion runtime configuration file in the <a href="#">Edit Subversion options related to the network layers dialog</a> .

## SSH

Use this settings page to configure the settings used to connect to an SVN server via a tunneling SSH protocol.

**ItemDescription**

SSH executable	Specify the path to the SSH client. Enter the name of the executable file, or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog that opens. If not specified, <code>'ssh'</code> is used by default. This field is only available if the Password or the Private key option is selected.
User name	Specify the user name for SSH connection. If the user name is explicitly specified in the repository URL, this value will be used and this setting will be ignored. This field is only available if the Password or the Private key option is selected.

Port	If your server is listening on a non-standard port (22 for svn+ssh://), modify the default value. This field is only available if the Password or the Private key option is selected.
Password	Select this option if you want to use a password for SSH authentication.
Private key	Select this option if you want to use a private key for SSH authentication.
Path	Specify the path to the private key. Enter the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog that opens.
Subversion config	Select this option if you want to use the default settings stored in Subversion configuration for SSH connection.
SSH tunnel	This field displays the SSH tunnel settings stored in Subversion configuration. You can modify the value and click the Update button to write this value to the Subversion configuration.
Update	Click this button to check the Subversion configuration and update the value if necessary, or to write the value you have entered to the Subversion configuration.
SVN_SSH	This field displays the environment variable that can be used in the tunnel configuration (by default, <code>SVN_SSH</code> ) and is stored in Subversion configuration.

The dialog box opens when you click the Edit Network Options button on the [Subversion](#) page of the [Settings/Preferences](#) dialog box. In this dialog box, specify the Subversion network settings stored in the servers Subversion runtime configuration file.

The dialog box contains two tabs:







- System file - this tab displays the default network configuration settings specified by the system administrator.
- User file - in this tab, customize the default network configuration settings.

The dialog box consists of two panes:

- On the left-hand pane, add, edit, and remove configuration profiles. Network configuration settings are arranged into profiles of two types:
  - Group - settings from such profile apply to a specific group, defined by a glob pattern.
  - Global - settings from this profile are applied to all servers that do not match any glob pattern.
- On the right-hand pane, specify the settings for the selected configuration profile.

## Toolbar Options

**Item** **Tooltip** **Description**  
and  
**shortcut**

	Add	Click this button to have a new configuration profile added to the list.
		
	Delete	Click this button to remove the selected profile from the list.
		
	Copy	Click this button to have a copy of the selected profile created.
		


## HTTP Proxy Settings

**Item** **Description**

URL Patterns	In this text box, type the patterns that define the URL addresses of repositories to be accessed via proxy. Use commas to separate patterns.
Exceptions	In this text box, type the patterns that define the URL addresses of repositories to be accessed directly, without using proxy. Use commas to separate patterns.
Server	In this text box, specify the name or IP address of the proxy server to use.
Port	In this text box, specify the port number the proxy server listens to.
Connection timeout	In this text box, specify the time period in seconds after when the Subversion client cancels its attempts to establish connection to the server.
User	In this text box, type the user name or login to authenticate at the specified proxy server.
Password	In this text box, type the password that matches the specified login or user name.

## SSL Settings

**Item** **Description**

Comma separated paths	In this text box, specify the paths to files that contain certificates of the <a href="#">Certificate Authority (CAs)</a> files that are accepted by the Subversion client when accessing the repository.
to CAs certificate files	
SSL client certificate file	In this text box, specify the location of the SSL client certificate file. Type the path to the file manually or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
SSL client certificate passphrase	In this text box, type the SSL client certificate passphrase to use.
Trust default CAs	Select this checkbox to have the Subversion integration trust the set of default <a href="#">Certificate Authority</a> files shipped with <a href="#">OpenSSL</a> .

## Repositories

**Item** **Description**

Repositories	This list displays the URL addresses of the previously accessed repositories.
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Test connection Click this button to make sure that connection to the selected repository can be established successfully according to the settings specified in the dialog box.

**Tip** When you click this button, IntelliJ IDEA displays the **Authentication Required** dialog box.



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Use this page to specify the version control settings to be applied to those directories of your project that are under TFS control.

#### ItemDescription

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**Servers and workspaces** In this area, configure access to workspaces and servers to use.

- **Manage** : click this button to open the [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box where you can create a list of servers and workspaces you need to have access to.
- Use IntelliJ IDEA HTTP Proxy settings for TFS: when this checkbox is selected, TFS servers are accessed through the Proxy server using the IntelliJ IDEA [default Proxy settings](#) .

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**Passwords** In this area, handle the passwords for accessing TFS servers and workspaces.

- **Reset Saved Passwords**: click this button to discard the stored passwords.

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**Check-in policies compatibility** A check-in policy is a rule that is executed before every check-in to ensure that the selected changeset is OK to commit. **Standard policies** are stored on the server and are executed on the client machines. **Custom policies** are implemented as custom plugins to IntelliJ IDEA. The IDs of these plugins are stored on the server, while the policies themselves are applied locally. Therefore, to enable the use of a policy in a team, all the team members should install the corresponding plugin.

Use the controls in this area to configure how IntelliJ IDEA should treat third party check-in policies. These settings are applied to all IntelliJ IDEA projects by default unless they are overridden for a specific project.

- **Evaluate Team Explorer policies**: select this checkbox to have the Microsoft Team Explorer policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.
- **Evaluate Teamprise policies**: select this checkbox to have the Teamprise policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.
- **Warn about not installed policies**: select this checkbox to have warnings displayed in case the specified policy definition is not installed.

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The dialog box opens when you click the Manage servers and workspaces button in the [TFS](#) dialog box. Use this dialog box to handle the list of TFS servers and [workspaces](#) you have access to.

#### ItemDescription

Server/Workspace	This read-only field shows the URL addresses of TFS servers you have access to and workspaces available on these TFS servers.
Workspace comment	This read-only field shows the descriptions of workspaces on the servers you have access to.
Team Servers	Use the buttons in this area to manage the list of available servers and workspaces and configure access to them. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Add: click this button to open the <a href="#">Add Team Foundation Server</a> dialog box where you can specify the parameters for establishing connection to a TFS server. TFS uses <a href="#">NTLM authentication</a>, so native Windows applications (that is, <a href="#">Microsoft Team Explorer</a>) authenticate silently with system credentials. IntelliJ IDEA users must always specify their username and password because of limitations posed by Java Runtime.</li><li>– Remove: click this button to remove the selected server from the list.</li><li>– Reload workspaces: click this button to have the list of available workspaces refreshed.</li><li>– TFS Proxy: click this button to open the Set TFS proxy for server... dialog box where you can specify the parameters for accessing the selected server via Proxy.</li><li>– Check-in Policies: click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Check-in Policies</a> dialog box where you can manage the list of check-in policies to be applied.</li></ul>
Workspaces	Use the buttons in this area manage the list of available workspaces and update the workspaces, when applicable. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Create: click this button to open the <a href="#">Create Workspace</a> dialog box for creating a new workspace.</li><li>– Edit: click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Workspace</a> dialog box for editing the selected workspace.</li><li>– Delete: click this button to remove the selected workspace from the list.</li></ul>
Close	Click this button to save the settings, close the dialog box, and return to the <a href="#">TFS</a> dialog box.

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The dialog box opens when you click the Add button in the [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box. Use this dialog box to specify and edit the parameters for establishing connection to TFS servers.

#### ItemDescription

Address	In this text box, type the URL address of the TFS server you want to connect to.
Auth	In this field, specify the authentication protocol to access the server. TFS uses <a href="#">NTLM authentication</a> , so native Windows applications (that is, <a href="#">Microsoft Team Explorer</a> ) authenticate silently with system credentials. IntelliJ IDEA users must always specify their username and password because of limitations posed by Java Runtime. To authenticate through OAuth ( <a href="#">Windows Live ID</a> ), choose Alternate from the Auth drop-down list.
User name	In this text box, type your TFS user name. The field is available for the NTLM) and Alternate authentication types.
Domain	In this text box, type the name of the network domain where the TFS server is located. The field is available for the NTLM) authentication type.
Password	In this text box, type your TFS password. The field is available for the NTLM) and Alternate authentication types.
Store password	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember the specified password.

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The dialog box opens when you select an entry in the Server/Workspace list and click the Check-in Policies button in the [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box.

A check-in policy is a rule that is executed before every check-in to ensure that the selected changeset is OK to commit. **Standard policies** are stored on the server and are executed on the client machines.

**Custom policies** are implemented as custom plugins to IntelliJ IDEA. The IDs of these plugins are stored on the server, while the policies themselves are applied locally. Therefore, to enable the use of a policy in a team, all the team members should install the corresponding plugin.

Use this dialog box to manage the list of the custom project policies to be applied when checking in to the selected workspace and to override the default IntelliJ IDEA-wide policies for the project, if necessary.

In this section:

- [Check-in Policies](#)
- [Compatibility](#)

## Check-in Policies

### ItemDescription

Team Project	From this drop-down list, select the name of the project to specify the policies for.
Policy Type	This read-only field shows the available policies.
Description	This read-only field shows brief descriptions of policies.
Enabled	When this checkbox is selected, the policy next to it is mandatory during check-in.
Add	Click this button to open the Add Check-in Policy dialog box where you can define a new check-in policy.
Edit	Click this button to open the Edit Check-in Policy dialog box where you can re-define the selected check-in policy.
Remove	Click this button to remove the selected check-in policy from the list.

## Compatibility

Use the controls in this area to suppress applying the default IntelliJ IDEA-wide check-in policy settings to the current project.

### ItemDescription

Override default settings for team project <project name>	<p>Select the checkbox to discard the default policy settings within the scope of the current project and re-define the settings by selecting or clearing the corresponding checkboxes below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Evaluate Team Explorer policies: select this checkbox to have the Microsoft Team Explorer policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.</li><li>– Evaluate Teamprise policies: select this checkbox to have the Teamprise policy definitions installed and executed on the client machine.</li><li>– Warn about not installed policies: select this checkbox to have warnings displayed in case the specified policy definition is not installed.</li></ul>
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The dialog box opens when you click the Create button or select a workspace and click the Edit button in the [Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces](#) dialog box.

Use this dialog box to define a new workspace or update the existing one by selecting the necessary folders on the TFS server and mapping them to local folders.

#### ItemDescription


Name	In this text box, specify the name of the new workspace.
Comment	In this text box, describe briefly what this workspace is intended for.
Server	This read-only field displays the URL address of the TFS server on which the new workspace will be created and which is selected in the <a href="#">Manage TFS Servers and Workspaces</a> dialog box.
Owner	This read-only field displays your TFS user name.
Computer	This read-only field displays the name of your computer in the network domain.

## Working Folders

In this area, define mappings between the necessary folders on the TFS server and local folders.

**Tip** You can map a folder including all its subfolders recursively or map each subfolder separately.

#### ItemDescription

Status	From this drop-down list, select the status of a new mapping.
Local path	In this text box, specify the path to the local folder. Use the  button, if necessary.
Server path	In this text box, specify the path to the corresponding folder on the server.
Add	Click this button to create a new mapping.
Remove	Click this button to remove the selected mapping from the list.

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When you select the Build, Execution, Deployment category in the left-hand pane, its main subcategories are listed in the right-hand part of the dialog.

- [Build Tools](#)
- [Compiler](#)
- [Debugger](#)
- [Deployment](#)
- [Arquillian Containers](#)
- [Application Servers](#)
- [Clouds](#)
- [Coverage](#)
- [Docker](#)
- [Instant Run](#)
- [Required Plugins](#)

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When you select the Build Tools category in the left-hand pane, its main subcategories are listed in the right-hand part of the dialog.

- [SBT](#)
- [Maven](#)
- [Gradle settings](#)
- [Gant settings](#)

Use this page to configure SBT project settings.

**ItemDescription**

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Linked SBT projects	This area shows all linked projects.
Project-level settings	Use this area to configure the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Use auto-import - select this checkbox to resolve all the changes made to the SBT project automatically every time you refresh your project.</li><li>- Create directories for empty content roots automatically - select this option to add the <code>src</code> directory to your project.</li><li>- Download sources and docs - select this checkbox to download sources and docs for project dependencies.</li><li>- Download SBT sources and docs - select this checkbox to download sources docs for SBT itself.</li></ul>
JVM	Use this area to configure the JVM settings. You can choose from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- From project JDK - select this default option to use the project's JDK.</li><li>- Custom - select this option to use a custom JVM.</li></ul>
JVM Options	Use this area to configure additional JVM settings. You can choose from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Maximum heap size, MB - use this field to specify the maximum heap size available to the process that launches the compiler. The default 768 Mb is suitable for most of the purposes.</li><li>- VM parameters - use this field to type the string to be passed to the VM when IntelliJ IDEA launches the compiler. If you need more room to type, click <code>+</code> to open the VM parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.</li></ul>
Launcher (sbt-launch.jar)	Use this area to configure settings for the sbt launcher. You can select from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bundled - use this default option if you want the bundled launcher.</li><li>- Custom - use this option to specify a custom launcher.</li></ul>



**ItemDescription**

Work offline	If this checkbox is selected, Maven works in the offline mode and uses only the resources that are available locally. This option corresponds to the <code>--offline</code> command line option.
Use plugin registry	Select this checkbox to enable referring to the Maven's <a href="#">Plugin Registry</a> . This option corresponds to the <code>--no-plugin-registry</code> command line option.
Execute goals recursively	If this checkbox is selected, the build recurses into the nested projects. Clearing this checkbox corresponds to the <code>--non-recursive</code> command line option.
Print exception stack traces	If this option is checked, exception stack traces are generated. This option corresponds to the <code>--errors</code> command line option.
Always update snapshots	Select this checkbox, if you want IntelliJ IDEA to update snapshots on sync.
Output level	Select the desired level of the output log, which allows plugins to create messages at levels of <i>debug</i> , <i>info</i> , <i>warn</i> , and <i>error</i> , <i>fatal</i> , or disable output log.
Checksum policy	Select the desired level of checksum matching while downloading artifacts. You can opt to fails downloading, when checksums do not match ( <code>--strict-checksums</code> ), or issue a warning ( <code>--lax-checksums</code> ).
Multiproject build fail policy	Specify how to treat a failure in a multiproject build. You can opt to fail the build: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– At the very first failure, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--fail-fast</code>.</li> <li>– Fail at the end, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--fail-at-end</code>.</li> <li>– Ignore failures, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--fail-never</code>.</li> </ul>
Plugin update policy	Select plugin update policy from the drop-down list. You can opt to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Check for updates, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--check-plugin-updates</code>.</li> <li>– Suppress checking for updates, which corresponds to the command line option <code>--no-plugin-updates</code>.</li> </ul> <p>This option is ignored for Maven 3 and later versions.</p>
Threads (-T option)	Use this field to set the <code>-T</code> option for parallel builds. This option is available for Maven 3 and later versions. <p>For more information, see <a href="#">parallel builds in Maven 3</a> feature.</p>
Maven home directory	Use this drop-down list to select a bundled Maven version that is available (for Maven2, version 2.2.1 and for Maven3, version 3.0.5) or the result of resolved system variables such as <code>MAVEN_HOME</code> or <code>MAVEN2_HOME</code> . You can also specify your own Maven version that is installed on your machine. You can click <code>...</code> and select the necessary directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
User settings file	Specify the file that contains user-specific configuration for Maven in the text field. If you need to specify another file, check Override option, click ellipsis button and select the desired file in the Select Maven Settings File dialog.
Local repository	By default, the field shows the path to the local directory under the user home, that stores the downloads, and contains the temporary build artifacts that you have not yet released. If you need to specify another directory, check Override option, click ellipsis button and select the desired path in the Select Maven Local Repository dialog.

## ItemDescription

Keep projects files in	Select this checkbox to specify the location of your project's files after the import. For example, when you import a project and want to keep the <code>.iml</code> file and <code>.idea</code> directory files in a specific location instead of the default one. By default, IntelliJ IDEA places project's files next to your <code>pom.xml</code> .
Import Maven projects automatically	Select this checkbox, if you want IntelliJ IDEA to perform reimport automatically each time you change your <code>pom.xml</code> .
Create IntelliJ IDEA modules for aggregator projects (with 'pom' packaging)	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA <a href="#">Maven Modules</a> will be created for each module included in the <code>pom.xml</code> file of an aggregative project, provided that its packaging is set to 'pom'.
Create module groups for multi-module Maven projects	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will create a module group from an aggregative Maven project, with the nested modules included in this group.
Keep source and test folders on reimport	If this checkbox is selected, all the source and test folders will be preserved on every import.  If this checkbox is cleared, all previously configured source and test folders will be removed on every import. By default, this checkbox is set as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– For new projects : the checkbox is cleared.</li> <li>– For already imported projects : the checkbox is selected.</li> </ul>
Exclude build directory	Select this checkbox to exclude a build directory from the project. This might be useful, if you want to speed up the project's importing process . If this checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA will index files in the build directory every time you import a project which might take additional time.  ( <code>PROJECT_ROOT/target</code> )
Use Maven output directories	If this checkbox is not selected, the build will be created in the regular IntelliJ IDEA's output directory <code>USER_HOME\IdeaProjects\&lt;project&gt;\classes\Production\</code> .  If this checkbox is selected, the build is generated in the Maven's output directory, and the results of IntelliJ IDEA's compilation are reused. However, IntelliJ IDEA itself does not reuse Maven build results, and performs compilation <i>from scratch</i> .
Generated sources folders	Specify the directory of your source root when you reimport a project.  You can select one of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Detect automatically This is a default option. When you select this option, IntelliJ IDEA automatically detects the location of the generated sources. IntelliJ IDEA also detects which directory to mark as a source root. However, IntelliJ IDEA searches for the generated sources only in <code>target/generated-sources</code> and <code>target/generated-sources/*</code> directories.</li> <li>– <code>target/generated-sources</code> This option enables you to mark the directory as source root manually.</li> <li>– subdirectories of "target/generated-sources" This option enables you to mark a subdirectory as a source root manually.</li> <li>– Don't detect This option lets you skip the detection process.</li> </ul>
Phase to be used for folders update	Select Maven phase to be used for folders update. This might be useful, if you adjust your plugins so that additional sources are loaded at some phase.
Automatically download	Select the corresponding checkboxes to automatically download sources ( Sources ) and documentation comments ( Documentation ) on opening Maven projects.
Dependency types	Use this field to specify dependency types that you want to include when you reimport your project.
VM options for importer	Use this field to specify VM options. The default option is <code>-Xmx512m</code> .  When you specify the options, follow the following rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value"</code> .</li> </ul>
JDK for importer	Use this drop-down list to specify which JDK to use when the maven project is imported.  You can choose one of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Internal JRE - this is a default option that uses the installation directory for JRE.</li> <li>– JDK versions - this option uses your project's JDK.</li> <li>– Use JAVA_HOME - this option uses the value that is specified in the user's environment variable settings.</li> </ul>
Generate Flex compiler configuration files when importing Flexmojos projects	If this checkbox is selected, when importing Flexmojos projects, the Flex compiler configuration files are generated automatically.  The automatic generation of the configuration files is a rather time-consuming process, especially for large projects. Besides, for the reasons independent of IntelliJ IDEA, the automatic generation of the configuration files may sometimes be impossible or may lead to erroneous results.  In all such cases, you may want to turn this option off and generate the Flex compiler configuration files from the command line using this command:  <pre>mvn compile -DconfigurationReport=true</pre>

**Note** For this option to be available, the [Flash/Flex Support](#) enabled in IntelliJ IDEA. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

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Create run configuration for Spring Boot application

Select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to automatically create a run/debug configuration for Spring Boot projects on Maven import.

Use this page to specify the `pom.xml` files or their paths of Maven modules which you want to exclude from the Maven project.

**ItemDescription**

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


Path patterns      Enter the comma-separated list of paths to be ignored during the build. Wildcards are honored.

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Ignored files      Check the individual files to be ignored during the build.

Use this page to configure settings for the external Maven that will be used to run goals.

#### ItemDescription

Run in background	Check this option to perform run as a background task.
VM Options	Specify VM options that will be passed to the selected JRE. When specifying the options, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg or "some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
JRE	Select the JRE that will be used to run the Maven goals.
Environment variables	This field lets you set custom environment variables on the project level for running maven goals. Click the Browse button  to open the Environment Variables dialog box, where you can create variables and specify their values.
Properties	Specify the properties and their values to be passed to Maven.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to define a new property as a name - value pair.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to change the selected property.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected properties from the list.
Skip tests	Check this option to skip performing unit tests. This corresponds to the Maven option <code>-Dmaven.test.skip=true</code>

Use this page to configure settings for running JUnit tests using [Maven Surefire plugin](#) configuration.

The configuration parameters are activated by default.

You can use these settings for Maven 2 and Maven 3 versions.

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**ItemDescription**

<code>argLine</code>	Select this checkbox to set arbitrary JVM options on the command line.
<code>systemPropertyVariables</code>	Select this checkbox to pass a list of System properties to the JUnit tests.
<code>environmentVariables</code>	Use this checkbox to set additional environment variables on the command line.

The table shows the list of [Maven repositories](#) , encountered in the current project, with their URLs, type (local or remote) and the date of the most recent update.

#### ItemDescription

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Indexed Maven Repositories	<p>This area contains a list of Maven local repositories that are configured in the <code>pom.xml</code> file. The list is updated automatically.</p> <p>If you open a project that contains additional repositories specified, then the repositories are added to the Indexed Maven Repositories list and you can update the indices.</p>
Update	<p>Click this button to update indices of the selected repository. It might be helpful in case you expect to get information for newly deployed artifacts such as new versions of libraries that you use in the project. Also when you use maven dependencies completion in <code>pom.xml</code> or generation of maven dependencies using <a href="#">Maven Artifact Search</a> dialog.</p>

Use this page to configure Gradle project settings.

## ItemDescription

**Linked Gradle projects** This area contains the list of registered Gradle projects that are linked to your IntelliJ IDEA project.

**Project-level settings** This area contains settings for your Gradle project. You can select from the following options:

- Use auto-import - select this checkbox to resolve all the changes made to the Gradle project automatically every time you refresh your project.
- Create directories for empty content roots automatically - select this option to add a `src` directory to your project automatically when you import a project from Gradle model.
- Create separate module per source set - select this checkbox to use the [source set](#) feature in resolving your Gradle projects.
- Use default gradle wrapper (recommended) - select this checkbox to use [Gradle Wrapper](#). You can use this option when you have generated or checked out wrapper files in the default location.

```
gradle/wrapper/gradle-wrapper.jar (Wrapper JAR)
gradle/wrapper/gradle-wrapper.properties (Wrapper properties)
```

- Use gradle wrapper task configuration - select this checkbox to customize your [Gradle Wrapper](#). You can use this option if you do not have wrapper files on your disk yet or if you use a different location for them. In this case IntelliJ IDEA refers to the Gradle wrapper task definition and generates or updates the files based on the task configuration. This option can be useful when you don't want to check in binary wrapper files or reuse the same wrapper files for several projects.

```
task wrapper(type: Wrapper) {
    distributionUrl = "http://mycompanyserver/gradle-2.10-bin.zip"
    jarFile = "/mylocation/gradle/wrapper/gradle-wrapper.jar"
    scriptFile = "/mylocation/gradle/gradlew"
}
```

**Note** This option is supported for the Gradle version 1.7 or later.

- Use local gradle distribution - select this option to run local build scripts.
- Gradle home - in this text field, specify the fully qualified path to your Gradle installation. If Gradle location has been defined by the environment variables `GRADLE_HOME` or `PATH`, then IntelliJ IDEA deduces this location, and suggests this path as the default value.
 

If Gradle location has not been deduced from the environment variables, specify it manually, or click the [Browse](#) button, and select the desired directory in the [dialog that opens](#). Note that the value entered in this field takes preference over the environment variables.
- Gradle JVM - use this drop-down list to select a JVM for running Gradle projects. The default is set to your project JDK.

**Global Gradle settings** This area contains options for Gradle global settings. You can select from the following options:

- Offline work - use this checkbox to work with Gradle in the offline mode. In this case Gradle will use dependencies from the cache. Gradle will not attempt to access the network to perform dependency resolution. If required dependencies are not present in the dependencies' cache, a build execution will fail.
- Service directory path - use this field to override the default Gradle home location directory.
- Gradle VM options - use this field to specify VM options for your Gradle project.
 

When specifying the options, follow these rules:

  - Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m`.
  - If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg" or "some arg"`.
  - If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop="quoted_value"`.



IntelliJ IDEA lets you specify settings for running Gradle tests.

#### ItemDescription

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Delegate IDE build/run actions to Gradle

Select this checkbox to delegate the following actions to Gradle:

- assemble and compile project files
- assemble `.war` or `.ear` artifacts
- run the application

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Run tests using

Use this area to select one of the following test runner options:

- Platform Test Runner - select this option if you want to run your tests using the IntelliJ IDEA API.
- Gradle Test Runner - select this option if you want to run your tests using [Gradle tooling API](#).
- Let me choose per test - select this option if you want to choose the runner for the specific test. In this case IntelliJ IDEA prompts you to select the test runner the first time you try to execute your test.

This page appears when you have an Android project and work inside the Android environment.

**ItemDescription**

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Allow Module selection on Project import	Select this checkbox to allow a partial import.
Skip source generation on Gradle sync if a Project has more than <number of modules> Modules	Select this checkbox to skip source generation if your project contains more than the specified number of modules. It might be helpful if you have a multi-module project.

Use this page to define Gant home directory, which is required to be able to run build scripts.

**ItemDescription**

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Gant home    In this text field, specify the fully qualified path to your Gant installation, or click the ellipsis button, and select the desired directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .

Use this node to configure common options specified in the table below, as well as the specific options for compilers used in IntelliJ IDEA.

### ItemDescription

Resource Patterns	<p>In this field, specify the regular expression that describes the files that should be recognized as resources and, consequently, copied to the output directory. Use semicolons ( ; ) to separate individual patterns. Wildcards and negations are welcome. The following symbols are accepted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- * represents an unlimited number of any symbols, possibly none.</li> <li>- ? represents exactly one symbol.</li> <li>- . represents a delimiter.</li> <li>- ! negates the entire mask it is applied to. Consequently, any file with the name and extension that do not match the pattern will be recognized as a resource file.</li> <li>- / represents a path separator.</li> <li>- /**/ denotes any number of directories.</li> <li>- &lt;dir&gt;:&lt;pattern&gt; denotes any directory located under the source root &lt;dir&gt;; &lt;pattern&gt; is any pattern that meets the above-mentioned requirements.</li> </ul>
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The examples below illustrate the use of wildcards in the resource patterns:

- \*.xml - any XML file.
- !\*.xml - any file whose extension is not .xml .
- z\*.properties;z\*.gif;z\*.png;z\*.jpeg;z\*.xml - any .properties , .gif , .png , .jpeg , or .xml file with the name beginning with z .
- MyResources:\* - all files and folders within the directory MyResources .

**Tip** If you want to skip compilation of certain Groovy files in the modules with the Groovy support, include them in the list of the resource patterns.





Clear output directory on rebuild	Check this option to delete all files in the output directories. Do not check this option, if the output directory contains files IntelliJ IDEA is not aware of, like resources, etc. If there is any intersection of source and output paths, you will be prompted to resolve the issue by separating source and output directories, or ignore the issue.
Add runtime assertions for not-null annotated methods and parameters	If this option is checked, the assertions are added at runtime to all the methods and parameters, annotated with @NotNull annotations. The lists of annotations is <a href="#">configurable</a> (click the button Configure annotations... to the right).
Automatically show first error in editor	If this checkbox is selected, the file that contains the very first compilation error will be opened in the editor, with the highlighted line that contains the error.
Display notification on build completion	If this checkbox is selected, the notification balloon is shown, if the build process lasts longer than 1 minute. If this build process lasts less than a minute, or if the checkbox is not selected, the message is shown in the <a href="#">Event log</a> and in the <a href="#">Status bar</a> .
Make project automatically	Select this checkbox to automatically make (compile) the project each time project files change on your disk, for example, on save or autosave, or when you get the latest project revision from your version control system.
Compile independent modules in parallel	If this checkbox is selected, the modules without mutual dependencies are compiled simultaneously. This might require increased <a href="#">heap size</a> .
Rebuild modules on dependency change	Select this checkbox to have the modules with the changed dependencies fully rebuilt.
Build process heap size (Mbytes)	<p>In the text field, specify the heap size required for the build process.</p> <p><b>Note</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If you are using a 64-bit JDK for compilation, the build process may require more memory.</li> <li>- The value is stored with the project settings. If you need to override this value, then in the field User-local build process VM options write %mem&lt;dir&gt; , where &lt;dir&gt; is the heap size value in megabytes. As soon as this value is recognized in the field User-local build process VM options , the field Build process heap size becomes read-only and is ignored.</li> </ul>
Shared build process VM options	These VM options will be added to the command line on launching the build process. The shared VM options are stored in the project settings and may be put <a href="#">under version control</a> .
User-local build process VM options (overrides Shared options)	These VM options will be added to the command line on launching the build process. The user-local VM options are stored in workspace.xml file and as such are visible to the author of these changes only. The user-local VM options has the priority over the shared VM options. It means that if anything is written in the field User-local build process VM options , then the field Shared build process VM options is ignored, and the values in the User-local build process VM options field are used instead.

This dialog box shows the lists of `@Nullable` and `@NotNull` annotations. To show this dialog box, click the button `Configure annotations...` in the [Compiler](#) page of the Settings/Preferences dialog.

#### ItemDescription





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**Nullable annotations**      This list shows Nullable annotations defined in project. Use the following buttons:

-  . Click this button to add an annotations package to the list.
-  . Click this button to remove annotations from the list. This button becomes available for the custom annotations only.
-  . Click this button to select the annotations package used for code generation. The selected annotation is marked with the right arrow .

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**NotNull annotations**      This list shows NotNull annotations defined in the project. Use the following buttons:

-  . Click this button to add an annotations package to the list.
-  . Click this button to remove annotations from the list. This button becomes available for the custom annotations only.
-  . Click this button to select the annotations package used for code generation. The selected annotation is marked with the right arrow .

Use this page to specify files and directories within your project that should not be passed to the compiler.

Item	Keyboard Shortcut	Description
Path		In this field, the path to a file or directory to be excluded from compilation is shown.
Recursively		For a directory; select this option to exclude from compilation all the corresponding subdirectories.
+	Alt+Insert	Use this icon or shortcut to add a file or directory to the list. Select the file or directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
-	Alt+Delete	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item or items from the list.

**Note** The sources listed on this page, if they are used in the project parts to be compiled (e.g., if they are imported, extended or implemented), will nevertheless be compiled.

- Explicit compiler invocation on excluded directories will force their compilation.

On the Compiler > Java Compiler page, you can select the Java compiler to be used and specify associated options.

- [Compiler and bytecode versions](#)
- [Javac and Eclipse options](#)
- [Ajc options](#)
- [Groovy-Eclipse options](#)

## Compiler and bytecode versions

### ItemDescription

Use compiler	<p>Select the compiler to be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <a href="#">Javac</a> . This may be the compiler included in the IntelliJ IDEA distribution or a compiler from one of the project JDKs.</li> <li>– Eclipse (also known as Eclipse Compiler for Java or ECJ). IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with the Eclipse compiler.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Groovy-Eclipse</a> . This compiler lets you perform joint compilation of Groovy and Java code using the Eclipse compiler.</li> <li>– <a href="#">Ajc</a> (the AspectJ compiler). This option is available only in the Ultimate Edition of IntelliJ IDEA. Besides, the AspectJ compiler is not included in IntelliJ IDEA distribution and should be downloaded separately. See also, <a href="#">Ajc options</a> , <a href="#">Using the AspectJ Compiler (ajc)</a> and <a href="#">Enabling AspectJ Support Plugins</a> .</li> </ul>
Project bytecode version	<p>Select the version of bytecode to be generated. (Roughly, this is the minimum target JVM version.) If no particular version is specified, the bytecode version is defined by the compiler.</p> <p>To specify different versions for particular modules, use the controls in the <a href="#">Per-module bytecode version area</a> .</p>
Per-module bytecode version	<p>If necessary, specify the target bytecode versions for individual modules (e.g. if they should differ from that <a href="#">set for the project</a> ).</p> <p>Click <a href="#">+</a> and select the modules of interest in the dialog that opens. Then, for each of the modules, click the corresponding Target bytecode version cell and select the version from the list.</p> <p>Use <a href="#">-</a> to remove the selected module or modules from the list.</p>

## Javac and Eclipse options



### ItemDescription

Use compiler from module target JDK when possible	<p>For the Javac compiler:</p> <p>When this option is on and the version of the JDK associated with a module is different from that of the <a href="#">build process JDK</a> , the compiler from the module JDK is used. The exception is when the version of the module JDK is earlier than 1.6. In such cases, the compiler from the build process JDK is used in the <a href="#">cross-compilation mode</a> against the classes of the module JDK.</p> <p>When the option is off, all the modules are compiled with the same compiler, the one from the build process JDK. When necessary, the cross-compilation mode is used.</p> <p>To start the build process, the latest of the available JDKs is used. This JDK is chosen from all the JDKs used in your modules, the default project JDK, and also the JDK bundled with IntelliJ IDEA.</p> <p>IMPORTANT! The choice of the compiler does not affect the source code language level, and also the bytecode target level and linking. That is, irrespective of which compiler is used, the bytecode is linked against the JDK associated with the module, and the resulting code levels are exactly the ones that are specified in your project settings.</p>
Generate debugging info	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the compiler generates the information necessary for running the compiled classes in the debugger.</p>
Report use of deprecated features	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the compiler displays warnings about the deprecated methods, classes, or fields encountered during compilation. (The corresponding warnings are shown in the compiler output window.)</p>
Generate no warnings	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the compiler omits the warnings about dubious usages of language constructs.</p>
Proceed on errors	<p>For the Eclipse compiler: If you select this checkbox, the compiler continues the compilation even when compilation errors occur.</p>
Additional command line parameters	<p>Specify the command-line parameters and options to be passed to the compiler at its start. Refer to the compiler documentation for the available options.</p> <p>If you need more room to type, click <a href="#">⌵</a> to open the Additional command line parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.</p> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg Or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul>

## Ajc options



The ajc options are available only in the Ultimate Edition of IntelliJ IDEA.

### ItemDescription

Path to Ajc compiler	Specify the path to <code>ajc</code> (the file <code>aspectjtools.jar</code> which is located in <code>&lt;AspectJ installation directory&gt;\lib</code> ). Type the path in the field, or click  and select the required file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Test	Click this button to check if the path and the command line parameters are correct. If all is well, the compiler version is displayed. Otherwise, an error message is shown. (Using the path and the parameters specified, IntelliJ IDEA tries to launch the compiler with the additional <code>-version</code> parameter.)
Command line parameters	<p>If necessary, specify the <a href="#">command-line options</a> to be passed to the compiler.</p> <p>You can type the parameters right in the field, or click  to open the Command line parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul> <p>NOTE: The specified parameters are ignored when <code>ajc</code> is used for post-compile weaving.</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Optimizing compilation performance: Using ajc in combination with javac</a> , <a href="#">Controlling the ajc aspectpath</a> and <a href="#">Fine-tuning the use of ajc at a module level</a> .</p>
Generate debug info	If this checkbox is selected, the compiler generates the information necessary for running the compiled classes in the debugger.
Delegate to Javac	<p>If this option is off, <code>ajc</code> is used in all cases.</p> <p>If this option is on, <code>javac</code> is used in addition to or instead of <code>ajc</code> . For example, <code>javac</code> will be used to compile the modules that contain no aspects. As a result, the compilation may become much faster.</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Optimizing compilation performance: Using ajc in combination with javac</a> and <a href="#">Fine-tuning the use of ajc at a module level</a> .</p>

## Groovy-Eclipse options





### ItemDescription

Path to groovy-eclipse-batch jar	Specify a path to your groovy-eclipse-batch jar location. Click  to open <a href="#">Select Path dialog</a> , select the location of the <code>.jar</code> file and click OK .  Please note that it is necessary to enter the location of the groovy-eclipse-batch <code>.jar</code> file for the compiler to work correctly.
Additional command line parameters	<p>Specify the command-line parameters and options to be passed to the compiler at its start. Refer to the compiler documentation for the available options.</p> <p>If you need more room to type, click  to open the Additional command line parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.</p> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>– If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Generate debug info	If this checkbox is selected, the compiler generates the information necessary for running the compiled classes in the debugger.



## Annotation processing profiles

### ItemKeyboardDescription Shortcut

+		Click this button to <a href="#">create a new profile</a> .
-		Click this button to delete the selected profile from the list of existing profiles. All modules, associated with this profile, will be automatically moved to the default profile.
		Click this button to <a href="#">associate a module with a profile</a> . This button only becomes available, when a module in the list of modules under a certain profile gets the focus.




## Annotation processors settings


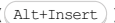


### ItemDescription

Enable annotation processing	<p>If you want annotation processors to be run during compilation, select this checkbox and specify associated options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Obtain processors from project classpath : Select this option, if you want IntelliJ IDEA to obtain the annotation processors from the project classpath. This is useful, for example, if you use a custom annotation processor as part of your project, or if the processor is stored in a <code>.jar</code> file attached to all the corresponding modules as a library.</li><li>- Processor path : Select this option and specify in the field to the right the path to the annotation processor, if it is not desirable to include the processor into the project or project libraries.</li><li>- Store generated sources relative to : Use the fields below to define where the sources, generated by the annotation processors, are stored, and to override the default behaviour for a profile.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Module output directory : By default, the sources generated by annotation processors are stored relative to the module output directory.</li><li>- Module content root : Choose this option to override the default behaviour for a profile.</li></ul></li></ul>
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At a later time, if you want to use the generated classes as your own sources, you can mark the corresponding directories as source roots.

**Warning!** On rebuild, the directories in which the generated sources are stored will be cleaned up as ordinary output directories. So it is not recommended to store non-generated sources in such directories. Otherwise, the corresponding sources will be lost on rebuild.

Processor FQ Name	<p>Specify the processor fully qualified name.</p> <p>Use  () or  () to make up the list of annotation processors to be run.</p>
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Annotation processor options	<p>If necessary, specify the processor run options either as <code>-key=value</code> , or <code>key=value</code> . Use spaces to separate individual options.</p> <p>Use  () or  () to make up the list of options to be passed to the annotation processors.</p>
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**ItemDescription**

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**Enable RMI stubs generation** Use this item to analyze compiled classes, searching where the remote interface is implemented. If such classes are not found, IntelliJ IDEA generates stubs for these interfaces incrementally.

**Tip** Only the classes generated by IntelliJ IDEA are analyzed. Classes generated by the other tools are ignored.

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**Generate IIOp stubs** If enabled, makes the compiler generate IIOp stubs.

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**Generate debugging info** If enabled, makes the compiler include the information necessary to run this class in the debugger.

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**Generate no warnings** If this option is enabled, the compiler omits warnings about dubious usages of language constructs.

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**Additional command line parameters** Enter or edit any additional arguments to be passed to the compiler via the command line. Refer to the compiler documentation for valid options.

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Use this page to configure the Groovy compiler-specific settings.

**ItemDescription**



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Path to configscript Use this field to specify a path to the configuration script parameter to use in Groovy compilation. Type the path in the field, or click  and select the required file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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Invoke dynamic support Select this checkbox to activate compilation process that supports " `invokedynamic` " bytecode instruction.

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Exclude from stub generation Use this section to make up a list of files and directories, for which the stub generation step should be omitted. Use  ( `Alt+Insert` ) to add files and directories to the list, and  ( `Alt+Delete` ) to delete the selected items.

Use the **Compiler > ActionScript and Flex Compiler** page to select the Flex compiler for your project and to specify the associated settings.

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**ItemDescription**


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Compile with	<p>Select which of the available Flex compilers should be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Built-in compiler shell. An IntelliJ IDEA compiler shell which uses the Flex SDK compiler API. This compiler shell can perform incremental compilations. As a multithreaded shell, it is capable of running a number of compilations simultaneously, in parallel.</li> <li>- Mxmlc/compc. The <code>mxmlc / compc</code> compiler available in Flex SDK. This compiler cannot compile incrementally. However, it can run several independent compilation processes simultaneously which significantly improves the compilation performance.</li> </ul> <p>Whichever of the compiler options you use, IntelliJ IDEA keeps track of the modules where nothing has changed since the previous compilation. Consequently, the SWF and SWC files that are up-to-date are not compiled.</p>
Prefer ActionScript Compiler 2.0 for pure ActionScript build configurations	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the ActionScript Compiler 2.0 (ASC 2.0) is used for <a href="#">pure ActionScript build configurations</a>.</p>
Parallel compilation with up to <this_many> threads or processes	<p>Specify the maximum number of compilation threads (for the built-in compiler shell) or processes (for the mxmlc/compc compiler) to run simultaneously.</p>
Compiler heap size	<p>Specify the maximum heap size available to the process that launches the compiler. The default 512 Mb is suitable for most of the purposes. However, the built-in compiler shell, as a single-process compiler, may require more memory for large projects.</p>
VM options	<p>If necessary, type the string to be passed to the VM when IntelliJ IDEA launches the compiler. If you need more room to type, click  next to the field to access the Flex Compiler VM options dialog where the text entry area is larger.</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li> <li>- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" OR "some arg"</code>.</li> <li>- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code>.</li> </ul>

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Use this page to specify the validation settings for your application.

**ItemDescription**

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Validate on build	Select this checkbox, to have IntelliJ IDEA run the desired validators when building your project. The validation results will be shown in the <a href="#">Messages window</a> , and you will be able to easily navigate through the list of issues and jump directly to problematic code fragments.
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Validators	Select the validators you want to be run.
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Exclude from validation	Use <b>+</b> ( <code>Alt+Insert</code> ) and <b>-</b> ( <code>Alt+Delete</code> ) to form the list of files and directories that should be excluded from validation. For directories, use the <code>Recursively</code> checkbox to specify that the corresponding directory should be excluded from validation along with all the subdirectories contained therein.
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Use this page to specify settings for compiling Android-Gradle projects.

**Item****Description**

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Compile independent modules in parallel (may require larger heap size)	Select this checkbox if you need to compile independent modules in parallel. For more information, see <a href="#">decoupled projects</a> .
Command-line Options	Use this field to set Gradle command-line options. For more information, see the <a href="#">Gradle command-line options</a> page.
Make project automatically (only works while not running/debugging)	Select this checkbox to automatically make (compile) the project on every save or autosave.
Use in-process build	Select this checkbox to use the Gradle in-build process.
Configure on demand	This checkbox is selected by default. Configuration on demand mode attempts to configure only projects that are relevant for requested tasks. This way, the configuration time of a large multi-project build is greatly improved. For more information, refer to the <a href="#">Gradle configuration on demand</a> page.

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Use this page to configure the behavior of the [Android dx tool](#) and the [ProGuard tool](#). This tool converts compiled `.class` files to executable `.dex` files in the [Dalvik](#) format for further execution in the Android environment.


On this page:

- [DEX](#)
- [ProGuard](#)

## DEX

In this area, configure the behaviour of the [Android dx tool](#) that converts the `.class` files to Dalvik byte code.

### ItemDescription

Maximum heap size	Use this spin box to control the size of the heap available to the process that launches the compiler. If you are compiling a particularly large or complex project, you may get out-of-memory errors and be required to increase the amount of memory allocated to the compiler.
Additional VM options	<p>In this text box, specify the string to be passed to the <a href="#">Dalvik Virtual Machine</a> for launching the Android application. If necessary, click  and type the desired string in the Android DX Compiler VM Options dialog.</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code>.</li> <li>– If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg Or "some arg"</code>.</li> <li>– If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="quoted_value\"</code>.</li> </ul>
Optimize	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select this checkbox to have the <code>.dex</code> file converted into a <code>.odex</code> file (optimized). The optimized <code>.odex</code> version of a <code>.dex</code> file is stored <b>outside</b> the application package (<code>.apk</code>). During the booting of the Android operating system, <code>.odex</code> files make the basis for building a cache for the Dalvik virtual machine. As a result, the operating system in advance knows what applications will be loaded.</li> <li>– When this checkbox is cleared, the generated <code>.dex</code> file is not optimized. By default, the checkbox is selected.</li> </ul>
Force jumbo mode	Select this checkbox to increase the default number of strings allowed in <code>.dex</code> files. By default, the checkbox is cleared.
Add "--core-library" flag	<p>Select this checkbox to enable containing classes from certain packages as input files. The packages are as follows:</p> <pre>java , javax.accessibility , javax.crypto , javax.imageio , javax.management , javax.naming , javax.net , javax.print , javax.rmi , javax.security , javax.sound , javax.sql , javax.swing , javax.transaction , javax.xml .</pre>

## ProGuard




In this area, configure the behaviour of the [ProGuard tool](#).

### ItemDescription

VM options	In this text box, specify the additional options for running the ProGuard tool. For example, to increase the default ProGuard heap size, type <code>-Xmx&lt;required maximum heap size&gt;</code> .
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Use this page to configure Kotlin compiler-specific settings.

### ItemDescription

Generate no warning	If this checkbox is selected, the compiler won't generate warnings in course of compilation; only errors and info messages will be left.
Additional command line parameters	<p>Specify the command-line parameters and options to be passed to the compiler at its start. Refer to the compiler documentation for the available options.</p> <p>If you need more room to type, click  to open the Additional command line parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.</p> <p>When specifying the parameters and options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters and options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg"</code> Or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter or an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul>
Keep compiler process alive between invocations	If this checkbox is selected, the compiler process is always alive.
Kotlin to JVM	
Enable precise incremental compilation (experimental)	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the improved incremental compilation is turned on.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The incremental compilation is still experimental and may work incorrectly in some cases.</p>
Kotlin to JavaScript	
Generate source maps	If this checkbox is selected, the compiler generates <a href="#">source maps</a> that set the correspondence between lines in your Kotlin code and in the generated JavaScript code, otherwise your breakpoints will not be recognised and processed correctly.
Output file prefix	Specify the path to the file that will be added as is to the beginning of the generated code. You can enter the path manually, or click  and select the required file from the file chooser.
Output file postfix	Specify the path to the file that will be added as is to the end of the generated code. You can enter the path manually, or click  and select the required file from the file chooser.
Copy library runtime files	If this checkbox is selected, the JavaScript files from the libraries will be copied to the folder specified in the field Output directory for library runtime files .
Output directory for library runtime files	This field is only enabled, if the checkbox Copy library runtime files is selected. Specify here the target folder for the copied files.



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Use this page to configure behavior of the Debugger and customize its view.

## Common options

### ItemDescription

Focus application on breakpoint	If this checkbox is selected, on hitting a breakpoint, IntelliJ IDEA will show the location of this breakpoint in the editor and will attempt to bring its frame to the front.
Show debug window on breakpoint	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA activates the <a href="#">Debug Tool Window</a> on hitting a breakpoint.
Hide debug window on process termination	Automatically hide the <a href="#">Debug window</a> when the debugged program terminates.
Scroll execution point to center	If this checkbox is selected, the line with the current execution point will be kept in the middle of the screen.

## Java

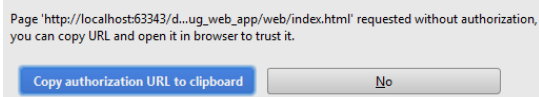
### ItemDescription

Transport	Select transport for connection to the process. Available options are socket and shared memory , which is available for Windows systems only.
Force classic VM for JDK 1.3.x and earlier	Check this option to launch process to be debugged with classic VM. <b>Tip</b> For some Java SDKs this checkbox is disabled, because the <code>-cclassic</code> option should be forced automatically, or when no classic VM is available at all.
Disable JIT	With this option you can control whether the <code>-Djava.compiler=NONE</code> parameter is specified when the application is launched. This parameter affects JIT compiler, and if the option is turned on, JIT compiler will be disabled.
Show alternative source switcher	The alternative source switcher appears on top of the editor, if in project there is more than one class with the same fully qualified name.
Kill the debug process immediately	Select this checkbox, if you want to <a href="#">soft kill</a> the Java process.

## Built-in server

### ItemDescription

Port	Use this spin box to specify the port on which the built-in web server runs. By default this port is set to port <code>63343</code> through which IntelliJ IDEA accepts connections from services. You can set the port number to any other value starting with 1024 and higher.
Can accept external connections	If this checkbox is selected, then the files on the built-in server running on the specified port are accessible from another computer. If this checkbox is cleared (by default), then the debugger listens only to local connections.
Allow unsigned requests	For security reasons, any request to a page on the built-in server from outside IntelliJ IDEA is by default rejected and the following authorization pop-up window is displayed:



To access the requested page, click Copy authorization URL to clipboard and paste the generated token in the address bar of the browser.  
However this behaviour may be annoying, for example, it may block your debugging session if manual intervention is impossible. To suppress displaying the authorization pop-up window, select the Allow unsigned requests checkbox.

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Use this page to manage the way data is displayed in the debugger.

## Common debugger settings

### Item Description

Sort values alphabetically	Select this option to sort the values in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> of the <a href="#">Debug Tool Window</a> .
Enable auto expressions in Variables view	<p>Select this option if you want the IntelliJ IDEA debugger to automatically evaluate expressions and show the corresponding values in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> of the <a href="#">Debug Tool Window</a> .</p> <p>The debugger analyzes the context near the breakpoint (the current statement, one statement before, and one after). It does so to find various expressions in the source code (if available) such as, for example, <code>myvar.myfield</code> .</p> <p>If such expressions don't contain explicit method invocations, the debugger evaluates them and shows the corresponding values in the Variables view.</p>

**Note** In the languages such as Groovy, it is impossible to tell whether any methods are invoked when evaluating an expression, and such method invocations often cause unwanted side effects, so it is recommended to disable this option when debugging Groovy code.

## Editor

### ItemDescription

Show values inline	Select this option to enable the <a href="#">Inline Debugging</a> feature that allows viewing the values of variables right next to their usage in the editor.
Show value tooltip	<p>Select this option to enable automatic display of tooltips for values.</p> <p>A tooltip in this context is a pop-up that provides an alternative, sometimes a more convenient presentation of values in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> of the <a href="#">Debug Tool Window</a> .</p> <p>To illustrate, let's assume that there is a statement like this in your code:</p>

```
String s =
  "Hello, World!
  \n
  Hello, World!";
```

When this statement is executed in the debugger, you'll see a line looking similar to this in the Variables pane:

```
s
= {java.lang.String@62}
  "Hello, World!
  \n
  Hello, World!"
```

with the line break shown as `\n` .

If the Show value tooltip option is on and you click this line and then hold the mouse pointer on it, you'll see a yellow area (the "tooltip") in which the value of `s` is shown as

```
Hello, World!
```

```
Hello, World!
```

with a real line break in place of `\n` .

If this option is disabled, press `Alt` to display a value.

Value tooltips delay (ms)	Specify the delay (in milliseconds) between the moment when the mouse pointer hovers over an object in the <a href="#">Variables pane</a> of the <a href="#">Debug Tool Window</a> , and the moment when a tooltip with the object's value is displayed.
Show value tooltip on code selection	Select this option to enable tooltips that <a href="#">show the expression value</a> when you select a code fragment in the editor.

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Use this page to define the way data is displayed in the Java debugger.

**ItemDescription**

Autoscroll to new local variables	Select this option to automatically scroll to new variables that appear in the scope when stepping.
Show	<p>In this section, select which elements you want the Debugger to display:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Declared type</li> <li>- Synthetic fields</li> <li>- \$val fields as local variables</li> <li>- Fully qualified names</li> <li>- Object id</li> <li>- Static fields</li> <li>- Static final fields</li> </ul>
Show type for strings	Select this option if you want to show type for pure strings.
Show hex value for primitives	Select this option if you want numeric variables to be displayed in the hexadecimal format.
Hide null array elements	Select this option if you want null array elements to be omitted.
Enable alternative view for Collection classes	Select this option to display collections and maps in a more convenient format.
Enable <code>toString()</code> object view	<p>In this section, you can select classes if you need them and their descendants to be presented as a result of the <code>toString()</code> method call while debugging. Use the following controls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For all classes that override <code>toString()</code> method : select this option to show all classes as <code>toString()</code> .</li> <li>- For classes from the list : populate the list of classes to be shown as <code>toString()</code> , using the  ,  and the  buttons. Use the checkboxes next to the class names to temporarily enable or disable particular filters.</li> <li>-  : click this button to add a class to the list using the Choose Class dialog.</li> <li>-  : click this button to add a custom class filter using the New Filter dialog. To define a filter, enter a string pattern, e.g. <code>*.Test</code> , <code>javax.swing.*</code> , etc.</li> <li>-  : click this button to remove a filter from the list.</li> </ul>

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IntelliJ IDEA allows you to specify how different objects are displayed in the debugger on a class-by-class basis. You can assign the expressions to be displayed rather than rely on the object's String representation.

For example, if an object represents a user, you may want it to be represented by login names; or, for a cache entry object, its content may be appropriate. IntelliJ IDEA refers to these as **type renderers**.

All object types are supported (including primitive types and arrays).

If no rendering scheme is defined, this dialog does not show any controls. To start working with renderers, click **+**.

#### ItemDescription

	Click this icon to add a new rendering scheme to the list.
	Click this icon to remove the selected scheme from the list.
	Click this icon to create a copy of the selected scheme.
	Click these icons to move the selected item one line up or down in the list. Note that the order determines which renderer is used in case of ambiguity stemming of class inheritance.

**Renderer name** Specify the name of a new renderer, or edit an existing renderer name.

**Apply renderer to objects of type (fully-qualified name)** Specify the object type that will be represented by this renderer. Enter a fully qualified object name, or click the Browse button and choose the desired type from the list in the Renderer Reference Type dialog.

**When rendering a node** This option determines how an object is displayed in the debugger when nodes are collapsed:

- Show type and object id : if cleared, types are shown without class information or id.
- Use default renderer : select this option to display the node in the default way.
- Use following expression : enter the Java expression you want to use to identify an object. You can use object properties, constants, and even a string math as part of your renderer.  
Note that you can use code completion ( ) when defining expressions.

All method calls and member variable access are relative to the object you're rendering. Use `this` to refer to an instance to which the renderer applies.

**Note** – Using heavy expressions in renderers may slow down data rendering in views.  
– Method calls should be used with caution because of possible side-effects.

**When expanding a node** This option determines how an object is displayed in the debugger when nodes are expanded.  
Normally, expanding a node in the debugger lists the object's member variables (using the renderer appropriate for the corresponding object types). This option lets you override this behavior and select a single expression or a series of expressions to be displayed. You may use this to limit the amount of information displayed, or to be more precise in how the information is presented.

- Use default renderer : select this option to display the node children in the default way.
- Use following expression : enter the Java expression you want to use to identify an object.  
Test if a node can be expanded (optional) : enter a Boolean expression. If it is `true`, the renderer displays expandable nodes for the defined objects. Otherwise, no nodes are displayed.
- Use list of expressions : create a list of separate expressions to be calculated and presented as node children. Use:
  - ( ) to create a new expression.
  - ( ) to remove the selected expression from the list.
  - ( ) to move the selected expression one line up in the list.
  - ( ) to move the selected expression one line down in the list.

If you select the checkbox in the On-demand column next to a renderer, the evaluation of this expression will be done on demand. Simply click this expression when you need to evaluate it in the [Variables](#), [Watches](#) or other view instead of having it evaluated automatically.

**Tip** You can use code completion ( ) when defining expressions.

**Append default children** Select this checkbox to add default children to the list of expressions. This checkbox is only available when the checkbox Use list of expressions is selected.

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Use this page to configure JavaScript debug options.

#### ItemDescription

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Show the following properties for an object node	Select this checkbox if you want IntelliJ IDEA to show certain object node properties and configure a list of the properties to display. For each object node in the Variables pane, IntelliJ IDEA will display a label with the values of the listed properties.  Use the <b>+</b> and <b>-</b> buttons to manage the list of properties.
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Use this page to turn on or off showing the values of the delegated properties.

**ItemDescription**

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Calculate values of delegated properties (may affect program execution)  If this checkbox is selected, the values of the delegated properties are shown in the list of an object's properties in the debugger.

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Use this page to improve the debug stepping speed and specify the elements to be skipped while stepping.

**Item Description**

## Groovy

Do not step into specific Groovy classes  Select this checkbox if you don't want to step into the `org.codehaus.groovy.*` and `groovy.*` Groovy classes while debugging.

## Java

Skip synthetic methods  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into synthetic methods (methods generated by the compiler) while debugging.

Skip constructors  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into constructors while debugging.




Skip class loaders  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into class loaders while debugging.

Skip simple getters  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into simple getter methods (i.e., methods designed just to return the necessary value) while debugging.

Do not step into the classes  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into the specified classes while debugging. The list of classes contains entries of two types:

- Fully qualified class names.
- Regular expressions (either exact matches or patterns that begin or end with `***`, for example, `java.*`).

By default, the list contains some standard Java SDK class patterns so that you do not have to waste your time stepping into Java class libraries. Use the checkboxes in the list to disable/enable particular patterns temporarily.

Use the  ,  , and  buttons to manage the list.

Evaluate finally blocks on pop frame  Select whether you want to evaluate `finally` blocks on pop frame or not, or you want to be notified before they are evaluated.



Resume only the current thread  Select this checkbox, if you need to resume only the active thread when stepping.



## JavaScript

Do not step into library scripts  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into library scripts while debugging.

Do not step into scripts  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into certain scripts while debugging. Use the toolbar buttons to manage the list of scripts to be skipped.

**ItemShortcutDescription**

  Click this button to add a new script filter.

  Click this button to delete the selected filter from the list.

  Click this button to edit the selected filter.

 Use these buttons to arrange filters as required.

 Click this button to create a copy of the selected filter.

## Kotlin



Do not step into Kotlin runtime library implementation classes  Select this checkbox if you don't want to step into specific Kotlin classes while debugging.



## Python (these options are only available if the Python plugin is installed and enabled)

Do not step into library scripts  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into library scripts while debugging.

Do not step into scripts  Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into certain scripts while debugging. Use the toolbar buttons to manage the list of scripts to be skipped.

**ItemShortcutDescription**

  Click this button to add a new script filter.

  Click this button to delete the selected filter from the list.

  Click this button to edit the selected filter.

 Use these buttons to arrange filters as required.

 Click this button to create a copy of the selected filter.

## Ruby (these options are only available if the Ruby plugin is installed and enabled)

Ignore non-project  
sources

Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into non-project sources while debugging.



**Warning!** This page only appears when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

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Use this page to configure Python debug options.

#### ItemDescription

Attach to subprocess automatically while debugging	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will automatically attach all subprocesses of the process being debugged. Thus, if the parent process has subprocesses, their breakpoints will always work.
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Collect run-time types information for code insight	If this checkbox is selected, the types of function calls are preserved during debugging, and passed to the type checker.
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Clear caches	Click this button to remove information about the types of arguments, collected at run time.
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Gevent compatible	If this checkbox is selected, the debugger will be compatible with the Gevent-monkeypatched code.
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**Note** This parameter works for Python >= 2.6, Python >= 3.3

PyQt compatible	<p>If PyQt is installed on the interpreter, but is not imported in the application code, some import errors may occur. Unchecking this option fixes these errors.</p> <p>If you have multiple PyQt backends, installed on your interpreter, you have to select the <b>PyQt backend</b> from the drop-down list. By default, the Auto option is enabled, which means that the backend first found will be used.</p>
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The page is available only when the LiveEdit plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Use this page to enable and disable **Live Edit** in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript and configure the appearance of the on-the-fly preview.

#### ItemDescription

Update Node.js application on change	Select this checkbox to enable reloading of JavaScript files that are executed by Node.js. Use the spin box to specify the elapsed time for upload, the default value is <code>300</code> .
Update application in Chrome	Select this checkbox to enable on-the-fly preview of HTML and CSS.
On change in	Select this checkbox to enable <b>Live Edit</b> in JavaScript in addition to HTML and CSS. Set the elapsed time for applying the changes to a running application: accept the default value <code>300 ms</code> or specify a custom value using the spin box next to the field. The default elapsed time is <code>300ms</code> .
Highlight current element in browser on caret change	When this checkbox is selected, the current element is highlighted when you move the cursor. Otherwise, during a debugging session, you have to hold <code>(Shift)</code> and click the element to highlight.
Restart if hotswap fails	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA restart the server if automatic upload of changes to the client-side code fails.

With changes in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript on the client side, the contents of a Web page in the browser are updated without reloading. For **Node.js** or **Meteor** applications, IntelliJ IDEA first tries to update the application incorporating the changes without restarting the server.

- Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA try restarting the server if the changes cannot be applied automatically.  
If even with this option chosen automatic upload still fails, you will have to restart the server manually by clicking the Rerun `<run configuration name>` button .
- When the checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA just displays a pop-up window informing you about the failure and suggesting to restart the server manually.

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Use this tab to manage the behavior of the [HotSwap](#) mechanism.

#### ItemDescription

In this section, specify the behavior of HotSwap for Java:

### Java

#### ItemDescription

**Make project before reloading classes** This option controls Run | Reload Changed Classes action behavior. If it's turned on, the make process is performed before searching and reloading changed classes.

**Enable "JVM will hang" warning** If this checkbox is selected, then, on an attempt to perform HotSwap while JVM is suspended, a warning about the possible hanging of this JVM will be displayed.

**Reload classes in background** Select here whether you want to reload classes in background mode. This means, all progress messages will be displayed in a status bar.

**Reload classes after compilation** Use the controls in this area to configure behavior of the HotSwap mechanism.  
– Always - select this option to have classes reloaded automatically.  
– Never - when this option is selected, classes are not reloaded at all because the HotSwap mechanism is inactive.  
– Ask - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA ask you whether to reload altered classes or not.

In this section, specify the behavior of HotSwap for Groovy:

### Groovy

#### ItemDescription

**Enable hot-swap agent for Groovy code** If this checkbox is selected, then a special agent will be added to the debugged process in order to enable hot-swap for Groovy code.

If you don't want hot-swap, or this agent is getting in the way, clear this checkbox.

**Note** Enabling hot-swap agent may cause serialization problems in the debugged applications.

Use this page to configure capture points to facilitate debugging of asynchronous code.








A capture point is a place in your code where the debugger captures stacktraces to be used later when you reach a specific point in the code (the insertion point) and want to see how you got there. IntelliJ IDEA does this by substituting part of the call stack with a captured stack. For more information on asynchronous debugging refer to [Debugging Asynchronous flow](#).

Asynchronous stacktraces are enabled by default. To disable them, deselect the Instrumenting agent (requires debugger restart) option. The most common capture points are built-in, so no configuration is required.

If you need to use capture points that are not included in the default configuration, you can add them manually by using the following controls:

**Note** You can download some additional capture settings from the following repository: [IntelliJ IDEA debugger Capture Points](#)

#### ItemDescription

	<p>Click this icon to configure a new capture point. Fill in the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Capture class name : enter the name of the class at the top of the stack trace you want to capture.</li><li>– Capture method name : enter the name of the method at the top of the stack trace you want to capture.</li><li>– Capture key expression : enter the capture key expression. The capture key expression is evaluated and the value is used as the key.</li><li>– Insert class name : enter the name of the class where you want to insert the captured stack trace.</li><li>– Insert method name : enter the name of the method where you want to insert the captured stack trace.</li><li>– Insert key expression : enter the key expression that will be evaluated and this value will be matched with the key in the captured stack.</li></ul> <p>Use the checkbox next to each entry to enable/disable the selected capture point.</p>
	<p>Click this icon to remove the capture point from the list.</p>
	<p>Click these icons to move the selected item one line up or down in the list.</p>
	<p>Click these icons to enable/disable all selected capture points.</p>
	<p>Click this icon to duplicate the selected entry.</p>
	<p>Click this icon to import capture point settings from a file.</p>
	<p>Click this icon to export capture point settings to a file.</p>
Capture local variables	<p>Select this option if you also want to capture local variables (primitives and String values) together with the call stack. This may sufficiently slow down the debugging process. Note that this option is unavailable if the Instrumenting agent is enabled</p>

**Warning!** This page only appears when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

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Use this page to define console options for the Python console.

In this section:

- [Console](#)
  - [Console common options](#)
- [Python Console](#)

## Console common options

Item	Description
Always show debug console	If this checkbox is selected, the debug console will be shown by default in the Debug view.
Use IPython if available	When the checkbox is selected (by default): if IPython is installed, then IPython console will be launched.  If the checkbox is not selected, then, even with the installed IPython, a Python console will be launched.

**Warning!** This page only appears when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

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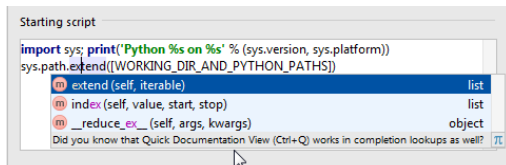
Use this page to define the Python interpreter, its options, starting script etc. for the Python console.

## ItemDescription

### Environment

Project	Click this drop-down list to select one of the projects, <a href="#">opened in the same IntelliJ IDEA window</a> , where this run/debug configuration should be used. If there is only one open project, this field is not displayed.
Environment variable	<p>This field shows the list of environment variables. If the list contains several variables, they are delimited with semicolons.</p> <p>To fill in the list, click the browse button, or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> and specify the desired set of environment variables in the Environment Variables dialog box.</p> <p>To create a new variable, click <code>+</code>, and type the desired name and value.</p>
Python Interpreter	From the drop-down list, select one of the pre-configured Python interpreters.
Interpreter options	In this field, specify the string to be passed to the interpreter. If necessary, click <code>+</code> , and type the string in the editor.
Working directory	Specify a directory to be used by the running console. When this field is left blank, the project directory will be used.
Configure interpreters	If the desired interpreter is missing in the drop-down list, click this link to open the <i>Python interpreters</i> page, and configure an interpreter or virtual environment.
Add content roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this checkbox to have the content roots added to the PYTHONPATH.
Add source roots to PYTHONPATH	Select this checkbox to have the source roots added to the PYTHONPATH.

**Starting script** In this editor area, type the script to be executed in the console after its start-up and initialization. Note that syntax highlighting, code completion, import assistance, documentation, inspections and quick fixes are available in this editor:



By default, this area contains the following script, which causes printing out a header information and extending the system paths:

```
import sys; print('Python %s on %s' % (sys.version, sys.platform))
sys.path.extend([WORKING_DIR_AND_PYTHON_PATHS])
```

If you want to omit such a printout, delete this script.

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## Basics

On this page, create, edit, and delete **server access configurations** that give you control over interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and servers. Anytime you are going to use a server, you need to define a **server access configurations**, no matter whether your server is on a remote host or on your computer.

Among numerous ways to configure your development and production environments the most frequent ones are as follows:

- The Web server is installed on your computer. The sources are under the server document root (for example, `/htdocs`), and you do your development right on the server.
- The Web server is installed on your computer but the sources are stored in another folder. You do your development, then copy the sources to the server.
- The Web server is on another computer (remote host). Files on the server are available through the FTP/SFTP/FTPS protocol, through a network share, or a mounted drive.

Note that IntelliJ IDEA assumes that all development, debugging, and testing is done on your computer and then the code is deployed to a production environment. For detailed reasoning of this approach, see [Deploying your application](#)

Let's define the terms and their meaning in the context of synchronization between IntelliJ IDEA and servers.

- An **in-place server** is a server whose **document root** is the parent of the project root, either immediate or not. In other words, the Web server is running on your computer, your project is under its document root, and you do your development directly on the server.
- A **local server** is a server that is running in a local or a mounted folder and whose **document root** is **NOT** the parent of the project root.
- A **remote server** is a server on another computer (remote host).
- The **server configuration root** is the highest folder in the file tree on the **local** or **remote** server accessible through the server configuration. For **in-place** servers, it is the project root.
- A **local file/folder** is any file or folder under the project root.
- A **remote file/folder** is any file or folder on the server, either local or remote.  
Suppose you have a project `C:/Projects/My_Project/` with a folder `C:/Projects/My_Project/My_Folder` and a local server with the document root in `C:/xampp/htdocs`. You upload the entire project tree to `C:/xampp/htdocs/My_Project`. In the terms of IntelliJ IDEA, the folder `C:/Projects/My_Project/My_Folder` is referred to as **local** and the folder `C:/xampp/htdocs/My_Project/My_Folder` is referred to as **remote**.
- **Upload** is copying data from the project **TO** the server, either local or remote.
- **Download** is copying data **FROM** the server to the project.








Synchronization with servers, uploading, downloading, and managing files on them are provided via the Remote Hosts Access bundled plugin, which is by default enabled. If the plugin is disabled, activate it in the Plugins page of the Settings dialog box. For details, see [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Note that the plugin is available only for the **Ultimate Edition** of IntelliJ IDEA.

## Toolbar and common options

Use the toolbar buttons to manage the list of configurations.

The left-hand pane shows a list of all the server access configurations available in IntelliJ IDEA. When you select a configuration, the right-hand pane shows the configuration details.

Item	Tooltip and shortcut	Description
	Add	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Add Server</a> dialog box and define a new configuration there. 
	Delete	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list. 
	Copy	Click this button to copy the settings of the selected configuration. 
	Use as Default	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the settings of the selected configuration by default during automatic upload of changed files.

Item	Tooltip and shortcut	Description
	Add	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Add Server</a> dialog box and define a new configuration there. 
	Delete	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list. 
	Copy	Click this button to copy the settings of the selected configuration. 
	Use as Default	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the settings of the selected configuration by default during automatic upload of changed files.

Use this tab to choose the [way to access the Web server](#) and specify the [connection settings](#) .

#### ItemDescription


Name	The text box shows the configuration name specified in the <a href="#">Add Server</a> dialog box. Edit the configuration name, if necessary.
Visible only for this project	<p>Use this checkbox to configure the visibility of the server access configuration (deployment configuration).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select the checkbox to restrict the use of the configuration to the current project. Such configurations cannot be reused outside the current project, they do not appear in the list of available configurations in other projects. For example, if this checkbox is selected in an SFTP configuration, you cannot use your SSH credentials from it when you configure a remote interpreter.</li> <li>– When the checkbox is cleared, the configuration is visible in all IntelliJ IDEA projects and the settings from, including SSH credentials, can be reused.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> and <a href="#">Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters</a> for details.</p>
Access type	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the way to access the server. Use the Up and Down keyboard keys to scroll through the list of server configuration types. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– FTP: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the FTP <a href="#">file transfer protocol</a> .</li> <li>– SFTP: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the <a href="#">SFTP</a> file transfer protocol.</li> <li>– FTPS: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the FTP file transfer protocol over SSL (the <a href="#">FTPS</a> extension).</li> <li>– Local or mounted folder: choose this option if the Web server is running in a local or a <a href="#">mounted folder</a> and its document root is NOT the parent of the project root.</li> <li>– In-place: choose this option if the Web server is running on your computer, your project is under its document root, and you do your development directly on the server.</li> </ul>

## Upload/Download Project Files

In this area, specify the settings for accessing the server to upload and download files to and from.

The set of controls in the area depends on the chosen server access type.

#### ItemDescriptionAvailable for

Folder	In this field, specify the <b>server configuration root</b> . The <b>server configuration root</b> is the highest folder in the file tree on the server that can be accessed through the server configuration. The easiest way is to use the <b>document root</b> of your Web server as defined in the Web server configuration file. However you can appoint any other existing folder under the <b>document root</b> .	Local or mounted folder
FTP/FTPS/SFTP host	In this text box, specify the host name of the FTP/SFTP server to upload the files to.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Port	In this text box, specify the port to use. The default values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 21 for FTP and FTPS</li> <li>– 22 for SFTP</li> </ul>	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Root Path	In this text box, specify the <b>server configuration root</b> relative to your <b>user home</b> which was defined when you registered your account. This folder will be the highest one in the folder structure accessible through the current server configuration. Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Accept the default value <code>/</code> , which points at the <b>user home</b> folder on the server.</li> <li>– Type the path manually.</li> <li>– Click the Browse button  and select the desired folder in the Choose Root Path dialog box that opens.</li> <li>– Click the Autodetect button and have IntelliJ IDEA detect the user home folder settings on the FTP/SFTP server and set up the root path according to them. The button is only enabled when you have specified your user name and password.</li> </ul>	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Autodetect	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA detect the user home folder settings on the FTP/SFTP server and set up the root path according to them.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
User name	In this text box, type your user name for authentication to the server. <b>Note</b> The button is only enabled when you have specified your user credentials.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Log in as anonymous	Select this checkbox to enable <a href="#">anonymous access</a> to the server with your email address as password.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Auth type	From this drop-down list, select the client authentication method. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Password - select this option to use standard authentication through a password.</li> <li>– Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY) - select this option to use <a href="#">SSH authentication</a> via a key pair. To apply this authentication method, you need to have your private key on the client machine and your public key on the remote server you connect to. IntelliJ IDEA supports private keys generated using the <a href="#">OpenSSH</a> utility.</li> <li>– Authentication agent (ssh-agent or Pageant) - select this option if your SSH keys are managed by a credentials helper application (for example, <a href="#">Pageant</a> on Windows or <a href="#">ssh-agent</a> on Mac and Linux).</li> </ul> <p>See the <a href="#">Generating a new SSH key and adding it to the ssh-agent</a> tutorial for details on working with SSH keys.</p>	SFTP
Password	In this text box, type your password for authentication to the server.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Private key file	In this text box, specify the location of your private key file.	SFTP



Passphrase	In this text box, specify your authentication passphrase.	SFTP
Save password	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember the specified password.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Save passphrase	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember the specified passphrase.	SFTP
Test FTP/FTPS/SFTP connection	Click this button to check that the specified settings ensure successful connection via FTP/SFTP.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Explicit	Choose this option to have the <a href="#">explicit (active) security</a> applied. Immediately after establishing connection, the FTP client on your machine sends a command to the server to establish secure control connection through the default FTP port.	FTPS
Implicit	Choose this option to have the <a href="#">implicit (passive) security</a> applied. In this case, security is provided automatically upon establishing connection to the server which appoints a separate port for secure connections.	FTPS
Advanced options	Click this button to specify additional uploading settings in the <a href="#">Advanced Options</a> dialog box that opens.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Web server root URL	In this text box, specify the URL address of the <a href="#">Web server root folder</a> . Both the HTTP and the HTTPS protocols are supported. To access a server through HTTPS , you need to acquire a certificate file <code>&lt;certificate_name&gt;.cert</code> signed by a recognized authority and import this certificate in the <a href="#">truststore/keystore</a> of the Oracle JRE (Java Runtime Environment) on which IntelliJ IDEA runs. Note that self-signed certificates are rejected as unsafe.	All

### To import a certificate in Oracle JRE:

1. Open the embedded Terminal and type the following command:

```
<jre_home>/bin/keytool.exe -importcert -keystore <path to jre truststore/keystore> -file <full_path_to_<cert_name>.cert>
```

If you are using the Oracle JRE bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, the default path to the truststore/keystore is

```
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts or
```

```
<%product_installation_folder>/jre/jre/lib/security/cacerts .
```

Otherwise it is `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/jssecacerts` or `<jre_home>/jre/lib/security/cacerts` .

2. When asked to enter a password for the truststore/keystore, specify the default one `changeit` .
3. Open the `IntelliJ IDEA.exe.vmoptions` file in the `<IntelliJ IDEA installation folder>/bin` and add the following line to it:

```
-Djavax.net.ssl.keyStore=<path to keystore>
```

4. Restart IntelliJ IDEA.

Learn more at [Java6](#) and [Java7](#) .


Open	Click this button to make sure that the specified server root URL address is accessible and points at the correct Web page.	All
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In this tab, configure **mappings**, that is, set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. The easiest way is to map the entire project root folder to a folder on the server, whereupon the project folder structure will be repeated on the server, provided that you have selected the Create Empty directories checkbox in the [Options dialog box](#). For more details, see [Customizing Upload/Download](#). Below are definitions of terms used in this topic in the context of synchronization between IntelliJ IDEA and servers.

- A **local server** is a server that is running in a local or a mounted folder and whose **document root** is **NOT** the parent of the project root.
- A **remote server** is a server on another computer (remote host).
- The **server configuration root** is the highest folder in the file tree on the **local** or **remote** server accessible through the server configuration. For **in-place** servers, it is the project root.
- A **local file/folder** is any file or folder under the project root.
- A **remote file/folder** is any file or folder on the server, either local or remote.

Suppose you have a project `C:/Projects/My_Project/` with a folder `C:/Projects/My_Project/My_Folder` and a local server with the document root in `C:/xampp/htdocs`. You upload the entire project tree to `C:/xampp/htdocs/My_Project`. In the terms of IntelliJ IDEA, the folder `C:/Projects/My_Project/My_Folder` is referred to as **local** and the folder `C:/xampp/htdocs/My_Project/My_Folder` is referred to as **remote**.

#### ItemDescription


Use this server as default	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA apply the settings of the selected configuration by default during automatic upload of changed files. This button is only enabled for the non-default servers; for the server <b>used as default</b> , this button is disabled.
Local Path	In this text box, specify the full path to the desired folder in the project tree. In the simplest case it is the project root. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired location in the Choose Local Path dialog box that opens.
Deployment Path	In this text box, specify the folder on the server where IntelliJ IDEA will upload the data from the folder specified in the Local Path text box. Type the path to the folder relative to the <b>server configuration root</b> . If the folder with the specified name does not exist yet, IntelliJ IDEA will create it, provided that you have selected the Create Empty directories checkbox in the <a href="#">Options dialog box</a> . For more details, see <a href="#">Customizing Upload/Download</a> . The text box is not available for server configurations of the type In-place.
Web Path	In this text box, type the path to the folder on the server relative to the <b>server configuration root</b> . Actually, type the relative path you typed in the Deployment Path text box.
Add	Click this button to have a new line added to the list of mappings.
Remove	Click this button to remove the selected mapping from the list.

Use this tab to configure a list of local and remote folders that you do not want to be involved in upload/download.


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**ItemDescription**

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**Add local path** Click this button to have an empty line added to the list and specify the location of the folder to be protected against upload/download. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the required folder in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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**Add deployment path** Click this button to have an empty line added to the list. Click the Browse button  . The Select remote excluded path dialog box that opens shows the data on the host accessed through the selected server configuration. Select the required folder.

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**Remove path** Click this button to remove the selected item from the list. The button is only available when a line is selected.

The dialog box opens when you click the Add toolbar button  on the [Deployment](#) page.

Use the dialog box to create **server access configurations** that give you control over interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and servers. Anytime you are going to use a server, you need to define a **server access configurations**, no matter whether your server is on a remote host or on your computer.

#### ItemDescription

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Name	In this text box, type the name of the new Web server configuration.
Type	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the way to access the server. Use the Up and Down keyboard keys to scroll through the list of server configuration types. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– FTP: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the FTP <a href="#">file transfer protocol</a>.</li><li>– SFTP: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the <a href="#">SFTP</a> file transfer protocol.</li><li>– FTPS: choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA access the server via the FTP file transfer protocol over SSL (the <a href="#">FTPS</a> extension).</li><li>– Local or mounted folder: choose this option if the Web server is running in a local or a <a href="#">mounted folder</a> and its <b>document root</b> is <b>NOT</b> the parent of the project root.</li><li>– In-place: choose this option if the Web server is running on your computer, your project is under its document root, and you do your development directly on the server.</li></ul>

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When editing the server configuration name in the Name text box, use the Up and Down keys on your keyboard to change the preselected server access to type in the Type drop-down list.

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Use this page to specify additional configuration settings for uploading and downloading project files to and from local and remote servers. For more details about various server access configurations, see [Deploying your application](#).

The options specified in this dialog box apply to all defined server configurations regardless of the server type (local, remote) and the data transfer protocol used. Protocol-specific options for server configurations of the type FTP/SFTP/FTPS are defined in the [Advanced Options Dialog](#).

#### ItemDescription

Exclude items by name	In this text box, specify patterns for the names of files and folders that you do not need to be deployed. Use semicolons as delimiters. Wildcards are welcome. The exclusion is applied recursively. This means that if a matching folder has subfolders, the contents of these subfolders are not deployed either.
Operations logging	Use this drop-down list to specify how much detailed logging you need to have. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Errors only: select this option to have the log show only errors occurred during upload.</li> <li>– Brief: select this option to have all events reflected in the log but without details.</li> <li>– Detailed: select this option to have more details on the upload shown in the log, for example, full file paths.</li> </ul>
Stop operation on the first error	Select this checkbox to have data transfer stopped as soon as an error occurs.
Overwrite up-to-date files	Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select this checkbox to have all the files uploaded no matter whether they have been changed since the previous upload or not.</li> <li>– Clear the checkbox to upload only files that have been changed since the previous upload.</li> </ul>
Preserve files timestamps	Select this checkbox to prevent resetting timestamps of files on upload.
Delete target items when source ones do not exist	If this checkbox is selected, any file in the destination directory will be removed if the file with this name is not involved in the current upload. This option is applicable when synchronization is performed from the <a href="#">Project</a> tool window or from the <a href="#">Remote Host</a> tool window.
Create empty directories	Select this checkbox to have an empty directory on the server created automatically if a new local directory has been created in your project since the last upload in the source folder.
Prompt when overwriting or deleting local items	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA ask you for confirmation before overwriting or deleting local items for synchronization during download.
Upload changed files automatically to the default server	From this drop-down list, choose when you want IntelliJ IDEA to automatically upload a file to the default server. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Always : choose this option to have a file uploaded upon each save, no matter automatic or explicitly invoked.</li> <li>– On explicit save action : choose this option to have a file uploaded after save only if this save was invoked manually by choosing File   Save all or pressing <b>Ctrl+S</b>.</li> <li>– Never : choose this option to suppress automatic upload.</li> </ul> <p>The default server configuration is appointed on the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page by selecting the desired configuration in the list and clicking the Use as Default toolbar button .</p>
Upload external changes	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA upload also the local changes that were made using a third-party tool.
Override default permissions on files	Select this checkbox to change the default permissions assigned to uploaded files on remote hosts. Click the Browse button  to open the <a href="#">Files Default Permissions</a> dialog box, where you can manage access to uploaded files on remote hosts by assigning permissions.
Override default permissions on folders	Select this checkbox to change the default permissions assigned to uploaded folders on remote hosts. Click the Browse button  to open the <a href="#">Folders Default Permissions</a> dialog box, where you can manage access to uploaded folders on remote hosts by assigning permissions.
Warn when uploading over newer file	Use this drop-down list to define the version-control policy to apply when uploading files to remote hosts. Depending on this choice, IntelliJ IDEA either checks whether any changes have been made to the corresponding files on the remote host since you downloaded them or just overwrites the remote files. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– No: choose this option to have the file on the remote host overwritten with its local copy silently. All the changes made to the remote file since your last synchronization will be abandoned.</li> <li>– Compare timestamp and size: if you choose this option, IntelliJ IDEA performs two checks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Compares the sizes of the local and remote files.</li> <li>2. Compares the remote file timestamp set at the moment of the last synchronization with the current remote file timestamp.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p>If the files differ in their size or the remote file timestamps differ, IntelliJ IDEA opens a <a href="#">Difference Viewer for Files</a>, where you can explore and integrate the differences.</p> <p>This type of check depends on the timezone setting. If the timezone setting on your local machine is different from that on the remote host, the check may be successful even though the file versions actually differ.</p>

- Compare content: when this option is chosen, IntelliJ IDEA compares the content of the local and remote files. If any diversions are detected, IntelliJ IDEA opens a [Difference Viewer for Files](#) , where you can explore and integrate the differences.

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Notify about remote changes      Select this checkbox to receive notifications about changes on the remote host. The checkbox is available only when the Compare timestamp and size: or Compare content: option is selected in the Warn when uploading over newer file drop-down list.

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SFTP advanced options (IDE level)

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Add new host key to known\_hosts      Choose whether IntelliJ IDEA should ask about connecting to a host not mentioned in the file `known_hosts` . The following options are available:

- **Always** : always connect and add its record to the file `known_hosts` .
- **Ask** : ask whether IntelliJ IDEA should connect to a host and add its record to the file `known_hosts`
- **Never** : do not connect.


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Hash hosts in known\_hosts file      If this checkbox is selected, the new host record will be stored in hash format.

The dialog box opens when you click the Advanced Options button in the [Connection](#) tab of the [Deployment](#) page. Use this dialog box to customize upload/download by specifying additional protocol-specific options for server configurations of the type FTP/SFTP/FTPS.

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Passive mode	Select this checkbox to set the client on your machine to the <a href="#">passive mode</a> , when it connects to the server to inform about being in the passive mode, receives the port number to listen to, and established data connection through the port with the received number. This mode is helpful when your machine is behind a firewall.	FTP, FTPS
Show and process hidden files	When this checkbox is selected: 1. Hidden files and directories are shown in the <a href="#">Remote Host Tool Window</a> . 2. Hidden files and directories are involved in <a href="#">diff</a> and <a href="#">synchronization</a> operations.  The name of a hidden file or directory starts with a dot ( <code>.</code> ).	FTP, FTPS
Compatibility mode	Select this checkbox to ensure <a href="#">compatibility in child file naming</a> with your FTP server. This option is helpful if the remote FTP server reports the following error:  <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; background-color: #f9f9f9; margin: 10px 0;">Invalid descendant file name &lt;file name&gt;</div> Selecting this option may slow down synchronization with the server.	FTP
Retrieve accurate files timestamps	Use this drop-down list to specify the <a href="#">MDTM</a> FTP command calling policy to retrieve the last-modified time of a given file on the remote host. The available options are: – Always - select this option to have MDTM called for every file shown in the <a href="#">Remote Host</a> tool window. – On copy - select this option to have MDTM called in the following cases: – To check whether a file is up to date when the Overwrite up-to-date files checkbox in the <a href="#">Options</a> dialog box is cleared. – To preserve the actual time stamp of a file during download. – Never - select this option to suppress calling MDTM.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Limit concurrent connections	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA restrict the number of connections to be supported simultaneously and specify the maximum number of allowed connections in the text box.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Control encoding	In this text box, specify the encoding that matches the encoding used by your server. Accept the default value if you are not sure that it supports UTF-8 encoding.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Always use LIST command	Select this checkbox to use the standard <code>LIST</code> command for listing instead of the <code>MLSD</code> command. This lets you avoid problems, for example, failure during upload with the <code>Invalid descendent file name</code> exception if the FTP server supports <code>MLSD</code> and returns <code>cdir</code> .	FTP, FTPS
Send keep alive message each	In this text box, specify how often you want IntelliJ IDEA to send commands to the server to reset the timeout and thus preserve the connection.	FTP, FTPS, SFTP
Use keep alive command	From this drop-down list, choose the commands to be sent to the server to reset the timeout and thus preserve the connection.	FTP, FTPS
Ignore info messages	On some <a href="#">SFTP</a> servers, the <a href="#">SSH banner</a> may be enabled. Every time a connection is established, a pop-up window with an information message may be shown and to continue you would need to click OK. To suppress showing the information pop-up window, select the Ignore info messages checkbox.	SFTP

This dialog opens when you select the **Override default permissions on files** or **Override default permissions on folders** checkbox in the **Options** dialog and click the **Browse** button  next to it.

Use this dialog box to re-assign default server permissions to owners of files or folders, groups of owners, and other users.

The following identifiers are used for permission types:

- R stands for Read .
- W stands for Write .
- X stands for Execute

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



Owner	In this row, specify what an owner of a file or folder may do by selecting the checkboxes below the corresponding identifiers.
Group	In this row, specify what a group of owners of a file or folder may do by selecting the checkboxes below the corresponding identifiers.
Others	In this row, specify what any one else may do by selecting the checkboxes below the corresponding identifiers.
Octal	In this text box, specify the <a href="#">octal representation</a> of the specified set of permissions. By default, IntelliJ IDEA calculates and re-calculates the value of the field as you select or clear the desired checkboxes. You can also specify the octal value manually.



Specify the containers for running your [Arquillian](#) tests.




## Toolbar

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-  Add a container configuration. Select one of the following:
  - Manual container configuration. Select this option to configure a managed or remote container. You can also use this option to configure an embedded container if the container of interest is not present in the Embedded list. Use ,  and  in the Dependencies section to specify the container implementation.
  - Embedded. Select this option to use an embedded container. Then select the container of interest. Use  in the Dependencies section to fine-tune the container configuration.
-  Remove the selected container configurations.

## Container settings

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the container configuration.
Arquillian container	For an embedded container: a link to a web page for the corresponding container adapter Maven artifact.
Dependencies	<p>The container adapter implementation represented by a Maven artifact or IntelliJ IDEA library .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Add a Maven artifact or IntelliJ IDEA library.</li><li> Remove the selected items from the list.</li><li> Edit the settings for the selected item. Depending on the container, you can change the adapter version or choose to download the container source code and documentation.</li></ul>
VM options	<p>Options and arguments to be passed to the JVM in which the container runs.</p> <p>When specifying the options, follow these rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, <code>-client -ea -Xmx1024m</code> .</li><li>If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" or "some arg"</code> .</li><li>If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop="\quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Environment variables	The environment variables to be passed to the corresponding JVM.

From the Run/Debug Configurations dialog: Configure when editing a run/debug configuration for an application server.

Use this page or dialog to manage configurations for the [supported application servers](#) and their settings.

The servers that are already defined in IntelliJ IDEA are shown in the pane under **+** and **-**. When you select a server in this pane, the corresponding configuration settings and associated controls are shown in the area to the right. (If you are editing a run configuration for a particular server (e.g. Tomcat), only the existing configurations for this particular server are shown.)

Use **+** to create server configurations and **-** to remove them.

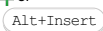
By the time you start creating a server configuration, the corresponding server must already be installed on your computer. (This isn't necessary for [CloudBees](#).)

Note that the list of servers you can work with depends on which server integration [plugins](#) are currently enabled. See [Enabling application server integration plugins](#).

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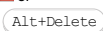
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**+** or  Use this icon or shortcut to create a server configuration (i.e. to define a server in IntelliJ IDEA):



1. If the server list is shown, select the server of interest.
2. In the dialog that opens, specify the server settings and click OK .

For most of the servers, you just need to specify the server installation directory (referred to as the server home). For more information, see [Main settings and controls](#).

**-** or  Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected application server configuration.

## Main settings and controls

### ItemDescription

Name	The server configuration name.
<Server> Home	The path to the application server installation folder. Click  and select the folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
<Server> Version	The detected application server version (readonly).
<Server> base directory (for Jetty, Tomcat and TomEE)	The path to the server base directory. Click  and select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Register schemas (for JBoss)	To be able to validate JBoss XML configuration files (such as <code>standalone.xml</code> , <code>domain.xml</code> , etc.) when editing them in IntelliJ IDEA, you can register XML schemas (XSDs) available in the JBoss installation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click Register schemas .</li> <li>2. To register all the schemas, just click OK in the dialog that opens. If there are schemas that you don't want to register, select those schemas under External Schemas and DTDs , click <b>-</b> and then click OK .</li> </ol> <p>To view or edit the schema list at a later time, use the <a href="#">Schemas and DTDs</a> page in the <a href="#">Settings dialog</a>.</p>
Download client libraries (for CloudBees)	The Tomcat instance embedded in CloudBees is used as a server. This Tomcat instance is included in the CloudBees client libraries which you can download. If the button is inactive, the client libraries (along with the corresponding Tomcat instance) are already available in IntelliJ IDEA.


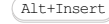
See also, [Libraries](#), [Additional Libraries for Frameworks](#) and [Configuration file list \(for Jetty 7 or later versions\)](#).

## Libraries

When you create a server configuration, normally, an associated application server [library](#) is created. As a rule, this library includes Servlet, JSP and EJB implementations available in the server distribution.


Use the controls under Libraries to manage the contents of the library.


### ItemDescription



 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add items (classes, sources, documentation, etc.) to the library. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the necessary files and folders. These may be individual `.class` and `.java` files as well as directories and archives (`.jar` and `.zip`) containing such files.

IntelliJ IDEA will analyze the selected files and folders, and automatically assign their contents to the appropriate library categories (Classes, Sources, Documentation, etc.).

When IntelliJ IDEA cannot guess the category (e.g. when you select an empty folder), a dialog will be shown, in which you will be able to specify the category yourself.

 To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.

 Click this icon to make certain library items "excluded" (see [Excluded library items](#)). In the dialog that opens, select the items that you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore (folders, archives and folders within the archives), and click OK.

 or  When you click this icon or press `Delete` :

- The selected "ordinary" library items are removed from the library.
- The selected excluded items (see [Excluded library items](#)) become "ordinary" items, i.e. their excluded status is cancelled. The items themselves will stay in the library.

## Additional Libraries for Frameworks

For certain application server configurations (e.g. GlassFish), there is an Additional Libraries for Frameworks list with checkboxes.

Each item in this list, potentially, is a [library](#) that implements the corresponding framework. (Corresponding library files are included in the server distribution.)

When you select a checkbox in the list, the corresponding [application server library](#) is created. The dialog that opens lets you select the [modules](#) in which this library should be used. (As a result, the library is added to [dependencies](#) of the selected modules.)

## Configuration file list (for Jetty 7 or later versions)

For [Jetty 7](#) or later versions, there is a section where the server configuration (`.xml`) or module (`.mod`) files are listed.


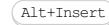
This section provides a GUI for editing the file `<jetty_home>\start.ini`. (`start.ini` contains the options for `<jetty_home>\start.jar` which is used to start Jetty.)


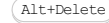
Use the checkboxes to make the files active or inactive. Use , , ,  and  to add, remove, replace and reorder the files.



### ItemDescription



**Active** Use the checkboxes to make the files active or inactive. As soon as you deselect a file, the corresponding line in `start.ini` is commented. When you make a file active, the corresponding entry in `start.ini` is uncommented.



**Path** The paths to the corresponding files are shown (readonly). For the files within the Jetty installation directory, the paths are relative to the installation directory. For all the rest of the files, the absolute paths are shown.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add a file to the list. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the necessary file and click OK. Adding a file to the list leads to adding a new (commented) entry to `start.ini`.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected file from the list. Note that this operation does not delete the file physically. However, the corresponding entry is removed from `start.ini`.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to replace the selected file. In the [dialog that opens](#), select the replacement file and click OK.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected file one line up in the list.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected file one line down in the list.

Use this page to manage your cloud access configurations. Each configuration includes your cloud user account info and related settings.

To create a new configuration, click [+](#) and select the cloud platform of interest. (By the time you start creating a cloud access configuration, you must already have the corresponding cloud user account. See [Working with Cloud Platforms](#) .)

- [- CloudBees](#)
- [- Cloud Foundry](#)
- [- Google App Engine](#)
- [- Heroku](#)
- [- OpenShift](#)
- [- Toolbar](#)

## CloudBees

Specify your [CloudBees](#) user account details and related settings. For additional information, see the [CloudBees documentation](#) .

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the CloudBees configuration.
Domain	Your CloudBees domain.
Username (email)	The username for your CloudBees account (e.g. your email address).
Password	The password for your CloudBees user account.

## Cloud Foundry

Specify your [Cloud Foundry](#) user account details and related settings. For additional information, see the [Cloud Foundry documentation](#) .

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the Cloud Foundry configuration.
Version	The Cloud Foundry version that you are using (a.k.a. the Service Broker API version): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- V1 for version 1.</li> <li>- V2 for version 2.</li> </ul>
Username (email)	Your username for your Cloud Foundry instance (e.g. your email address).
Password	Your password for your Cloud Foundry instance.
Provider (API URL)	The URL of the Cloud Controller in your Cloud Foundry instance (a.k.a. API endpoint or target URL).
Trust self-signed certificates	For version 2 ( V2 ): Select this checkbox for self-signed cloud authentication certificates to be trusted. Otherwise, the self-signed certificates are rejected.
Organization	For version 2 ( V2 ): The target organization (for deploying your applications).
Space	For version 2 ( V2 ): The target space (within the organization).
Cloud instance	For version 1 ( V1 ): One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Global for hosted Cloud Foundry.</li> <li>- Local (vcap.me) for a Cloud Foundry VCAP installation.</li> <li>- Micro - offline for Micro Cloud Foundry used in the offline mode.</li> </ul>
Port	For a Cloud Foundry VCAP instance ( Local (vcap.me) ): The http port ( <code>88</code> by default).
Domain	For a Micro Cloud Foundry instance ( Micro - offline ): The domain name associated with your Micro Cloud Foundry instance.

## Google App Engine

Specify your [Google App Engine Cloud](#) user account details and related settings. For additional information, see the [Google App Engine Cloud documentation](#) .

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the Google App Engine configuration.
Use passwordless login via OAuth2	Select this option to use the <a href="#">OAuth 2.0</a> authentication.
Login with email and password	Select this option to log in to the cloud using your email and password.
Email	Your Google email address.
Password	Your password.

Remember password  Select this checkbox if you want IntelliJ IDEA to remember your password (e.g. to save it in the password database). See [Passwords](#) .

## Heroku

Specify your [Heroku](#) user account details and related settings. For additional information, see the [Heroku documentation](#) .

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the Heroku configuration.
Username (email)	The username for your Heroku account (e.g. your email address).
Password	The password for your Heroku user account.
Upload Public SSH Key	To be able to use the cloud, you should upload your public SSH key to it. (This isn't necessary if you did that earlier.) Click the link, click <input type="checkbox"/> in the Upload Public SSH Key dialog, and select your public SSH key file ( <code>.pub</code> ) in the dialog that opens.

## OpenShift

Specify your [OpenShift](#) user account details and related settings. For additional information, see the [OpenShift documentation](#) .

### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the OpenShift configuration.
Server (API URL)	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– OpenShift (openshift.redhat.com) for OpenShift Online, the hosted PaaS service in the public cloud.</li><li>– OpenShift Origin (broker.openshift.local) for OpenShift installed on your local computer or on your company network.</li></ul>
Domain	Your OpenShift domain.
Upload Public SSH Key	To be able to use the cloud, you should upload your public SSH key to it. (This isn't necessary if you did that earlier.) Click the link, click <input type="checkbox"/> in the Upload Public SSH Key dialog, and select your public SSH key file ( <code>.pub</code> ) in the dialog that opens.

## Toolbar

Use **+** to create configurations and **-** to delete them.

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Use this page to define the way the coverage data will be processed.

### ItemDescription

#### When new coverage is gathered

Show options before applying coverage to the editor	Choose this option to show the Code Coverage dialog every time you launch a new run configuration with code coverage. The coverage options dialog is displayed, when different coverage data have been produced.
Do not apply collected coverage	Choose this option to cancel applying the new code coverage results.
Replace active suites with the new one	Choose this option to have the active suites replaced with the new one every time you launch a new run configuration with code coverage.
Add to active suites	Choose this option to have the new code coverage suite added to the active suites every time you launch a new run configuration with code coverage.
Activate coverage view	Select this checkbox to have the <a href="#">Coverage</a> tool window opened automatically when an application or test is run with coverage.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Plugin is installed and enabled!

#### Python coverage

Use bundled coverage.py	<p>If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the bundled <code>coverage.py</code>.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the coverage tool included in the selected Python interpreter.</p>
Branch coverage	This checkbox enables branch coverage in <code>coverage.py</code> tool. Thus additional information to the pure line coverage reports is added, marking the coverage of lines with conditional statements as incomplete in case one or more branches haven't been executed:

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10
11 def demo(b, a, c):
12     d = b ** 2 - 4 * a * c
13     if d >= 0:
14         t(d)
15         disc()
16         print("Line was hit")
17     print("Line 12 didn't jump to line 20")
18     print(root1, root2)
19     return root1, root2
20 else:
21     raise Exception

```

Refer to [this page](#) for details.



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For the Docker page to be available, the Docker integration plugin must be installed.

Specify the settings for accessing the Docker API. If you are going to use [Docker Compose](#), make sure that the Docker Compose executable setting on the [Docker | Tools page](#) is correct.

See also, . [Docker how tos](#) . . .

#### ItemDescription

Name	Description
Connect to Docker daemon with	<p>The name of the configuration.</p> <p>Docker for Mac. For macOS only: If you are using Docker for macOS, this is the recommended connection option. Unix socket. For Linux only: This is the recommended connection option for Linux.</p> <p>Docker Machine. If you are using Docker Toolbox for Windows or macOS, this is the recommended option for connecting to Docker API.</p> <p>The <i>Connection successful</i> message should appear right away. If it doesn't, check your Docker Machine executable setting on the <a href="#">Docker   Tools page</a>.</p> <p>If you have more than one Docker Machine installed and running, use the list to select which of the Machines should be used.</p> <p>TCP socket. If you are using Docker for Windows, this is the usual connection option. This option will also work for Linux, Docker for macOS and Docker Toolbox.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engine API URL. Depending on the Docker version and operating system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Docker for Windows: <code>tcp://localhost:2375</code> IMPORTANT! In the General section of your Docker settings, turn on the Expose daemon on tcp://localhost:2375 without TLS option.</li> <li>Docker for macOS or Linux: <code>unix:///var/run/docker.sock</code></li> <li>Docker Toolbox for Windows or macOS: <code>https://192.168.99.100:2376</code></li> </ul> </li> <li>Certificates folder The path to the certificates folder. Depending on your Docker version and operating system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Docker for Windows, macOS or Linux: This field must be empty.</li> <li>Docker Toolbox for Windows: <code>&lt;your_home_directory&gt;\.docker\machine\machines\default</code></li> <li>Docker Toolbox for macOS: usually, <code>&lt;your_home_directory&gt;/.docker/</code> or its subdirectory.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Mind the following: since the Certificates folder field specifies any folder with certificates, this field corresponds to the environment variable <code>DOCKER_CERT_PATH</code>. See details at <a href="#">Client modes</a> page of the Docker documentation.</p>
Path mappings	<p>For Windows and macOS: Specify the host - virtual machine path mappings for folders that you are going to map to container <a href="#">volumes</a>.</p> <p>Use  to edit an existing mapping, or  to create a new one. In the dialog that opens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local path. The path to a local folder that you want to make available for volume bindings.</li> <li>Virtual machine path. The corresponding directory path in the Docker virtual machine's file system.</li> </ul>

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For the Docker | Registry page to be available, the Docker integration plugin must be installed.



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This page lets you manage your Docker Registry configurations which represent your Docker image repository user accounts.

## Toolbar

### IconDescription

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	Create a new configuration.
	Delete the selected configurations.

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## Configuration settings

### ItemDescription

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Name	The name of the configuration
Address	The image repository service URL, e.g. – registry.hub.docker.com for <a href="#">Docker Hub</a> – quay.io for <a href="#">Quay</a>
Username	The user name for your user account.
Password	Your password.
Email	The email address that you specified when creating your user account.
Server	The associated <a href="#">Docker configuration</a> (used to connect to the service to check that your user account settings are correct).

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For this page to be available, the Docker integration plugin must be installed and enabled.

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Specify the settings for working with [Docker Machine \(Docker Toolbox\)](#) and [Docker Compose](#).

#### ItemDescription

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Docker Machine executable `docker-machine` or an actual path to `docker-machine.exe` (normally located in the Docker Toolbox installation folder).

The default setting `docker-machine` is fine if:

- The actual name of the executable file is `docker-machine`.
- The path to the directory where the file is located is included in the environment variable `Path`.

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Docker Compose executable `docker-compose` or an actual path to `docker-compose.exe` or `docker-compose.sh` (normally located in the `bin` folder of the Docker installation directory).

The default setting `docker-compose` for Docker Compose executable is fine if:


- The actual name of the executable file is `docker-compose`.
- The path to the directory where the file is located is included in the environment variable `Path`.

IntelliJ IDEA lets you build and run your Android-Gradle applications using [Instant Run](#) feature.

Use this page to specify plugins that are required for your project. In this case IntelliJ IDEA ensures that the plugins that are necessary for your project to work will be available.

#### ItemDescription

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 or

Click this icon to add a required plugin for your project.

In the dialog that opens, specify the following options:


- Plugin - use this drop-down list to select a plugin that you want to add as required.
- Minimum version - use this field to specify the minimum version of the selected plugin.
- Maximum version - use this field to specify the maximum version of the selected plugin.

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 or

Click this icon to change the specified plugin or edit its version.

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 or

Click this icon to remove the specified plugin.

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When you select the Languages and Frameworks category in the left-hand pane, its main subcategories are listed in the right-hand part of the dialog.

- JavaScript
- Play Configuration
- Python Template Languages
- Schemas and DTDs
- ColdFusion
- JavaFX
- Markdown
- Node.js and NPM
- OSGi
- OSGi Framework Instances
- Scala Compile Server
- SQL Dialects
- SQL Resolution Scopes
- Stylesheets
- Play2
- Template Data Languages
- TypeScript
- Web Contexts
- XSLT
- XSLT File Associations
- PHP
- Dart

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript for macOS

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Use the pages in this section to specify the JavaScript language version for your project and configure JavaScript support in it.

In this part:

- [JavaScript Libraries](#)
  - [JavaScript Usage Scope](#)
- [Code Quality Tools](#)
  - [JSLint](#)
  - [JSHint](#)
  - [Closure Linter](#)
  - [JSCS](#)
  - [ESLint](#)
- [Templates](#)
- [Bower](#)
- [Yeoman](#)
- [Meteor](#)
- [PhoneGap/Cordova](#)

#### ItemDescription

**JavaScript Language Version** From this drop-down list, choose the JavaScript language version that represents the set of the language features to use in your project. The available options are:

- [ECMAScript 3](#)
- [ECMAScript 5.1](#)
- [JavaScript 1.8.5](#)
- [ECMAScript 6](#): This version adds support for the features introduced in ECMAScript 2015-2017 as well as some current proposals to the standard.
- [React JSX](#): This version adds support for the JSX syntax on top of ECMAScript 6
- [Flow](#): This version adds support for the Flow syntax.

**Prefer Strict mode** Select this checkbox to have the [strict mode](#) standard applied to JavaScript code. This helps improve your code by enforcing best practices and suppressing insecure ones.

**Only type-based completion**

- When this checkbox is cleared, the completion list contains multiple variants in complicated cases.
- When the checkbox is selected, the completion list strongly depends on the IntelliJ IDEA type inference. This makes completion more precise but in case of poor inference the list may be empty.

By default, the checkbox is cleared.

**Flow package or executable** In this field, specify the path to the `node_modules\flow-bin` package or the Flow binary executable file. To use `node_modules\.bin\flow` make sure the path to Node.js is added to the `PATH` environment variable. The field is available only when Flow is chosen from the JavaScript Language Version drop-down list.

**Use Flow server for:** In this area, specify the basis for coding assistance by selecting or clearing the following checkboxes:

- **Type checking:** When this checkbox is selected, syntax and error highlighting is provided based on the data received from the Flow server. When the checkbox is cleared, only the basic internal IntelliJ IDEA highlighting is available.
- **Navigation, code completion, and type hinting:** When this checkbox is selected, suggestion lists for reference resolution and code completion contain both suggestions retrieved from integration with Flow and suggestions calculated by IntelliJ IDEA. When the checkbox is cleared, references are resolved through IntelliJ IDEA calculation only.

The checkboxes are available only when the path to the [Flow](#) executable file is specified.

**Save all modified files automatically** Keep this checkbox selected to ensure that Flow is applied continuously because Flow checks the current files only after all the other modified files are saved.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Libraries for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Libraries for macOS

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to set up additional JavaScript libraries to expand the basic assistance provided through the JavaScript [plugin](#). Note that the JavaScript libraries are global.

In this section:

- [Libraries](#)
- [Buttons](#)
- [New Library / Edit Library Dialog Box](#)

## Libraries

### ItemDescription

Enabled	Each checkbox in this column shows whether the corresponding library is available or not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– A checkbox is selected when the corresponding library is defined and enabled in the current project.</li><li>– A checkbox is marked with a Dash ( - ) if the corresponding library is defined and enabled on a more detailed level, for example, in a directory or in a file.</li><li>– A checkbox is cleared when the corresponding library is disabled.</li></ul>
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Name	This column shows the names of the directories defined for a project.
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Type	This column shows library types.
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## Buttons

### ItemDescription

Add	Click this button to create a new JavaScript library in the <a href="#">New Library</a> dialog box. Refer to the section <a href="#">Configuring JavaScript Libraries</a> .
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Edit	Click this button to change the name and contents of the selected library in the <a href="#">Edit Library</a> dialog box.
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Remove	Click this button to delete the selected library.
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Download	Click this button to open the Download Library dialog box, where you can have IntelliJ IDEA download and install one of the popular official JavaScript-related libraries, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <a href="#">Dojo</a></li><li>– <a href="#">ExtJS</a></li><li>– <a href="#">jQuery</a></li><li>– <a href="#">jQuery UI</a></li><li>– <a href="#">Prototype</a></li><li>– etc.</li></ul>
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Besides the above listed official libraries, you can download [stubs for TypeScript definition files](#).

Choose the group of libraries in the drop-down list. The available options are Official libraries and TypeScript community stubs. Depending on your choice, IntelliJ IDEA displays a list of available libraries. Select the one to be downloaded and installed, and click Download and Install. You return to the [JavaScript Libraries](#) page where the new library is added to the list. Click OK to save the settings.

Manage scopes	Click this button to configure libraries to be used for specific files and/or directories in the <a href="#">JavaScript. Usage Scope</a> dialog box.
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## New Library / Edit Library Dialog Box

### ItemDescription

Name	Specify the library name.
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Framework type	From this drop-down list, choose the framework to configure as a library.
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Version	In this text box, specify the version of the selected framework to use.
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Visibility	In this area, specify where you want the library to be available for associating with files and folders. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Current project: when this option is chosen, the library can be associated with files and folders within the current project only. If you later try to use the framework with another project, you will have to configure the library anew.</li><li>– Global: choose this option to enable associating the library with any of your IntelliJ IDEA projects.</li></ul>
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Files	In this section, set up the library contents.
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 ( Add )	Click this button to attach a JavaScript file or directory from the file system.
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 ( Remove )	Click this button to detach the selected file or directory from a library.
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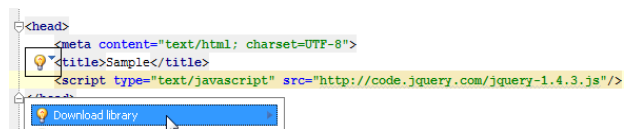
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Name	This read-only column shows the name of the selected library file or the names of relevant library files from the selected directory.
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Type	Click the column to show the drop-down list of the available versions of library files or directories: debug or release.
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IntelliJ IDEA enables you to create a library containing just one `.js` file, if this file is located on the Internet and can be accessed over HTTP. If you refer to a JavaScript library that is not yet available locally, but is available online, use the [Download library intention action](#) :



The library will be placed to the user home directory, and will appear in the list of configured libraries in the JavaScript - Libraries page of the Settings dialog.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Libraries - Manage Scopes for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Libraries - Manage Scopes for macOS

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The dialog box opens when you click the Manage Scopes button in the [JavaScript Libraries](#) page.

Use this dialog box to define the scopes where the JavaScript libraries should apply for code completion, highlighting and navigation. The scopes may cover the whole project, directories and even individual files. This helps make JavaScript code completion more precise, and avoid too long suggestion lists.

#### ItemDescription

**File/Directory** This column displays the project tree view.

**Library** This column displays libraries for a file or directory, if applicable.

If a library can be specified for a certain node of the project tree view, click the Library column for a selected file or directory, and choose the desired library from the list of available libraries.

If JavaScript libraries are not applicable to a particular node, 'NA' is shown in grey font.



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools for macOS

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Use the pages under this node to enable the built-in JavaScript code verifiers and configure their behaviour.

In this part:

- [JSLint](#)
- [JSHint](#)
- [Closure Linter](#)
- [JSCS](#)
- [ESLint](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSLint for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSLint for macOS

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Use this page to enable the built-in JavaScript [JSLint](#) code verifier and configure its behaviour.

#### ItemDescription

Enable	Select this checkbox to have JSLint applied to verify the code in the current project. After that the other controls in the page are enabled.
Tolerate	In this area, specify the discrepancies you want JSLint to consider worth reporting by enabling or disabling <a href="#">JSLint options</a> . By default, discrepancies of all types are considered worth reporting. To have the tool skip discrepancies of a certain type, select the checkbox next to this type.
Assume	In this area, specify for which environments you want global properties predefined.
Stop on first error	Select this checkbox to have the verification process suspend as soon as the first valuable discrepancy is detected.
Safe Subset	Select this checkbox to have <a href="#">ADSafe safe subset rules</a> enforced.
Verify ADsafe	Select this checkbox to have the <a href="#">ADSafe rules</a> enforced.
Indentation	In this text box, type the number of spaces to be used for indentation. This setting corresponds to the <code>indent</code> option.
Maximum line length	In this text box, limit the number of characters acceptable in one line. This setting corresponds to the <code>maxlen</code> option.
Maximum number of errors	In this text box, specify the maximum number of warnings that can be reported. The default setting is 50. This setting corresponds to the <code>maxerr</code> option.
Predefined	In this text box, specify the predefined global variables by names or through object keys. Use commas ( <code>,</code> ) as separators.

**Note** This setting corresponds to the `predef` option.

Validate also	<p>In this area, enable or disable additional verification of HTML, CSS, or JSON context and configure the checking mode, when enabled.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– HTML: select this checkbox to have HTML context verified. Specify how you want HTML event handlers and HTML fragments treated: by default, they are reported as errors. To have the tool skip them, select the Tolerate HTML event handlers and Tolerate HTML fragments checkboxes respectively.</li><li>– CSS: select this checkbox to have CSS context verified. Specify how you want CSS workarounds treated: by default, they are reported as errors. To have the tool skip them, select the Tolerate CSS workarounds checkbox.</li><li>– JSON: select this checkbox to have HTML context verified.</li></ul>
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This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

[File](#) | [Settings](#) | [Languages and Frameworks](#) | [JavaScript](#) | [Code Quality Tools](#) | [JSHint for Windows and Linux](#)

[IntelliJ IDEA](#) | [Preferences](#) | [Languages and Frameworks](#) | [JavaScript](#) | [Code Quality Tools](#) | [JSHint for macOS](#)

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Use this page to enable the built-in or downloaded JavaScript [JSHint](#) code verifier and configure its behaviour.

#### ItemDescription

**Enable** Select this checkbox to have JSHint applied to verify the code in the current project. After that the other controls in the page are enabled.

**Use config files** Select this checkbox to have the code verified according to the settings from a configuration file. A configuration file is a JSON file with the extension `.jshintrc` that specifies which JSHint options should be enabled or disabled. IntelliJ IDEA will look for a `.jshintrc` file in the working directory. If the search fails, IntelliJ IDEA will search in the parent folder, then again in the parent folder. The process is repeated until IntelliJ IDEA finds a `.jshintrc` or reaches the project root. To have IntelliJ IDEA still run verification when no `.jshintrc` is found in the project, specify the default configuration file to use.  
When this checkbox is selected, the Options area is hidden and the default verification settings are unavailable.

**Version** Use this drop-down list to choose the version of the tool to apply.  
IntelliJ IDEA comes bundled with version 2.9.4, which is used by default. To download another version, choose it from the list.

**Options** In this area, configure JSHint behaviour by enabling or disabling [JSHint options](#). To enable or disable an option, select or clear the corresponding checkbox respectively. The controls in the area fall into two groups:

- Enforcing options: select the checkboxes in this group to enable very strict behaviour of the verification tool and thus allow only safe JavaScript.
- Relaxing options: select/clear the checkboxes in this area to suppress warnings when certain types of discrepancies are detected.
- Environments: select/clear these checkboxes to specify for which environments you want global properties predefined.

The area is available only when the Use config files checkbox is cleared.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | Closure Linter for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | Closure Linter for macOS

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to enable the JavaScript [Closure Linter](#) code verifier and to configure its behaviour.

#### ItemDescription

Enable	Select this checkbox to have Closure Linter applied to verify the code in the current project. After that the other controls in the page are enabled.
Closure Linter executable file	In this text box specify the path to the Closure Linter executable file: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <code>&lt;Python_home&gt;\Scripts\jslint.exe</code> for Windows</li><li>- <code>/usr/local/bin/gjslint</code> for Linux and macOS</li></ul>
Configuration file	In this text box, specify the location of the previously created configuration text file to apply.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSCS for Windows and Linux


IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | JSCS for macOS

Ctrl+Alt+S 

Use this page to enable the JavaScript [JSCS](#) code verifier and to configure its behaviour.

#### ItemDescription

**Enable** Select this checkbox to have JSCS applied to verify the code in the current project. After that the other controls in the page are enabled.

**Node Interpreter** In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in [Configuring Node.js Interpreters](#).


If you have [appointed one of the installations as default](#), the field displays the path to its executable file.

**JSCS Package** In this field, specify the location of the `jscs` package installed in the current project, see [Installing JSCS](#).

**Configuration File** In this area, appoint the configuration to use.

By default, IntelliJ IDEA first looks for a `jscsConfig` property in the `package.json` file of the current project. If no such property is found, IntelliJ IDEA looks for a `.jscsrc` or a `.jscs.json` configuration file. IntelliJ IDEA starts the search from the folder where the file to be checked is stored, then searches in the parent folder, and so on until reaches the project root. Accordingly, you have to define the configuration to apply either as a `jscsConfig` property in the `package.json` file or in a `.jscsrc` or a `.jscs.json` configuration file, or in a custom JSON configuration file.

You can also apply a predefined set of rules, either independently or in combination with a configuration file. In the latter case, the rules from the configuration file override the predefined rules.

- To have IntelliJ IDEA look for a `jscsConfig` property in the `package.json` file or for a `.jscsrc` or a `.jscs.json` file, choose the Search for config(s) option.
- To use a custom file, choose the Configuration File option and specify the location fo the file in the Path field. Choose the path from the drop-down list, or type it manually, or click the  button and select the relevant file from the dialog box that opens.
- To have a predefined set or rules applied, choose the desired set from the Code Style Preset drop-down list.

**Code Style Preset** From this drop-down list, choose the set of predefined rules associated with the code style you use.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | ESLint for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Code Quality Tools | ESLint for macOS


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Use this page to enable the JavaScript [ESLint](#) code verifier and to configure its behaviour. If you are using [JavaScript Standard Style](#) in your application, you can set it as default here.

#### To set the JavaScript Standard Style as default

Open the [Code Style. JavaScript](#) page (in the Settings/Preferences dialog ([Ctrl+Alt+S](#))), choose Editor | Code Style | JavaScript), click Set from, and then choose Predefined Style | JavaScript Standard Style. The style will replace your current scheme.

#### ItemDescription

Enable	Select this checkbox to have ESLint/Standard applied to verify the code in the current project. After that the other controls in the page are enabled.
Node Interpreter	In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .  If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.
ESLint Package	In this field, specify the location of the <code>eslint</code> or <code>standard</code> package.
Configuration file	In this area, appoint the configuration to use. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If you choose Automatic search, IntelliJ IDEA looks for a <code>.eslintrc</code> file or tries to detect a configuration defined under <code>eslintConfig</code> in a <code>package.json</code>. IntelliJ IDEA first looks for a <code>.eslintrc</code> or <code>package.json</code> in the folder with the file to be linted, then in its parent folder, and so on up to the project root. If the search fails, ESLint uses its default embedded configuration file.</li><li>– Choose Configuration File to use a custom file and specify the file location in the Path field.</li></ul>
Additional Rules	In this field, specify the location of the files with additional code verification rules. These rules will be applied after the rules from <code>.eslintrc</code> or the above specified custom configuration file and accordingly will override them.
Directory Extra ESLint Options	In this field, specify additional command line options to run ESLint with using spaces as separators. See <a href="#">ESLint Command Line Interface Options</a> for details.

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On this page, configure processing of **EJS inclusions**, **Handlebars expressions**, and **Mustache templates** in IntelliJ IDEA.

This page only appears in the Settings/Preferences dialog, when the corresponding plugin is downloaded and enabled.

#### ItemDescription

**Handlebars/Mustache** In this area, configure processing of **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates** in IntelliJ IDEA. The settings specified on this page apply to dedicated **Handlebars** and **Mustache** files that have the extension `.hbs` or `.mustache` respectively.

- Automatically insert closing tag:
  - When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically inserts the second closing curly brace ( `}` ) of a **Handlebars expression** as soon as you type the first closing one.
 

IntelliJ IDEA also recognizes **triple stashes** ( `{{{` ) that prevent escaping values inside expressions. In this case, IntelliJ IDEA automatically inserts two closing curly braces as soon as you type the first closing one.
  - When this check box is cleared, you have to type the closing curly braces and triple stashes manually.
- Enable formatting:
  - Select this checkbox to have **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates** automatically reformatted during code generation, refactoring, or reformatting ( `Ctrl+Alt+L` ).
  - Clear the checkbox to have the original formatting of **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates** preserved.
- Open HTML files as Handlebars/Mustache:
  - When this checkbox is selected, files with the `.html` extension are treated as **Handlebars/Mustache** files so IntelliJ IDEA recognizes and processes **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates**. The extensions of files remain unchanged but file names are supplied with the  icons.
  - When this checkbox is cleared only files with the `.hbs` extension are treated as **Handlebars/Mustache** files and **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates** within them are recognized and processed.
- Language for comments: From this drop-down list, select the language to inherit the style for comments from. When you enter a line or block comment by pressing `Ctrl+Slash` or `Ctrl+Shift+Slash`, IntelliJ IDEA inserts the comment delimiters that are used in the chosen language, for example, `{{!--}}` for **Handlebars**, `/**/` for JavaScript, `<!-->` for HTML, etc.

For more details about **Handlebars expressions** and **Mustache templates** see <http://handlebarsjs.com/>.

The area is only available when the **Handlebars/Mustache** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the JetBrains plugin repository as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

**EJS** In this area, specify delimiters for inclusions of **EJS** in your code. Based on these delimiters, IntelliJ IDEA will recognize and process such inclusions correctly. A pair of delimiters is also referred to as **execute tag**.

- EJS open delimiter: In this text box, type the character string that will indicate the beginning of an EJS inclusion. The default delimiter is `<%`.
- EJS close delimiter: In this text box, type the character string that will indicate the end of an EJS inclusion. The default delimiter is `%>`.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support Plugin is installed and enabled!








File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Bower for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Bower for macOS

Ctrl+Alt+S 

On this page, specify the location of the **Bower package manager** executable and configuration files and install, uninstall, or upgrade external tools through it.

#### ItemDescription

Node interpreter	Specify here the location of the Node.js executable. Type the path manually, or choose it from the drop-down list if it was previously used, or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens. See <a href="#">Node.js</a> for details.
Bower executable	In this field, specify the location of the Bower executable file ( <code>bower.cmd</code> or other depending on the operating system used). Type the path manually, or choose it from the drop-down list if it was previously used, or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens.
bower.json	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>bower.json</code> file. Type the path manually, or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens.
Dependencies	<p>The area shows a list of all the -dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Package: this read-only field shows the name of a package, exactly as it should be referenced if you were installing it in the command line mode.</li><li>- Version: this read-only field shows the version of the package installed on your computer.</li><li>- Latest: this read-only field shows the latest released version of the package. If a package is not up-to-date, it is marked with a blue arrow .</li><li>- Click  to have a new package installed. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the relevant package. Click Install Package when ready.</li><li>- Click  to have the selected package removed.</li><li>- Click  to have the current version of the selected package replaced with the latest released version. The button is enabled only when the selected project is not up-to-date.</li></ul>



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Yeoman and Node.js plugins are installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Yeoman for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Yeoman for macOS


Ctrl+Alt+S



The page is available only when the **Yeoman** and the **NodeJS** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

On this page, specify the location of the **Node.js** executable file and the [Yeoman project generator](#) package installed through **Node Package Manager** .

#### ItemDescription

**Node interpreter** Specify here the location of the Node.js executable. Type the path manually, or choose it from the drop-down list if it was previously used, or click the Browse button  and choose the location in the dialog box that opens. See [Node.js](#) for details.

**Yeoman yo package** In this field, specify the location of the global `yo` package, see [NPM](#) , section Installing an External Tool Globally .

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support and Meteor plugins are installed and enabled!




File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Meteor for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | Meteor for macOS

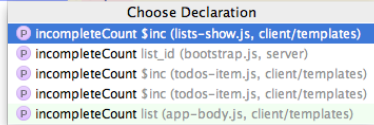
The page is available when the **Meteor** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

**Tip** Changes to the server-side code are uploaded through the IntelliJ IDEA [Live Edit](#) functionality, see [Previewing the changes to the server-side code](#).

#### ItemDescription

Meteor executable	In this field, specify the location of the <b>Meteor</b> executable file (see <a href="#">installing Meteor</a> ).
Automatically exclude ".meteor/local" directory on open project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When the checkbox is selected, the <code>.meteor/local</code> folder, which is intended for storing the built application, is automatically marked as excluded and is not involved in indexing.</li><li>Clear the checkbox to show the <code>.meteor/local</code> folder and its contents in the Project tool window.</li></ul> <p>By default, <b>excluded</b> files are shown in the project tree. To hide the <code>.meteor/local</code> folder, click the  button on the toolbar of the Project tool window and remove a tick next to the Show Excluded Files option.</p>
Enable Meteor 'Hot code push'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When the checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA uses the native <a href="#">Meteor hot code pushes functionality</a> to apply the changes you make to the client-side code during a debugging session.</li><li>When the checkbox is cleared, apply the changes to the client-side code by clicking  on the toolbar of the &lt;Configuration name&gt; JavaScript  tab. See <a href="#">Preview the changes to the client-side code</a> for details.</li></ul>
Automatically import Meteor packages as external library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When the checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA automatically imports the external packages from the <code>meteor/packages</code> file. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA provides full range coding assistance: resolves references to <b>Meteor</b> built-in functions, for example, <code>check(true)</code>, and to functions from third-party packages, provides proper syntax and error highlighting, supports debugging with source maps, etc.</li><li>When this checkbox is cleared, IntelliJ IDEA does not automatically import the external packages from the <code>meteor/packages</code> file. As a result no coding assistance is provided. To improve the situation, open the <code>meteor/packages</code> file in the editor and click the Import packages as library link or run the <code>meteor --update</code> command.</li></ul>
Weak search for Spacebars templates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Select this checkbox to enable IntelliJ IDEA to search inside Spacebars templates. When this checkbox is selected and you invoke the Go to Declaration action on a helper, IntelliJ IDEA displays a list of all occurrences of this helper in templates. Choose the relevant one from the list.</li></ul>

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    {{#each lists}}
    <a href="{{pathFor 'listsShow'}}" class="list-todo {{activeListClass}}" title="{{name}}">
      {{#if userId}}
      <span class="icon-lock"></span>
      {{/if}}
      {{#if incompleteCount}}
      <span class="count-list">{{incompleteCount}}</span>
      {{/if}}
      {{name}}
    </a>
    {{/each}}
</div>
</section>
```



- When you invoke Got to Declaration with this checkbox cleared, IntelliJ IDEA does not perform any search and displays a tooltip with the following message: Cannot find declaration to go to.

```
    {{#each lists}}
    <a href="{{pathFor 'listsShow'}}" class="list-todo {{activeListClass}}" title="{{name}}">
      {{#if userId}}
      <span class="icon-lock"></span>
      {{/if}}
      {{#if incompleteCount}}
      <span class="count-list">{{incompleteCount}}</span>
      {{/if}}
      {{name}}
    </a>
    {{/each}}
```



This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

**Warning!** The following is only valid when JavaScript Support and PhoneGap/Cordova plugins are installed and enabled!

File | Settings | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | PhoneGap/Cordova for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | JavaScript | PhoneGap/Cordova for macOS

Ctrl+Alt+S 

The page is available when the **PhoneGap/Cordova** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

#### ItemDescription

PhoneGap/Cordova Executable Path	In this field, specify the location of the executable file <code>phonegap.cmd</code> , <code>cordova.cmd</code> , or <code>ionic.cmd</code> (see <a href="#">Installing PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic</a> ).
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PhoneGap/Cordova Version	This read-only field shows the installed <b>PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic</b> version that IntelliJ IDEA detects automatically.
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PhoneGap/Cordova Working Directory	In this field, specify the folder under which the <b>PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic</b> application files to run are stored.
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Automatically exclude 'platforms' directory on open project	Select this checkbox to have the platforms directory marked as excluded automatically when you open the project. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA ignores it during indexing, parsing, and code completion.
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Plugins	<p>In this area, configure a list of plugins to use in your development by installing required packages. The list shows all the <b>PhoneGap/Cordova/Ionic</b> plugins that are currently installed on your computer, both at the <b>global</b> and at the <b>project</b> level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To install a plugin, click the Install button <b>+</b> . In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the required package.</li><li>To have the plugin installed <b>globally</b> so it is accessible from all your IntelliJ IDEA projects, select the Options checkbox and type <code>--global</code> in the text box. Click Install Package .</li><li>- To remove a plugin, select it in the list and click the Uninstall button <b>-</b> .</li><li>- To upgrade a plugin to the latest available version, select the plugin in the list and click the Upgrade button <b>↑</b> .</li></ul>
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See [Apache Cordova Plugins](#) and [PhoneGap Plugins](#) for information about plugins and their use.

**Note** For this page to be available, the Playframework Support plugin must be enabled. See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Use this page for specifying the [Play framework](#) settings such as the Play framework installation directory and the working directory for the `play` command-line utility (the Play console).

**ItemDescription**

Download	Click this link to open the <a href="#">Play framework downloads page</a> which lets you select and download the necessary version of the Play framework. (See <a href="#">which versions are supported</a> by IntelliJ IDEA.)
Home	Specify the Play framework installation directory. Type the path in the field, or click <input type="text" value="..."/> ( <input type="text" value="Shift+Enter"/> ) and select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Working directory	Specify the directory from which commands of the <code>play</code> command-line utility are to be run. Usually, this is a root directory of your Play application. Type the path in the field, or click <input type="text" value="..."/> ( <input type="text" value="Shift+Enter"/> ) and select the directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Show on console run	Select this checkbox to be able to see and modify the Play framework settings discussed above each time you access the <code>play</code> command-line utility in IntelliJ IDEA.

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**Note** This page is only available when Python plugin is installed and enabled!

## Template languages pane

### ItemDescription

**Template language** Select the desired template language for your project from the drop-down list. For example, you can mark your project as using Django templates even if it is not a Django project.

The available template languages are:

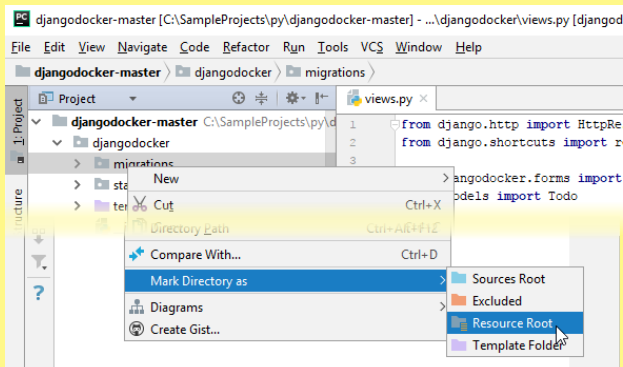
- None : is this option is selected, the project doesn't use any template language.
- [Django](#)
- [Mako](#)
- [Jinja2](#)
- [Chameleon](#)
- [Web2Py](#)

**Template file types** In this section, specify the types of files, where templates will be recognized.

Press **+** to show the list of available file types, and choose the desired one.

Press **-** to delete the selected file type. Note that the default file types (HTML, XHTML, and XML) may not be deleted.

**Tip** Django support skips directories not marked as Django templates, if they are **marked** as Resources:



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The settings on this page define how your XML, HTML and XHTML files are validated.




– [External Schemas and DTDs](#)

– [Ignored Schemas and DTDs](#)

## External Schemas and DTDs

Local XML schema (XSD) and DTD files that are used to validate your XML files are listed in this section.



Each entry is a mapping of a URI that may be referenced in your XML file onto an appropriate local schema or DTD file. Use



,  and  to create, remove and edit the mappings. See also, [Referencing XML Schemas and DTDs](#) .



### ItemKeyboardDescription

#### Shortcut




URI	A URL of an XML schema (XSD) or DTD file (e.g. <code>http://www.example.org/xsds/example.xsd</code> ) or a namespace URI (e.g. <code>http://www.example.org</code> , <code>urn:jboss:domain:1.0</code> ). Readonly. If an XML file references the specified URI, it's validated according to a local file whose path is shown in the Location columns.
Location	Path to corresponding local XSD or DTD file (readonly).
Project	If a checkbox is not selected, a mapping is available in all of your projects. Select the mappings that you want to be available only in the current project.  The selected mappings are stored in <code>.idea/misc.xml</code> or the project <code>.ipr</code> file. These files are normally shared between development team members through version control.







  Use this icon or shortcut to open the [Map External Resource Dialog](#) to define a new mapping between a URI and a local file.

  Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected mappings from the list.

  Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected mapping in the [Map External Resource Dialog](#) .

## Ignored Schemas and DTDs

URIs for ignored schemas and DTDs are listed in this section. (If an XML file references a URI listed in this section, IntelliJ IDEA ignores that URI and doesn't mark it as an error in the editor.) Use ,  and  to add, remove and edit the URIs. See also, [Referencing XML Schemas and DTDs](#) .

ItemKeyboard Shortcut	Description
 	Use this icon or shortcut to add a new URI to the list.
 	Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected URI.
 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected URIs from the list. The corresponding URIs become available for mapping to local XSD or DTD files.

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On this page:

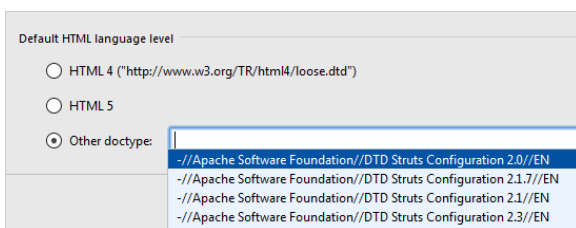
- [Default HTML Language Level](#)
- [Default XML Schema Version](#)

## Default HTML Language Level

Normally, an HTML or an XHTML file has the `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration which states the **language level** of the used in the source code from the file. This language level is used as a standard against which the contents of the file are validated. If an HTML or an XHTML file does not have a `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration, the contents of the file will be validated against the default standard (schema). In the Default HTML Language Level area, choose the default schema to validate HTML and XHTML files without a `<!DOCTYPE>` declaration. The available options are:

- HTML 4 or HTML 5 : Choose one of these options to have files treated as HTML 4 or HTML 5 and validated against one of these standards.
- Other doctype : Choose this option to have HTML files by default validated against a custom DTD or schema and specify the URL of the DTD or schema to be used.

Note that code completion is available in this field: press `Ctrl+Space` to see the list of suggested URLs.



## Default XML Schema Version

In this area, choose the [XSD \(XML Schema Definition\) Schema](#) to validate XML files. The available options are:

- XML Schema 1.1 See [W3C XML Schema Definition Language \(XSD\) 1.1 Part 1: Structures](#) and [W3C XML Schema Definition Language \(XSD\) 1.1 Part 2: Datatypes](#) for details.
- XML Schema 1.0 See [XML Schema Part 1: Structures Second Edition](#) and [XML Schema Part 2: Datatypes Second Edition](#) for details.

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Use this dialog to configure your .properties file. This file contains lists of catalog.xml files. The catalog.xml files contain the information on how to resolve various PUBLIC and SYSTEM identifiers during XML processing.

#### ItemDescription

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Catalog property file

Use this field to specify the location of the .propeties file.

Type the path in the field, or click  and select the required file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

For more detailed description of the properties in the catalog property file, see the example of [Annotated CatalogManager properties file](#) .



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On this page, create a list of your custom [JSON schemas](#) in addition to the system schemas provided by IntelliJ IDEA and configure the scope for each schema, that is, specify the `.json` files to be validated against it. The page consists of two panes: the List of Schemas pane and the Schema Details pane.

On this page:



- [List of Schemas Pane](#)
- [Schema Details Pane](#)
- [Handling Conflicts Among Scopes of Schemas](#)

## List of Schemas Pane

The central pane of the page shows a list of custom JSON schemas against which `.json` files in the current project will be validated. Based on a schema, IntelliJ IDEA checks the structure of `.json` configuration files, reports errors (for example, informs you about missing mandatory properties), provides code completion and documentation look-up.

The pane shows only **custom** schemas that you have previously downloaded or created yourself, in either case, a custom schema must meet the [JSON schema standards](#) and must be located under the project root.

**System** schemas that IntelliJ IDEA provides for all supported frameworks and technologies are not shown in the list.



- To add a schema to the list, click  on the toolbar of the pane and select the relevant schema file under the project root in the dialog box that opens.
- To remove a schema from the list, select it and click  on the toolbar of the pane.
- To configure the scope of a schema, select the schema and specify the files to be validated against it in the right-hand pane of the page.

## Schema Details Pane

The pane shows the details of the schema selected in the List of Schemas pane: the name of the selected schema, the `.json` file that implements it, and a list of files and folders that are validated against the schema.

The list contains the names of specific files, the names of entire directories, and filename patterns. You do not need to specify full paths to files and folders, IntelliJ IDEA searches for files and folders with the specified names and the search is restricted to the the current project.

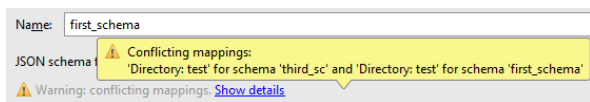
Based on the list, IntelliJ IDEA internally creates a list of files to be validated. Each file is included in the list only once: if a file with the specified name is stored in a directory from the list or its name matches a pattern, the file is still validated only once.

- To add new files or folders to the list, click  on the toolbar of the pane and specify the file, folder, or a file pattern in the [Add JSON Schema Mapping Dialog](#) that opens.
- To remove an item from the list, select it and click  on the toolbar of the pane.

## Handling Conflicts Among Scopes of Schemas

A conflict arises when a file, or a folder, or a pattern belongs to the scopes of two or more schemas. IntelliJ IDEA analyzes scopes in two modes:

- **Static Analysis** detects conflicts in scopes of custom schemas. If a conflict is detected, IntelliJ IDEA displays a warning in the Schema Details pane. To view the overlapping scopes, click the Show details link. IntelliJ IDEA shows a pop-up message where the conflicting scopes and schemas are listed:



- **Dynamic Analysis** detects conflicts in scopes of both system and custom schemas. This type of analysis is started when you open a file that belongs to a certain scope. If a conflict is detected, IntelliJ IDEA displays a warning at the top of the editor tab:

There are several JSON Schemas mapped to this file: first\_schema; third\_sc [Edit JSON Schema Mappings](#)

Click the link to open the [JSON Schema](#) page and edit the scope of the conflicting **custom** schema. Note that you cannot edit the scope of **system** schemas.

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The dialog box opens when you select a `.json` schema in the list on the [JSON Schema](#) page and click **+** in the right-hand pane. In this dialog, specify the `.json` files to be validated against the selected schema.

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**ItemDescription**






Files Under	Choose this option to add files stored in a specific folder name to validation. Type the name of the folder manually or click <b>...</b> and choose the folder in the dialog box that opens.
Filename pattern	Choose this option to have all files with the names that match a pattern validated.
File	Choose this option to add files with a specific name to validation. Type the filename manually or click <b>...</b> and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

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Use this page to select the ColdFusion language version and to specify mappings for deploying your application to the [ColdFusion](#) server.


#### ItemDescription

Language Version	Select the ColdFusion language version.
Info	<p>Use this area to specify a ColdFusion debugger server information.</p> <p>Before you specify ColdFusion debugger server port in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to manually set a debugger server port and manually start a debugger server in <a href="#">ColdFusion Administrator</a> .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- User Name - specify a user name that you use to access <a href="#">ColdFusion Administrator</a> .</li><li>- Debugger Server Port - specify a debugger server port that you have set with JVM argument <code>DDEBUGGER_SERVER_PORT=port</code> on the Java and JVM page of the <a href="#">ColdFusion Administrator</a> .</li></ul>
Server Mappings	<p>In this area, set the correspondence between local folders and logical paths on the server.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Directory Path - specify the folder on your local computer, where the source code and resources to be deployed are stored. Type the path manually or click  and choose the folder in the dialog box, that opens.</li><li>- Logical Path - specify the target folder to deploy the application to. The path should be specified relative to the server root URL defined in the corresponding <a href="#">run configuration</a> .</li><li>-  (  ) - use this icon or shortcut to create a new mapping.</li><li>-  (  ) - use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item from the list.</li></ul>

Specify where the [JavaFX Scene Builder](#) executable file is located. If you do so, you'll be able to open your FXML files in the Scene Builder right from within IntelliJ IDEA.

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**ItemDescription**

Path to	Specify the path to the JavaFX Scene Builder executable file.
SceneBuilder	Type the path in the field, or click  ( <b>Shift+Enter</b> ) and select the Scene Builder executable file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .

**Warning!** The following is only valid when Markdown Support Plugin is installed and enabled!



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IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Languages and Frameworks | Markdown for macOS

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
#### ItemDescription

Default layout	From the drop-down list, select how the editor will be shown by default: both editor and preview panes, editor only, or preview only pane.
Auto-scroll preview	Select this checkbox to automatically scroll from the cursor position in the source code to the respective position in the preview.  If this checkbox is selected, the  button becomes pressed in the toolbar.
Render with JavaFX WebView	Select this checkbox to use JavaFX for preview.
Grayscale	Select this checkbox to use grayscale for rendering. This checkbox is only available when Render with JavaFX WebView checkbox is selected.
Custom CSS	
Load from URI	Specify here the path to the desired <code>css</code> file. Click  to find the file in question in the file system.
Add CSS rules	Type a particular CSS to be used for rendering the preview. For example, you can specify here the background color and font weight.

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This page appears in the Settings dialog box, when the **Node.js** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

Node interpreter	<p>In this field, choose the interpreter from the drop-down list or from the dialog that opens when you click .</p> <p>The term <b>local Node.js interpreter</b> denotes a Node.js installation on your computer. The term <b>remote Node.js interpreter</b> denotes a Node.js installation on a remote host or in a virtual environment set up in a Vagrant instance. Here you can choose or configure only a local interpreter. Remote interpreters are configured in the <a href="#">Configure Node.js Remote Interpreter Dialog</a> dialog which can be accessed only from the <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js</a> dialog. See <a href="#">Configuring remote Node.js interpreters</a> for details.</p>
Version	<p>This read-only field shows the current version of the runtime environment.</p>
Coding Assistance	<p>In this area, click Enable to configure the <b>Node.js Core</b> module sources as a <a href="#">JavaScript library</a> and associate it with your project. As a result, IntelliJ IDEA provides code completion, reference resolution, validation, and debugging capabilities for <code>fs</code>, <code>path</code>, <code>http</code>, and other core modules that are compiled into the Node.js binary. When the configuration is completed, IntelliJ IDEA displays information about the currently configured version, the notification Node.js Core Library is enabled, and adds the Disable and the Usage scope buttons.</p> <p>Optionally</p> <p>Configure the scope in which the Node.js Core sources are treated as libraries:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click Usage scope. The <a href="#">Usage Scope</a> dialog opens.</li> <li>2. Click the relevant directories, and for each of them select the newly configured Node.js Core library from the list.</li> </ol>
Packages	<p>A number of tools are started through <b>Node.js</b>, for example, the <a href="#">CoffeeScript</a>, <a href="#">TypeScript</a>, and <a href="#">Less</a> compilers, <a href="#">YUI</a>, <a href="#">UglifyJS</a>, and <a href="#">Closure</a> compressors, <a href="#">Karma</a> test runner, <a href="#">Grunt</a> task runner, etc. The <b>Node Package Manager (npm)</b> is the easiest way to install these tools, the more so that you have to install <b>Node.js</b> anyway. The <b>Packages</b> area shows a list of all the <b>NPM</b>-dependent packages that are currently installed on your computer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Package</b>: this read-only field shows the name of a package, exactly as it should be referenced if you were installing it in the command line mode.</li> <li>– <b>Version</b>: this read-only field shows the version of the package installed on your computer.</li> <li>– <b>Latest</b>: this read-only field shows the latest released version of the package. If a package is not up-to-date, it is marked with a blue arrow .</li> <li>– Click  to have a new package installed. In the Available Packages dialog box that opens, select the relevant package. To have the package installed globally, select the Options checkbox and type <code>-g</code> in the Options text box. <b>Global</b> installation makes the package available at the IntelliJ IDEA level so it can be used in any IntelliJ IDEA project. Click <b>Install Package</b> when ready.</li> <li>– Click  to have the selected package removed.</li> <li>– Click  to have the current version of the selected package replaced with the latest released version. The button is enabled only when the selected project is not up-to-date.</li> </ul>

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Use this page to manage project specific and application wide settings of OSGi-based applications.

## Prerequisites

This page appears in the Settings/Preferences dialog, when the Osmorc plugin is enabled.

The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If it is disabled, you can manually [enable the plugin](#).

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### ItemDescription

OSGi framework	From this drop-down list, select the desired framework. The list contains all the framework instances defined for the currently running IntelliJ IDEA at the IDE level. If the framework instance you need is missing, switch to the <a href="#">Framework Instances</a> page of the IDE-level OSGi settings, and define the required instance there.
Default manifest	Select the path to the default <code>MANIFEST.MF</code> file. This option makes sense for the OSGi facets, where the bundle creation is performed using the existing manifest and facet configuration (the option Use existing manifest and bundle using facet configuration is turned on). If any other type of creating bundles is selected, this field is ignored.
Output path	Type here the path to the directory, where all compiled bundles will be stored, or click the browse button and locate the desired directory in the file system. This path is only used, if Jar output path of the <a href="#">OSGi facet</a> is set to Place in project-wide OSGi output path . Otherwise, this option is ignored, and the bundles are generated to the module output, or facet-specific path.
Apply to all facets	Click this button to apply the specified output path to all OSGi facets in the current project. This button changes Jar output path for all facets; even though the option Place in module's output path has been selected in a facet, it will be changed to Place in project-wide OSGi output path .
Import Bnd/Bndtools projects automatically	Select this checkbox to import Bnd/Bndtools projects automatically if IntelliJ IDEA detects any changes in <code>bnd</code> files. Note that you can manually reimport Bnd/Bndtools project or module by selecting Reimport Projects or Reimport Workspace from the context menu in the Project tool window.








## Prerequisites

This page appears in the Settings/Preferences dialog, when the Osmorc plugin is enabled.

The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If it is disabled, you can manually [enable the plugin](#).

Use this page to add and remove IDE-level framework instance definitions for the currently running IntelliJ IDEA. The set of available framework definitions determine the contents of the OSGi framework drop-down list in the [Project Settings](#) tab.

### ItemDescription

Framework Instances	The field shows a list of all the framework instances that are defined for the currently running IntelliJ IDEA.
Type	This read-only field shows the type of the currently selected definition.
Home directory	This read-only field shows the location of the currently selected framework instance.
Name	This read-only field shows the name of the currently selected definition.
Version	This read-only field shows the version of framework the selected definition is based on.
 or 	Click this button to open the Add OSGi Framework drop-down list and select the type of a new framework instance that you want to configure.  The specified <a href="#">OSGi Framework Instance</a> dialog opens.
 or 	Click this button to open the FrameWork Instance dialog box and edit the definition of the selected framework there. The icon is active if there is at least one framework defined in the Framework Instances field.
 or 	Click this button to remove the selected definition from the list.
	Click these buttons to move up or to move down the selected framework instance.



IntelliJ IDEA lets you use this dialog to configure OSGi framework instance. The OSGi Framework Instance dialog appears when you try to add a new OSGi framework instance from the Add OSGi Framework drop-down list, on the [OSGi Framework Instances](#) page.

#### ItemDescription

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Home Directory	Use this field to specify the location of your new OSGi framework.
Name	Use this field to specify the name of the framework. By default, this field contains a type of your OSGi framework that you are trying to add.
Version	Use this field to specify the version of the framework. As long as the home directory is specified this field is filled in automatically.




Use this page to define rules that determine the libraries to be included in bundles and have manifest file entries generated based on these rules.

### ItemDescription

**Rules** In this area, configure a list of regular expressions that define the libraries to be included in a bundle.

**Tip** The rules are processed from top to bottom. If a library matches several regular expressions, the one that comes last is applied. Therefore it is recommended that you have the list sorted as follows: the more strict a rule the closer it is to the bottom. For example, it is recommended to put the pattern `*.*` at the top of the list and an exact match in the bottom.

#### ItemCommandDescription

	Add	Click this button to have a new entry added to the list.
	Remove	Click this button to remove the selected entry from the list.
	Copy	Click this button to create a copy of the selected rule.
	Move Up and Move Down	Use these buttons to change the order of rules in the list.

**Library name pattern** In this text box, specify the regular expression that constitutes the entry selected in the Rules list box.

**Note** When a new rule is added to the list, the text box by default shows `*.*`.

**Manifest entries** This read-only field displays the manifest file entries generated on the basis of specified rules. The entries are sorted in accordance with the order of rules in the Rules list box.

**Tip** The Add New line quick fix is available.

**Never bundle** If this checkbox is selected, the libraries that match the currently selected rule are never bundled.

**Process no further rules** Select this checkbox to suppress processing rules that come in the Rules list box after the selected rule.

Use this page to configure an external compile server for your Scala project.

**ItemDescription**

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**Use external compile server for Scala**      Select this checkbox to activate options for Scala compile server.


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**JVM SDK**      Use this drop-down list to select an SDK for the Scala compile server.

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**JVM maximum heap size, MB**      Use this field to specify the maximum heap size available to the process that launches the compiler. The default 1024 Mb is suitable for most of the purposes.

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**JVM parameters**      Use this field to type the string to be passed to the VM when IntelliJ IDEA launches the compiler. If you need more room to type, click  to open the Java VM command line parameters dialog where the text entry area is larger.

This page lets you specify the SQL dialects (DBMS-specific versions of SQL) used in various scopes.



**Note** For this page to be available, the Database Tools and SQL plugin must be enabled. See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

- [Dialect settings](#)
- [Dialect options](#)
- [Example](#)

## Dialect settings

### ItemDescription

Global SQL Dialect	The SQL dialect for all the <code>.sql</code> and <code>.ddl</code> files on your computer; may be redefined in narrower scopes - at the project level, and/or for individual files and directories.
Project SQL Dialect	The SQL dialect for all the <code>.sql</code> and <code>.ddl</code> files in your current project. If <None> is specified, the global SQL dialect is inherited.
Path / SQL Dialect	The SQL dialects for individual files and directories - if different from the global or project dialect. If nothing is specified in this section, all the <code>.sql</code> and <code>.ddl</code> in your project inherit the project dialect, and all the files that are outside the project - the global dialect.

To specify a dialect for a file or directory, click  and select the file or directory in the dialog that opens. Then click  or the SQL Dialect cell, and select the dialect.

The dialects specified explicitly are shown in black. The inherited dialects (unless you close the dialog) are shown in gray italic.

## Dialect options

When specifying a dialect, in addition to particular dialects, you can select:

- <None> or <Clear> . As a result, a dialect from a higher level is inherited.
- <Generic SQL>. This means that no particular dialect is specified. As a result, basic SQL92-based coding assistance is provided including completion and highlighting for SQL keywords, and table and column names. Syntax error highlighting is not available. So the file contents are always shown as syntactically correct. Also, automatic code reformatting isn't possible.

## Example

Say, most of the SQL script files on your computer are for PostgreSQL. In the current project, you are developing the scripts for Oracle but in one of the directories in your project there are the scripts for MySQL. In such a situation, you'd specify:

- Global SQL dialect: PostgreSQL
- Project SQL dialect: Oracle
- `<PathToMySQLScriptsFolder>` : MySQL

This page lets you specify the data sources, databases and schemas that should be used to resolve unqualified ("short") names of database object in your SQL files.

**Note** For this page to be available, the Database Tools and SQL plugin must be enabled. See [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

– [Settings](#)

– [Example](#)

## Settings

### ItemDescription

Project mapping	The set of data sources, databases and schemas used by default by all the SQL files in your project to resolve unqualified names of database objects.
Path / Resolution Scope	<p>Mappings for individual files and directories. If nothing is specified in this section, all the SQL files in your project use the project mapping.</p> <p>To specify a different mapping for a file or directory, click <b>+</b> and select the file or directory in the dialog that opens. Then click <b>OK</b> or the Resolution Scope cell, and select the necessary data sources, databases and schemas.</p> <p>The mappings specified explicitly are shown in black. The mappings inherited from a higher level (unless you close the dialog) are shown in gray italic.</p>

## Example

You have two data sources, one for your production database and the other one - for your test database. The tables in both databases have the same names but slightly different structures. And you keep the SQL scripts for your production and test databases separately, in two different folders.

In such a situation, you'd map the folder with the production scripts onto the production data source, and the folder with the test scripts onto the test data source.

The other possibility would be to use the project mapping for your production data source and specify the mapping for the test scripts folder separately, or vice versa.

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The page shows a list of links to the pages where you can activate and configure various tools related to working with CSS, Sass, and SCSS code.

- [Dialects](#)
- [Compass](#)
- [Stylelint](#)

This page lets you specify which dialects are used in your project.

A dialect may be set at the project level, and also at the level of a directory or a file.

If a dialect is not specified explicitly, it is inherited from a higher hierarchical level.

The dialects specified explicitly are shown in black. The inherited values are shown in gray italic.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>
File/Directory	This column shows the hierarchy of files and folders in the project. Each row corresponds to a directory or a file.
CSS Dialect	Specify the dialect to be used. Click the cell of interest and select the necessary option from the list.  In addition to particular dialects, you can select: – Clear. This will clear the corresponding cell. As a result, an option from a higher hierarchical level will be inherited.

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Use this page to integrate the [Compass framework](#) with IntelliJ IDEA and thus enable compilation of Sass and SCSS files from Compass-specific projects into CSS. For details, see [Using File Watchers](#) .

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the Compass functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the Sass support checkbox on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEA settings ( [Ctrl+Alt+S](#) ).

Make sure that [Ruby](#) is installed on your computer.

For more details, see [Sass and SCSS in Compass Projects](#) .

#### ItemDescription

Enable Compass support	Select this checkbox to activate Compass support including the possibility to compile Sass and SCSS files from your Compass project into CSS.
Compass executable file	In this field, specify the location of the <code>compass</code> executable file under the Ruby installation. Type the path manually, for example, <code>C:\Ruby200-x64\bin\compass</code> , or choose it from the drop-down list, or click the Browse button  and choose the location of the <code>compass</code> file in the dialog box that opens.
Config path	In this field, specify the location of the project Compass configuration file <code>config.rb</code> . Type the path manually, for example, <code>C:\my_projects\compass_project\config.rb</code> , or choose it from the drop-down list, or click the Browse button  and choose the location of the <code>compass</code> file in the dialog box that opens. The Compass configuration file <code>config.rb</code> is generated during project set-up through <code>compass create</code> or <code>compass init</code> commands.




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Use this page to enable the CSS [Stylelint](#) code verifier in your project and to configure its behaviour.

#### ItemDescription

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Enable	Select this checkbox to activate the Stylelint support.
Node Interpreter	<p>In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click  and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .</p> <p>If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.</p>
Stylelint package	In this field, specify the location of the <code>stylelint</code> package installed globally or in the current project, see <a href="#">Stylelint</a> .

- [Compiler](#)
- [Routes](#)
- [Other](#)

**Note** This page is available when the Scala plugin is enabled. For more information, see [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

## Compiler

Use this tab to manually specify settings for the Play2 compiler if they were not generated automatically during the project import or if the project was created with an external tool such as [gen-idea](#) .

### ItemDescription

Use SBT Watcher	Select this checkbox to separately execute an SBT process with <code>~compile:test</code> command. In this case IntelliJ IDEA monitors project sources and recompiles the project when changes are detected.
Use Play 2 compiler for this project	Select this checkbox to use the Play 2 compiler version to enable the Play 2 compiler for this project explicitly .
Don't compile the project within IDEA before run	Select this checkbox if you do not want to compile the project before run. SBT will additionally compile the necessary source files.
Play2 module	Use this field to specify the Play 2 module for this project.
Project uri	Use this field to specify the SBT project's root address. For the imported projects, the SBT project's root matches the content root of the IntelliJ IDEA project.
Additional SBT options	Use this field to specify additional options that you can pass directly to SBT. For example, <code>-Xmx2048M</code> .

## Routes

Use this tab to configure settings for the routes file in your project.

### ItemDescription

Minimum space for routes formatting	Use this field to set a minimum space for routes formatting.
Ignore URL depth in route files	Select this checkbox to ignore the URL depth in the routes files.
Re-format routes file on Enter	Select this checkbox to reformat new entry in your routes file when you press Enter .

## Other

Use this tab to configure additional settings for your Pla2 project.

### ItemDescription

Exclude 'target' dir on refresh	By default, when you refresh a project the 'target' directory is excluded. Clear this checkbox if you want to include the 'target' directory when you refresh your project.
Set template imports manually	Select this checkbox to add the Play2 framework's imports manually to your project.


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To get coding assistance for [template data languages](#), specify where in your project those languages are used.

You can set a default template data language for a project and optionally assign custom template languages for files and directories.

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Project Language	From this list, choose the default template data language for the entire project.
Path	The field shows a list of files and folders where you want to apply a custom template data language instead of the default one set for the entire project. To add an item to the list, click  and choose the required file or folder in the dialog box that opens.
Language	To set a custom template data language for a file or directory, click the Language cell to the right of it and choose the language from the list.

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In this dialog:

- Specify the Node.js interpreter and the `typescript` package to use in your project.
- Choose whether you want to use the [TypeScript Language Service](#) or to get coding assistance from IntelliJ IDEA only.
- Configure the behaviour of the built-in compiler.

**Tip** By default, the TypeScript Language Service checkbox is selected.

## Node interpreter

In this field, specify the location of the **Node.js** interpreter to use. In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA detects it and fills in the field automatically.

## TypeScript

From this drop-down list, choose the version of the TypeScript to use (IntelliJ IDEA displays the currently chosen version):

- Bundled: choose this option to use the `typescript` package that comes bundled with IntelliJ IDEA without attempting to find another `typescript` package.
- Select: choose this option to use a custom `typescript` package instead of the one bundled with IntelliJ IDEA. Choose the path to the relevant package in the dialog that opens.

## TypeScript Language Service


Select this checkbox to get native support from the [TypeScript Language Service](#) according to the up-to-date specifications.

As a result:

- Syntax and error highlighting is based on the annotations from the **TypeScript Language Service**.
- Completion lists contain both suggestions from the **TypeScript Language Service** and suggestions calculated by IntelliJ IDEA.
- TypeScript code is compiled into JavaScript.

Use the controls below to configure integration with the **Angular Language Service** and compilation into JavaScript.

### ItemDescription

Also for projects without <code>config.json</code>	When this checkbox is selected, the TypeScript Language Service also processes projects that do not contain a <code>tsconfig.json</code> configuration files. In this case, the default scope is the entire project.
Angular Language Service	IntelliJ IDEA supports integration with the <a href="#">Angular language service</a> developed by the Angular team to improve code analysis and completion for Angular-TypeScript projects. Note that the Angular language service works only with the projects that use Angular 2.3.1 or higher and TypeScript version compatible with it. The Angular language service is activated by default so IntelliJ IDEA starts it automatically together with the TypeScript service and shows all the errors and warnings in your TypeScript and HTML files both in the editor and in the <a href="#">TypeScript Tool Window</a> . By default the checkbox is selected.
Recompile on changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– When this checkbox is selected, the compiler "wakes up" upon any change to a TypeScript file.</li> <li>– When this checkbox is cleared, the compiler ignores changes to TypeScript files. To re-activate the compiler, open the <a href="#">TypeScript Tool Window</a> ( View   Tool Windows   TypeScript ), click  on the toolbar, and choose the currently opened file or Compile all from the list.</li> </ul> <p>If you have not opened the TypeScript tool window yet and it is not available from the View menu, choose Help   Find Action , then find and launch the TypeScript Compile All action from the list.</p>
Compile scope	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the scope in which compiler will work when you click Compile and choose Compile All in the <a href="#">TypeScript Tool Window</a>. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Project Files: all the files within the project content roots (see <a href="#">Configuring projects</a>).</li> <li>– Project Production Files: all the files within the project content roots excluding test sources.</li> <li>– Project Test Files: all the files within the project test source roots.</li> <li>– Open Files: all the files that are currently opened in the editor.</li> </ul> <p>VCS Scopes: these scopes are only available if your <a href="#">project is under version control</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Changed Files: all changed files, that is, all files associated with all existing <a href="#">changelists</a>.</li> <li>– Default: all the files associated with the <a href="#">changelist</a> <code>Default</code>.</li> </ul> <p>Alternatively, click the Browse button and configure a custom scope in the Scopes dialog box that opens. For more details on scopes, see the pages <a href="#">Scopes</a> and <a href="#">Scopes dialog</a>.</p>
Options	In this field, specify the command line options to be passed to the TypeScript Language Service when the <code>tsconfig.json</code> file is not found. See the list of acceptable options at <a href="#">TSC arguments</a> . Note that the <code>-w</code> or <code>--watch</code> ( Watch input files ) option is irrelevant.

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Use this page to activate integration with the [TSLint](#) code verifier and configure its behaviour.

#### ItemDescription

Enable	Select this checkbox to have TSLint applied to verify the code in the current project. After that the other controls in the page are enabled.
Node Interpreter	<p>In this field, specify the Node.js interpreter to use. Choose one of the configured interpreters or click <input type="button" value="..."/> and configure a new one as described in <a href="#">Configuring Node.js Interpreters</a> .</p> <p>If you have <a href="#">appointed one of the installations as default</a> , the field displays the path to its executable file.</p>
TSLint Package	In this field, specify the location of the <code>tslint</code> package installed globally or in the current project, see <a href="#">TSLint</a> .
Configuration File	<p>In this area, appoint the configuration to use. By default, IntelliJ IDEA first looks for a <code>tslint.json</code> configuration file. IntelliJ IDEA starts the search from the folder where the file to be checked is stored, then searches in the parent folder, and so on until reaches the project root. If no <code>tslint.json</code> file is found, TSLint uses its default embedded configuration file. Accordingly, you have to define the configuration to apply either in a <code>tslint.json</code> configuration file, or in a custom JSON configuration file, or rely on the default embedded configuration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To have IntelliJ IDEA look for a <code>tslint.json</code> file, choose the Search for tslint.json option. If no <code>tslint.json</code> file is found, the default embedded configuration file will be used.</li><li>- To use a custom file, choose the Configuration File option and specify the location fo the file in the Path field. Choose the path from the drop-down list, or type it manually, or click the <input type="button" value="..."/> button and select the relevant file from the dialog box that opens.</li></ul>
Additional Rules Directory	In this field, specify the location of the files with additional code verification rules. These rules will be applied after the rules from <code>tslint.json</code> or the above specified custom configuration file and accordingly will override them.

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The dialog box opens when you select the Use TypeScript Service checkbox and click Configure next to it on the [TypeScript](#) page. Use the dialog box to configure TypeScript code completion and activate or disable integration with the [Angular language service](#) in [TypeScript-Angular](#) projects.

#### ItemDescription

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| Code completion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Select this checkbox to get native support from the <a href="#">TypeScript Language Service</a> according to the up-to-date specifications. As a result:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Syntax and error highlighting is based on the annotations from the <a href="#">TypeScript Language Service</a> .</li><li>- Completion lists contain both suggestions from the <a href="#">TypeScript Language Service</a> and suggestions calculated by IntelliJ IDEA.</li><li>- TypeScript code is compiled into JavaScript.</li></ul></li><li>- Clear the checkbox to have only suggestions from IntelliJ IDEA.</li></ul> |
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By default, the checkbox is selected.

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| Use Angular service | <p>The checkbox is only available in <a href="#">TypeScript-Angular</a> projects when you are using <a href="#">Angular 2.3.1</a> or higher with a compatible version of <a href="#">TypeScript</a> and the <code>@angular/language-service</code> package is installed in the project root. Select the checkbox to activate the <a href="#">Angular language service</a> in your project. The <a href="#">Angular language service</a> is activated by default so IntelliJ IDEA starts it automatically together with the <a href="#">TypeScript service</a> and shows all the errors and warnings in your TypeScript and HTML files both in the editor and in the <a href="#">TypeScript Tool Window</a> .</p> |
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Use this dialog box to specify the Web context settings that IntelliJ IDEA uses to resolve Web paths in HTML and JSP for a file, directory, or the entire project.

The dialog box is available only when the **Java Server Pages Integration** plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and activated by default. If it is not, enable it as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

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**ItemDescription**

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File/Directory

Select the file, or directory, or project to specify a Web context for.

 Expand the nodes in the tree until you access the required item.

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Web Context

In this drop-down list, select the relevant Web context.

If you select the Clear option, Web paths in the corresponding file or directory are resolved using the Web context setting inherited from the parent.

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This page appears if [XPath View+XSLT Support](#) plugin is enabled. Use this page to configure [XSLT support](#) at the IntelliJ IDEA level.

#### ItemDescription

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Show Associated Files in Project View	Select this checkbox to have <a href="#">XML files associated with XSLT</a> stylesheets displayed in the <a href="#">project view</a> . Associated XML files are displayed below the corresponding stylesheets.
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Use this page to associate an XSLT stylesheet file with XML files. This is necessary to enable error highlighting and enhanced completion for element and attribute names in XSLT node-selections.

#### ItemDescription

Project XSLT Files	The pane shows all the XSLT files in a project tree view, grouped by modules and their content roots.
Associated Files	The pane shows all the XML file associated with the selected XSLT file.
	Click this button to select the XML file that should be associated with the selected XSLT file. See the description of the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> . The button is available only when an XSLT file is selected in the Project XSLT Files pane.
	Click this button to cancel the association between the XML file selected in the Associated Files pane and the XSLT file selected in the Project XSLT Files pane.

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The page and all the pages under this node are available only when the **PHP** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

Use this page to configure PHP development and unit testing support in the project by choosing one of the available PHP interpreters, see [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) .

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PHP language level	<p>In this drop-down list, specify the <b>PHP</b> functionality scope to get coding assistance for. Each functionality scope is associated with the PHP version that supports this functionality. Currently <b>PHP 5.3</b> , <b>PHP 5.4</b> , <b>PHP 5.5</b> , <b>PHP 5.6</b> , <b>PHP 7</b> , <b>PHP 7.1</b> , and <b>PHP 7.2</b> levels are supported.</p> <p>No correlation between the PHP version used in the project and the language level is enforced. Although the language version of each interpreter is detected automatically, you can still tell IntelliJ IDEA to provide you with coding assistance that corresponds to another language level. However, if you attempt to use a code construct that is not supported by the specified language level, IntelliJ IDEA suggests a <a href="#">Switch to PHP &lt;version&gt; quick-fix</a> .</p>
CLI Interpreter	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the PHP interpreter to use in the current project by default. The list contains all the currently configured local and remote PHP interpreters. See <a href="#">Configuring Local PHP Interpreters</a> and <a href="#">Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters</a> for details.</p>
	<p><b>Reload</b></p> <p>Click this button to make sure that the configuration you have chosen points at the relevant installation. If no PHP executable is detected at the specified directory, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.</p>
	<p><b>Show phpinfo</b></p> <p>Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a separate information window where you can examine the installation details and view the list of loaded extensions and configured options. Please note that the options specified in the Configuration Options field of the <a href="#">CLI Interpreters</a> dialog box are not listed.</p>
	<p><b>Shift+Enter</b></p> <p>Click this button next to the CLI Interpreter drop-down list to create a new IntelliJ IDEA-wide PHP installation configuration in the <a href="#">CLI Interpreters</a> dialog box, that opens, see <a href="#">Configuring Local PHP Interpreters</a> and <a href="#">Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters</a> .</p>
Include path	<p>The area shows a list of configured <b>include paths</b> . Include paths are used for code completion and reference resolution in some functions/methods that use file paths as arguments, for example, <code>require()</code> or <code>include()</code> .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use the <b>+</b> and <b>-</b> buttons to add and remove paths.</li> <li>- Use the <b>↑</b> and <b>↓</b> buttons to change the order of items in the list.</li> <li>- Press the <b>↕</b> toggle button to have the paths sorted alphabetically in the ascending order.</li> </ul>

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The dialog box opens when you click the Browse button  next to the CLI Interpreter drop-down list in the Development environment section of the [PHP](#) page.

Use this dialog box to configure PHP engines as interpreters, see [Configuring Local PHP Interpreters](#) and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#). In this dialog box, you can add new interpreters and edit or remove the existing ones.




The dialog box consists of two panes. The left-hand pane lists all the configured PHP interpreters, both local and remote ones, and contains a toolbar for adding, removing, and copying PHP interpreter configurations. The contents of the right-hand pane depend on the type of the interpreter currently selected in the left-hand pane. Use the controls in this pane to edit the settings of the selected interpreter and even choose its type, if necessary.

- [Left-hand pane](#)
- [Right-hand pane](#)
- [Configuration options dialog](#)

## Left-hand pane

The left-hand pane lists all the configured PHP interpreters, both local and remote ones, and contains a toolbar for adding, removing, and copying PHP interpreter configurations.





### Item Tooltip Description

	<b>Add</b>	Click this button to add a new PHP interpreter to the list. From the drop-down list, choose the type of the interpreter ( <i>Local</i> or <i>Remote</i> ), and configure a local interpreter in the right-hand pane or a remote interpreter in the <a href="#">Configure PHP Remote Interpreter Dialog</a> dialog that opens.
	<b>Delete</b>	Click this button to remove the selected interpreter from the list.
	<b>Copy</b>	Click this button to create a new interpreter with the settings copied from the selected one.

## Right-hand pane





The contents of the right-hand pane depend on the type of the interpreter currently selected in the left-hand pane. Use the controls in this pane to edit the settings of the selected interpreter and even choose its type, if necessary.

### Type of the selected interpreter

Local	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Name</b> : In this text box, type the identifier to distinguish the interpreter from others, for example, <code>php_installation_&lt;version&gt;</code>.</li> <li>– <b>PHP executable</b> : In this text box, specify the path to the PHP engine. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the executable file in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of PHP and displays it in the PHP version read-only field. IntelliJ IDEA also detects the debugging engine and the <code>php.ini</code> configuration file. The type of the debugging engine associated with the PHP interpreter and its version are displayed in the Debugger read-only field. If no debugger is detected or you have disabled it in <code>php.ini</code> file (see <a href="#">Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode</a>), the field shows <b>Debugger: Not installed</b>.</li> <li>– The location of <code>php.ini</code> is displayed in the Configuration file read-only field. To edit the <code>php.ini</code> in IntelliJ IDEA, click <b>Open in Editor</b>.</li> <li>–  ( <b>Reload</b> ) : Click this button to check that the specified PHP home directory actually contains a PHP executable file. If no PHP executable is detected at the specified location, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.</li> <li>–  ( <b>Show phpinfo</b> ) : Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a separate information window where you can examine the installation details and view the list of loaded extensions and configured options. Please note that the options specified in the Configuration Options field of the <a href="#">CLI Interpreters</a> dialog box are not listed.</li> <li>– <b>Debugger extension</b>: in this text box, specify the location of the Xdebug extension to enable IntelliJ IDEA to activate it when necessary. Starting with version 2016.2, IntelliJ IDEA supports the <b>On-Demand</b> mode where you can disable debugger for your global PHP installation, and have it enabled automatically on demand only when you are debugging your command-line scripts or when you need code coverage reports. This lets your command line scripts (including Composer and unit tests) run much faster.</li> <li>– <b>Configuration Options</b> : Use this text box to customize the configuration settings of the installation by composing a string of configuration directives to be passed through the <a href="#">-d command line option</a> and thus add new entries to the <code>php.ini</code> file. Click the Browse button  to open the Configuration Options dialog box and create a list of new <code>php.ini</code> entries there.</li> </ul>
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



Remote interpreter accessible through SSH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Host</b>: in this field, type the name of the host on which the interpreter is installed.</li> <li>– <b>Port</b>: in this field, type the port which the SSH server on the remote host listens to. The</li> </ul>
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default port number is 22.

- User name: in the field, type the user name under which you are registered on the SSH server.
- Auth type: from this drop-down list, choose the authentication method.
  - To access the host through a password, choose Password from the Auth type drop-down list, specify the password, and select the Save password checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember it.
  - To use [SSH authentication](#) via a key pair, choose Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY) . To apply this authentication method, you need to have your private key on the client machine and your public key on the remote server you connect to. IntelliJ IDEA supports private keys generated using the [OpenSSH](#) utility.  
Specify the path to the file where your private key is stored and type the passphrase (if any) in the corresponding text boxes. To have IntelliJ IDEA remember the passphrase, select the Save passphrase checkbox.
  - If your SSH keys are managed by a credentials helper application (for example, [Pageant](#) on Windows or [ssh-agent](#) on Mac and Linux), choose Authentication agent (ssh-agent or Pageant) .
- Name : In this text box, type the identifier to distinguish the interpreter from others, for example, `php_installation_<version>` .
- PHP executable : In this text box, specify the path to the PHP engine. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the executable file in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of PHP and displays it in the PHP version read-only field.  
IntelliJ IDEA also detects the debugging engine and the `php.ini` configuration file. The type of the debugging engine associated with the PHP interpreter and its version are displayed in the Debugger read-only field. If no debugger is detected or you have disabled it in `php.ini` file (see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#) ), the field shows Debugger: Not installed .  
  
The location of `php.ini` is displayed in the Configuration file read-only field. To edit the `php.ini` in IntelliJ IDEA, click Open in Editor .
-  (Reload) : Click this button to check that the specified PHP home directory actually contains a PHP executable file. If no PHP executable is detected at the specified location, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.
-  ( Show phpinfo ) : Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a separate information window where you can examine the installation details and view the list of loaded extensions and configured options. Please note that the options specified in the Configuration Options field of the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box are not listed.
- Debugger extension: in this text box, specify the location of the Xdebug extension to enable IntelliJ IDEA to activate it when necessary.  
Starting with version 2016.2, IntelliJ IDEA supports the On-Demand mode where you can disable debugger for your global PHP installation, and have it enabled automatically on demand only when you are debugging your command-line scripts or when you need code coverage reports. This lets your command line scripts (including Composer and unit tests) run much faster.
- Configuration Options : Use this text box to customize the configuration settings of the installation by composing a string of configuration directives to be passed through the [-d command line option](#) and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. Click the Browse button  to open the Configuration Options dialog box and create a list of new `php.ini` entries there.

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Remote interpreter on a Vagrant instance

- Name : In this text box, type the identifier to distinguish the interpreter from others, for example, `php_installation_<version>` .
- PHP executable : In this text box, specify the path to the PHP engine. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the executable file in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of PHP and displays it in the PHP version read-only field.  
IntelliJ IDEA also detects the debugging engine and the `php.ini` configuration file. The type of the debugging engine associated with the PHP interpreter and its version are displayed in the Debugger read-only field. If no debugger is detected or you have disabled it in `php.ini` file (see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#) ), the field shows Debugger: Not installed .  
  
The location of `php.ini` is displayed in the Configuration file read-only field. To edit the `php.ini` in IntelliJ IDEA, click Open in Editor .
-  (Reload) : Click this button to check that the specified PHP home directory actually contains a PHP executable file. If no PHP executable is detected at the specified location, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.
-  ( Show phpinfo ) : Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a separate information window where you can examine the installation details and view the list of loaded extensions and configured options. Please note that the options specified in the Configuration Options field of the [CLI Interpreters](#) dialog box are not listed.
- Debugger extension: in this text box, specify the location of the Xdebug extension to enable IntelliJ IDEA to activate it when necessary.  
Starting with version 2016.2, IntelliJ IDEA supports the On-Demand mode where you can disable debugger for your global PHP installation, and have it enabled automatically on demand only when you are debugging your command-line scripts or when you need code coverage reports. This lets your command line scripts (including Composer and unit tests) run much faster.
- Configuration Options : Use this text box to customize the configuration settings of the installation by composing a string of configuration directives to be passed through the [-d command line option](#) and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. Click the Browse button  to open the Configuration Options dialog box and create a list of new `php.ini` entries there.





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Remote interpreter accessible through

- Deployment Configuration : from this drop-down list, choose the server access

a deployment configuration








configuration of the SFTP type according to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to connect to the target host. If the settings specified in the chosen configuration ensure successful connection, IntelliJ IDEA displays the URL address of the target host as a link in the Deployment Host URL field.

- Name : In this text box, type the identifier to distinguish the interpreter from others, for example, `php_installation_<version>` .
- PHP executable : In this text box, specify the path to the PHP engine. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the executable file in the dialog box that opens. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version of PHP and displays it in the PHP version read-only field.  
IntelliJ IDEA also detects the debugging engine and the `php.ini` configuration file. The type of the debugging engine associated with the PHP interpreter and its version are displayed in the Debugger read-only field. If no debugger is detected or you have disabled it in `php.ini` file (see [Configuring Xdebug for Using in the On-Demand Mode](#) ), the field shows Debugger: Not installed .  
  
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- Configuration Options : Use this text box to customize the configuration settings of the installation by composing a string of configuration directives to be passed through the [-d command line option](#) and thus add new entries to the `php.ini` file. Click the Browse button  to open the Configuration Options dialog box and create a list of new `php.ini` entries there.

## Configuration options dialog

Item Tooltip  
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Shortcut

Name	Description
Value	In this text box, type the value of the new entry.
	Add Click this button to have a new line added to the list and specify the name and value of a new entry there. 
	Remove Click this button to remove the selected entry from the list. 
	Up / Down Use these buttons to move the selected entry up or down in the list. The order of entries in the list determine the order in which they are passed through the <a href="#">-d command line option</a> .  / 

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The dialog box is available only when the **PHP Remote Interpreter** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).


The dialog box opens when you click the Add toolbar button  in the left-hand pane of the **CLI Interpreters** dialog box and choose Remote... from the drop-down menu.

Use this dialog box to configure access to PHP engines installed on remote hosts or in development environments set up in **Vagrant** or **Docker** instances.

#### ItemDescription


Vagrant	<p>This option is available only when the <b>Vagrant</b> repository plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the <b>JetBrains plugin repository</b> as described in <a href="#">Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins</a> and <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a>.</p> <p>Choose this option to configure access to a PHP interpreter installed in a <b>Vagrant instance</b> using your <b>Vagrant</b> credentials. Technically, it is the folder where the <b>VagrantFile</b> configuration file for the desired environment is located. Based on this setting, IntelliJ IDEA detects the <b>Vagrant host</b> and shows it as a link in the <b>Vagrant Host URL</b> read-only field.</p> <p>To use an interpreter configuration, you need <b>path mappings</b> that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. IntelliJ IDEA evaluates path mappings from the <code>VagrantFile</code> configuration file.</p>
Deployment Configuration	<p>This option is available only when the <b>Remote Hosts Access</b> plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the <a href="#">Plugins settings</a> page as described in <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a>.</p> <p>Choose this option to configure access to a PHP interpreter on a remote host using a <b>server access configuration</b>. This option is available only if you have at least one <b>server access configuration</b> of the type SFTP, see <a href="#">Creating a Remote Server Configuration</a>.</p> <p>From the <b>Deployment Configuration</b> drop-down list, choose the <b>server access configuration</b> of the SFTP type according to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to connect to the target host. If the settings specified in the chosen configuration ensure successful connection, IntelliJ IDEA displays the URL address of the target host as a link in the <b>Deployment Host URL</b> field.</p> <p>To use an interpreter configuration, you need <b>path mappings</b> that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. By default, IntelliJ IDEA retrieves path mappings from the chosen server access (deployment) configuration. If the configuration does not contain path mappings, IntelliJ IDEA displays the corresponding error message.</p> <p>To fix the problem, open the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page under the <b>Build, Execution, Deployment</b> node, select the relevant server access configuration, switch to the <b>Mappings</b> tab, and map the local folders to the folders on the server as described in <a href="#">Creating a Remote Server Configuration</a>, section <b>Mapping Local Folders to Folders on the Server</b> and the <b>URL Addresses to Access Them</b>.</p>
SSH Credentials	<p>Choose this option to configure access to a PHP interpreter on a remote host through SSH credentials. In the fields of the dialog box, specify the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Host:</b> in this field, type the name of the host on which the interpreter is installed.</li> <li>– <b>Port:</b> in this field, type the port which the SSH server on the remote host listens to. The default port number is 22.</li> <li>– <b>User name:</b> in the field, type the user name under which you are registered on the SSH server.</li> <li>– <b>Auth type:</b> from this drop-down list, choose the authentication method. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– To access the host through a password, choose <b>Password</b> from the <b>Auth type</b> drop-down list, specify the password, and select the <b>Save password</b> checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA remember it.</li> <li>– To use <a href="#">SSH authentication</a> via a key pair, choose <b>Key pair (OpenSSH or PuTTY)</b>. To apply this authentication method, you need to have your private key on the client machine and your public key on the remote server you connect to. IntelliJ IDEA supports private keys generated using the <a href="#">OpenSSH</a> utility. Specify the path to the file where your <b>private key</b> is stored and type the passphrase (if any) in the corresponding text boxes. To have IntelliJ IDEA remember the passphrase, select the <b>Save passphrase</b> checkbox.</li> </ul> </li> <li>– If your SSH keys are managed by a credentials helper application (for example, <a href="#">Pageant</a> on Windows or <a href="#">ssh-agent</a> on Mac and Linux), choose <b>Authentication agent (ssh-agent or Pageant)</b>.</li> </ul> <p>To use an interpreter configuration, you need <b>path mappings</b> that set correspondence between the project folders, the folders on the server to copy project files to, and the URL addresses to access the copied data on the server. IntelliJ IDEA first attempts to retrieve path mappings itself by processing all the available application-level configurations. If IntelliJ IDEA finds the configurations with the same host as the one specified above, in the <b>Host</b> field, the mappings from these configurations are merged automatically. If no configurations with this host are found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message informing you that path mappings are not configured.</p> <p>To fix the problem, open the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page under the <b>Build, Execution, Deployment</b> node, select the server access configuration in question, switch to the <b>Mappings</b> tab, and map local folders to folders on the server as described in <a href="#">Creating a Remote Server Configuration</a>, section <b>Mapping Local Folders to Folders on the Server</b> and the <b>URL Addresses to Access Them</b>.</p>
Docker	<p>This option is available only when the <b>PHP Docker</b> and <b>Docker Integration</b> plugins are enabled. The plugins are activated by default. If the plugins are disabled, enable them on the <a href="#">Plugins settings</a> page as described in <a href="#">Enabling and Disabling Plugins</a>.</p> <p>Choose this option to configure access to a PHP interpreter running in a Docker container. In the fields of the dialog</p>

box, specify the following:

- In the **Server** field, specify the **Docker configuration** to use, see [Docker](#) . Choose a configuration from the drop-down list or click  next to it and create a new configuration in the **Docker** dialog box that opens.
- In the **Image name** field, specify the base Docker image to use. Choose one of the previously downloaded or your custom images from the drop-down list or type the image name manually, for example, `php:latest` or `php:7.0-cli` . When you later launch the run configuration, Docker will search for the specified image on your machine. If the search fails, the image will be downloaded from the image repository specified on the [Registry](#) page.

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**PHP Interpreter Path**

In this field, specify the location of the **PHP** executable file in accordance with the configuration of the selected remote development environment. By default IntelliJ IDEA suggests the `/usr/bin/php` folder for remote hosts and Vagrant instances and `php` for Docker containers. To specify a different folder, click the **Browse** button  and choose the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens. Note that the **PHP** home directory must be open for edit. When you click **OK** , IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the **PHP** executable is actually stored in the specified folder.

- If no **PHP** executable is found, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message asking you whether to continue searching or save the interpreter configuration anyway.
- If the **PHP** executable is found, you return to the **Interpreters** where the installation folder and the detected version of the **PHP** interpreter are displayed.

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The page is available only when the **PHP** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Use this page to configure the behaviour of the Xdebug and Zend Debugger.

#### ItemDescription

**Pre-configuration** This area shows brief guidelines for installing a debugger, generating bookmarklets through which you will [start/stop a debugging session by controlling the debugger cookie](#), and starting [Zero-Configuration Debugging](#).

**External Connections** In this area, specify how you want IntelliJ IDEA to treat connections received from hosts and through ports that are not registered as [deployment server configurations](#).

- Ignore external connections through unregistered server configurations: Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA ignore connections received from hosts and through ports that are not registered as deployment server configurations. When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA does not attempt to create a deployment server configuration automatically.
- Break at first line in PHP scripts: Select this checkbox to have the debugger stop as soon as connection between it and IntelliJ IDEA is established (instead of running automatically until the first breakpoint is reached). Alternatively turn on the *Run | Break at first line in PHP scripts* option on the main menu.
- Max. simultaneous connections: Use this spin box to limit the number of external connections that can be processed simultaneously.

**Xdebug** Use the controls in this area to configure debugging using the Xdebug tool.

- Debug port: in this text box, specify the port for IntelliJ IDEA and the Xdebug engine to communicate through. This must be exactly the same port number as specified in the `php.ini` file:

```
xdebug.remote_port = <port_number>
```

By default, Xdebug listens on port 9000.

- Can accept external connections: select this checkbox to enable IntelliJ IDEA to accept any incoming connections from Xdebug engines through the port specified in the Debug port text box.
- Force break at the first line when no path mapping is specified: Select this checkbox to have the debugger stop as soon as it reaches and opens a file that is not mapped to any file in the project on the [Servers](#) page. The debugger stops at the first line of this file and [Debug Tool Window. Variables](#) shows the following error message: `Cannot find a local copy of the file on server <path to the file on the server>` and a link [Click to set up mappings](#). Click the link to open the [Resolve Path Mappings Problem](#) dialog box and map the problem file to its local copy. When this checkbox cleared, the debugger does not stop upon reaching and opening an unmapped file, the file is just processed, and no error messages are displayed.
- Force break at the first line when the script is outside the project: Select this checkbox to have the debugger stop at the first line as soon as it reaches and opens a file outside the current project. With this checkbox cleared, the debugger continues upon opening a file outside the current project.

**Zend Debugger** Use the controls in this area to configure debugging using the Zend Debugger tool.

- Debug port: In this text box, specify the port for IntelliJ IDEA and the Zend Debugger engine to communicate through. Type the port number within the `tunnel` specified in the `php.ini` file through `zend_debugger.tunnel_min_port` and `zend_debugger.tunnel_max_port`. For details, see <http://files.zend.com/help/previous-version/Zend-Server-4-Community-Edition/zenddebugger.html>
  - Can accept external connections: Select this checkbox to enable IntelliJ IDEA to accept any incoming connections from Zend Debugger engines through the port specified in the Debug port text box.
  - Settings broadcasting port: In this text box, specify the port through which the debugger settings are passed to the debugging toolbar in the browser.
  - Automatically detect IDE IP: when this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA detects all the host IP addresses to be sent to Zend Debugger through the `debug_host` parameter. All the detected IP addresses are listed in the text box to the right. Autodetection of IP address is helpful when you use [Vagrant](#), or [VirtualBox](#), or other virtualization tool.
- Clear the checkbox to block autodetection of host IP addresses and specify the required ones explicitly in the text box.
- Ignore Z-Ray system requests: Select this checkbox to block requests from the [Z-Ray system](#) if they annoy you by invoking the IntelliJ IDEA debugger too often.

**Tip** If starting the Zend Debugger tool fails with the message "Port is busy", specify a port number of your choice higher than 10000.

**Evaluation** – Show array and object children in Debug Console: Select this checkbox to show the output for arrays and objects in the [Console](#) pane, see [Debug Tool Window. Console](#). When the checkbox is cleared, the output is not displayed.

- Safe evaluation mode in value hints and Watches Frame:
  - When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA checks that the expression or code fragment to be evaluated does not contain any undefined elements and informs you about any discrepancies detected.
  - If the checkbox is cleared, an exception appears if IntelliJ IDEA encounters any undefined elements during evaluation.

See [Evaluating Expressions](#) for details.



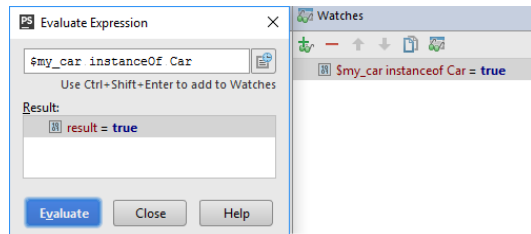
- Import namespace and use statements from evaluation context: When this checkbox is selected, during a debugging session IntelliJ IDEA is aware of the current namespace and of all the imported namespaces at the execution point. This information is used for calculating and showing [Watches](#) and [Evaluating Expressions](#) to ensure that IntelliJ IDEA debug evaluations are identical with the actual result of the PHP code execution.

By default, the checkbox is selected.

The result of executing the following code is `true` (or showing 1 in the browser):

```
<?php
namespace Too\Car;
class Car{};
$my_car = new Car();
echo $my_car instanceof Car;
```

If the Import namespace and use statements... checkbox is selected, evaluating the `$my_car instanceof Car` expression and the `$my_car instanceof Car` watch will also show this result:



However if you clear the checkbox, `Watches` and `Evaluate Expression` will be executed in the global context. This means that instead of `$my_car instanceof Car` you will need to use the fully qualified class name `$my_car instanceof \Too\Car\Car`.

#### Advanced Settings

- Detect path mappings from deployment configurations:
  - When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA attempts to retrieve path mappings for debugging in a remote environment from the [server access configuration](#) ( [deployment configuration](#) ).
  - When the checkbox is cleared, you have to specify the path mappings manually.

See [Validating the Configuration of a Debugging Engine](#) , [Web Server Debug Validation Dialog](#) , and [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

- Notify if debug session was finished without being stopped: Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA display a notification when no breakpoints are hit during [Zero-Configuration](#) debugging. This may happen if the path mappings are not configured or configured erroneously, or if you have not set any breakpoints. In the latter case, enabling selecting the [Break at First Line in PHP Scripts](#) checkbox in the [External Connections](#) area or turning the [Run | Break at First Line in PHP Scripts](#) option on the main menu may also help. If the checkbox is cleared, no debugging sessions is established and the PHP script is just executed without being suspended.
- Pass required configuration options through command line (still need to enable debug extension manually): select this checkbox to have debugger configuration options passed through a command line.

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The page is available only when the **PHP** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

On this page, specify the scripts requests to which you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore during debugging. This approach can be useful, when your application contains scripts that use AJAX. Suppose you have a `menu-ajax-script.php` that "reloads" a part of your web page. This script works properly so you do not need to debug it. However, this script is still requested during the debugging session. To have incoming connections to this script ignored, add the `menu-ajax-script.php` script to the **skipped paths** list. You can also group such scripts into folders and add these folders to the "ignore list".

#### ItemDescription

**Notify about skipped paths** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA inform you every time it receives a request to a script to be skipped.

**Skipped paths** This list box shows the scripts and folders to ignore requests to.

**+** Click this button to have a new line added to the list. Then click the Browse button  and in the dialog box that opens choose the file or folder to skip connections to.

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**-** Click this button to have the selected item removed from the list.

**Remove (**  
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On this page, enable, disable, and re-configure your access to debugging PHP applications in the multiuser mode via an [Xdebug proxy server](#).

#### ItemDescription

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IDE key	In this text box, specify the name for the Proxy server to identify connections from your IDE. This should be the value of the <code>xdebug.idekey</code> setting in your currently active <code>php.ini</code> configuration file.
Host	In this text box, specify the host on which the Xdebug proxy server resides.
Port	In this text box, specify the port which IntelliJ IDEA will listen to during a proxy debugging session.

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The page and all the pages under this node are available only when the **PHP** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

On this page, specify the PHP methods and functions which you want the debugger to skip in addition to the common list of items to be skipped which is defined on the [Stepping](#) page.

#### ItemDescription

**Skip magic methods** Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into [PHP magic methods](#) and any other methods or functions with names starting with a double underscore `__` .

**Skip constructors** Select this checkbox to suppress stepping into [constructors](#) .

**Skipped Methods** In this area, create a list of specific methods that you do not want IntelliJ IDEA to step into.  
To add a method to the list

Click and in the Add Method dialog box that opens type the name of the required function or the fully qualified name of the required method in the format:

- `\Namespace\Class->Method` for non-static methods.
- `\Namespace\Class::staticMethod` for static methods.

To remove a method from the list

Select the method to allow stepping into and click .

**Skipped Files** In this area, create a list of specific files that you do not want IntelliJ IDEA to step into. This is helpful when you are using a framework with numerous core files stepping into which is not necessary and only wastes your time.  
To add a file to the list

Click , then click in the newly added line, and then select the file to skip in the dialog box that opens.

To remove a file from the list

Select the file to allow stepping into and click .

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On this page, configure HTTP access for debugging engines to interact with local and remote Web servers and set correspondence between files on the server and their local copies in the IntelliJ IDEA project. The settings from debug server configurations are used when debugging with run/debug configurations of the type **PHP Web Application** or **PHP Remote Debug** and during **Zero-Configuration Debugging** sessions.

## Toolbar and common options

Use the toolbar buttons to manage the list of configurations.

### ItemTooltip Description and shortcut

+	Add	Click this button to define a new configuration. 
-	Delete	Click this button to remove the selected configuration from the list. 
	Import	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Import from Deployment Configuration Dialog</a> dialog box. In this dialog box, choose a configuration to access the application on the server and use the host and port settings from it. The dialog box also shows the path mappings retrieved from the deployment configuration. You need to transform relative paths on the server into absolute paths: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For an <b>FTP</b>, <b>SFTP</b>, or <b>FTPS</b> server access configuration, specify the absolute path to the server deployment root. This path will be added as a prefix to the path from the Root Path text box on the <a href="#">Deployment: Connection Tab</a>.</li> <li>If you are not sure about this absolute path, you can open the Remote Host tool window, choose the required deployment configuration, position the cursor at the root folder, and choose Copy Path on the context menu, see <a href="#">Accessing Files on Web Servers</a> for details. Alternatively, contact your hosting provider.</li> <li>- For a server access configuration of the type <b>Local</b> or <b>Mounted Folder</b>, specify the absolute path to the document root of the server or to the mounted folder. This path should be the one specified in the Folder field on the <a href="#">Deployment: Connection Tab</a>.</li> <li>- For <b>Inplace Server</b> configurations no mappings are required because the local and remote paths are the same in this case.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">Configuring Synchronization with a Web Server</a> for details.</p>

## Configuration Details

In this area, specify the connection parameters and mappings to be used during debugging sessions. Note that the Validate Remote Environment button has been removed from this page, this functionality is now available through Run | Web Server Debug Validation on the main menu.

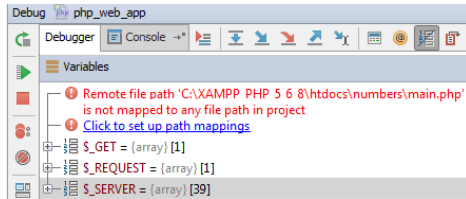
### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, type the name of the server debug configuration.
Host	In this text box, type the name of the host where the target application is deployed.
Port	In this text box, type the port to connect to the specified host through. If you are using localhost on your machine, this setting should correspond with the port specified in the configuration file of the local Web server where the application will be executed or debugged.
Debugger	From this drop-down list, select the debug engine to use. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Xdebug</li> <li>- Zend Debugger</li> </ul>
Use path mappings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Select this checkbox, if you are working on a remote Web server, that is, when the Web server is on a physically remote host, or the Web server is installed on your machine but your project is outside the Web server document root. Also select the checkbox if you are using symlinks.</li> </ul> <p>Map the absolute paths to the files and folders on the server with absolute paths to your project files in the local file system using the Path on server and File/Directory fields respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- File / Directory: This read-only field displays the files and folders of the current project. Select a file or a folder to</li> </ul>

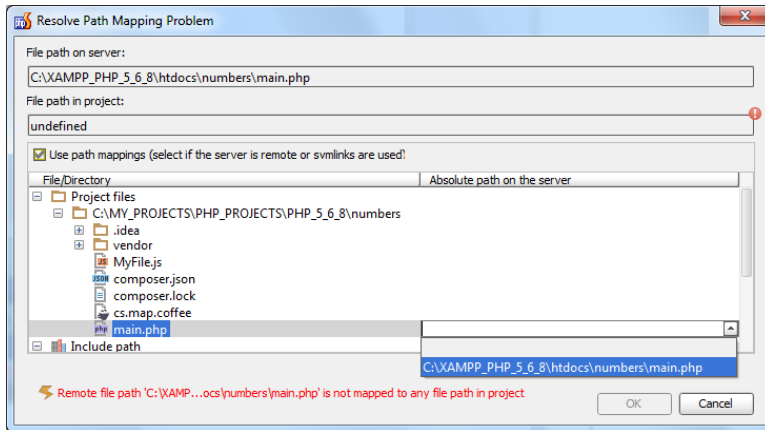
be used as the local copy.

- Path on server: In this field, specify the absolute path to the file or folder on the target server to which the selected local file or folder corresponds. Type the path manually or select it from the drop-down list.
- Clear this checkbox if you are working right on your Web server so your project root is under the server document root. In this case the absolute paths to the files on the Web server and the absolute paths to the corresponding files in your project are the same.

If you do not specify any path mappings and start debugging an application that is not under the server document root, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message:



The Click to set up path mappings link brings up the Resolve Path Mappings Problem dialog box, where you can define the path mappings:



When you click OK and leave the dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA selects the Use path mappings checkbox on the Servers page automatically.

Shared

Select this checkbox to share the debug server configuration across a team. The host/port settings and the path mappings are stored in the `.idea/php.xml` file is available to all team members through a version control system. Note that mappings are shared only for directories inside the project.

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The dialog box is available only when the **PHP** and **Remote Hosts Access** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#). Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

The dialog box opens when you click the Import button  on the toolbar of the [Servers](#) page.

In this dialog box, choose a configuration to access the application on the server and use the host and port settings from it.

#### ItemDescription

**Deployment** From this drop-down list, choose the server access configuration (deployment configuration) to copy the server access settings from. The list contains all the available deployment configurations. To create a new configuration, click  and specify new settings in the [Deployment: Connection Tab](#) dialog box that opens. In the text box below, specify the absolute path to the server deployment root folder, the name of the text box depends on the type of the selected server access configuration: Absolute path to the deployment root for **FTP / SFTP / FTPS** or Remote path to the mounted folder for **Local or mounted folder**.

This path will be added as a prefix to the path from the Root Path text box on the [Deployment: Connection Tab](#).

If you are not sure about this absolute path, you can open the Remote Host tool window, choose the required deployment configuration, position the cursor at the root folder, and choose Copy Path on the context menu, see [Accessing Files on Web Servers](#) for details. Alternatively, contact your hosting provider.

**Absolute path to the deployment root/** Depending on the type of the server access configuration chosen from the Deployment drop-down list, specify one of the following:

- For an **FTP**, **SFTP**, or **FTPS** server access configuration, specify the absolute path to the server deployment root. This path will be added as a prefix to the path from the Root Path text box on the [Deployment: Connection Tab](#). If you are not sure about this absolute path, you can open the Remote Host tool window, choose the required deployment configuration, position the cursor at the root folder, and choose Copy Path on the context menu, see [Accessing Files on Web Servers](#) for details. Alternatively, contact your hosting provider.
- For **Local or mounted folder**, type the absolute path to the **server root** as specified in the Folder field of the [Import from Deployment Configuration Dialog](#) dialog box.
- For **Inplace Server** configurations no mappings are required because the local and remote paths are the same in this case.

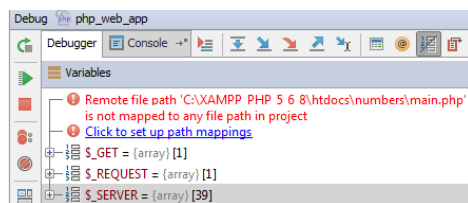
**Preview** The area shows the host/port and the path mappings retrieved from the chosen server access configuration (deployment configuration). When you choose the deployment configuration to use, the Absolute path on the server field shows relative paths mapped to the project files and folders in the chosen configuration, that is, paths to files and folders relative to the deployment root. As you specify the absolute path to the deployment root (the server root for FTP/SFTP/FTPS or the mounted folder), the contents of the field are updated automatically and finally the field shows absolute paths on the server.

Specify how IntelliJ IDEA will set up correspondence between files on the server and their local copies. Based on these mappings, IntelliJ IDEA will open local copies of currently processed files.

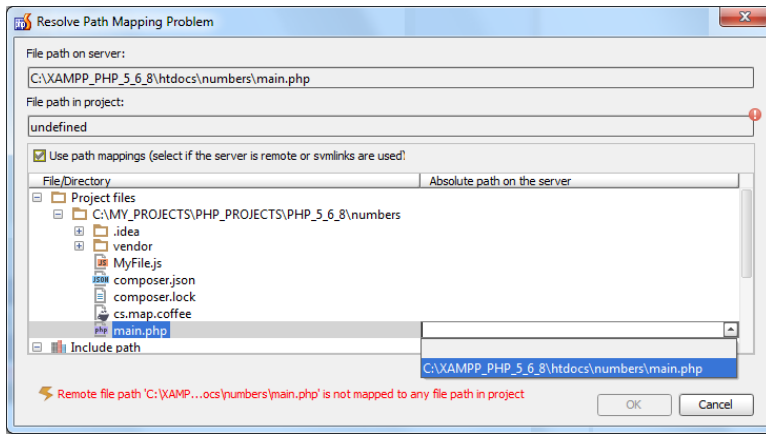
Path mappings in **PHP Debug Server** configurations look very similar to the path mappings in server access (deployment) configurations. Unfortunately, they cannot be reused, as deployment configurations uses relative paths while **PHP Debug Servers** configurations rely on absolute paths.

- Select the Use path mappings checkbox if you are working on a remote Web server, that is, when the Web server is on a physically remote host, or the Web server is installed on your machine but your project is outside the Web server document root. Also select the checkbox if you are using symlinks. Map the absolute paths to the files and folders on the server with absolute paths to your project files in the local file system using the Path on server and File/Directory fields respectively.
  - File / Directory:** This read-only field displays the files and folders of the current project. Select a file or a folder to be used as the local copy.
  - Path on server:** In this field, specify the absolute path to the file or folder on the target server to which the selected local file or folder corresponds. Type the path manually or select it from the drop-down list.
- Clear the Use path mappings checkbox if you are working right on your Web server so your project root is under the server document root. In this case the absolute paths to the files on the Web server and the absolute paths to the corresponding files in your project are the same.

If you do not specify any path mappings and start debugging an application that is not under the server document root, IntelliJ IDEA displays an error message:



The Click to set up path mappings link brings up the Resolve Path Mappings Problem dialog box, where you can define the path mappings:



When you click OK and leave the dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA selects the Use path mappings checkbox on the [Servers](#) page automatically.



On this page:

- [Code Sniffer Page](#)
- [Code Sniffer Dialog](#)

## Code Sniffer Page

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The page is available only when the **PHP** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).



On this page, choose the Code Sniffer script to use.

### ItemDescription

**Configuration** From this drop-down list, choose the script to use:

- To use the script associated with a specific remote PHP interpreter, choose the name of this interpreter.
- To use the script associated with the default project interpreter, that is, the one chosen on the PHP page of the Settings dialog box, choose By default project interpreter.
- To use a local script, choose Local. In this case the local Code Sniffer will be executed no matter which PHP interpreter - local or remote - is used in the project. Note that there can be only one Local configuration for Code Sniffer because IntelliJ IDEA runs a script ( `phpcs.bat` for Windows or `phpcs` for Linux) which contains a path to a PHP engine.

**Ignored files** This area displays a list of files that Code Sniffer skips. IntelliJ IDEA suggests adding a new file to the list during inspection when waiting for response from the Code Sniffer exceeds the limit specified in the Tool process timeout field. This is done to prevent slowing down processing. For each file, IntelliJ IDEA displays its name and location.



- To delete a file from the list and have Code Sniffer process it again, select the file and click the Remove file button .
- To remove all the files from the list, click the Clean the list button .

## Code Sniffer Dialog


The dialog box opens when you click  next to the Configuration drop-down list on the Code Sniffer page.

Use this dialog box to configure local Code Sniffer scripts, scripts associated with remote PHP interpreters, see [PHP Code Sniffer](#), and configure Code Sniffer's behaviour.

The left-hand pane of the dialog box shows all the configured Code Sniffer scripts, one of them is of the type **Local**, and others are named after the remote PHP interpreters with which the scripts are associated. When you select a configuration, the right-hand pane shows its details.

- To configure or edit the **Local** script, select Local and specify the location of `phpcs.bat` or `phpcs` in the PHP Code Sniffer path field.
- To configure a new script associated with a remote PHP interpreter:
  1. Click  on the toolbar.
  2. In the Code Sniffer by Remote Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the remote PHP interpreter to use the associated script from. If the list does not contain a relevant interpreter, click  and configure a remote interpreter in the CLI Interpreters dialog box as described in [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#).  
When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA brings you back to the Code Sniffer dialog box where the new **Code Sniffer** configuration is added to the list and the right-hand pane shows the chosen remote PHP interpreter, the path to the Code Sniffer associated with it, and the advanced PHP Code Sniffer options.

### ItemDescription

**PHP Code Sniffer (phpcs) Path** In this text box, specify the location of the Code Sniffer utility `phpcs` or `phpcs.bat`. If the script is associated with a PHP interpreter, IntelliJ IDEA detects the path to it and fills in the field automatically but you can edit it if necessary. In either case, type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog box, that opens.

To check that the specified path to `phpcs.bat` or `phpcs` ensures interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and Code Sniffer, that is, the tool can be launched from IntelliJ IDEA and IntelliJ IDEA will receive problem reports from it, click the Validate button. This validation is equal to running the `phpcs --version` command. If validation passes successfully, IntelliJ IDEA displays the information on the detected Code Sniffer version.

**Interpreter** The field shows the chosen PHP interpreter to use the Code Sniffer from.

**Maximum number of messages per file** In this text box, set the upper limit for the total number of messages to be reported for a file. All the messages above this limit will be rejected. IntelliJ IDEA will display the following warning right in the code: `Too many PHP Code Sniffer messages` and suggest adding the file to the Ignored files list.

**Tool process timeout** In this text box, specify how long you want IntelliJ IDEA to wait for a result from PHP Code Sniffer, whereupon the process is killed to prevent excessive CPU and memory usage. This gives you the capability to fine tune the PHP

Code Sniffer process behavior depending on the configuration of your computer and the rule sets used.

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The page is available only when the **PHP** and the **Command Line Tool Support** plugins are enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

On this page, enable execution of [Composer Dependency Manager](#) commands through the dedicated user interface and appoint the default `composer.json` for the IntelliJ IDEA project.

#### ItemDescription

Path to composer.json	<p>In this text box, specify the location of the <code>composer.json</code> that you want to use as <b>default</b> . All the Composer commands invoked from <i>Tools   Composer</i> on the main menu will be executed in accordance with the settings from this configuration file.</p> <p>You can have several <code>composer.json</code> files in one IntelliJ IDEA project. For each <code>composer.json</code> , actions are invoked from its context menu in the editor or in the Project view.</p>
Add packages as libraries	<p>Use this checkbox to configure the open-for-edit status of Composer packages. To protect packages under <code>vendor/**</code> against editing, leave the checkbox selected (this is the default setting).</p> <p>If you want to edit Composer packages under <code>vendor/**</code> , clear the checkbox.</p>
Synchronize IDE settings with composer.json	<p>Select this checkbox to automatically detect the PHP language level and configure project Source and Test roots based on the configuration from <code>composer.json</code> .</p> <p>IntelliJ IDEA is aware of PSR-0/PSR-4 source roots and of their namespace prefixes declared in the <code>autoload</code> and <code>autoload-dev</code> sections in <code>composer.json</code> . IntelliJ IDEA also detects the PHP language level based on the <code>php</code> setting in the <code>require</code> section.</p> <p>Because <code>composer.json</code> contains the most up-to-date information about the project configuration, this automatic synchronization ensures that the Source and Test folder exactly match the project structure and the correct PHP language level is set automatically. Learn more about PSR and autoload from the <a href="#">Composer official website</a> . For examples and details in synchronizing settings, see <a href="#">PhpStorm blog</a> .</p>
PHP interpreter	<p>Choose one of the configured PHP interpreters from the list. See <a href="#">Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters</a> for details.</p>
Path to composer.phar	<p>In this text box, specify the location of the <code>composer.phar</code> archive.</p>
Click here to download from getcomposer.org	<p>Click this link to download <code>composer.phar</code> from the official storage and specify the folder to store the archive in. This instance of Composer will be available in the current project only. To use it in the command line mode, <a href="#">configure it as a command line tool</a> .</p>

The page is available only when the **PHP** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Use this page to integrate PHP-specific testing frameworks with IntelliJ IDEA in the current project. With IntelliJ IDEA, you can run a debug [PHPUnit](#), [Behat](#), [Codeception](#), and [PHPSpec](#) tests.

## What does the Test Frameworks page show?

The page consists of two panes:

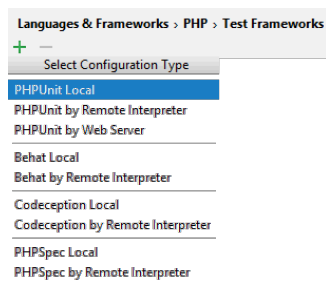
- The central pane shows existing configurations of test frameworks for different interpreters.
- The contents of the right-hand pane depend on the test framework and the type of the selected interpreter.

## How do I configure a test framework in a project?

**Tip** In local configurations the default project PHP interpreter is used, see [Default project CLI interpreters](#).

### 1. Step 1: Choose how you will use the framework

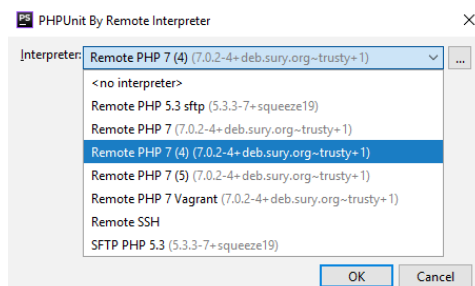
Click **+** and choose the relevant configuration type from the list:



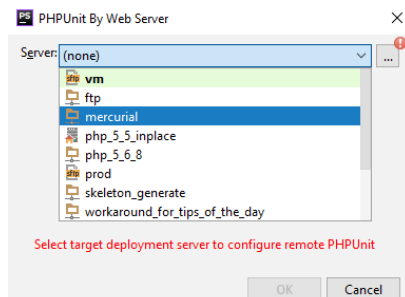
You can configure any test framework to use with a local or remote PHP interpreter. PHPUnit can also be configured to run by a Web Server via HTTP.

### 2. Step 2: For a remote configuration, choose the PHP interpreter

In the dialog box that opens, choose one of the configured PHP interpreters:



To use PHPUnit with a web server, choose the target deployment configuration:



### 3. Step 3: In the right-hand pane, choose where to take the test framework from

For Behat, PHPSpec, and Codeception, type the path to the framework executable.

For PHPUnit, specify the type of framework installation you are using, the available options are *composer autoloader* (`autoload.php`), or `phpunit.phar` archive, or `PEAR`.

### 4. Step 4: Check the chosen remote PHP interpreter, path mappings, or target deployment server

For remote configurations, the pane also shows the chosen PHP interpreter and the path mappings or the target

deployment server.

## 5. Step 5: Optionally

Specify the configuration file. For PHPUnit, you can also specify a bootstrap file to use.

## PHPUnit

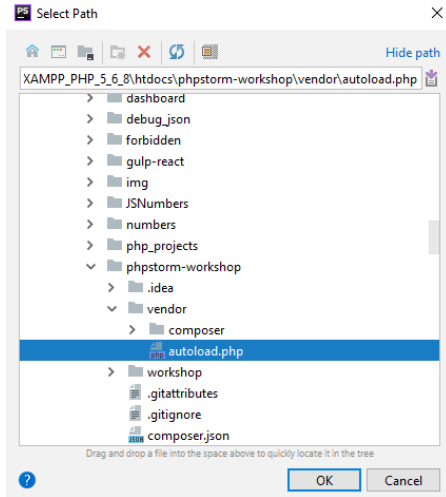
In this pane, configure installations of PHPUnit to be used with PHP interpreters.

### PHPUnit Library

In this area, specify the type of PHPUnit installation. The available options are:

Use Composer autoloader


Choose this option to run PHPUnit installed by the [Composer Dependency Manager](#). The package is retrieved and loaded by the `autoload.php` file from the `vendor` folder.



Specify the location of `autoload.php` in the *Path to script* text box.

Path to phunit.phar

Choose this option to run PHPUnit from the `.phar` archive.

- If you already have a `phunit.phar` archive in your project, specify its location in the *Path to phunit.phar* text box. Type the path manually or click  and select the file in the dialog box that opens.
  - If you have no `.phar` archive on your computer yet, click the [Download phunit.phar ...](#) link to have IntelliJ IDEA download it automatically.
- In either case, IntelliJ IDEA will load the archive before test execution.


Load from include path

Choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA run the PHPUnit from PEAR configured as an [include path](#) on the [PHP](#) page of the [Settings / Preferences Dialog](#).

### CLI Interpreter

This area shows:

- The remote *PHP CLI Interpreter* to use PHPUnit with.
- The *Path Mappings* between your local sources and the sources inside the Vagrant instance, or the Docker container, or on the remote host.
- The *Docker container settings* that will be used to start the container from an image. These settings may include the volume configuration, the exposed port, the network, etc.

In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA detects the path mappings and the container settings and fills in all the fields automatically. Alternatively, click  next to the field in question and specify the settings manually. See [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

### Web Server

The read-only field shows the deployment configuration to use PHPUnit with, see [Deploying your application](#) for details.

**Tip** The *CLI Interpreter* field is read-only. Click  to update the chosen interpreter in the [Interpreters dialog box](#).

**Tip** The area is shown only for *PHPUnit by Remote Interpreter* configurations.


**Tip** The field is available only for *PHPUnit by Web Server* configurations.

### Test Runner


In this area, appoint the configuration `XML` file to use for launching and executing scenarios.

By default, PHPUnit looks for a `phpunit.xml` configuration file in the project root folder or in the `config` folder. You can

appoint a custom configuration file.


You can also type the path to a bootstrap file to have PHP script always executed before launching tests. In the text box, specify the location of the script. Type the path manually or click  and select the desired folder in the [dialog that opens](#).

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**Default configuration file** Select this checkbox to specify your own `xml` configuration file. This file will be later used as default in all PHPUnit run/debug configurations.  
In the text box, specify the location of the configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.


Clear the checkbox to have PHPUnit use the `phpunit.xml` configuration file from the project root folder or from the `config` folder. If no such file is found, test execution fails, therefore it may be more reliable to specify the configuration file explicitly.

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**Default bootstrap file** Select this checkbox to have PHP script always executed before launching tests. In the text box, specify the location of the script. Type the path manually or click  and select the desired folder in the [dialog that opens](#).

## Behat

**Tip** This pane is available only when the Behat Support plugin is installed and enabled on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins and Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

**Tip** The *CLI Interpreter* field is read-only. Click  to update the chosen interpreter in the [Interpreters dialog box](#).


**Tip** The area is shown only for *Behat by Remote Interpreter* configurations.

In this pane, configure installations of the [Behat](#) framework available through configured local and remote PHP interpreters.

### CLI Interpreter

This area shows:


- The remote *PHP CLI Interpreter* to use Behat with.
- The *Path Mappings* between your local sources and the sources inside the Vagrant instance, or the Docker container, or on the remote host.
- The *Docker container settings* that will be used to start the container from an image. These settings may include the volume configuration, the exposed port, the network, etc.

In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA detects the path mappings and the container settings and fills in all the fields automatically. Alternatively, click  next to the field in question and specify the settings manually. See [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

### Behat Library

In this area, specify the Behat installation to use.


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**Path to Behat executable** In this text box, specify the location of the `behat.phar` archive or the folder with the Behat executable file. Behat does not necessarily have to be installed under the current project root. You can type the path manually or click  and choose the relevant location in the dialog box that opens.

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**Behat releases** Click this link to navigate to the Behat repository on github where you can choose the relevant version of `behat.phar` archive.

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**Behat version** This read-only field shows the version of the specified Behat installation. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version when you click the *Refresh* icon . The default value is *Not installed*.

### Test Runner

In this area, appoint the configuration `.ym1` file to use for launching and executing scenarios.

By default, Behat looks for a `behat.ym1` configuration file in the project root folder or in the `config` folder. You can appoint a custom configuration file.


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**Default configuration file** Select this checkbox to specify your own `.ym1` configuration file. This file will be later used as default in all Behat run/debug configurations.  
In the text box, specify the location of the configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

Clear the checkbox to have Behat use the `behat.ym1` configuration file from the project root folder or from the `config` folder. If no such file is found, test execution fails, therefore it may be more reliable to specify the configuration file explicitly.

## Codeception

**Tip** This pane is available only when the Codeception Framework plugin is installed and enabled on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins and Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

**Tip** The *CLI Interpreter* field is read-only. Click  to update the chosen interpreter in the [Interpreters dialog box](#).


**Tip** The area is shown only for *Codeception by Remote Interpreter* configurations.

In this pane, configure installations of the [Codeception](#) framework available through configured local and remote PHP interpreters.

### CLI Interpreter


This area shows:

- The remote *PHP CLI Interpreter* to use Codeception with.
- The *Path Mappings* between your local sources and the sources inside the Vagrant instance, or the Docker container, or on the remote host.
- The *Docker container settings* that will be used to start the container from an image. These settings may include the volume configuration, the exposed port, the network, etc.

In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA detects the path mappings and the container settings and fills in all the fields automatically. Alternatively, click  next to the field in question and specify the settings manually. See [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

### Codeception Library


In this area, specify the Codeception installation to use.

Path to Codeception executable	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>codeception.phar</code> archive or the folder with the Codeception executable file.
Codeception releases	Click this link to navigate to the Codeception repository on github where you can choose the relevant version of <code>codeception.phar</code> archive.
Codeception version	This read-only field shows the version of the specified Codeception installation. IntelliJ IDEA detects the version when you click the <i>Refresh</i> icon  . The default value is <i>Not installed</i> .

### Test Runner

In this area, appoint the configuration `.yaml` file to use for launching and executing scenarios.

By default, Codeception looks for a `codeception.yaml` configuration file in the project root folder. You can appoint a custom configuration file.

Default configuration file	Select this checkbox to specify your own <code>.yaml</code> configuration file. This file will be later used as default in all Codeception run/debug configurations. In the text box, specify the location of the configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.  Clear the checkbox to have Codeception use the <code>codeception.yaml</code> configuration file from the project root folder. If no such file is found, test execution fails, therefore it may be more reliable to specify the configuration file explicitly.
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## PHPSpec

**Tip** This pane is available only when the PHPSpec BDD Framework plugin is installed and enabled on the [Plugins page](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

**Tip** The *CLI Interpreter* field is read-only. Click  to update the chosen interpreter in the [Interpreters dialog box](#).


**Tip** The area is shown only for *PHPSpec by Remote Interpreter* configurations.

In this pane, configure installations of the [PHPSpec](#) toolset available through configured local and remote PHP interpreters.

### CLI Interpreter

This area shows:

- The remote *PHP CLI Interpreter* to use PHPSpec with.
- The *Path Mappings* between your local sources and the sources inside the Vagrant instance, or the Docker container, or on the remote host.
- The *Docker container settings* that will be used to start the container from an image. These settings may include the volume configuration, the exposed port, the network, etc.

In most cases, IntelliJ IDEA detects the path mappings and the container settings and fills in all the fields automatically. Alternatively, click  next to the field in question and specify the settings manually. See [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#) for details.

## PHPSpec Library

In this area, specify the PHPSpec installation to use.

**Tip** The field is shown for *Local* configurations only.

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**Path to PHPSpec executable** In this text box, specify the location of `phpspec`. PHPSpec does not necessarily have to be installed under the current project root.  
If no path to PHPSpec is specified for a *Local* interpreter, IntelliJ IDEA does not provide full support of PHPSpec, for example, it does not show suggestion for code completion and does not resolve references.

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**Prefix ('spec\_prefix')** This read-only field shows the namespace prefix for specifications. IntelliJ IDEA detects `spec_prefix` from the configuration file specified in the *Default Configuration File* field. The default value is `spec`. See [PHPSpec Configuration: PSR-4](#) and [PHPSpec Configuration: Spec and Source Location](#) for details.

## Test Runner

In this area, appoint the configuration `.yaml` file to use for launching and executing specifications.

By default, PHPSpec looks for a `phpspec.yaml` or a `phpspec.yaml.dist` configuration file in the project root folder. You can appoint a custom configuration file.

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**Default configuration file** Select this checkbox to specify your own `.yaml` configuration file. This file will be later used as default in all PHPSpec run/debug configurations.  
In the text box, specify the location of the configuration file to use. Type the path manually or click  and choose the file in the dialog box that opens.

Clear the checkbox to have PHPSpec use the `phpspec.yaml` or `phpspec.yaml.dist` configuration file from the project root folder. If no such file is found, test execution fails, therefore it may be more reliable to specify the configuration file explicitly.



On this page:

- [Mess Detector Page](#)
- [Mess Detector Dialog](#)

## Mess Detector Page

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The page is available only when the **PHP** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).



On this page, choose the Mess Detector script to use.

### ItemDescription

**Configuration** From this drop-down list, choose the script to use:

- To use the script associated with a specific remote PHP interpreter, choose the name of this interpreter.
- To use the script associated with the default project interpreter, that is, the one chosen on the PHP page of the Settings dialog box, choose *By default project interpreter*.
- To use a local script, choose *Local*. In this case the local Mess Detector will be executed no matter which PHP interpreter - local or remote - is used in the project. Note that there can be only one *Local* configuration for Mess Detector because IntelliJ IDEA runs a script (`phpmd.bat` for Windows or `phpmd` for Linux) which contains a path to a PHP engine.

**Ignored files** This area displays a list of files that Mess Detector skips. IntelliJ IDEA suggests adding a new file to the list during inspection when waiting for response from the Mess Detector exceeds the limit specified in the Tool process timeout field. This is done to prevent slowing down processing. For each file, IntelliJ IDEA displays its name and location.



- To delete a file from the list and have Mess Detector process it again, select the file and click the Remove file button .
- To remove all the files from the list, click the Clean the list button .

## Mess Detector Dialog

The dialog box opens when you click  next to the Configuration drop-down list on the Mess Detector page.


Use this dialog box to configure local Mess Detector scripts, scripts associated with remote PHP interpreters, see [PHP Mess Detector](#), and configure Mess Detector's behaviour.

The left-hand pane of the dialog box shows all the configured Mess Detector scripts, one of them is of the type *Local*, and others are named after the remote PHP interpreters with which the scripts are associated. When you select a configuration, the right-hand pane shows its details.

- To configure or edit the *Local* script, select *Local* and specify the location of `phpmd.bat` or `phpmd` in the PHP Mess Detector path field.
- To configure a new script associated with a remote PHP interpreter:
  1. Click  on the toolbar.
  2. In the Mess Detector by Remote Interpreter dialog box that opens, choose the remote PHP interpreter to use the associated script from. If the list does not contain a relevant interpreter, click  and configure a remote interpreter in the CLI Interpreters dialog box as described in [Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters](#).  
When you click OK, IntelliJ IDEA brings you back to the Mess Detector dialog box where the new **Mess Detector** configuration is added to the list and the right-hand pane shows the chosen remote PHP interpreter, the path to the Mess Detector associated with it, and the advanced PHP Mess Detector options.

### ItemDescription

**PHP Mess Detector (phpmd) Path** In this text box, specify the location of the Mess Detector utility `phpmd` or `phpmd.bat`. If the script is associated with a PHP interpreter, IntelliJ IDEA detects the path to it and fills in the field automatically but you can edit it if necessary.

In either case, type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog box, that opens.

To check that the specified path to `phpmd.bat` or `phpmd` ensures interaction between IntelliJ IDEA and Mess Detector, that is, the tool can be launched from IntelliJ IDEA and IntelliJ IDEA will receive problem reports from it, click the Validate button. This validation is equal to running the `phpmd --version` command. If validation passes successfully, IntelliJ IDEA displays the information on the detected Mess Detector version.

**Interpreter** The field shows the chosen PHP interpreter to use the Mess Detector from.

**Maximum number of messages per file** In this text box, set the upper limit for the total number of messages to be reported for a file. All the messages above this limit will be rejected. IntelliJ IDEA will display the following warning right in the code: `Too many PHP Mess Detector messages` and suggest adding the file to the Ignored files list.

**Tool process timeout** In this text box, specify how long you want IntelliJ IDEA to wait for a result from PHP Mess Detector, whereupon the process is killed to prevent excessive CPU and memory usage. This gives you the capability to fine tune the PHP Mess Detector process behavior depending on the configuration of your computer and the rule sets used.

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On this page, integrate PHP frameworks with IntelliJ IDEA in the current project. The settings for each framework are shown in a separate area. A framework-specific area is shown only when the corresponding plugin (Drupal Support, Joomla! Support, or WordPress Support) is installed and enabled on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#)

## Drupal

In this section, configure integration with [Drupal](#) in a project.

Enable Drupal integration	When the checkbox is selected you can use the specified below Drupal installation via the IntelliJ IDEA interface.
Drupal installation path	In this text box, specify the root folder of the <i>Drupal</i> installation.
Set up PHP   Include paths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Select this checkbox to have <i>Drupal</i> include paths automatically configured for the project. After you leave the dialog box, the following paths will be added to the <i>Include Paths</i> list on the <a href="#">PHP</a> page: <code>&lt;drupal installation root&gt;/includes</code> , <code>&lt;drupal installation root&gt;/modules</code> , and <code>&lt;drupal installation root&gt;/sites/all/modules</code></li><li>– Clear the checkbox to configure the include paths manually.</li></ul>
Version	From this drop-down list, choose the version of Drupal to use, the supported versions are 6, 7, and 8.

## Joomla!

In this section, configure integration with [Joomla!](#) in a project.

Enable Joomla! integration	When the checkbox is selected you can use the specified below Joomla! installation via the IntelliJ IDEA interface.
Joomla! installation path	In this text box, specify the root folder of the <i>Joomla!</i> installation.

## WordPress

**Tip** To use WordPress in the command line mode, configure it as a command line tool in [Command Line Tool Support: WP-CLI](#).

In this area, configure integration with the [WordPress Content Management System](#) in the current project to work with the system through the IntelliJ IDEA user interface.

Enable WordPress Integration	When the checkbox is selected you can use the specified below WordPress installation via the IntelliJ IDEA interface.
WordPress Installation Path	In this text box, specify the folder where WordPress is installed. This folder should contain the <code>wp-admin</code> and <code>wp-includes</code> subdirectories.


The page is available only when the Phing Support plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

On this page, enable Phing integration in the current project.

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**ItemDescription**

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Path to Phing executable	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>phing.bat</code> file. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the file location in the dialog box that opens.
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This page is available only when the **PHP** and **Blade** plugins are installed and enabled. The plugins are not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but they can be installed from the **JetBrains plugin repository** as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) . Once enabled, the plugins are available at the IDE level, that is, you can use them in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects.

The page consists of the following tabs:

- [Text Tags](#)
- [Directives](#)

## Text Tags

In this tab, specify the delimiters to use in **Blade** templates. According to these settings, IntelliJ IDEA recognizes templates and provides error highlighting and code completion for them.

The fields in the tab show the opening and closing characters for [raw tags](#) , [content tags](#) , and [escaped tags](#) .


The fields are filled in with the default values in compliance with [Blade Templates 5.1](#) . If you are using an earlier version, you can specify the relevant custom delimiters and IntelliJ IDEA will provide coding assistance according to the new rules.

## Directives

In this tab, manage [Blade directives](#) for use in IntelliJ IDEA. The tab lists all the currently available **Blade** directives, for those that have parameters, the prefixes and suffixes are also shown. When you start, the list contains only **predefined** directives.

You can edit these directives as well as create custom ones.

### ItemDescription

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| Directives | <p>The tab lists all the currently available <b>Blade</b> directives, for those that have parameters, the prefixes and suffixes are also shown. When you start, the list contains only <b>predefined</b> directives. You can edit these directives as well as create custom ones.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Add directive (+) click this button to define a new directive. Specify the directive's name in the Name text box. If the new directives requires a prefix and a suffix, select the Has parameter checkbox and type the prefix and suffix to use in the Prefix and Suffix text boxes respectively. IntelliJ IDEA will automatically enclose the prefix and suffix in opening and closing brackets and quotes and add a colon separator : so the parameters will look as follows: (" &lt;prefix&gt;:&lt;suffix&gt;" ) .</li> <li>To edit an existing directive, select it in the list and change the values in the text boxes below. To restore the original definition, click the Reset to defaults button  .</li> <li>- Remove directive(s) (-) click this button to remove the selected directive from the list.</li> <li>- Reset to defaults (🔄) click this button to restore the original definition of the selected directive.</li> </ul> |
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Name	In this text box, specify the name of a new directive or edit the name of the selected one.
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Has parameter	<p>Select this check bo to specify a prefix and a suffix for a new directive or for the one selected in the list. When the checkbox is selected, the Prefix and Suffix text boxes are available for editing. Specify the required directive parameters. If the new directives requires a prefix and a suffix, select the Has parameter checkbox and type the prefix and suffix to use in the Prefix and Suffix text boxes respectively. IntelliJ IDEA will automatically enclose the prefix and suffix in opening and closing brackets and quotes and add a colon separator : so the parameters will look as follows: (" &lt;prefix&gt;:&lt;suffix&gt;" ) .</p>
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In this dialog box, activate and configure the support of the **Google App Engine for PHP** in an existing IntelliJ IDEA project. For more details, see [Preparing to Develop a Google App for PHP Application](#).

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#### ItemDescription

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| Enable Google App Engine for PHP support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA provides assistance in developing PHP applications intended for running in the <a href="#">Google PHP Runtime Environment</a>. This support includes coding assistance and the possibility to run and debug such PHP applications on the local Google development server.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, no assistance in developing PHP applications for running in the Google runtime environment is provided and all the controls on the page are disabled.</li></ul> |
| SDK directory                            | In this field, specify the folder where the <b>Google App Engine for PHP</b> SDK is stored.   |
| Python executable                        | In this field, specify the path to the <b>Python</b> executable file, version 2.7 is required.  |
| App Engine Account Settings              | In this area, choose the way to authenticate to the development server, the available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use passwordless login via OAuth2: choose this option to use the <a href="#">OAuth 2.0 protocol</a>. To save the <b>token</b> achieved through the <a href="#">Google Developers Console</a>, clear the Do not save token checkbox.</li><li>– Log in with email and password: choose this option to use your <b>Gmail</b> address and password.</li></ul>  |

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The page is available only when the PHP plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

Use this dialog box to specify the delimiters to enclose [Smarty](#) tags in.



#### ItemDescription

Smarty left delimiter	In this text box, specify the desired opening delimiter. By default, the field shows the opening curly brace <code>{</code> .
Smarty right delimiter	In this text box, specify the desired closing delimiter. By default, the field shows the closing curly brace <code>}</code> .
Use Smarty 3 whitespace policy	When this checkbox is selected, delimiters followed by whitespace will not be parsed as template tags. The checkbox is available when <a href="#">Smarty 3.0</a> or higher is used.

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#### ItemDescription

Enable Dart support in project <project name>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA provides assistance in coding, testing, running, and debugging Dart applications and enables you to configure the Dart SDK and the Dartium browser.</li><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, no assistance in developing Dart applications is provided and all the controls on the page are disabled.</li></ul>
Dart SDK Path	In this text box, specify the location of the downloaded Dart SDK . Type the path manually or click  and choose the path in the dialog box that opens. If IntelliJ IDEA recognizes the Dart SDK correctly, its revision number is displayed in the Version read-only field.
Version	In this read-only field, IntelliJ IDEA shows the revision number of the detected Dart SDK , provided that the SDK is recognized correctly.
Check SDK update	<p>When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA checks whether the specified above version of SDK is the latest one. If a newer version of SDK is available, IntelliJ IDEA displays a pane at the top of the active editor informing you that a newer SDK version has been released. Do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Click the Download SDK link and download it from the site.</li><li>– If you have already downloaded the latest SDK version, click the Dart Settings link to switch to the Dart page of the Settings dialog box and specify the new SDK location.</li></ul> <p>From the drop-down list, choose the release types of SDK to look in, the available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Stable channel</li><li>– Stable and Dev channels</li></ul>
Dartium Path	In this text box, specify the location of the Dartium executable (Windows and Linux)/Dartium application (macOS). Type the path manually or click  and choose the path in the dialog box that opens. Learn more about Dart web tools from the the <a href="#">Dart Official website</a> ,

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When you select the Tools category in the left-hand pane, its main subcategories are listed in the right-hand part of the dialog.

- [Web Browsers](#)
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- [Database](#)
- [SSH Terminal](#)
- [Diagrams](#)
- [Diff & Merge](#)
- [Python External Documentation](#)
- [Python Integrated Tools](#)
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- [Server Certificates](#)
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- [Startup Tasks](#)
- [Vagrant](#)
- [XPath Viewer](#)
- [Web Services](#)





### On this page

- Integrate installations of Web browsers with IntelliJ IDEA, activate or deactivate launching Web browsers from IntelliJ IDEA .
- Specify whether a browser will be launched by running its executable file or through the default system command .
- Appoint the **default IntelliJ IDEA browser** in which IntelliJ IDEA will **open HTML and JSP files** upon request by default, that is, when no browser is specified explicitly .


## Browsers

In this section, specify which browsers will be available for previewing HTML or JSP output. The section shows a **predefined list of browsers** , possibly extended with previously configured **custom browser installations** . Each browser is presented as a separate table row.

IntelliJ IDEA is shipped with a predefined list of most popular browsers which you may like to install and use. The items are added to the list in advanced and are not based on the information on actually installed browsers. IntelliJ IDEA presumes that you install browsers according to a standard procedure. Based on this assumption, each browser in this predefined list is assigned an **alias** which stands for the path to its executable file, as IntelliJ IDEA supposes it to be. If in your actual browser installation the path to the executable file is different, you need to specify it explicitly in the Path field.







In addition to the predefined browsers, you can configure as many custom browser installations as you need using the controls on the toolbar.

### ColumnDescription

Active	Select this checkbox to enable the use the respective browser from IntelliJ IDEA. The browser will be added to the context menu of the Open in Browse menu item and its icon will be displayed in the Browsers pop-up toolbar. If this checkbox is cleared, the corresponding browser icon will not appear in the icons toolbar or pop-up menu.
Name	In this column, specify the browser name.
Family	In this column, specify the family to which the browser belongs.
Path	In this column, specify the path to the executable. If the browser was installed according to a standard installation procedure, most likely the <b>alias</b> shown in the Path field points at the right location of the executable file. To specify the path explicitly, click  in the Path field and choose the actual location of the executable file in the dialog box that opens. In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , choose the path to the executable file of the corresponding browser.

## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to add a custom browser to the list.
	Click this button to delete the selected customer browser from the list. Note that you cannot delete the browsers from the predefined list.
	Click this button to specify a custom profile for <b>Firefox</b> or a browser of the <b>Chrome</b> family. The button is available only when Firefox and Chrome are selected. In the Firefox Settings dialog box, specify the <a href="#">Firefox browser profile</a> to use for previewing output: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Path to "profiles.ini" : in this text box, specify the location of the <code>profiles.ini</code> file, which determines the Firefox profile to be used.</li> <li>– Profile : from this drop-down list, select the desired predefined profile to use. Learn more at <a href="#">Firefox browser profile</a> .</li> </ul> In the Chrome Settings dialog box: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Command line options : In this text box, enter the command line options to launch an instance of Chrome. If you need more space, click  , or press <code>Shift+Enter</code> to open the editor box. Learn more about Chrome command line options by opening <code>chrome://flags</code> in <b>Chrome</b> .</li> <li>– Use custom profile directory : Select this checkbox to define a user-specific Chrome profile to use and specify the location of the <code>chrome-user-data</code> directory, which determines the Chrome profile to be used. Learn more about Chrome profiles at <a href="#">Multi-profiles</a> .</li> </ul>
	Use these buttons to move the selected browser up or down in the list. The order of browsers is important for rendering external resources and previewing files with Web contents.
	Click this button to create a copy of the selected browser.




## Default Browser

In this section, specify the **default IntelliJ IDEA browser** that will be used by default for rendering external resources and previewing files with Web contents. This browser will be referred to as Default in the context menu when you choose View | Open in Browser on the main menu or Open in Browser on the context menu of a file.

### ItemDescription

Default browser	Select the default browser from the drop-down list. The possible options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– System default : Select this option to accept your operating system default Web browser as default for IntelliJ</li> </ul>
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- First listed : Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA launch the first browser in the list. Change the order of browsers using the  and  icons on the toolbar.
- Custom path : Select this option to specify another Web browser as default for IntelliJ IDEA. Type the path to the executable file of the browser or click  and select the path in the dialog box that opens.

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Show browser  
popup in the  
editor

- If this checkbox is selected, the popup window with the enabled browsers appears in the HTML or JSP files.
- If this checkbox is not selected, this popup window does not show up, thus helping you read or edit code.

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The page is available when the **File Watchers** plugin is enabled. The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

IntelliJ IDEA integrates with various third-party [compilers](#) that run in the background and translate Less, Sass, SCSS, and Stylus into CSS, or CoffeeScript into JavaScript, as well as compress JavaScript and CSS.

To use a compiler in IntelliJ IDEA, you need to configure it as a **File Watcher**. For each supported compiler, IntelliJ IDEA provides a predefined File Watcher template.

The output of a File Watcher is stored in a separate file. Each predefined template suggests the type of the output file depending on the compiler type. By default the output file is created in the same folder as the input file when the File Watcher is invoked for the first time, after that this file is only updated. However, in the Project tree view, the output file is shown under the original file which is shown as a node. This is done to improve visibility so you can easier locate necessary files.













File watchers have two dedicated **code inspections**:

- The **File watcher available** inspection is runs in every file where a predefined File Watcher is applicable. If the project has no relevant File Watcher configured, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to add one.
- The **File watcher problems** inspection is invoked by a running File Watcher and highlights errors specific for it.

Use this page to create project File Watchers based on predefined IntelliJ IDEA File Watcher templates. The page consists of two parts:

- A list of **File Watchers** available in the current project. To activate a **File Watcher**, select the check box next to it. If an error occurs while a **File Watcher** is running, the **File Watcher** is automatically disabled.
- A toolbar to manage this list.

#### ItemTooltip/ Description

	and shortcut	
	Add 	Click this button to open the Choose template pop-up list and choose the relevant type of <b>File Watcher</b> . After that IntelliJ IDEA opens the <a href="#">New Watcher</a> dialog box for customizing the predefined <b>File Watcher</b> according to the settings of the current project.
	Edit 	Click this button to update the settings of the selected <b>File Watcher</b> in the <a href="#">Edit Watcher</a> dialog box. The update is applied to the current project <b>File Watcher</b> only, it does not affect the predefined IntelliJ IDEA-level template.
	Remove 	Click this button to remove the selected <b>File Watcher</b> . The <b>File Watcher</b> is no longer applied to the files in the current project. Note that this action does not affect the corresponding predefined template which is still available at the IntelliJ IDEA level.
	Up(  )  Down (  )	Use these buttons to change the order of <b>File Watcher</b> in the list. This determines the order of launching <b>File Watchers</b> , if more than one are enabled.
	Copy	Use this button to create a copy of the selected file watcher.
	Import	Click this button to import an existing file watcher and add it to the list of available file watchers.
	Export	Click this button to export the selected watchers to <code>watchers.xml</code> file, located under the user's home.

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The dialog opens when you click the Add  or Edit  button on the [File Watchers page](#). Use the dialog box to create a project File Watcher based on a predefined IntelliJ IDEA File Watcher template or to edit an existing project File Watcher.

Each template contains the settings that are optimal for the selected compiler. So in most cases, all you need is specify the path to the compiler executable.

## Name

**Name** In this text box, type the name of the File Watcher. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the name of the selected predefined template.


## Files to watch

**Tip** By default, the field shows the file type in accordance with the chosen predefined template.

**Tip** See [Scope](#) for details.

**Tip** This option is available only for Babel, Closure Compiler, Compass, Jade, Less, Sass / SCSS, Stylus, UglifyJS, and YUI Compressor JS.

**File type** Use this drop-down list to specify the expected type of input files. The File Watcher will consider only files of this type as subject for analyzing and processing. File types are recognised based on [associations between file types and file extensions](#).

**Scope** Use this drop-down list to define the range of files the File Watcher can be applied to. Changes in these files will invoke the File Watcher either immediately or upon save or frame deactivation, depending on the status of the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox. Choose one of the predefined scopes from the drop-down list or click  and configure a custom scope in the Scopes dialog that opens.

**Track only root files** When the File Watcher is invoked in a file, IntelliJ IDEA detects all the files where it is included. For each of the detected files, in its turn, IntelliJ IDEA again detects the containing files. This operation is repeated recursively until IntelliJ IDEA reaches the files that are not included anywhere [within the specified scope](#). These files are referred to as root files (do not confuse with content roots).

- When this checkbox is selected, the File Watcher runs only against the root files.
- When the checkbox is cleared, the File Watcher runs against the file from which it is invoked and against all the files in which this file is included recursively within the specified scope.

Note that the Scope setting overrides the Track only root files checkbox setting: if a dependency is outside the specified scope, the File Watcher is not applied to it.


## Tool to run on changes

**Tip** `.jar` archives are also acceptable but defining `PATH` variables for them is not supported.

**Tip** When specifying the arguments, follow these rules:

- Use spaces as separators.
- If an argument contains spaces, enclose them or the entire argument in double quotes: `some "arg"` Or `"some arg"`.
- If an argument contains double quotes, use backslashes to escape them: `-Dmy.prop="quoted_value"`.

In this area, configure interaction with the compiler: specify the executable file to use, the arguments to pass to it, and customize the default template settings for input and output.

**Program** In this text box, specify the path to the executable file of the compiler (`.exe`, `.cmd`, `.bat`, or other depending on the specific tool.) Type the path in the text box, or click  and choose the path in the dialog that opens, click Insert Macro button and select the relevant macro from the list in the [Macros](#) dialog.


**Arguments** In this text box, define the arguments to pass to the compiler and thus influence its behaviour. Among other cases, use this text box to change the default output location, that is, specify a custom location where you want the compiler to store the files generated during compilation. Note that if you re-define the default output location here you need to clear the Create output file from stdout checkbox in the Advanced Options area because otherwise the content of your generated file will be overwritten by the compiler's output stream.

**Output paths to refresh** In this text box, specify the files where the compiler stores its output: the resulting source code, source maps, and dependencies. In other words, tell IntelliJ IDEA where it should search for the files generated through compilation.

Please note, that changing the value in this text box does not make the compiler store its output in another location. To do that, specify the desired output location in the Arguments text box: type the output paths using colons as separators or click the Insert Macro button to open the [Macros](#) dialog box and select the desired pattern from the list.

## Working Directory and Environment Variables

**Tip** If you leave the field empty, IntelliJ IDEA uses the directory of the file where the File Watcher is invoked.

**Working directory** In this text box, specify the directory to which the compiler will be applied. Because the tool is always invoked in the context of a file, the default working directory is the directory of the current file. The default working directory is specified in all predefined templates through a `$FileDir$` macros. To specify a custom working directory, type the path to it in the text box, or click  and choose the directory in the Select Path dialog box, or click Insert Macro and select the desired macro from the list in the [Macros](#) dialog box.

**Environment variables** Use this text box to specify a the `PATH` variable for a tool that is required for starting the compiler but is not referenced in the path to it.

## Advanced Options

**Tip** Some compilers generate a `standard output stream (stdout)` file, others do not, which may lead to errors. Therefore it is strongly recommended that you preserve the default setting.

**Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher**

- When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA immediately saves a file as soon as you edit it so the File Watcher wakes up immediately.
- When the checkbox is cleared, the File Watcher starts upon save ( `File | Save All` ) or when you move the focus from IntelliJ IDEA (upon frame deactivation).

**Trigger watcher regardless of syntax errors**

- When the checkbox is selected, the File Watcher start regardless of the syntactical correctness of a file. The File Watcher will start upon update, save, or frame deactivation, depending on the status of the Auto-save edited files to trigger the watcher checkbox.
- When this checkbox is cleared, the File Watcher ignores all triggers in files that are syntactically invalid and starts only in error-free files.

**Create output file from stdout**

- When this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA reads the native compiler output ( `standard output stream (stdout)` ) and generates the resulting files from it.
- When the checkbox is cleared, the compiler writes its output directly to the files specified in the Output paths to refresh field.

**Show console**

From this drop-down list, choose when you want the File Watcher to open the console.

- Always: with this option, the console opens when the File Watcher starts.
- Error: with this option, the File Watcher opens the console only if any errors occur during compilation.
- Never: choose this option to suppress opening the console at all.

**Output Filters**

Click this button to open the [Output Filters dialog](#) where you can manage the list of filters to distinguish the output of the File Watcher from other output. These filters make the basis for:

1. Displaying paths to the File Watcher output files as links in error and other messages and logs. When you click such link, the corresponding file is opened in the editor. For example, to get useful error messages displayed, specify the following expression in the Regular expression to match output field of the [Add/Edit Filter Dialog](#) :

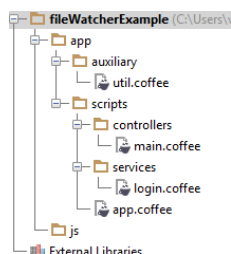
```
$FILE_PATH$: $LINE$ $MESSAGE$
```

2. Error highlighting in the output files.

## Examples of customizing the behaviour of a compiler

Any compiler is an external, third-party tool. Therefore the only way to influence a compiler is pass arguments to it just as if you were working in the command line mode. These arguments are specific for each tool. Below are two examples of customizing the default output location for the [CoffeeScript compiler](#) .

Suppose, you have a project with the following folder structure:



By default, the generated files will be stored in the folder where the original file is. You can change this default location and have the generated files stored in the `js` folder. Moreover, you can have them stored in a flat list or arranged in the folder structure that repeats the original structure under the `app` node.

– To have all the generated files stored in the output `js` folder without retaining the original folder structure under the `app` folder:

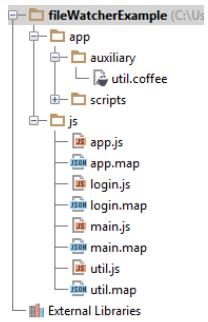
1. In the Arguments text box, type:

```
--output $ProjectFileDir$\js\ --compile --map $FileName$
```

2. In the Output paths to refresh text box, type:

```
$ProjectFileDir$\js\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.js:$ProjectFileDir$\js\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.map
```

As a result, the project tree looks as follows:



- To have the original folder structure under the `app` node retained in the output `js` folder:

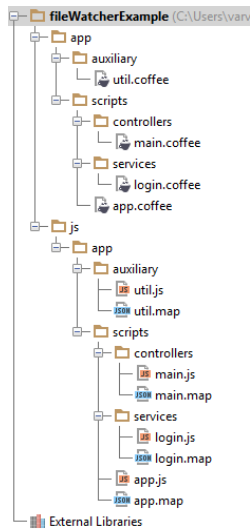
1. In the Arguments text box, type:

```
--output $ProjectFileDir$\js\${FileDirRelativeToProjectRoot}\ --compile --map $FileName$
```

2. In the Output paths to refresh text box, type:

```
$ProjectFileDir$\js\${FileDirRelativeToProjectRoot}\${FileNameWithoutExtension}.js:$ProjectFileDir$\js
```

As a result, the project tree looks as follows:



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Define third-party standalone applications (code generators and analyzers, pre- and post-processors, database utilities, etc.) as external tools to be able to run them from IntelliJ IDEA.

You can pass contextual information (like the currently selected file, or your project source path) to the external tools, view the tool output, and more.

The tools defined on this page appear as commands in the Tools menu and in various context menus. They can also be assigned keyboard shortcuts (see the [Configuring Keyboards and Mouse Shortcuts](#) section).

## Toolbar icons

### IconDescription



	Add a definition of an external tool. (The <a href="#">Create Tool dialog</a> will open.)
	If an individual tool is selected: delete the tool definition. If a tool group is selected: delete the definitions of all the tools within the selected group.
	Edit the definition of the selected tool. (The <a href="#">Edit Tool dialog</a> will open.)
	Move the selected tool one line up or down within the group. (The order of tools defines the order of items in corresponding menus.)
	Create a copy of the selected definition and then edit that copy. (The <a href="#">Copy Tool dialog</a> will open.)

## Checkboxes

Use the checkboxes to enable or disable the tools and the tool groups. The items that are not currently selected are not available in the Tools and context menus.

Edit the settings for your external tool.

#### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the tool that appears as a command name in the Tools menu and the context menus. See also, <a href="#">Show in</a> .
Group	The group the tool belongs to. The tool groups correspond to submenus in the Tools menu and the context menus. Select an existing group from the list or type the name for a new group.
Description	The tool description (optional).
Options	
Synchronize files after execution	Make IntelliJ IDEA aware of changes in the file system when the tool completes its execution.
Open console	Open the console for viewing the tool output such error messages, etc.
Output Filters	Open the <a href="#">Output Filters dialog</a> to manage the output filters associated with the tool. (The output filters are used to turn absolute file paths and line numbers in the tool output into hyperlinks. You'll be able to use those links to open the corresponding files in the editor.)
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Make the output console active and bring it forward when the corresponding event occurs.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	The same as the previous option but for stderr.
Show in	Specify in which menus the command for running the tool should be included. Main menu means the Tools menu. The rest of the options correspond to context menus in various places.
Tool settings	
Program	The path to the executable file to be run. Use  to select the file, Insert macro to open the <a href="#">Macros dialog</a> to select a macro. (Macros are resolved at runtime and let you specify context information such as currently selected file, your project source paths, etc.)
Parameters	The parameters to be passed to the program the way you'd specify them on the command line. Use Insert macro to open the <a href="#">Macros dialog</a> to select a macro. When specifying the parameters, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters.</li><li>– If a parameter includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg"</code> or <code>"some arg"</code> .</li><li>– If a parameter includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li></ul>
Working directory	The path to the current working directory for the program. Use  to select the directory, Insert macro to open the <a href="#">Macros dialog</a> to select a macro.



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Specify the filter for transferring absolute file paths and line numbers in the tool output into hyperlinks.

#### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the filter.
Description	The filter description (optional).
Regular expression to match output	<p>The text pattern to be matched against the tool output to identify linkable references. The pattern can include text and the following placeholder variables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <code>\$FILE_PATH\$</code> - the portion of the output that corresponds to an absolute path to a source file. Required.</li><li>- <code>\$LINE\$</code> - a line number reference.</li><li>- <code>\$COLUMN\$</code> - a column reference.</li></ul>

The variables are inserted by right-clicking the field and then selecting the necessary item from the list that is shown.

#### Example

If your tool outputs the lines similar to

```
Error parsing C:\Demos\src\converter\MetersToInches.xml:103 Missing Closing Tag
```

the pattern `$FILE_PATH$:LINE$` will turn `C:\Demos\src\converter\MetersToInches.xml:103` into a hyperlink to the line number `103` in the file `MetersToInches.xml` .

From the [Create/Edit/Copy Tool dialog](#) : Output Filters


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This dialog lets you manage the output filters associated with an external tool. (The output filters are used to turn absolute file paths and line numbers in the tool output into hyperlinks.)


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**ItemDescription**


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-  Create a new filter. (The [Add Filter dialog](#) will open.)


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-  Delete the selected filter.

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-  Edit the selected filter. (The [Edit Filter dialog](#) will open.)

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-  Move the selected filter one line up or down in the list. (For each line in the output, the first matching filter is used.)

From the [Create/Edit/Copy Tool dialog](#) : Insert macro

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Select the macro to be inserted.

**ItemDescription**

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Macros	The list of available macros with their descriptions.
Macro preview	The value of the selected macro in the current context.

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While the default shell in IntelliJ IDEA's terminal (`Alt+F12`) works fine, many developers prefer to use their favorite shell. For example, Windows users may want to use **PowerShell** or **Cmder**, Linux and macOS users may want to use **zsh** instead of the default terminal shell. On this settings page, you can customize which shell will be used in the terminal.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA implements the terminal functionality with a bundled plugin, which can be completely disabled by clearing the Terminal check box on the the Plugins page of IntelliJ IDEA settings (`Ctrl+Alt+S`).

#### ItemDescription

Start directory	Specify the working directory where the terminal will be launched.
Shell path	Specify the shell that will run by default. Here are some values for different shells: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PowerShell: <code>powershell</code></li> <li>- Cmder: <code>"cmd" /k ""\vendor\init.bat"</code> (note the <code>CMDER_ROOT</code> environment variable has to be set)</li> <li>- Cygwin: <code>"C:\cygwin\bin\bash.exe" --login -i</code></li> <li>- Zsh: <code>/bin/zsh</code></li> <li>- Bash: <code>/bin/bash</code> (or bash for Windows: <code>bash.exe</code>)</li> </ul>
Tab name	Specify the default name of a new session tab. Note that a session tab can be renamed.
Audible bell	If this option is selected, the console plays the bell sound on incoming escape sequence.
Close session when it ends	If this option is selected, the current session ends automatically when the corresponding process ends (for example, by kill).
Mouse reporting	If this option is selected, the embedded local terminal supports the mouse pointer.
Copy to clipboard on selection	If this option is selected, the text selected in the Terminal is automatically copied to clipboard.
Paste on middle mouse button click	If this option is selected, you can paste clipboard contents by clicking the middle mouse button.
Override IDE shortcuts	If this option is selected, the Terminal tool window handles keyboard shortcuts differently from IntelliJ IDEA. If this checkbox is cleared, the IntelliJ IDEA key bindings are used.
Shell integration	If this option is selected, the terminal first loads a custom <code>.rc</code> config file (located in the <code>terminal</code> folder under <code>plugins</code> of IntelliJ IDEA distribution) which provides an additional set-up, and then the user's <code>.rc</code> file. <p><b>Note</b> Note that presently shell integration works for Bash/sh (<code>bashrc</code>), zsh (<code>zshrc</code>) and fish shell (<code>config.fish</code>).</p>

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This page is available only when the **Command Line Tool Support** plugin is installed and enabled as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

IntelliJ IDEA supports running commands of popular third-party or user-defined PHP tools: [Symfony 1.1+](#), [Symfony2](#), [Zend Framework 1](#), [Zend Framework 2 \(ZFTool\)](#), [Yii](#), [Composer](#), [Drush 5.8+](#), [Laravel](#) and [Doctrine](#) (Symfony console-based), [WordPress Command Line Interface](#).

The page shows a list of all PHP-specific and custom command line tools integrated with IntelliJ IDEA. Tools with inconsistencies in the `.xml` descriptor are marked with

**Tip** PHP-specific command line tools work only with [local PHP interpreters](#).

#### ItemTooltip Description and shortcut

Enabled		When the checkbox in this column is selected, the commands defined within the corresponding command line tool can be executed from IntelliJ IDEA.
Alias		In this text box, specify the character string to use in command calls instead of the full path to the tool. For example, by default, IntelliJ IDEA assigns the following aliases: <code>s</code> for Symfony, <code>zf</code> for Zend Framework, and <code>c</code> for Composer.
Tool Path		In this text box, specify the location of the tool's executable file.
Type		This read-only field shows the official name of the third party command line tool. The column is available only if the Show tool type checkbox is selected. For custom command line tools, the fields in this column are empty.
Show tool type		If this checkbox is selected, the Type column is added to the table of available tools.
Show console in		In this area, specify where you want to enter commands. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Pop-up - choose this option to have the Command Line Tools Input pane opened in a separate pop-up window and type commands there.</li> <li>– Tool window - choose this option to enter commands in the Input field in the bottom of the dedicated <a href="#">Command Line Tools Console</a> tool window.</li> </ul>
Console encoding		From this drop-down list, choose the character set to show the tool's output in the <a href="#">Command Line Tools Console Tool Window</a> .
	Add	Click this button to open the Command Line Tools dialog box and select the tool to integrate with IntelliJ IDEA. Depending on your choice, IntelliJ IDEA opens one of the following dialog boxes for specifying the location of the selected tool: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <a href="#">Command Line Tool Support: Symfony</a></li> <li>– <a href="#">Command Line Tool Support: Zend Framework 1</a></li> <li>– <a href="#">Command Line Tool Support: Composer</a></li> <li>– <a href="#">Command Line Tool Support: Tool Settings</a></li> <li>– <a href="#">Command Line Tool Support: Drush</a></li> <li>– <a href="#">Command Line Tool Support: Zend Framework 2</a></li> <li>– <a href="#">Command Line Tool Support: WP-CLI</a></li> </ul>
	Remove	Click this button remove the selected tool from the list.
	Edit	Click this button to change the definition file of the selected tool.
	Reload command list from executable	Click this button to refresh the list of commands of the selected tool.
	Open definition in editor	Click this button to open the <code>.xml</code> file with commands of the selected tool in the editor.

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The dialog box opens when you click the Add button and choose Symfony in the Choose Tool to Add dialog box.

Use the dialog box to configure [Symfony](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA.

#### ItemDescription

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Path to Symfony	<p>In this text box, specify the location of the Symfony executable file:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <code>&lt;symfony_home&gt;/data/bin/symfony</code> for Symfony 1.2.</li><li>- <code>&lt;symfony_home&gt;/data/bin/symfony.bar</code> for Symfony 1.4.</li><li>- <code>&lt;symfony_home&gt;/app/console</code> for Symfony 2.</li></ul> <p>IntelliJ IDEA parses the contents of the specified file for Symfony commands.</p>
Path to PHP executable	Specify the location of the PHP interpreter to use.
Symfony component version	From this list, choose the version to use.

**Tip** The tool works only with [local PHP interpreters](#) .

The dialog box opens when you click the Add button and choose Zend Framework 1 Tool in the Choose Tool to Add dialog box.

Use the dialog box to configure [Zend Framework](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA.

#### ItemDescription

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Path to zf tool	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>&lt;Zend-Framework-home&gt;/zf.bat</code> file. IntelliJ IDEA parses the contents of the specified file for Zend Framework commands.
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The dialog box opens when you click the Add button and choose Composer in the Choose Tool to Add dialog box.

In this dialog box, enable the use of [Composer Dependency Manager](#) in the command line mode by specifying the way to launch Composer and appointing the file to look for Composer commands in.

**Note** For this functionality to be available, you need to install the [Command Line Tool Support](#) plugin from the [Plugins Repository](#).

IntelliJ IDEA parses the contents of the specified `.phar` archive or executable file for Composer commands. When the file analyses is completed, IntelliJ IDEA returns to the *Command Line Tools Support* page where the specified file is added to the list of command line tools available in IntelliJ IDEA.

Integration with Composer is provided at the IntelliJ IDEA level, so once configured, the tool can be used in all your IntelliJ IDEA projects. Just activate or de-activate it when necessary depending on you needs.

#### ItemDescription

**Composer.phar or PHP script** Choose this option to launch **Composer** through a PHP script or have IntelliJ IDEA detect and start the launcher in the `composer.phar` archive. In this mode, IntelliJ IDEA provides coding assistance and allows you to execute scripts.

- Path to PHP executable: In this field, specify the location of the PHP engine installation folder.
- Path to composer.phar or composer: In this text box, specify the location of the `composer.phar` archive.

**Composer executable** Choose this option to launch Composer through the `composer` executable file. In this mode, you do not get coding assistance and cannot execute scripts because no PHP engine is appointed for it.

In the Path to executable field, specify the location of the `composer` executable file.

**Tip** The tool works only with [local PHP interpreters](#).



The dialog is available only when the **Command Line Tool Support** plugin is installed and enabled as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

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The dialog box opens when you click **+** on the **Command Line Tool Support** and choose Custom Tool in the Choose Tool to Add dialog box.

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**ItemDescription**

Tool Name	Specify the name of your custom tool.
Tool path	Specify the location of the tool definition <code>.xml</code> file. See <a href="#">How do I define my own command line tool?</a> .
Alias	Type the character string to use in command calls instead of the full path to the tool.
Description	Provide a brief explanation of the tool functionality.

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The dialog box opens when you click the Add button and choose Drush in the Choose Tool to Add dialog box. Use the dialog box to configure **Drush** support in IntelliJ IDEA.

**Drush** is a command line shell and scripting interface for [Drupal](#). With IntelliJ IDEA, you can use **Drush 5.8** and higher. For more details, see [Drupal](#).

#### ItemDescription

**Path to Drush** In this text box, specify the path to the **Drush** executable file. IntelliJ IDEA automatically fills in the default location, which is usually `C:/ProgramData/Drush/drush.bat` on Windows and `/usr/bin/drush` on Mac OS or Linux. If you followed the standard installation procedure, the predefined path will be correct, just click OK, whereupon IntelliJ IDEA loads command definitions automatically and returns to the Command Line Tool Support page.

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The dialog box opens when you click the Add button and choose Zend Framework 2 Tool in the Choose Tool to Add dialog box.

Use the dialog box to configure [Zend Framework](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA.

#### ItemDescription

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Path to zf.php or zftool.phar	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>&lt;Zend-Framework-home&gt;/zf.php</code> or <code>&lt;Zend-Framework-home&gt;/zf.php</code> file or the path to the <code>zftool.phar</code> archive. IntelliJ IDEA parses the contents of the specified file for Zend Framework commands.
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PHP Interpreter	Choose one of the configured PHP interpreters from the list in the Execution area. See <a href="#">Configuring Remote PHP Interpreters</a> for details.
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**Tip** The tool works only with [local PHP interpreters](#).

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The dialog box opens when you click the Add button and choose Composer in the Choose Tool to Add dialog box.

In this dialog box, enable the use of [WordPress Content Management System](#) in the command line mode by specifying the way to launch WordPress .

#### ItemDescription


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Installed via PHAR	Choose this option to launch WordPress through a PHP script or have IntelliJ IDEA detect and start the launcher in the <code>wp-cli.phar</code> archive. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– PHP Interpreter: choose one of the configured PHP interpreters from the list in the Execution area. .</li><li>– Path to phar: In this text box, specify the location of the <code>wp-cli.phar</code> archive.</li></ul>
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Executable available (installed via Composer, etc.)	Choose this option to launch WordPress through an executable file which is available when you install WordPress using a package management tool, for example, Composer.
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Path to wp.bat	In this field, specify the location of the <code>wp.bat</code> or <code>wp</code> executable file. If you used Composer, the default location is <code>\vendor\wp\cli\bin\wp</code> or <code>\vendor\wp\cli\bin\wp.bat</code> . Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the dialog box that opens.
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**Tip** The tool works only with [local PHP interpreters](#) .

From the [database](#) , [Hibernate](#) and [JPA](#) consoles: 

From the [data editor](#) :  | Settings

The Database and subordinate pages contain the settings related to working with databases and SQL.

There are the following groups of settings on the Database page:

- [Console](#)
- [Execute in Console](#)
- [Quick Documentation](#)
- [DDL editor](#)

Other pages in the Database section:

- [Data Views](#)
- [User Parameters](#)
- [CSV Formats](#)

See also:

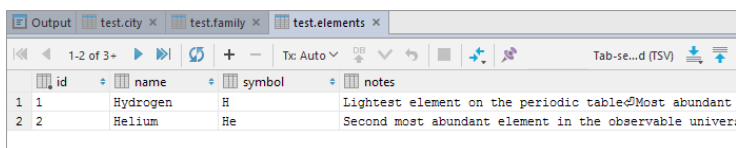
- [SQL Dialects](#)
- [SQL Resolution Scopes](#)

## Console

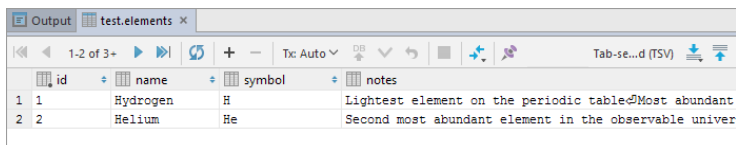
The settings in this section relate to showing various information in [database consoles](#) .


### ItemDescription

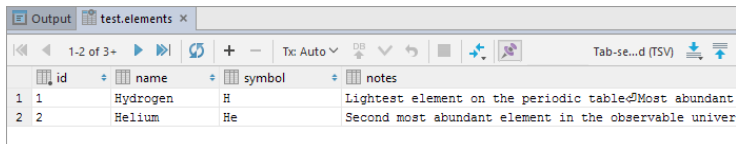
**Show query results in new tab** You can select to view query results on individual tabs, or on one and the same tab. If the checkbox is selected, a new tab with the query result will open each time you run a query ( `SELECT` ). In this way, you can keep the results of all the queries that you have run.



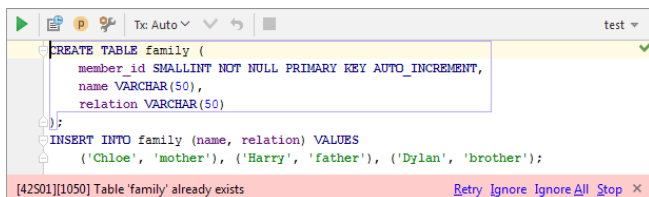
If this checkbox is not selected, the same tab is used to show your query results. When you run a query, the information on the tab is updated to show the result, and a new tab doesn't open.



In this case, when you get the result that you want to keep, you can pin the tab to the tool window ( on the toolbar or Pin Tab in the context menu for the tab).



**Show error notifications in editor** If this checkbox is not selected, the information about the errors is shown only in the output pane. If, in addition, you want the error notification bar to appear in the input pane, select the checkbox. The error notification bar may be particularly useful when running sequences of SQL statements. If an error occurs in such cases, the error notification bar lets you select how to react.



For more information, see [Using the error notification bar](#) .

**Always review parameters before execution** When you run a statement with parameters, IntelliJ IDEA memorizes the parameter values. Each next time you execute the statement:

- If this option is on, IntelliJ IDEA shows you the last used parameter values so that you can change them before

actually running the statement.

- If this option is off, IntelliJ IDEA executes the statement right away without showing you the parameter values.

**Track creation and deletion of databases/schemas** When you create a new schema or database, or delete a schema or database (see e.g. [Creating a database or schema](#)):

- If this option is on, the new schema or database is shown in the Database tool window right away. Deleted schemas and databases are immediately removed from the Schemas popup in the Database tool window and from the list on the Schemas tab in the Data Sources and Drivers dialog.
- If this option is off, the new schema or database isn't shown unless you visualize it manually, see [Showing and hiding schemas](#). Deleted schemas and databases that were selected for viewing will stay in the corresponding lists unless deselected.

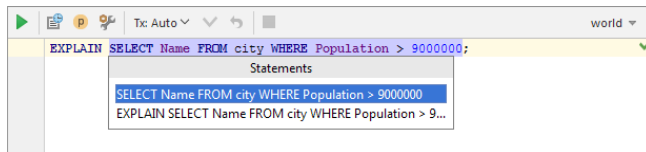
## Execute in Console

This section contains the options for the Execute command. You can assign up to three different execute configurations, each with its own behavior and shortcut.

### ItemDescription

**When inside a statement execute** If the cursor is inside a statement, the following options are available:

- Ask what to execute. A list of statements that can be run is shown and you can select the statement or statements.



- Smallest statement. The smallest of the possible statements is executed. For example, when the cursor is inside a subquery, the subquery is executed.
- Largest statement. The largest possible statement is executed. For example, when the cursor is inside a subquery, an outer statement is executed.
- Largest statement or batch. For Transact-SQL (SQL Server and Sybase), the current batch of statements is executed. For all other dialects - the same as the previous option.
- Whole script. All the statements are executed.

**otherwise execute** If the cursor is outside of a statement, e.g. on a blank line or within a comment, the following options are available:

- Nothing. None of the statements is executed.
- Whole script. All the statements are executed.
- Everything below caret. All the statements after the cursor position are executed.

**for selection execute** If something is currently selected, the following options are available:

- Exactly as one statement. Exactly what is selected is executed as a single statement.
- Exactly as statements. Exactly what is selected is executed. If the selection contains more than one statement, the statements are executed as separate statements.
- Smart expand to script. If there is at least one statement border within the selection, the selection is expanded to form a sequence of valid statements. This sequence is then executed. Otherwise, precisely what is selected is executed.

## Quick Documentation

This section contains the settings for the quick documentation view, see [Viewing basic info about an item](#).

### ItemDescription

**Show first rows** When showing quick documentation for a table, include data for a number of first rows.

**Number of preview rows** The number of rows to be shown for a table in the quick documentation view.

## DDL editor

### ItemDescription

**Show confirmation on close** When trying to close the Add Database, the Add Schema or the [Create / Modify Table dialog](#) by clicking Cancel or pressing `Escape`:

- If this option is on, you are asked for a confirmation.
- Otherwise, the dialog closes right away.

The settings on this page define how table data are shown and modified in your [database](#) , [Hibernate](#) and [JPA](#) consoles, and [data editors](#) .

### ItemDescription

**Result set page size** The number of table rows to be shown at a time, on one "page". Here is an example when this number is set to 2:

	id	name	symbol	notes
1	1	Hydrogen	H	Lightest element on the periodic table&Most abundant...
2	2	Helium	He	Second most abundant element in the observable univer...


If you don't want to limit the number of rows displayed simultaneously, specify zero (0).

**Result set prefetch size** Data from databases are retrieved in chunks. The number in this field defines the number of rows in such chunks. A bigger number means fewer IDE - DB round trips but more memory for storing a chunk.

**Filter history size** The number of most recently used filtering conditions to memorize for a table in a data editor. Here is an example when this number is set to 2. (The filter history box contains two most recently used conditions.)

	id	name	symbol	notes
2	2	Helium	He	Second most abundant element in th...
3	3	Lithium	Li	Soft, silver-white metal&Never occ...
3	3	Lithium	Li	Soft, silver-white metal&Never occ...

**Max LOB length (bytes)** The maximum size of a binary large object to be loaded in bytes.

**Data Modification / Submit changes immediately** When this option is off, the changes you make to data in a table are accumulated in IntelliJ IDEA unless you carry out the Submit command (  on the toolbar, Submit in the context menu or `Ctrl+Enter` ). Before you submit the changes, you can revert them ( Revert in the context menu or `Ctrl+Z` ). When this option is on, the changes are submitted right away.

See [Submitting and reverting changes](#) .

Generally, only the question mark ( ? ) is treated as a parameter in SQL statements. On this page, you can specify which other characters and their sequences should be treated as parameters, and in which places.

The patterns for SQL parameters are specified by means of regular expressions.

#### ItemDescription

**Enable in console and SQL files** If the checkbox is selected, the parameter patterns are applied to SQL (in SQL files and database consoles). The usage scope, if necessary, may be limited at the level of [individual patterns](#).  
If this checkbox is not selected, the patterns are not used in SQL files and consoles irrespective of which usage scope is specified for individual patterns.

**Enable in string literals with SQL injection** If the checkbox is selected, the parameter patterns are applied to string literals [injected](#) with SQL. The usage scope, if necessary, may be limited at the level of [individual patterns](#).  
If this checkbox is not selected, the patterns are not used in string literals irrespective of which usage scope is specified for individual patterns.

**Parameter patterns** The table shows the parameter patterns and their usage scopes. The patterns are specified using regular expressions. Values in parentheses are treated as parameter names. The patterns available initially have the following meanings:

- `\d+` - a question mark followed by one or more digits, e.g. `?69` in which case `69` would be the parameter name.
- `:(\w+)` - a colon followed by one or more word characters, e.g. `:x`, `:value`, `:parameter_1`.
- `%w+` - `%` followed by one or more word characters, e.g. `%xyz`.
- `\${[^\$\\]*}` - `$`, then `{`, then any character except `$`, `{` or `}` zero or more times, then `}`, e.g. `$( )`, `$(value)`.
- `\${([^\^]+)}` - `$`, then `(`, then any character except `)` one or more times, then `)`, e.g. `$(x)`.
- `\$(\w+)\$` - `$`, then one or more word characters, then `$` again, e.g. `$x1$`.
- `\#(\w+)\#` - `#`, then one or more word characters, then `#` again, e.g. `#field_3#`.

Use **+** ( `Alt+Insert` ), **-** ( `Alt+Delete` ), **↑** ( `Alt+Up` ) and **↓** ( `Alt+Down` ) to add, delete and reorder the patterns.

To edit a pattern or its usage scope, click the pattern and use the following controls:










- In scripts. Clear this checkbox if the pattern shouldn't be used in SQL files and database consoles.
- In literals. Clear this checkbox if the pattern shouldn't be used in string literals injected with SQL.
- All (the link text may be different). Click the link and deselect the languages in which the pattern shouldn't be used.



This page contains the settings for converting table data into delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV) and vice versa.

When working on the conversion settings, use the preview in the right-hand part of the page.

#### ItemDescription

Formats	<p>The list of the available delimiter-separated values formats is shown. Each format is a named set of corresponding conversion settings. Select the format whose settings you want to view or edit.</p> <p>Use , ,  and  to create, delete and reorder the formats;  to create a copy of the selected format.</p>
Value separator	Select or type the character for separating individual values.
Row separator	Select or type the character for separating rows.
Null value text	The text to be used as a value if a cell contains <code>null</code> (an unknown value).
Add row prefix/suffix	<p>Row prefix and suffix are character sequences which in addition to the row separator indicate the beginning and end of a row.</p> <p>If necessary, click the link and specify the row prefix and suffix in the fields that appear.</p>
Quotation	<p>Each line in the area under Quotation is a quotation pattern (see <a href="#">Quote values</a>). A quotation pattern includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The left quotation character, the one inserted before a value.</li> <li>– The right quotation character, the one inserted after a value; usually, the same as the left quotation character.</li> <li>– An escape method or character for the cases when the quotation character is part of a value. E.g. Escape: duplicate means that if a quotation character occurs within a value, it is doubled. (You can specify your own escape character instead.)</li> </ul> <p>If there is more than one pattern, the first of the patterns is used.</p> <p>Use , ,  and  to create, delete and reorder the patterns.</p> <p>To start editing an existing pattern, just click the pattern of interest.</p>
Quote values	<p>Specify in which cases the values should be quoted (i.e. enclosed within quotation characters).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– When needed. A value is quoted only if it contains the value and/or the row separator.</li> <li>– Always. Any value is quoted in its text representation.</li> </ul>
Trim whitespaces	If this checkbox is not selected, the Unicode whitespace characters that precede and follow the value separators are treated as parts of the corresponding values. If this checkbox is selected, the corresponding whitespace characters are ignored or removed.
First row is header	If this checkbox is selected, the first row is treated as containing column names. The settings that appear under Header Format have the same meanings as the ones above but are applied to the first row.
First column is header	If this checkbox is selected, the first column is treated as containing row names.



Use this dialog box to appoint the a remote Web server or a Vagrant instance (virtual machine) to access through the SSH terminal, configure connection with the destination environment, and choose the encoding to use in the SSH terminal.

Make sure the **SSH Remote Run** plugin is enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

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#### ItemDescription

Connection settings	<p>In this section, appoint the a remote Web server or a Vagrant instance (virtual machine) to access through the SSH terminal and specify where the connection settings should be taken from:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Current Vagrant: select this option to have the commands in the SSH Terminal executed on the currently running Vagrant virtual machine. For details, see <a href="#">Vagrant</a> .</li><li>2. Deployment server: select this option to have the commands in the SSH Terminal executed on the local or remote Web server accessible through one of the <a href="#">server access configurations</a> . From the drop-down list, choose the server access configuration that specifies the destination environment and the settings to establish connection to it.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Select server on every run: if this option is selected, you will have to choose the desired server access configuration from the pop-up window, every time you choose Tools   Start SSH Session on the main menu.</li><li>– If the desired server access configuration does not appear in the drop-down list, click the link <a href="#">Configure Servers</a> , and define one in the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page. For details, see the <a href="#">Configuring Synchronization with a Remote Host</a> section.</li></ul></li></ol>
Default encoding	<p>From this drop-down list, select the desired encoding to be used in the SSH terminal.</p>

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Use this page to configure the default visibility settings and layout for diagrams.

On this page:

– [Content pane](#)

– [Controls](#)

## Content pane

Select the checkboxes next to the elements to be shown on diagrams.

### ItemDescription

#### Show Difference

**Details** If this checkbox is selected, all the specified details of the elements will be shown in the UML class diagram for a revision. If this checkbox is not selected, only node elements will be included in diagram.

#### Java Class Diagrams


**Class Elements** Select the checkboxes to show members (fields, constructors, methods, properties and inner classes) within the node elements:




In diagram, use toolbar buttons , , , , and .

**Dependencies** Select the checkboxes below to show dependency links in diagram.

#### DB Diagrams





**Key columns** For the primary key columns to be shown when a diagram opens, select this checkbox. When viewing a diagram in the editor, use  on the toolbar to show or hide the corresponding columns.

**Columns** For the columns other than the primary key columns to be shown when a diagram opens, select this checkbox. When viewing a diagram in the editor, use  on the toolbar to show or hide the corresponding columns.


#### Project Modules


**Libraries** If this checkbox is selected, libraries will be shown in UML diagrams for modules.


#### ActionScript/Flex

**Class Elements** Select the checkboxes below to show members (fields, constructors, methods, and properties) within the node elements. In diagram, use toolbar buttons , , , and .


#### JPA ER Diagram


**Properties** If this checkbox is selected, properties of entity classes are shown when a JPA ER diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide these properties by using  on the toolbar.


**Embeddables** If this checkbox is selected, embeddable objects are shown when a JPA ER diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide the embeddables by using  on the toolbar.

**Superclasses** If this checkbox is selected, superclasses of entity classes are shown when a JPA ER diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide the superclasses by using  on the toolbar.

#### EJB ER Diagram

**Properties** If this checkbox is selected, properties of entity beans are shown when an EJB ER diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide these properties by using  on the toolbar.


**Embeddables** If this checkbox is selected, embeddable objects are shown when an EJB ER diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide the embeddables by using  on the toolbar.


**Superclasses** If this checkbox is selected, superclasses of entity beans are shown when an EJB ER diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide the superclasses by using  on the toolbar.


#### BPMN 2.0 Diagram

**Details** For element details to be shown when a BPMN diagram opens, select this checkbox.

#### CDI Dependencies Diagram


**@Inject** If this checkbox is selected, injection points are shown when a CDI dependency diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide the injection points by using  on the toolbar.


**@Produces** If this checkbox is selected, producer methods and fields are shown when a CDI dependency diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide the producer methods and fields by using  on the toolbar.

**@Decorator** If this checkbox is selected, decorator bean classes are shown when a CDI dependency diagram opens. When viewing a diagram in the editor, you can show or hide the decorators by using  on the toolbar.

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### Spring

**Local context** If this checkbox is selected, local context will be shown in diagrams. To enable showing local context in the Diagram tab in the editor, click  .

**Properties** If this checkbox is selected, property files will be shown in diagrams. To enable showing property files in the Diagram tab in the editor, click  .

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### Spring Integration

**Show Labels** If this checkbox is selected, labels will be shown in diagrams. To enable showing labels in the Diagram tab in the editor, click  .

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### Spring Web Flow

**Details** If this checkbox is selected, details will be shown in diagrams.

**Events** If this checkbox is selected, events will be shown in diagrams.

**Sub Flows** If this checkbox is selected, Sub Flows will be shown in diagrams.


**Note** More nodes appear in this pane depending on the installed and enabled plugins.

## Controls

### ItemDescription

**Default layout** Select the desired layout from the drop-down list. Node elements in newly created diagrams will be arranged according to the selected layout.

**Default scope** Select scope from the drop-down list. Specifying a scope helps you avoid showing in diagram the unnecessary hierarchies. You can define scopes for your project in the [Scopes page](#) of the Settings dialog.

**Fit content after layout** If this checkbox is selected, then after applying a layout selected on the diagram context menu, all diagram elements will be resized to fit into the current diagram area. In diagram, use the  toolbar button.

**Do relayout when new elements were added** If this checkbox is selected, diagram layout will be performed automatically after adding new elements.





**Enable colors** If this checkbox is selected, relationship links will be shown colored.

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On this page, specify the default behavior of the [Differences viewer](#) .

#### ItemDescription





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Diff	
Context lines	Use the slider to specify the amount of context lines that will not collapse, when in a Differences viewer you click the button  to <a href="#">collapse the unchanged fragments</a> .
Go to the next file after reaching last change	If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to click  /  once more and compare other files
Merge	
Automatically apply non-conflicting changes	If this checkbox is selected, the interactive merge tool automatically merges all non-conflicting changes. This is an equivalent to clicking  in the <a href="#">Merge</a> dialog.
Highlight modified lines in gutter	Select this checkbox if you want added/modified lines (relative to the base revision) to be highlighted in the gutter of the Merge dialog.

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If necessary, specify external tools for comparing files and folders, and associated settings.

#### ItemDescription

Use external diff tool	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use an external tool for comparing files or folders.
Path to executable	<p>In this text box, specify the path to the executable file of the desired external diff tool. Use the Browse button , if necessary.</p> <p>This field is only available, when Use external diff tool checkbox is selected.</p>
Use by default	<p>Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use the specified external tool for comparing files or folders by default.</p> <p>If this checkbox is not selected, IntelliJ IDEA will use the built-in diff tool. To invoke an external tool, click the button  on the toolbar of the <a href="#">Differences viewer</a> .</p> <p>This field is only available, when Use external diff tool checkbox is selected.</p>
Parameters	<p>Use this field to set the diff tool parameters.</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><p><b>Note</b> Note that different diff tools have different parameters. You need to specify all the necessary parameters in proper order.</p></div> <p>This field is only available, when Use external diff tool checkbox is selected.</p>
Use external merge tool	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA use an external merge tool. In the text box below, specify the path to the executable file of the desired external tool. Use the Browse button  , if necessary.
Path to executable	<p>In this text box, specify the path to the executable file of the desired external merge tool.</p> <p>Use the Browse button , if necessary.</p> <p>This field is only available, when Use external merge tool checkbox is selected.</p>
Parameters	<p>Use this field to set the merge tool parameters.</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><p><b>Note</b> Note that different merge tools have different parameters. You need to specify all the necessary parameters in proper order.</p></div> <p>This field is only available, when Use external merge tool checkbox is selected.</p>

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## Python External Documentation

### ItemDescription

**Module Names** This column shows the names of the modules, whose documentation you want to have visible in browser on invoking View | External Documentation , or pressing **Shift+F1** .

**URL Pattern** This column shows existing patterns of the URLs to the external documentation, or its local address. If external documentation resides locally, specify the local path to it .



Click this button to add to the list a new module and its URL pattern or local address.



Click this button to change the name and/or URL pattern of the selected module.

Double-clicking an entry in the table produces same result.



Delete the selected module from the list.

## Add/Edit Documentation URL

### ItemDescription

**Module name** Type module name in the text field.

**URL pattern** In this text field, create the desired pattern, using plain text and macros from the Available Macros field. Note that documentation can also reside locally.

**Insert** Click this button to add the selected macro to the pattern.

**Warning!** This page only appears when Python Plugin is installed and enabled!

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Use this page to configure requirements management file, default test runner, and documentation strings treatment.

#### ItemDescription

**Package requirements file** Type the name of the [requirements file](#) , or click the browse button, and select the desired requirements file from file system using the [Select Path](#) dialog.

**Default test runner** Select the test run/debug configuration that IntelliJ IDEA will suggest every time you choose Run on the context menu of a test case.  
The possible options are:

- Unittests
- py.test
- Nostests
- Twisted Trial

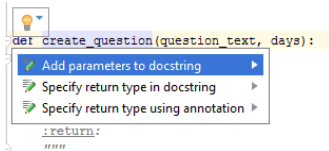
**Docstring format** Select the format of the documentation strings to be recognized by IntelliJ IDEA. Depending on the selected docstring format, IntelliJ IDEA will generate the stub documentation comments and render text in the [Quick Documentation](#) lookup:

- **Plain** : on pressing [Enter](#) or Space after opening quotes, an empty stub is generated; quick documentation shows as plain text.
- **reStructuredText** : on pressing [Enter](#) or Space after opening quotes, stub doc comment is generated according to [reStructuredText](#) format; the quick documentation is rendered by Docutils.
- **Epytext** : on pressing [Enter](#) or Space after opening quotes, stub doc comment is generated according to the [epytex](#) format; quick documentation is rendered by [epydoc](#) .
- **NumPy** : on pressing [Enter](#) or Space after opening quotes, stub doc comment is generated according to the [NumPy](#) format; the quick documentation is rendered by [Napoleon](#) and Docutils.
- **Google** : on pressing [Enter](#) or Space after opening quotes, stub doc comment is generated according to [Google](#) format; the quick documentation is rendered by [Napoleon](#) and Docutils.

All types of docstrings feature:

- Proper generation of docstrings
- Updates after applying intention actions and quick-fixes
- Coding assistance
- Autocompletion for section headers

Note that the information provided in the docstrings, is used for code insight.



**Analyze Python code in docstrings** If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA highlights the code examples and performs syntax checks and code inspections.

If this checkbox is not selected, the code fragments inside docstrings are not analyzed.

**Sphinx working directory** Specify here the path to the directory that contains `*.rst` files.

**Note** For recognizing custom roles, point to the directory with `conf.py` .

**Treat \*.txt files as reStructuredText** If this checkbox is selected, the files with `*.txt` extension will be highlighted same way, as the files with `*.rst` extension.



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Define remote applications that require SSH access as external tools to be able to run them from IntelliJ IDEA.

You can pass contextual information (like the currently selected file, or your project source path) to the external tools, view the tool output, and more.

The tools defined on this page appear as commands in the Tools menu and in various context menus. They can also be assigned keyboard shortcuts (see the [Configuring Keyboards and Mouse Shortcuts](#) section).

## Toolbar icons

### IconDescription



	Add a definition of an external tool. (The <a href="#">Create Tool dialog</a> will open.)
	If an individual tool is selected: delete the tool definition. If a tool group is selected: delete the definitions of all the tools within the selected group.
	Edit the definition of the selected tool. (The <a href="#">Edit Tool dialog</a> will open.)
	Move the selected tool one line up or down within the group. (The order of tools defines the order of items in corresponding menus.)
	Create a copy of the selected definition and then edit that copy. (The <a href="#">Copy Tool dialog</a> will open.)

## Checkboxes

Use the checkboxes to enable or disable the tools and the tool groups. The items that are not currently selected are not available in the Tools and context menus.

Edit the settings for your external tool.





#### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the tool that appears as a command name in the Tools menu and the context menus. See also, <a href="#">Show in</a> .
Group	The group the tool belongs to. The tool groups correspond to submenus in the Tools menu and the context menus. Select an existing group from the list or type the name for a new group.
Description	The tool description (optional).
Options	
Synchronize files after execution	Make IntelliJ IDEA aware of changes in the file system when the tool completes its execution.
Open console	Open the console for viewing the tool output such error messages, etc.
Output Filters	Open the <a href="#">Output Filters dialog</a> to manage the output filters associated with the tool. (The output filters are used to turn absolute file paths and line numbers in the tool output into hyperlinks. You'll be able to use those links to open the corresponding files in the editor.)
Show console when a message is printed to standard output stream	Make the output console active and bring it forward when the corresponding event occurs.
Show console when a message is printed to standard error stream	The same as the previous option but for stderr.
Show in	Specify in which menus the command for running the tool should be included. Main menu means the Tools menu. The rest of the options correspond to context menus in various places.
Connection settings	In this section, appoint the to access through the SSH terminal and specify where the connection settings should be taken from: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Current Vagrant: select this option to have the commands in the SSH Terminal executed on the currently running Vagrant virtual machine. For details, see <a href="#">Vagrant</a> .</li> <li>2. Deployment server: select this option to have the commands in the SSH Terminal executed on the local or remote Web server accessible through one of the <a href="#">server access configurations</a> . From the drop-down list, choose the server access configuration that specifies the destination environment and the settings to establish connection to it. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select server on every run: if this option is selected, you will have to choose the desired server access configuration from the pop-up window, every time you choose Tools   Start SSH Session on the main menu.</li> <li>– If the desired server access configuration does not appear in the drop-down list, click the link <a href="#">Configure Servers</a> , and define one in the <a href="#">Deployment</a> page. For details, see the <a href="#">Configuring Synchronization with a Remote Host</a> section.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
Tool settings	
Program	The path to the executable file to be run. Use  to select the file, Insert macro to open the <a href="#">Macros dialog</a> to select a macro. (Macros are resolved at runtime and let you specify context information such as currently selected file, your project source paths, etc.)
Parameters	The parameters to be passed to the program the way you'd specify them on the command line. Use Insert macro to open the <a href="#">Macros dialog</a> to select a macro. When specifying the parameters, follow these rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Use spaces to separate individual parameters.</li> <li>– If a parameter includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, <code>some "arg" Or "some arg"</code> .</li> <li>– If a parameter includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, <code>-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"</code> .</li> </ul>
Working directory	The path to the current working directory for the program. Use  to select the directory, Insert macro to open the <a href="#">Macros dialog</a> to select a macro.

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IntelliJ IDEA provides its own storage for trusted certificates. Use this page to manage this storage.

#### ItemShortcutDescription

Accept non-trusted certificates automatically	Select this option if you want non-trusted certificates (i.e. the certificates that are not added to the list) to be accepted automatically, without sending a request to the server.
	<p> Add a trusted server certificate to the list. Select the certificate file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</p> <p>The certificate file should have an extension <code>.crt</code>, <code>.cer</code> or <code>.pem</code>.</p> <p>For a trusted certificate, the certificate information is shown in the lower part of the page.</p>
	<p> Remove the selected trusted certificate from the list.</p>

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This page appears in the Settings/Preferences dialog, when the Settings Repository plugin is enabled.

The plugin is bundled with IntelliJ IDEA and is activated by default. If it is disabled, you can manually [enable the plugin](#).

Use this page to configure the **Settings Repository** feature that allows you to share your IDE settings between different instances of IntelliJ IDEA (or other IntelliJ platform-based) products installed on different computers.


**Tip** The settings you are going to share must be stored in a Git repository.


#### ItemDescription


**Auto Sync** Select this checkbox, if you want your local settings to be automatically synchronized with the settings stored in the repository every time you perform an Update Project or a Push operation, or when you close your project or exit IntelliJ IDEA.  
If this option is disabled, you can manually update your settings by choosing VCS | Sync Settings from the main menu.


**Read-only sources** Use this section to configure additional repositories containing any types of settings you want to share, including live templates, file templates, schemes, deployment options, etc.  
These repositories cannot be overwritten or merged, just used as a source of settings as is.


Use the following controls to manage the read-only repositories:

 Click this button to add the URL of the GitHub repository that contains the settings you want to share.

 Click this button to remove the selected repository from the list.

 Click this button to edit the URL of the selected source.


 Use these buttons to move up/down in the list.

 Click this button to clone the selected URL.

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On this page, create a list of run/debug configurations to be launched automatically on the project start. This may be helpful if you run some **Grunt** or **Gulp.js** tasks or **npm scripts** on a regular basis. All you need is just add the run/debug configurations that launch such tasks or scripts to the list of **startup tasks**.

**ItemTooltipDescription**

Run Configuration	This read-only field shows the names of the run configurations to be launched on the project start.
Shared	<p>When this checkbox is selected, the corresponding task is available for other team members. Note that you can share only those run configurations that are already marked as shared in their definitions.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">directory-based project format</a> is used, the settings for a run/debug configuration are stored in a separate <code>.xml</code> file in the <code>.idea\runConfigurations</code> folder if the run/debug configuration is shared, or in the <code>.idea\workspace.xml</code> file otherwise.</p> <p>If the <a href="#">file-based format</a> is used, the settings are stored in the <code>.ipr</code> file for shared configurations, or in the <code>.iws</code> file otherwise.</p>
+	<p><b>Add</b> Click this button to add one of the run/debug configurations that are currently defined in the project to the list of tasks to be executed on the project start. Choose the relevant configurations from the list or choose Edit Configurations to open the <a href="#">Run/Debug Configurations Dialog</a> dialog and define a required configuration in it.</p>
-	<p><b>Remove</b> Click this button to delete the selected task from the list.</p>
	<p><b>Edit</b> Click this button to open the <a href="#">Run/Debug Configurations Dialog</a> dialog with the settings from the selected configuration and update them as required.</p>

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

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On this page, enable [Vagrant](#) support in IntelliJ IDEA, specify the location of the `VagrantFile`, and handle the list of `Vagrant` base boxes to use in creation of virtual boxes (instances).

Before you start working with `Vagrant`, make sure that:

1. [Vagrant](#) is downloaded and installed.
2. Install and enable the Vagrant plugin as described in the sections [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

The plugin is not bundled with IntelliJ IDEA, but it can be installed from the [JetBrains plugin repository](#) as described in [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#) and [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

#### ItemDescription

**Vagrant executable** Specify the fully qualified address of the executable file: `vagrant.bat` for Windows, `vagrant` for Unix and macOS. Type the path manually, or click the browse button and locate the desired file in the [Select vagrant executable](#) dialog box.

**Instance folder** Specify here the fully qualified path to the directory, where the task `vagrant init` has been executed, and the `VagrantFile` is initialized and stored.  
A `VagrantFile` is a configuration file that defines the instance (virtual machine) you need. The file contains the virtual IP address, port mappings, and the memory size to assign. The file can specify which folders are shared and which third-party software should be installed. According to the `VagrantFile` your instance (virtual machine) is configured, provisioned against the relevant `Vagrant` base box, and deployed on your computer. A `VagrantFile` is created through the `vagrant init` command.

When creation of an instance (virtual machine) is invoked either through the `vagrant up` command or through the Tools | Vagrant | Up menu option, IntelliJ IDEA looks for the `VagrantFile` in the directory specified in the Instance folder field. For more information, see <http://docs.vagrantup.com/v2/vagrantfile/>.


You can create a `VagrantFile` in any directory and appoint it as instance folder. If the field is empty, IntelliJ IDEA will treat the project root as the instance folder and look for a `VagrantFile` in it.


**Provider** Use this field to specify the [provider](#) to be used by `vagrant up` command. If this field is left blank, the default provider is used.

**Environment variable** Click the ellipsis button or press `Shift+Enter` to specify the shell variables to be used to configure the providers' behavior.


#### Boxes and Plugins tabs


**Boxes** This list shows the predefined [Vagrant base boxes](#) available in IntelliJ IDEA. Each item presents a `Vagrant` base box on which Vagrant configures and launches its instances (virtual machines). The entries of this list correspond to the output of the command `vagrant box list`.

 `Alt+Insert` Click this button to download a new base box. This command corresponds to `vagrant box add <name> <URL>`. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests the URL to the `lucid32` box

 `Alt+Delete` Click this button to remove the selected `Vagrant` base box. So doing, the box and the nested files are physically deleted from the disk. This command corresponds to `vagrant box remove <name>`

**Plugins** Use this table to view and change the list of available plugins.

 `Alt+Insert` Click this button to install a new Vagrant plugin.

 `Alt+Delete` Click this button to remove the selected plugin.

 Click this button to update the selected plugin.

 Use this button to attach a license to the selected plugin.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

File | Settings | Tools | XPath Viewer for Windows and Linux

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IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Tools | XPath Viewer

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This page appears if [XPath View+XSLT Support](#) plugin is enabled. In this page, configure the IntelliJ IDEA behaviour during interactive execution of XPath expressions.

#### ItemDescription


Scroll first hit into visible area	Select this checkbox to have the editor automatically scroll to the first XPath match.
Use node at cursor as context node	Select this checkbox to have the entered XPath expression use the currently selected node (tag/attribute/pi, etc.) as its context node and evaluate the expression relatively to this node.
Highlight only start tag instead of whole tag content	Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Select this checkbox to have only the name of a matching tag highlighted.</li><li>– Clear this checkbox to have the entire content of a matching tag highlighted.</li></ul>
Add error stripe markers for each result	Select this checkbox to have each match supplied with an error stripe marker which can be quickly navigated to. The tooltip of each marker shows the matched content.
Show actions in Toolbar	Select this checkbox to have buttons that invoke XPath -related actions displayed on the <a href="#">Main Toolbar</a> .
Show actions in Main Menu	When this checkbox is selected, XPath -related actions are available from the main menu.
Colors	In this area, configure color indication during execution of XPath expressions. Clicking on the color box will open the <a href="#">Select Color</a> dialog in which you can modify the current color indication. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Highlight Color - in this area, select the color to indicate XPath matches in the editor.</li><li>– Context Node Color - in this area, select the color to indicate the current context node.</li></ul>

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Use this dialog box to specify the default server name and port for generating URL addresses of Web services, as well as the paths to installation directories of Web service engines that cannot be enabled directly via dedicated [facets](#) .

**ItemDescription**

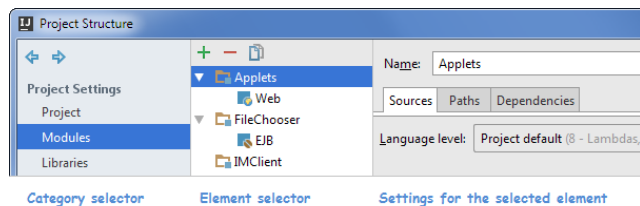
External engines	<p>In this section, specify the paths to the installation directories of external Web service engines. Enter the path manually, or click the Browse button  and select the path in the dialog that opens. The following external engines are supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">Glassfish / JAX-WS 2.2 RI / Metro 1.X / JWSRP 2.2</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Apache Axis 2</a></li><li>- <a href="#">CXF</a></li><li>- <a href="#">JBoss</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Xml Beans</a></li><li>- <a href="#">WebSphere 6.x</a></li></ul>
Server name	<p>In this text box, specify the default name of the server to be used in URL addresses. IntelliJ IDEA suggests <code>localhost</code> .</p>
Server port	<p>In this text box, specify the default port number to be used in URL addresses. IntelliJ IDEA suggests <code>8080</code> .</p>
Prefix path for web services URL	<p>In this text box, specify the default prefix to be used in URL addresses of Web services. IntelliJ IDEA suggests <code>/services</code> .</p>
Maximum VM heap size when launching tools (Mb)	<p>In this text box, specify the default maximum heap size in Mbs that will be used when a Web service is launched.</p>



Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S



The Project Structure dialog lets you manage your [project](#) and IDE-level elements such as [modules](#) , [facets](#) , [libraries](#) , [artifacts](#) and [SDKs](#) .



In most of the cases, there are two panes in the left-hand part that implement a two-level selector. The only exception is when you select `Project` . There is only one selector pane in this case.

## Load Paths

Use this tab to specify the path where `require` and `load` statements will look for files. The specified paths will be used in [code completion](#) for `require` and `load` . If the load path is not defined, code completion will suggest only the paths relative to the project root.

Item	Tooltip	Description and shortcut
	Add	Click this button to add a new root to the load path using the <a href="#">Select Path dialog</a> . 
	Remove	Click this button to delete the currently selected root from the load path. 

## i18n Folders

Use this tab to specify the path where IntelliJ IDEA will search for the directories with locales.

If the load path is not defined, code completion will suggest only the paths relative to the project root.

Item	Tooltip	Description and shortcut
Folders with locales		This area displays the directories where locales files reside.
	Add	Click this button to add a new folder with locales. Find the desired folder in the <a href="#">Select Path dialog</a> . 
	Remove	Click this button to delete the selected directories from the list. 

## Category selector

The leftmost pane is for selecting a category. There are two groups of categories in this pane.

The first group ( `Project Settings` ) provides access to the elements of your current project. In the second group ( `Platform Settings` ) are the IDE-level entities that are available in all of your projects.

When you select a category in the leftmost pane, the pane to the right shows a list (or, if appropriate, a tree) of elements belonging to this category.

The toolbar icons `Back` and `Forward` are for moving back and forward in the history of selected categories.

## Element selector

The element selector pane lets you manage the elements in the corresponding category.





When you select an element, its settings are shown on a page to the right.

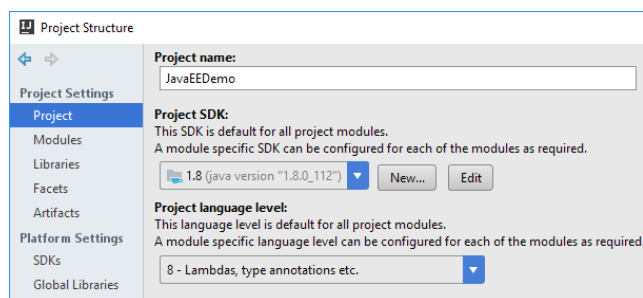
To perform various operations with the elements, use the toolbar icons, context menu commands (accessed by right-clicking an element), or keyboard shortcuts.

The following functions are available for all element types. Complete lists of commands for different element categories (modules, libraries, etc.) are provided in the corresponding sections.

**IconCommandShortcutDescription**

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	New		Use this icon, command or shortcut to create a new element (module, library, etc.).
	Delete		Use this icon, command or shortcut to delete the selected elements.



Specify the project name, [SDK](#) , language level, and the compiler output path.

#### ItemDescription

**Project name** Use this field to edit the project name.

**Project SDK** Select the [project SDK](#) .  
If the desired SDK is not present in the list, click New and select the necessary [SDK type](#) . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the SDK home directory and click OK .

To view or edit the name and [contents](#) of the selected SDK, click Edit . (The [SDK page](#) will open.)

**Project language level** Select the Java language level to be supported. The selected level will be used as the project default.


The available options correspond to JDK versions:

- 1.3 - Plain old Java
- 1.4 - 'assert' keyword
- 5.0 - 'enum' keyword, autoboxing, etc.
- 6.0 - @Override in interfaces
- 7.0 - Diamonds, ARM, multi-catch, etc.
- 8.0 - Lambda support, type annotations, etc.

An individual language level may be set for [any of your modules](#) .

Note that if the target level is not explicitly defined (the compiler option `-target` ), it is considered equal to the source language level.

Thus, if `-target` is not explicitly defined, it will be synchronized with the language level.

**Project compiler output** Specify the path to the directory in which IntelliJ IDEA will store the compilation results. Click  to select the directory in the [Select Path dialog](#) .

Two subdirectories in the specified directory will be created:

- `production` for production code.
- `test` for test sources.

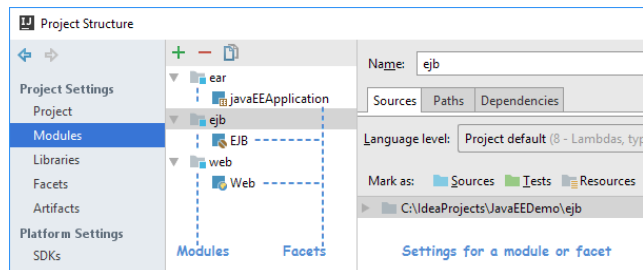
In these subdirectories, individual output directories will be created for each of your modules.

The output paths may be [redefined at the module level](#) .

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Modules

When you select the Modules category in the Project Structure dialog, a hierarchical view of existing module groups, modules, facets and, for Flash modules, build configurations is shown in the element selector pane. (Facets and build configurations are shown as module elements.)



Use the toolbar icons, context menu commands or keyboard shortcuts to manage the sets of elements shown (see below).

To view or edit the settings for an element (module, facet or build configuration), select the element of interest, and use the page to the right of the selector pane.

In this section:

- [Module Page](#)
- [Facet Page](#)
- [Module Page for a Flash Module](#)
- [Build Configuration Page for a Flash Module](#)

## Toolbar icons, context menu commands and shortcuts

### IconCommandShortcutDescription

	New		Create a new module, facet, or, for a Flash module, a new build configuration.
	Delete		Delete the selected element (module, facet, etc.).
	Copy		Create a copy of the selected module, or, for a Flash module, a copy of a build configuration.
	Find Usages		Find usages of the selected module, facet or build configuration in the project.
	Hide Module Groups		If there are module groups: hide or show the module groups. See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .
	Expand All		Expand all the tree nodes to see their contents.
	Collapse All		Collapse all the tree nodes and show only the top-level nodes.
	Move Module to Group		This is an "entry point command" for grouping your modules and working with module groups.

The Module page opens in the right-hand part of the [Project Structure dialog](#) when you select a module in the [element selector pane](#) .

Use the Name field to edit the module name. Other settings are available on the following tabs:

- [Sources Tab](#)
- [Paths Tab](#)
- [Dependencies Tab](#)
- [Plugin Deployment Tab](#)
- [Mobile Module Settings Tab](#)
- [Mobile Build Settings Tab](#)

Use the Sources tab of the [Module page](#) to select the supported language level for Java and to configure the module contents.

The module contents are configured by adding and removing the module [content roots](#) as well as by assigning individual folders (within the content roots) to categories such as sources and test sources, and also by excluding the folders.

- [Language level list](#)
- [The left-hand pane](#)
- [The right-hand pane](#)

## Language level list

### ItemDescription

Language level	Use this list to select the Java language level for the module. The available options correspond to JDK versions. You can select the <a href="#">level set for the project</a> (the option <Use project language level> ) or set an individual level for the module.
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## The left-hand pane







The left-hand pane shows a tree of folders for a module [content root](#) . If the module has more than one content root, the structure shown corresponds to the content root selected in the right-hand pane.

The folders belonging to different categories have different icons.

The following table lists the available toolbar buttons (the **Icon** column) and explains their functions (the **Description** column). Note that the corresponding functions can also be accessed as the context menu commands. These are listed in the **Command** column.

Most of the icons/commands work as toggles, and can be used to cancel the corresponding assignment (to make a folder "an ordinary folder").

### IconCommandDescription

	Sources	Use this icon or command to assign the selected folder or folders to the source folder category.
	Tests	Use this icon or command to assign the selected folder or folders to test sources.
	Resources	For Java modules: use this icon or command to assign the selected folder or folders to resources.
	Test Resources	For Java modules: use this icon or command to assign the selected folder or folders to test resources.
	Excluded	Use this icon or command to make the selected folder <a href="#">excluded</a> .
	New Folder	Use this command to create a folder in the selected folder. Specify the name for the new folder in the New Folder dialog that opens.

Exclude files. The files and folders whose names match at least one of the specified patterns are made [excluded](#) .

## The right-hand pane

The right-hand pane shows the module [content roots](#) .

For each content root, a categorized view of the module folders is provided. The categories are the source folders, test source folders, etc.

The "ordinary" folders are not shown in this view.



The individual folders within the categories are identified by their paths. The folder paths are all relative to the module root folder (content root).

The folder paths, functionally, are hyperlinks that let you jump to the corresponding folders in the tree shown in the left-hand pane.

If a module has more than one content root, selecting a content root in the right-hand pane also switches the tree view in the left-hand pane. That is, when you click somewhere within the content root area, the folder structure of this particular content root is shown in the left-hand pane.



The following table lists the controls available in the right-hand pane (icons) and describes their functions.

### IconTooltipDescription

	Add Content Root	Use this icon to add a content root. Select the folder to be added as a content root in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
	Remove Content	Use this icon to remove the corresponding content root from the list of the content roots.

## Entry

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-  **Edit** Available in Java modules for folders marked as containing sources or resources.
- properties** Use this icon to open the Edit Root Properties dialog in which you can specify:
- A package prefix for the selected source folder.  
Specifying the package prefix (e.g. `com.mycompany.myapp`) eliminates the necessity to create the corresponding folder structure (e.g. `com/mycompany/myapp`). For more information, see [Configuring projects](#).
  - An output path for the selected resource folder. See [Configuring projects](#).
  - Whether the folder contains generated sources or resources (the For generated sources or For generated resources checkbox).
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-  **Unmark** Use this icon to remove the folder from the corresponding category. As a result, the folder becomes "an ordinary folder", that is, not belonging to any specific category.

Use the Paths tab of the [Module page](#) to configure the compiler output paths for the module, and also to specify the locations of external JavaDocs and external annotations associated with the module.

- [Compiler output](#)
- [JavaDoc](#)
- [External Annotations](#)

## Compiler output


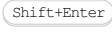

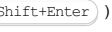
### ItemDescription

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Inherit project compile output path    Select this option to use the [paths specified for the project](#) .

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Use module compile output path    Select this option if you want to set the compiler output paths for this module individually. Specify the associated settings:

- Output path. Specify the directory for the production classes. Use  (  ) to select the directory in the [Select Output Path dialog](#) .
- Test output path. Specify the directory for the test classes. Use  (  ) to select the directory in the [Select Test Output Path dialog](#) .
- Exclude output paths. Select this checkbox to make the output directories [Configuring projects](#) .

## JavaDoc



Use the available controls to compose the list of locations where external JavaDocs associated with the module are stored.

### IconShortcutDescription

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     Use this icon or shortcut to add a JavaDoc file to the list.

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     Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item from the list.

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    Use this icon to add a URL of online JavaDoc.

## External Annotations



Use  and  to manage the list of locations (directories) for [external annotations](#) associated with the module.

### IconShortcutDescription

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     Use this icon or shortcut to add a directory to the list.

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     Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item from the list.



On this tab, you can define the module SDK and form the list of [module dependencies](#) .

- [Main settings and controls](#)
- [Context menu commands for dependency items](#)
- [Sorting the list of dependencies](#)

## Main settings and controls

### ItemDescription

**Module SDK** Select the module [SDK](#) . (To associate the project SDK with the module, select Project SDK . Note that if you change the project SDK later, the module SDK will change accordingly.)  
If the desired SDK is not present in the list, click New and select the necessary [SDK type](#) . Then, in the [dialog that opens](#) , select the SDK home directory and click OK .  
  
To view or edit the name and [contents](#) of the selected SDK, click Edit . (The [SDK page](#) will open.)

**List of dependencies** Shown below the module SDK is the list of [module dependencies](#) . Use [+](#), [-](#), [↑](#) and [↓](#) to add, remove and reorder the items ([libraries](#) and modules). Use the cells in the header row to sort the list, see [Sorting the list of dependencies](#) .  
When you compile or run your code, the list of dependencies is used to form the [classpath](#) for the compiler or JVM. (Native Library Locations, if any, are added to `java.library.path` rather than the classpath.)

Scope. This setting lets you control the classpath separately for your [Configuring projects](#) and [test sources](#) , and for the build and the run phases. (The classpath may be different when 1) your sources are compiled 2) your test sources are compiled 3) your compiled sources are run 4) your tests are run. The Scope option defines the classpaths in which the dependency is to be included.)

Select the necessary option from the list:

- **Compile.** The dependency is included in the classpath for your sources and test sources at the compilation and run phases.
- **Test.** The dependency is included in the classpath only for your test sources at the compilation and run phases.
- **Runtime.** The dependency is included in the classpath for your sources and test sources but only at the run phase.
- **Provided.** For your sources, the dependency is included in the classpath only at the compilation phase. This is useful when there is a container (e.g. a [web container](#) of an application server) that provides the corresponding dependency at runtime.  
For your test sources, the dependency is included in the classpath both at the build and run phases.

[Application server libraries](#) , normally, are included in dependency lists with the scope Provided.

The following table summarizes the classpath information for the possible dependency scopes.

Scope	Sources, when compiled	Sources, when run	Tests, when compiled	Tests, when run
Compile	+	+	+	+
Test	-	-	+	+
Runtime	-	+	-	+
Provided	+	-	+	+

Note that IntelliJ IDEA is different from some other build tools (e.g. Gradle and Maven) in the way it processes dependencies for test sources. If your module (module A) depends on another module (module B), IntelliJ IDEA assumes that the test sources in the module A depend not only on the sources in the module B but also on its test sources. Consequently, the test sources of B are also included in the corresponding classpaths.

**Export.** This option lets you control the compilation classpath for the modules that depend on this one.

Select the checkbox if you want the item to be exported as a dependency along with the module. That is, if there is a module that depends on this one, the items with the Export option on will be included in the compilation classpath of the dependent module.

Note that this setting doesn't affect the runtime classpath. At runtime, all the dependencies of the current module are included in the classpath for the modules that depend on this module.

Also note that the dependency scopes may change when exported. For example:

- A module A depends on a module B, and the scope of this dependency is Compile.
- B depends on a library L, and the scope of this dependency is Test.

If L has the Export option on, then the scope of the dependency of A on L will effectively be Test.

This and also some other interesting practical cases are listed in the following table.

A on B dependency, specified scope	B on L dependency, specified scope	A on L dependency, resulting scope
Compile	Compile	Compile
Compile	Test	Test
Test	Compile	Test
Test	Test	Test

Controls for working with the dependencies

- + ( **Alt+Insert** ). Use this icon or shortcut to add a [library](#) or a module to the list of the module dependencies. Select one of the following options:
  - Jars or directories. Select this option to create a new module library and add it to the list of dependencies. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the files and folders to be included in the library. These may be individual `.class` and `.java` files, directories and archives ( `.jar` and `.zip` ) containing such files as well as directories with Java native libraries ( `.dll` , `.so` or `.jnlib` ).
  - Library. Select this option to add one or more of the existing project, global or application server libraries to the list of dependencies. In the dialog that opens, select the library or libraries and click **Add Selected** .
  - Module Dependency. Select this option to specify the modules that the current module should depend on.
- ( **Alt+Delete** ). Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item or items from the list of dependencies.
- ↑ ( **Alt+Up** ) and ↓ ( **Alt+Down** ). Use these icons and shortcuts to move the selected item up or down in the list. See [Configuring projects](#) .
- 🔍 ( **F4** ). Use this icon or shortcut to open the [Configure Library dialog](#) to edit the library.

**Dependency storage format** Select the format for storing the dependencies (as an IntelliJ IDEA module, or as Eclipse project). This option is helpful for the teams that use different development tools.

## Context menu commands for dependency items

Item	Description
Edit	For a library: use this command to edit the selected library. (The <a href="#">Configure Library dialog</a> will open.)
Remove	Use this command to remove the selected item or items from the list of dependencies.
Navigate ( <b>F4</b> )	Use this command or shortcut to see details for the selected item. An appropriate page of the Project Structure dialog will open, if any.
Find Usages	Use this command to see the list of modules where the selected dependency is used. Clicking a module in that list, opens the <a href="#">Module Page</a> for the corresponding module.
Analyze This Dependency	Use this command to perform a dependency analysis for the selected item and display the results in the <a href="#">Dependency Viewer</a> .
Move to Project Libraries or Move to Global Libraries	For a module library: Use this command to move the selected library to a higher <a href="#">level</a> (project or global).
Copy to Module Libraries	For a global or project library: Use this command to create a copy of the selected library at the module <a href="#">level</a> .

## Sorting the list of dependencies

You can sort the dependencies by their names and scopes by clicking the cells in the header row.

If you click a cell once, the list is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. The sorting marker appears in the cell: ▲ . When you click the cell for the second time, the information is sorted in the descending order. To show this, the sorting marker changes its appearance: ▼ . Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial unsorted state is resorted.

Note that the sorting operations don't change the actual order of dependencies.


When the list is sorted, the icons for changing the order of dependencies are inactive.

Use the Plugin Deployment tab of the [Module page](#) to specify the settings related to deploying your plugin.

Note that this tab is available for Plugin modules only, see [Plugin Development Guidelines](#) .

#### ItemDescription


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Path to META-INF\plugin.xml Specify the path to the directory in which the directory `META-INF` with the file `plugin.xml` inside should be located. Use  ( `Shift+Enter` ) to select the directory in the [Select META-INF Directory Location dialog](#) . `plugin.xml` is a plugin descriptor that contains general information about the plugin. This information includes the plugin name, description and version, the lowest IntelliJ IDEA build number with which it works as well as descriptions of the component and actions.

IntelliJ IDEA needs this file to be able to load the plugin.

`plugin.xml` should be located in the directory with the name `META-INF` .

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Use user manifest Select this checkbox if you want a custom manifest file to be included in the plugin distribution. Specify the path to the file. Use  ( `Shift+Enter` ) to select the file in the [Select manifest.mf dialog](#) .

Note that this tab is available for J2ME modules only. The settings depend on the Java Mobile toolkit (SDK) being used, see [J2ME](#) .

– [Settings for Java Wireless Toolkit \(WTK\)](#)

– [Settings for DoJa](#)

## Settings for Java Wireless Toolkit (WTK)

### ItemDescription

MIDlet-Name	In this text box, specify the MIDlet suite name (corresponds to the JAD MIDlet-Name property). This option is necessary to identify MIDlet suite on a device.
MIDlet-JAR-URL	In this text box, specify the MIDlet JAR location. This option is also necessary to identify MIDlet suite on a device. The JAR file will be installed from the location MIDlet-JAR-URL afterward. You can specify the location manually, or click the ellipsis button and select the necessary location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
MIDlet-Vendor	In this text box, specify the MIDlet vendor name, that is, the MIDlet suite provider.
MIDlet-Version	In this text box, specify your MIDlet version number.
Optional Settings	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Optional MIDP Settings</a> dialog box where you can set additional options that are not generally required.
Defined MIDlets	<p>In this area, define the MIDlets to form your MIDlet suite. A defined MIDlet contains the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– The MIDlet name under which the MIDlet will be presented to the user.</li><li>– The icon to indicate the MIDlet (optional).</li><li>– The name of the class that implements the MIDlet and that will be called by the application manager to load the MIDlet.</li></ul> <p>Use the buttons Add , Edit and Remove to create, update, and delete MIDlet definitions.</p> <p>Use the buttons Move Up and Move Down to change the order of MIDlets. This order determines the order in which the MIDlets are invoked.</p>
Keep user defined JAD file	Select this checkbox to create the JAD file with the settings specified above.

## Settings for DoJa

### ItemDescription

AppName	In this text box, type the application name (50 bytes maximum).
PackageUrl	In this text box, specify the URL address to access the application. Make sure the URL is an ASCII-format string. Also, an IP address cannot be specified directly.
AppClass	In this text box, specify the application main class name (255 bytes maximum). This should be a subclass name of <code>com.nttdocomo.ui.IApplication</code> .
Optional Settings	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Optional MIDP Settings</a> dialog box where you can set additional options that are not generally required.
Keep user defined JAM file	Select this checkbox to create the <code>JAM</code> file with settings specified above.

The dialog box opens when you click the Optional Settings button on [Mobile SDK Specific Options](#) page of the [New Project From Scratch](#) Wizard.

Use this dialog box to specify additional options that are not generally required. The contents of the dialog box depend on the mobile development tool used:

- [Java Wireless Toolkit \(WTK\)](#) .
- [DoJa](#) .

## WTK

### ItemDescription

MIDlet-Description	In this text box, provide a description of your MIDlet suite.
MIDlet-Icon	In this text box, specify the location of the MIDlet suite presentation <code>.png</code> file within the <code>.jar</code> .
MIDlet-Data-Size	In this text box, type the minimum number of bytes of persistent data required by the MIDlet.
MIDlet-Info-URL	In this text box, specify the URL to access more information about the MIDlet suite and/or the vendor.
MIDlet-Delete-Confirm	In this text box, type the message to be shown when the user is prompted to confirm deletion of the MIDlet suite.
MIDlet-Install-Notify	In this text box, specify the URL to send <code>POST</code> request to confirm successful installation of this MIDlet suite.
User Defined Settings	In this area, compose a list of user-defined attributes related to specific MIDlets. For each attribute, specify a key and a value . Use the Add and Remove buttons to manage the contents of the list. Use the Move Up and Move Up buttons to define the order of settings. This order determines the priority in which the settings are applied.

## DoJa

### ItemDescription

AppVersion	In this text box, specify the application version (10 bytes maximum).
ConfigurationVer	In this text box, specify the J2ME configuration version, for example, <code>CLDC-1.0</code> .
ProfileVer	In this text box, specify the version of the i-mode Java Application runtime environment profile, for example, <code>DoJa-1.5oe</code> .
SPsize	In this text box, specify the size of the ScratchPad in bytes.
AppParam	In this text box, specify the parameters of the main class (255 bytes maximum).
UseNetwork	In this text box, specify <code>http</code> for applications that use network functionality.
TargetDevice	Specify here a model name if the application is targeted to a particular model(128 bytes maximum). Do not set this option for applications targeted to all models.
LaunchAt	To have your application launched automatically at the specific time, specify the required time in this text box.
AppTrace	Choose the On value to have some information output using <code>System.out.println()</code> or <code>System.err.println()</code> after the i-Appli is terminated.
DrawArea	In this text box, specify the size of the application drawing area, for example, <code>120x130</code> .
GetUtn	When this option is selected, the application refers to the handset identification code and IC chip information on its SIM or UIM card.

Note that this tab is available for J2ME modules only.

#### ItemDescription

JAR File	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>JAR</code> file that will contain all the MIDlet classes in the suite, the Java classes shared between MIDlets, and the resource files.
JAD/JAM File	In this text box, specify the location of the <code>JAD</code> or <code>JAM</code> file (depending on the SDK used). This file contains a predefined set of attributes (such as <code>MIDlet-Name</code> , <code>MIDlet-JAR-URL</code> , etc.) according to which the device application management software identifies, retrieves, and installs your application.
Use user manifest	Select this checkbox to have the <code>JAR</code> file supplied with a custom manifest file. If this case, the <code>MIDlet-Name</code> , <code>MIDlet-Version</code> , and <code>MIDlet-Vendor</code> should have the same values in both the <code>JAD</code> and the manifest files, otherwise the application manager will fail to load the <code>JAR</code> file.
Setup mobile exploded directory	Select this checkbox, to have a copy of the mobile module package as a separate folder and specify the location of this folder in the text box below. <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px;"><b>Tip</b> For WTK, you can set the exploded directory as the directory where the emulator takes applications. This means that it should correspond to the <code>WTK_Installation_Dir/apps/Project_Name/bin/</code> directory.</div>
Exclude from module content	Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA exclude the replicated package from the module contents.
Create Mobile Resources Directory	Select this checkbox to have resources stored in a separate folder and specify the location of this folder in the text box below.

When you select a framework (a [facet](#)) in the [element selector pane](#), the settings for the framework are shown in the right-hand part of the dialog.

The settings vary depending on the framework (the facet type):

- [Android Facet Page](#)
- [AspectJ Facet Page](#)
- [Android-Gradle Facet Page](#)
- [EJB facet page](#)
- [Google App Engine Facet Page](#)
- [GWT Facet Page](#)
- [Hibernate and JPA Facet Pages](#)
- [Java EE Application facet page](#)
- [JSF Facet Page](#)
- [OSGi Facet Page](#)
- [Seam Facet Page](#)
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Use this page to configure the settings of an Android [facet](#) attached to a specific module.

In this section:

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## Common Android facet options

In this area, configure the facet general settings.

### ItemDescription

Library module	Select this checkbox to turn this module into a library module, so that other Android application projects can reference its source code and resources.
Update "project.properties" file automatically	Select this option if you want the <code>project.properties</code> file to be updated automatically when one of the following options is enabled or disabled: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Library module</li> <li>– Enable manifest merging</li> </ul>
Reset paths to defaults	Click this button to return to the default Android facet settings.

## Structure tab

In this tab, specify the location of the key application components in the module tree structure. Based on these settings, IntelliJ IDEA supports code completion, resolves references, and provides other types of coding assistance.



### ItemDescription

Manifest file	In this text box, specify the path to the <a href="#">AndroidManifest.xml</a> file. This file contains the information that is required to run the application. It must be located in the module root directory.
Resources directory	In this text box, specify the path to the folder where the <a href="#">application resources</a> are stored. Resources located in this directory are assigned IDs and can be referenced through the <code>R.java</code> file or from XML resource definition files. The default location is <code>&lt;module root&gt;/res</code> .
Assets directory	In this text box, specify the path to the folder where the <a href="#">application assets</a> are stored. Files located in this directory are not assigned IDs and cannot be referenced through the <code>R.java</code> file or from XML resource definition files. You can access this directory like a normal file system and read data from these files using the <a href="#">AssetManager</a> . The default location is <code>&lt;module root&gt;/assets</code> .
Native libs directory	In this text box, specify the path to the folder where the <a href="#">Android native libraries</a> are stored. The default location is <code>&lt;module root&gt;/libs</code> .

## Generated Sources tab

In this tab, specify the location of the application source files.

### ItemDescription

Generate sources automatically	Select this option if you want the <code>R.java</code> , <code>AndroidManifest.java</code> and <code>.aidl</code> files to be generated automatically based on the definitions of resources and the <code>AndroidManifest.xml</code> file.
R.java and Manifest.java files	In this area, specify the target folder for the <code>R.java</code> file that contains IDs of all resources defined in your project, and the <code>AndroidManifest.java</code> file that contains permissions. To change the default location, type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the target folder in the dialog that opens.
AIDL files	In this area, specify the target folder for the <code>.aidl</code> files generated by the AIDL Compiler. To change the default location, type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the target folder in the dialog that opens.





## Packaging tab

In this tab, configure the behavior of the [Android Asset Packaging Tool \(aapt\)](#) that is responsible for creating an `.apk` file.

### ItemDescription

Use resource directory specified at "Structure" section	Select this option if you want the compiler to use the resources from the location specified in the Resources directory field in the Structure tab.
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Use custom resource directory	Select this option if you want the package to contain resources from a location different from the one specified in the Resources directory field in the Structure tab. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select the target folder in the dialog that opens.
Include assets from dependencies into APK	Select this option if you want to include <a href="#">assets</a> from dependencies into the application package.
Rename manifest package	Select this option if you want the application ID to be changed on build time, and specify the new name (for more information, see <a href="#">Renaming an Application Package</a> ). This option is only available for Application modules.
Enable manifest merging	Select this option if you want to automatically merge manifest files of library modules with the manifest file of the application that contains this library module (for more information, see <a href="#">Sharing Android Source Code and Resources Using Library Projects</a> ). This option is only available for Application modules.
Additional command line parameters	In this text box, type the additional parameters to be passed to the <a href="#">Android Asset Packaging Tool(aapt)</a> . If the set of additional parameters does not fit into the text box, click  and specify the parameters in the dialog that opens. For example, if you want to include resources of a certain type in an uncompressed format, type <code>-o &lt;file extension for this type of resources&gt; .</code>
APK path	Specify the target directory for the <code>.apk</code> file that will be generated as a result of Android module compilation. Select a folder from the drop-down list, or click the Browse button  and specify the path in the dialog that opens.
Custom debug keystore	In this text box, specify the location of the keystore where the debug key you want to use is located. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and select a folder in the dialog that opens.
Include test code and resources into APK	Select this option to include sources and resources located under the test roots into the debug APK created on build time. Test data is never included in the release APK that is generated via the <a href="#">Generate Signed APK wizard</a> .
Pre-dex external jars and Android library dependencies	<p>During the application packaging, the <code>.class</code> files of a library module are converted into <code>.dex</code> files. This operation is referred to as <a href="#">dexing</a> . Finally, the <code>.dex</code> files output from the library module is included in the final application <code>.apk</code> (learn more about the building procedure from <a href="#">Building and Running</a> ).</p> <p>As a rule, the contents of a library module remain unchanged. In this case you can have them <code>dexed</code> only once, whereupon the output <code>.dex</code> files are included in the <code>.apk</code> . This approach is referred to as <a href="#">pre-dexing</a> .</p> <p>By default, IntelliJ IDEA pre-dexes library mode dependencies as well as external <code>jars</code> that have not been updated since the previous build. You can change these settings so that all <code>.class</code> files are always dexed.</p> <p>When this option is selected, <code>.dex</code> files output from <code>.class</code> files of library modules or external <code>.jars</code> are pre-dexed. That means they are not dexed anew if the corresponding <code>.class</code> files have not been updated since the previous build. If this checkbox is cleared, all <code>.class</code> files are dexed on each build.</p> <p>This option is unavailable for Library modules.</p>

## ProGuard tab

In this tab, enable the [ProGuard](#) tool used to obfuscate the application during packaging.

### ItemDescription

Proguard logs directory	This text box shows the default location of the ProGuard logs. To modify the location, click the Browse button  and select a folder in the dialog that opens.
Run ProGuard when building debug APK	Select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to <a href="#">obfuscate the debug APK</a> through integration with the built-in <a href="#">ProGuard</a> tool. Note that for release application packages, there is a dedicated checkbox in the <a href="#">Generate Signed APK wizard</a> and in <a href="#">Project Structure   Artifacts   Android tab</a> .
Config file paths	This text box shows the default location of the <code>proguard-project.txt</code> configuration file that is created automatically together with an Android module. To modify the location, click the Browse button  and select a folder in the dialog that opens.

## Multi-dex tab

In this tab you can configure the [multi-dex support](#) .

### ItemDescription

Enable multi-dex support	Select this checkbox to enable Android multi-dex feature.
Main dex list	Specify the main dex list.
Minimal main dex	Select this checkbox for minimal main dex. This option lets you put only classes that are selected by main dex list into the main dex.

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The page is available only if the AspectJ support [plugins](#) are enabled. See [Enabling AspectJ Support Plugins](#) .

On this page, you can:

- Specify that the AspectJ compiler [ajc](#) should be used only for post-compile weaving.
- Specify the `ajc` command-line option `aspectpath` for the module.





#### ItemDescription

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**Post-compile weave mode** If you select this checkbox, `javac` is used to compile the source code. Then, `ajc` is used to weave the compiled class files. As a result, the overall process takes less time.  
**IMPORTANT:** Don't select this checkbox if there are `.aj` aspects in the module. That is, you should select this checkbox only if all the aspects are defined as `@Aspect` -annotated Java classes (in `.java` files).

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**Aspect path** Use the available controls to form the `aspectpath` for the module.

-  ( `Alt+Insert` ). Use this icon or shortcut to add libraries and other modules. Select the necessary libraries and modules in the dialog that opens. (To choose from, dependencies of the module are suggested.)
-  ( `Alt+Delete` ). Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected items from the list.
-  ( `Alt+Up` ). Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected item one line up in the list.
-  ( `Alt+Down` ). Use this icon or shortcut to move the selected item one line down in the list.

Use this page to configure the settings of an Android-Gradle [facet](#) attached to a specific module.

In this section:

- [Properties tab](#)
- [Signing tab](#)
- [Flavors tab](#)
- [Build Types tab](#)
- [Dependencies tab](#)

## Properties tab

This tab lets you specify properties for your `build.gradle` file.


### ItemDescription

Compile SDK Version	Use this drop-down list to select the compilation target.
Build Tool Version	Use this drop-down list to select a version of the build tool.
Library Repository	Specify the library repository. By default, <code>jcenter</code> repository is used for the Android-Gradle application. For more information, see <a href="#">jcenter repository</a> .
Ignore Assets Pattern	Use this field to specify asset patterns that you want to ignore.
Incremental Dex	Use this drop-down list to set an incremental dexing. You can choose <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> option, or leave it blank.
Source Compatibility	Use this drop-down list to select the Java version compatibility for the Java source compilation.
Target Compatibility	Use this drop-down list to select the Java version to generate Java classes.

## Signing tab

This tab lets you specify settings for signing configurations. The fields become editable when you add the `config` class in the left-hand area of the tab. You can also delete `config` classes that you don't need.


### ItemDescription

Name	This field displays a name of the <code>config</code> class that you have selected. You can modify the name, however, it should be a recognizable Java identifier.
Key Alias	Use this field to enter the name of your private key store file.
Key Password	Use this field to enter the password for the private key.
Store File	Use this field to enter a location of your private key store file. Alternatively, click Browse button  and select the target folder in the dialog that opens.
Store Password	Use this field to enter the password of your store file.

## Flavors tab

This tab lets you specify settings for flavors' configuration. The fields become editable when you add the `flavor` in the left-hand area of the tab. You can also delete the flavor entry that you don't need.


### ItemDescription

Name	This field displays a name of the <a href="#">build flavor</a> that you have selected. You can modify the name.
Min Sdk Version	Use this field to add the minimum SDK version for the flavor.
Application Id	Use this field to add an application ID.
Proguard File	Use this field to enter the location of the <a href="#">Proguard file</a> . Alternatively, click Browse button  and select the target folder in the dialog that opens.
Signing Config	Use this drop-down list to select a name of the <code>config</code> class that you have selected in the Signing tab.
Target Sdk Version	Use this drop-down list to select the target SDK version for your build flavor.
Test Instrumentation Runner	Use this field to enter the name of a class for running test cases. By default, the test class name is <code>android.test.InstrumentationTestRunner</code> .
Test Application Id	Use this field to enter an application id for your testing.
Version Code	Use this field to enter an integer value that represents the version of the application code, relative to other versions.
Version Name	Use this field to enter a string value that represents the release version of the application code, as it should be shown to users.

## Build Types tab

This tab lets you specify the settings for [Android build types](#) . By default, debug and release versions are created and displayed in the left-hand area of the tab. You can add a new entry or delete an existing one.

### ItemDescription


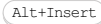
Name	This field displays a name of the <a href="#">build type</a> that you have added. You can modify the name.
Debuggable	Use this property to set it to either <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> depending on the build type.
Jni Debug Build	Use this property to set it to either <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> depending on the build type.
Signing Config	Use this drop-down list to select a name of the <code>config</code> class that you have selected in the Signing tab.
Renderscript Debug Build	Use this property to set <a href="#">Renderscript</a> debug build to either <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> depending on the build type.
Renderscript Optim Level	Use this property to set the optimization level for the renderscript compiler. The default value is 3.
Minify Enabled	Use this property to set the minification of your code to either <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> depending on the build type.
Pseudo Locales Enabled	Use this property to set the <a href="#">pseudo locales</a> to either <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> depending on the build type.
Proguard File	Use this field to enter the location of the <a href="#">Proguard file</a> . Alternatively, click Browse button  and select the target folder in the dialog that opens.
Application Id Suffix	Use this field to enter the suffix of your application id.
Version Name Suffix	Use this field to enter the version name suffix.
Zip Align	Use this drop-down list to set <a href="#">zipalign</a> for the file. You can use either <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> depending on the build file.



## Dependencies tab


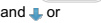


Use this tab to specify [dependencies](#) for your application.

### ItemDescription

Scope	<p>Use this setting to control the classpath separately for your <a href="#">sources</a> and <a href="#">sources</a> , and for the build and the run phases. (The classpath may be different when 1) your sources are compiled 2) your test sources are compiled 3) your compiled sources are run 4) your tests are run. The Scope option defines classpaths in which you include the dependency.)</p> <p>You can select from the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Compile - use this option to include the dependency in the classpath for your sources at the compilation and run phases.</li><li>– Provided - use this option include a dependency that is provided by the runtime environment.</li><li>– APK - use this option to include the dependency in .apk file that will be generated as a result of Android module compilation.</li><li>– Test compile - use this option to include the dependency in the classpath for your test sources at the test compilation phase.</li><li>– Debug compile - use this option to include the dependency in the classpath for the debug build type at the compilation phase.</li><li>– Release compile - use this option to include the dependency in the classpath for the release build type at the compilation phase.</li></ul>
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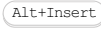

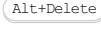



 or 	<p>Use this icon or shortcut to add a <a href="#">library</a> or a module to the list of the module dependencies. Select one of the following options:&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Jars or directories. Select this option to create a new module library and add it to the list of dependencies. In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the files and folders to be included in the library. These may be individual <code>.class</code> and <code>.java</code> files, directories and archives ( <code>.jar</code> and <code>.zip</code> ) containing such files as well as directories with Java native libraries ( <code>.dll</code> , <code>.so</code> or <code>.jnilib</code> ).</li><li>– Library. Select this option to add one or more of the existing project, global or application server libraries to the list of dependencies. In the dialog that opens, select the library or libraries and click Add Selected .</li><li>– Module Dependency. Select this option to specify the modules that the current module should depend on.</li></ul>
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 or 	<p>Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item or items from the list of dependencies.</p>
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 or  and  or 	<p>Use these icons and shortcuts to move the selected item up or down in the list. See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .</p>
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Use this page to edit the settings for your EJB [facet](#) .

#### ItemDescription

Name	The name of the facet.
Deployment Descriptors	<p>Form the list of deployment descriptors for your application.</p> <p> (  ). Create <code>ejb-jar.xml</code> and add it to the list. The function is not active if the corresponding descriptor is already present in the list.</p> <p> (  ). Remove the selected descriptor from the list.</p> <p> (  ). Replace the selected descriptor with another one of the same type.</p> <p>Add Application Server specific descriptor. Create an application server-specific deployment descriptor (e.g. <code>glassfish-ebj-jar.xml</code> , <code>jboss.xml</code> ) and add it to the list.</p>
Source roots for EJB classes	<p>Select the <a href="#">source roots</a> to be included in an <a href="#">artifact</a> . Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If the '&lt;ModuleName&gt;' compile output element is present in an artifact configuration, the classes for all the source roots are included in the corresponding artifact irrespective of which source roots are selected here.</li><li>- To include only the classes from the source roots selected on this page, use the following when configuring the artifact:    JavaEE Facet Classes   EJB (in &lt;ModuleName&gt; ) . As a result, the corresponding element in the artifact configuration will be shown as '&lt;ModuleName&gt;' module: 'EJB' facet classes .</li></ul>

Use this page to view and change Google App Engine [facet](#) settings.

Note that the Google App Engine facet is not tied to the Web facet. Both facets are independent.

#### ItemDescription

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Path to Google App Engine SDK installation directory	Specify the path to the directory where <a href="#">Google App Engine SDK for Java</a> is installed.
App Engine account	In this section, specify your Google account credentials.
Run Enhancer for the following classes and packages on make	<p>If this checkbox is selected, the <code>dataanucleusenhance</code> step will be executed after each make . Use Add and Remove buttons to specify the classes and packages to be processed by the enhancer.</p> <p>By default, the state of this checkbox corresponds to the facet settings made on <a href="#">creating the Google App Engine project</a> .</p>
Persistence	This field shows persistence type defined on <a href="#">creating the Google App Engine project</a> . You can select a different one from the drop-down list. Selected persistence type defines which particular enhancer will be used on compilation.

Use this page to configure the individual settings of a GWT [facet](#) attached to a particular module.

### ItemDescription

**Path to GWT installation** In this drop-down list, select the location of the GWT SDK. If necessary, click  and select the necessary location in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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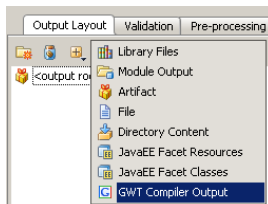
**Target Web Facet** In this drop-down list, select where GWT components should be ascribed. The available options are:

- None: the generated files will not be ascribed to any web facet.
- Web: the generated files will be ascribed to a `war` /`exploded` directory. This option is available only if the GWT application is placed in a Web module with a [Web facet](#) .

**JavaScript output style** In this drop-down list, select the optimization style that the compiler will apply to the generated JavaScript code. The following options are available:

- Obfuscated. Choose this option to get the output smaller and thus faster to load. The function names in the output JavaScript code are unpredictable.
- Pretty. Choose this option to get the output readable to a human.
- Detailed. Choose this option to get the output with even more detail, for example, verbose variable names.

**Compiler maximum heap size** In this text box, specify maximum heap size in Mb that will be used by the GWT compiler. In order to have GWT Compiler launched, you need to add GWT Compiler Output element to the artifact. (Project Structure | Artifacts | Output Layout)



Thus GWT Compiler is launched on artifact build, and the generated files are stored in the artifact's output directory.

**Additional compiler VM options** In this text box, specify additional VM options, for example, the ones for compiling and running large GWT projects. When specifying the options, follow these rules:

- Use spaces to separate individual options, for example, `-client -ea -Xmx1024m` .
- If an option includes spaces, enclose the spaces or the argument that contains the spaces in double quotes, for example, `some "arg` or `"some arg"` .
- If an option includes double quotes (e.g. as part of the argument), escape the double quotes by means of the backslashes, for example, `-Dmy.prop=\"quoted_value\"` .

**Compiler parameters** In this text box, specify the [options to be passed to the GWT compiler process](#) in the format of a command line. Use the same rules as for specifying the [VM options](#) .

**GWT Module** This read-only list shows all the GWT modules in your project. To have a GWT module involved in the [make process](#) , select the checkbox next to the name of the module in the list. The [make process](#) is automatic re-compilation of all the module or project sources that have been changed since the last compilation.

**Output Relative Path** In this text box, specify the output path relative to the GWT modules compile output root.

**Download GWT** Click this button to download the GWT SDK.




**Create Artifact** To launch GWT compiler, you need to have an artifact configured with GWT Compiler output element added in the Output Layout tab. Click this button to automatically create an artifact with configured output layout.

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Use this page to manage configuration and object/relational mapping files, and to download missing libraries.

#### ItemDescription

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Descriptors	<p>Use the controls in this section to manage configuration and O/R mapping files such as <code>hibernate.cfg.xml</code> for Hibernate, and <code>persistence.xml</code> and <code>orm.xml</code> for JPA.</p> <p> ( <code>Alt+Insert</code> ). Add an existing file or create a new one. In the dialog that opens, specify the file location and name.</p> <p> ( <code>Enter</code> ). Replace the selected file with another (existing) file. In the dialog that opens, specify the file that you want to use as a replacement.</p> <p> ( <code>Alt+Delete</code> ). Remove the selected file from the list. In the dialog that opens, specify whether you want to physically delete the file. (Otherwise, only the file association with the facet will be removed.)</p>
Default JPA Provider	<p>For JPA: When <code>persistence.xml</code> is created, this setting affects the <code>&lt;provider&gt;</code> element in that file. For example, <code>&lt;provider&gt;org.eclipse.persistence.jpa.PersistenceProvider&lt;/provider&gt;</code> will be generated for EclipseLink. There will be no <code>&lt;provider&gt;</code> element if <code>&lt;no provider&gt;</code> is selected.</p>
Fix	<p>If there are missing libraries, click this button to fix the problem. (The <a href="#">Setup Library dialog</a> will open.)</p>



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Use this page to edit the settings for your Java EE Application [facet](#).

#### ItemDescription

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**Name**      The name of the facet.

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**Deployment**      Form the list of [deployment descriptors](#) for your application.

**Descriptors**      + ( [Alt+Insert](#) ) . Create `application.xml` and add it to the list. The function is not active if the corresponding descriptor is already present in the list.

— ( [Alt+Delete](#) ) . Remove the selected descriptor from the list.

↵ ( [Enter](#) ) . Replace the selected descriptor with another one of the same type.

Add Application Server specific descriptor. Create an application server-specific deployment descriptor (e.g. `glassfish-application.xml` , `jboss-app.xml` ) and add it to the list.

Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S



Use this page to configure the JSF [facet](#) settings.

Note that you can download the JSF component libraries such as ICEfaces, OpenFaces, PrimeFaces and RichFaces by "adding" the corresponding facets to a JSF facet.

#### ItemDescription

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Facelets support	<p>Select the required <a href="#">Facelets</a> support option.</p> <p>This is the project-level setting. The selected option is set for all modules in the current project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Auto. Automatic Facelets detection. The XHTML files are treated as Facelets or ordinary XHTML files depending on whether the module has a JSF facet or not. In the modules that have a JSF facet, all XHTML files are considered Facelets. If a module does not have a JSF facet, all XHTML files in it are treated as ordinary XHTML files.</li><li>- Enabled. All XHTML files in the project are treated as Facelets.</li><li>- Disabled. All XHTML files in the project are considered not to be Facelets and are treated as ordinary XHTML files.</li></ul>
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Use this page to configure support of [OSGi](#) bundles generation.




**Note** Prerequisite: Osmorc plugin should be enabled.

The available tabs are:

- [General](#)
- [Bundle JAR](#)
- [Manifest Generation](#)

## General Tab

### ItemDescription



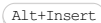



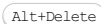
Bundle Creation	<p>In this area, specify the bundling method and appoint the OSGi Bundle manifest file to use (or specify the way to create a new one). The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Create manifest using facet settings and bundle using facet configuration - select this option to have bundles assembled according to the configuration settings specified in the <a href="#">Bundle JAR</a> tab and the manifest file generated according to the settings of the <a href="#">Manifest Generation</a> tab.</li> <li>- Use existing manifest and bundle using facet configuration - select this option to have bundles assembled according to the configuration settings specified in the <a href="#">Bundle JAR</a> tab and use an existing manifest file of your choice.</li> </ul> <p>In the Manifest file location area, appoint the manifest file to apply.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Select the Use project default option to use the manifest file that is appointed default for the current project in the <a href="#">OSGi: Project Settings</a> dialog box.</li> <li>- Alternatively, select Custom option to use a custom manifest file. In the text box, type the path to the desired file relative to the project root or click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li> </ul> <p>- Create using bnd and ignore facet configuration - select this option to have bundles assembled using the bnd .</p> <p>In the Bnd file location text box, specify the path to the <code>.bnd</code> file to use. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Create using Bundlor and ignore facet configuration - select this option to have bundles assembled using Bundlor . Bundlor helps you simplify the creation and maintenance of the OSGi metadata of each bundle.</li> </ul> <p>In the Bundlor file location text box, specify the path to the file to use. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</p>
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Maven Synchronization	<p>In this area you can select the following option:</p> <p>Do not synchronize facet settings with Maven - if you select this checkbox, OGGi facet settings will not be synchronized with Maven. It might be helpful if you want to save facet settings that are different from the settings in pom.xml file when you reimport from the Maven project.</p>
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## Bundle JAR Tab

**Warning!** The controls in this tab are not available if you have selected the Create using bnd and ignore facet configuration option in the [General](#) tab.

### ItemDescription

JAR filename	Use this field to specify the name of your bundle JAR file.
JAR output path	<p>Use this area to specify the location of the bundle JAR file. You can select from the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Place in module's output path - select this option to place the OSGi bundle JAR in module's output path.</li> <li>- Place in project-wide OSGi bundle output path - select this option to place the bundle JAR in project's output path that you specified in the <a href="#">OSGi: Project Settings</a> dialog box.</li> <li>- Place in this path - select this option to place the OSGi bundle JAR manually. You can either type the location in text field or click the Browse button  and choose the desired location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li> </ul>
Always Rebuild Bundle JAR	Select this checkbox to have the OSGi bundle JAR file rebuilt upon every module make.
Additional JAR Contents	<p>In this area, specify extra sources to be packaged into the JAR and the target location where to store the packaging results.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Source File/Folder - this read-only field shows the full path to the sources to package.</li> <li>- Destination File/Folder (Relative to JAR Root - this read-only field shows where to place the packaging results.</li> <li>-  (  ) - use this icon or shortcut to open the Choose Source File or Folder dialog box, where you can specify the desired extra sources to be included in the JAR file.</li> <li>-  (  ) - use this icon or shortcut to open the Choose Source File or Folder dialog box, where you can choose a different extra source file or folder.</li> <li>-  (  ) - use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected source - destination mapping from the list.</li> </ul>
File Ignore Pattern (regex)	Use this field to exclude items you do not need from the JAR file after the compilation. Bundles are assembled using bnd tool. This parameter acts as bnd directive <code>-donotcopy</code> .


For example, you usually do not copy CVS and .svn directories. So, the default, in this case, is `(CVS|.svn)`. The syntax for the parameter is as follows:

```
-donotcopy= (CVS|.svn|.+.bak|~.+)
```

## Manifest Generation Tab

**Warning!** The controls in this tab are only available when the Create manifest using facet settings and bundle using facet configuration option is selected in the [General](#) tab.

### ItemDescription

Symbolic Name	In this text box, specify an alias to refer to the bundle.
Bundle Activator	In this text box, specify the class that implements the OSGi activator. Type the class name or click the Browse button  and choose it in the Select Bundle Activator Class dialog box, that opens.
Bundle Version	In this text box, specify the version of the framework integrator used.
Additional Properties	In this text box, type additional properties to be included in the <code>manifest.mf</code> manifest file. Syntax highlighting, auto-completion, and intention actions are available.

File | Project Structure | Modules | <module> | Seam

File | Project Structure | Facets | Seam (<module>)

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Use this page to select the [Seam](#) version, and download missing libraries.

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Here you can edit settings for the selected [Struts facet](#) . The following tabs are available:

– [Struts Features tab](#)

– [Validation tab](#)

## Features tab

### ItemDescription

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**Select Struts version** The drop-down list is disabled and shows the Struts version specified during the creation of the dedicated facet.

**[Struts taglib](#)** The component provides a set of JSP custom tag libraries that help developers create interactive form-based applications. [Struts tags](#) help with everything from displaying error messages to dealing with nested ActionForm beans.

**[Struts El-taglib](#)** The [Struts El](#) component expands the Struts taglib component with JSTL (the JavaServer Pages Standard Tag Library) as a foundation technology. This option is available only after you have enabled the Struts taglib component.

**[Tiles](#)** The component is a templating system that can be used to create a common look and feel for a Web application. Tiles can also be used to create reusable view components.

**[Validator](#)** The component provides the functionality to validate the form data both on the server side and the client side. The Validator Framework uses two XML configuration files:

- `validator-rules.xml` defines the standard reusable validation routines, that are used in `validation.xml` to define the form specific validations.
- `validation.xml` defines the validations applied to a form bean.

**[Struts-Faces](#)** The component supports the use of [JavaServer Faces \(JSF\)](#) user interface technology in a Struts-based Web application.

**[Scripting](#)** The Struts Scripting component allows Struts Actions to be written in the scripting language of your choice.

**[Extras](#)** The Struts Extras component provides several popular but non-essential classes.

## Validation tab

### ItemDescription

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**Disable property keys validation** Excludes [Struts property keys](#) from validation.

The page is available only for modules with enabled Struts 2 support.

Use this page to configure the settings for an individual Struts 2 [facet](#) attached to a particular module.



The following tabs are available:

- [File Sets tab](#)
- [Features tab](#)


## File Sets tab

### ItemDescription



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 or  Use this icon or shortcut to create a new file set or add a file to the selected file set. (The [Edit File Set dialog](#) will open.)

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 or  Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected file set. (The [Edit File Set dialog](#) will open.)

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 or  Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected file or file set.

## Features tab

### ItemDescription

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Disable .properties-based I18N support      Disable internalization support for message resource keys, e.g. for `<message key="...">` in `validation.xml`, the `key` attribute in Struts UI taglib, etc.

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For this page to be available, the Tapestry Support [plugin](#) must be enabled.

Use this page to specify the [configuration settings](#) for your [Tapestry](#) application.

**ItemDescription**

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Filter Name	Specify the filter name for your application. By convention, the filter name is almost always <code>_app</code> , but you can use any name you want.
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Application Package	Specify the root package for your application.
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Use this page to edit the settings for your Web facet .

### ItemDescription

**Name** The name of the facet.

**Deployment Descriptors** Form the list of [deployment descriptors](#) for your application.

+ ( **Alt+Insert** ). Create `web.xml` and add it to the list. The function is not active if the corresponding descriptor is already present in the list.

- ( **Alt+Delete** ). Remove the selected descriptor from the list.

↵ ( **Enter** ). Replace the selected descriptor with another one of the same type.

Add Application Server specific descriptor. Create an application server-specific deployment descriptor (e.g. `glassfish-web.xml` , `jboss-web.xml` ) and add it to the list.



**Web Resource Directories** Specify the directories that contain your web app resources such as web pages, images, etc. (the Web Resource Directory column) and their locations in the corresponding [artifact](#) (the Path Relative to Deployment Root column).

For the resource directories to be included in an artifact, you should make sure that the artifact configuration contains a Web facet resources element. (All the resource directories are included in an artifact as a whole.) In that case, / in the Path Relative to Deployment Root column corresponds to the root of that element in the artifact configuration.

**Source Roots** Select the [source roots](#) to be included in an [artifact](#) . Note:

- If the '<ModuleName>' compile output element is present in an artifact configuration, the classes for all the source roots are included in the corresponding artifact irrespective of which source roots are selected here.

- To include only the classes from the source roots selected on this page, use the following when configuring the artifact: + | JavaEE Facet Classes | Web (in <ModuleName>). As a result, the corresponding element in the artifact configuration will be shown as '<ModuleName>' module: 'Web' facet classes .

From the [Web facet page](#) :  or  in the [Web Resource Directories](#) section .

#### ItemDescription

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Web resource directory path	The path to a directory that contains your web app resources such as web pages, images, etc.
Relative path in deployment directory	The location of the web resource directory in the corresponding <a href="#">artifact</a> . / in this field corresponds to the root of the Web facet resources element in an artifact configuration.

The page is available only for modules with enabled Web Services support.

Use this page to configure the settings of a Web Services [facet](#).

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**ItemDescription**

Select WS Engine      Select the archive with the libraries that support the development of a particular Web services type.

The page is available only for modules with enabled Web Services client support.

Use this page to configure the settings of a Web Services Client [facet](#).

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**ItemDescription**

Select WS Engine	Select the archive with the libraries that support the development of the client side for Web services of a specific type.
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This page opens in the right-hand part of the [Project Structure dialog](#) when you select a Flash module in the [element selector pane](#) .

Use this page to edit the module name and configure the module contents.

The module contents are configured by adding and removing the module content roots as well as by assigning individual folders (within the content roots) to source folders, test source folders and also by excluding the folders.

- [Name field](#)
- [The left-hand pane](#)
- [The right-hand pane](#)

## Name field

### ItemDescription

Name	Description
Name	Use this field to edit the module name.

## The left-hand pane





The left-hand pane shows a tree of folders for a module [content root](#) . If the module has more than one content root, the structure shown corresponds to the content root selected in the right-hand pane.

The folders belonging to different categories have different icons.

The following table lists the available toolbar buttons (the **Icon** column) and explains their functions (the **Description** column). Note that the corresponding functions can also be accessed as the context menu commands. These are listed in the **Command** column.

Most of the icons/commands work as toggles, and can be used to cancel the corresponding assignment (to make a folder "an ordinary folder").

### IconCommandDescription

Icon	Command	Description
	Sources	Use this icon or command to assign the selected folder or folders to the source folder category.
	Tests	Use this icon or command to assign the selected folder or folders to test sources.
	Excluded	Use this icon or command to make the selected folder <a href="#">excluded</a> .
	New Folder	Use this command to create a folder in the selected folder. Specify the name for the new folder in the New Folder dialog that opens.

Exclude files. The files and folders whose names match at least one of the specified patterns are made [excluded](#) .

## The right-hand pane

The right-hand pane shows the module [content roots](#) .

For each content root, a categorized view of the module folders is provided. The categories are the source folders, test source folders, etc.

The "ordinary" folders are not shown in this view.




The individual folders within the categories are identified by their paths. The folder paths are all relative to the module root folder (content root).

The folder paths, functionally, are hyperlinks that let you jump to the corresponding folders in the tree shown in the left-hand pane.

If a module has more than one content root, selecting a content root in the right-hand pane also switches the tree view in the left-hand pane. That is, when you click somewhere within the content root area, the folder structure of this particular content root is shown in the left-hand pane.

The following table lists the controls available in the right-hand pane (icons) and describes their functions.

### IconTooltipDescription

Icon	Tooltip	Description
	Add Content Root	Use this icon to add a content root. Select the folder to be added as a content root in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
	Remove Content Entry	Use this icon to remove the corresponding content root from the list of the content roots.
	Unmark	Use this icon to remove the folder from the corresponding category. As a result, the folder becomes "an ordinary folder", that is, not belonging to any specific category.

The Build Configuration page opens in the right-hand part of the [Project Structure dialog](#) when you select a build configuration of a Flash module in the [element selector pane](#) .

Use this page to edit the settings for the selected build configuration.

- [General tab](#)
- [Dependencies tab](#)
- [Compiler Options tab](#)
- [AIR Package tab](#)
- [Android tab](#)
- [iOS tab](#)

Use this tab to edit such build configuration settings as its name, [type](#), output file name and folder, etc.

#### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the build configuration.
Type	<p>A brief description of the build configuration <a href="#">type</a>, for example, <a href="#">ActionScript application for web (Flash Player)</a> which means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The target platform is Web.</li><li>- The output type is Application (SWF).</li><li>- The application is pure ActionScript (i.e. it doesn't use the Flex framework).</li></ul> <p>To change the build configuration type, click Change and specify the build configuration properties in the dialog that opens.</p>
Main class	<p>For the Application and the Runtime-loaded module output types: the <a href="#">main class of the SWF file</a>.</p> <p>Edit the name of the class right in the field or click <input type="button" value="..."/> (<a href="#">Shift+Enter</a>) and select the necessary class in the Choose Main Class dialog.</p>
Output file name	Use this field to edit the name and extension of the output file.
Output folder	<p>The folder in which the output file is generated.</p> <p>Edit the path to this folder right in the field or click <input type="button" value="..."/> (<a href="#">Shift+Enter</a>) and select the necessary folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</p>
Use HTML wrapper	<p>For Web Applications: select this option if you want an <a href="#">HTML wrapper</a> to be included in the output.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Folder with template. Specify the path to the folder where the files that constitute an HTML wrapper template are located.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To select an existing folder with the wrapper template files, click <input type="button" value="..."/> (<a href="#">Shift+Enter</a>) and select the folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li><li>Note that the corresponding folder must contain the file <code>index.template.html</code> and this file must contain the token <code>\${swf}</code>.</li><li>- To create a new folder with the wrapper template files, click Create and specify the folder location and the wrapper options in the <a href="#">Create HTML Wrapper Template dialog</a>.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>During the compilation, the tokens contained in the template (<code>index.template.html</code>) are replaced with the appropriate values. For example, <code>\${swf}</code> is replaced with the <code>.swf</code> file name. The resulting <code>.html</code> wrapper file will have the same name as the <code>.swf</code> file.</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Using the SWF metadata tag to control HTML wrapper properties</a>.</p>
Runtime-loaded modules	<p>For Web and Desktop Applications: if your application has modular structure (see <a href="#">Modular applications overview</a> in Flex documentation), you can use this field to specify dependencies on the corresponding runtime-loaded modules (RLMs).</p> <p>Click <input type="button" value="+"/> (<a href="#">Shift+Enter</a>). In the <a href="#">Runtime-Loaded Modules dialog</a> that opens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To add a dependency, click <input type="button" value="+"/> (<a href="#">Alt+Insert</a>) and select the main class of the corresponding RLM in the Choose Main Class of Runtime-Loaded Module dialog that opens.</li><li>- To optimize the module SWF file size, select the Optimize checkbox.</li><li>- To replace a class with a different one, click the corresponding Main Class table cell, click <input type="button" value="..."/> (<a href="#">Shift+Enter</a>), and select the necessary class in the dialog that opens.</li><li>- To remove dependencies from the list, select the dependencies (RLMs) to be removed and click <input type="button" value="-"/> (<a href="#">Alt+Delete</a>).</li></ul> <p>Note that there is also an alternative way of specifying dependencies on RLMs: you can add dependencies on RLM build configurations on the <a href="#">Dependencies tab</a>.</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Configuring dependencies for modular applications</a>.</p>
Runtime style sheets	<p>For Web and Desktop Applications: if necessary, specify the <code>.css</code> files that should be compiled into <a href="#">runtime style sheets</a>.</p> <p>Click <input type="button" value="+"/> (<a href="#">Shift+Enter</a>). In the CSS Files To Compile dialog that opens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To add a <code>.css</code> file to the list, click <input type="button" value="+"/> (<a href="#">Alt+Insert</a>) and select the necessary file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li><li>- To replace a file which is already in the list with a different one, click the corresponding entry, click <input type="button" value="..."/> (<a href="#">Shift+Enter</a>), and select the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a>.</li><li>- To remove items from the list, select the items to be removed and click <input type="button" value="-"/> (<a href="#">Alt+Delete</a>).</li></ul>
Skip compilation	Select this option if you do not intend to compile your module using this build configuration. If you do so, the build configuration will only affect your code validation and (error) highlighting.

Use this tab to configure the build configuration build path (the [build configuration dependencies](#) ).

#### ItemDescription

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**Flex/AIR SDK** The Flex or AIR [SDK](#) associated with the build configuration.  
Select the SDK from the list or click New and select the folder containing the necessary SDK in the [dialog that opens](#) .

To edit the current SDK, click Edit . (The [SDK page](#) of the Project Structure dialog will open.)

Note that the necessary SWCs from the specified SDK are selected automatically depending on the build configuration type.

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**Target player** For the Web target platform only: the version of Flash player the build configuration output is intended for.  
If the SDK includes more than one player version, you can choose which of the corresponding SWCs should be used.

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**Component set** For Flex framework-based build configurations (the Web and Desktop output types only): select the Flex 4 component set or sets:


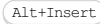
- Spark + MX. Select this option to be able to use the Spark and MX components (SWCs) available in the SDK.
- Spark only. The names of this and the following option are self-explanatory.
- MX only.

Note how the list of dependencies changes depending on your selection.

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**Framework linkage** For Flex framework-based build configurations: select the [linkage type](#) for the Flex framework components included in the build configuration dependencies. (The set of available options depends on the [build configuration type](#) .)

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 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add another dependency. Select:

- Build Configuration to add a dependency on a build configuration that generates a library or a runtime-loaded module (RLM).  
Note that for Web and desktop applications, the dependencies on RLMs can alternatively be specified on the [General tab](#) in the [Runtime-loaded modules field](#) . See also, [Configuring dependencies for modular applications](#) .
- New Library to add a dependency on third-party libraries. Select the libraries of interest in the [dialog that opens](#) .
- Project or Global Library to add a dependency on a global or project library. Select the libraries of interest in the Choose Libraries dialog.

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 or  Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected dependency.

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 Click this icon to edit the selected third-party library in the Configure Library dialog.



Use this tab to manage the [compiler options](#) for the build configuration as well as the associated project and module defaults.

See the descriptions of the compiler options in Flex documentation:



- [For applications](#)
- [For libraries](#)

#### ItemDescription

**Option** The option name or the name of a group of options. The groups of options are shown as nodes which you can expand or collapse.  
Note that each option has an associated Restore Default Value context menu command. Use this command to restore the module default for an option.

Also note that you can quickly find an option of interest among the options that are currently shown. Click somewhere within the area where the compiler options and their values are shown and start typing the text which, as you expect, is present within the option name. The Search for box appears which contains the text that you are typing. As soon as it's possible to identify an option basing on the text that you have typed, this option is highlighted in the table.

**Value** The option value. In most of the cases, to start editing a value, you should click the corresponding table cell. Generally, the way to edit a value depends on which value the corresponding option may have:


- The options that you can turn on or off are controlled by checkboxes. The actual option values in such cases are `true` or `false`.
- If an option value is a string, the value is edited right in the field.
- If a value represents a path to a certain location (for example, a path to a file), you can edit such a value right in the field. Alternatively, you can use  ( `Shift+Enter` ) to select the necessary location in the [corresponding dialog](#).
- If an option value represents a list, such a value cannot be edited directly. To edit the value, use  ( `Shift+Enter` ). This will open a dedicated dialog for managing the list items.




**Legend** The options whose values are inherited from the default sets of different levels (the IDE, project, or module) and the ones having specific values (that is, whose values are redefined at the level of the build configuration) are shown differently.  
The legend shows how to distinguish between these four categories of options.

**Copy resource files to output folder** For Applications: select this checkbox if you want resource files to be copied to the output folder. Specify which files within the module source roots should be treated as the resource files:

- All except \*.as and \*.mxm1. All the files with the extensions other than `.as` and `.mxm1` are considered to be the resource files.
- According to resource patterns. The files that match the resource patterns are treated as the resource files. Click the resource patterns link to view or edit the resource patterns. (The settings in the dialog that opens correspond to those on the [Compiler page](#) in the Settings dialog.)

Files and folders excluded from compilation won't be copied to the output folder. See [Excludes](#).

**Files to include in output \*.swc** For Libraries: if necessary, specify additional files and folders that should be included in the resulting `.swc` file. Click  ( `Shift+Enter` ). In the Files And Folders To Include In \*.swc dialog that opens:

- To add a file or folder to the list, click  ( `Alt+Insert` ) and select the necessary file or folder in the [dialog that opens](#).
- To replace a file or folder which is already in the list with a different file or folder, click the corresponding entry, click  ( `Shift+Enter` ), and select the file or folder in the [dialog that opens](#).
- To remove items from the list, select the items to be removed and click  ( `Alt+Delete` ).


Please note the following:

- For the source files ( `.as` , `.mxm1` and `.fxg` ) to be included, all such files should be selected individually, as separate files. That is, if you select a folder, none of the `.as` , `.mxm1` and `.fxg` files contained therein will be included in the `.swc` file.
- Files and folders excluded from compilation won't be included in the `.swc` file. See [Excludes](#).

**Additional compiler configuration file** You have an option of specifying a compiler configuration file, an XML file that contains the compiler settings that are used in addition to those specified in the table.  
The additional compiler configuration file, usually, is a file that you compose yourself. Alternatively, this may be a file generated by means of the Maven plugin, or the like.

You can find examples of the configuration files in the directory `<Flex_SDK_directory>\frameworks`.

Note that in the case of contradictions, the settings in the configuration file take precedence over the ones specified in the table.

To specify the configuration file, click  ( `Shift+Enter` ) and select the necessary file in the [dialog that opens](#).

**Inherited options** In this field, the compiler options inherited from upper levels (module and project) are shown (readonly).


**Additional compiler configuration file** If necessary, specify the compiler options to be used in addition to those in the table and in the additional compiler configuration file.  
When specifying the options, you can use [path variables](#). These include the predefined variables `${MODULE_DIR}`, `${PROJECT_DIR}` and `${USER_HOME}`, and also the ones set on the [Path Variables page](#) of the [Settings dialog](#). The format to be used is:

```
-some-option=${PATH_VARIABLE_NAME}/relative/path
```

For example:

```
-dump-config=${MY_PATH_VARIABLE}/config_dump.xml
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To separate individual options, use spaces.

If you need more room to type, click  ( Shift+Enter ) to open the Additional Compiler Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.

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Project Defaults Click this button to edit the project defaults in the Default Compiler Options For Project dialog.






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Module Defaults Click this button to edit the module defaults in the Default Compiler Options For Module dialog.

Use this tab to manage the settings related to packaging your Desktop (AIR) application.

Note that this tab is available only if the target platform of the build configuration is Desktop (AIR) and the output type is Application.






#### ItemDescription

Application descriptor	<p>Specify the <a href="#">application descriptor</a> to be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Generated. An auto-generated descriptor will be used.</li><li>– Custom template. The descriptor generated according to the specified template will be used.</li></ul> <p>To use an existing template, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the template file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>To create and use a new file, click Create . In the <a href="#">Create AIR Descriptor Template dialog</a> that opens, specify the descriptor file properties and click Create .</p> <p>When the template is used for generating the application descriptor (e.g. during the compilation or packaging), the text in the <code>&lt;content&gt;</code> element is replaced with the name and extension ( <code>.swf</code> ) of the application file.</p>
Package file name	<p>Specify the name of the resulting package file.</p>
Files and folders to package	<p>In addition to the <a href="#">application SWF file</a> , you may also want other application assets to be packaged. If so, specify the locations of these additional assets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Path to file or folder. Edit the absolute path to the file or folder where the desired asset resides. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the file or folder in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .</li><li>– Its relative path in package. Specify the relative asset location in the package.</li><li>–  ( <a href="#">Alt+Insert</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to add another asset to the list. Select the asset location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li></ul> <p>Note that for assets within the module source roots, their relative locations in the package, by default, will be set the same as in the source folder. That is, for a file <code>&lt;src&gt;\images\my_icon.png</code> , its relative location in the package, by default, will be <code>images\my_icon.png</code> .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>–  ( <a href="#">Alt+Delete</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item or items from the list.</li></ul>
Use temporary self-signed certificate	<p>Select this option to sign the package with a pre-installed self-signed certificate. Otherwise, specify the settings related to signing the package (see below).</p>
Keystore file	<p>Specify the path to the keystore file. (This is where a private key and corresponding certificate are stored.)</p> <p>Type the path in the field or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the keystore file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>(If your <a href="#">keystore type</a> is <code>PKCS12</code> , your keystore file, most probably, has the <code>.p12</code> extension.)</p>
Keystore type	<p>Specify your keystore type. The default value <code>PKCS12</code> corresponds to a keystore file with the <code>.p12</code> extension.</p>
More options or Less options	<p>Click the link to show or hide the options described below.</p>
Key alias	<p>Specify the key alias.</p> <p>Note that the alias is not necessary if the keystore contains only one key.</p>
Provider class	<p>Specify the <a href="#">Java Cryptography Architecture (JCA)</a> provider for the specified keystore type.</p>
TSA (time-stamping authority)	<p>Specify the URL of an <a href="#">RFC3161</a> -compliant time-stamp server to time-stamp the digital signature.</p>

Use this tab to manage the settings related to packaging your application for Android.

Note that this tab is available only if the target platform of the build configuration is Mobile (AIR Mobile) and the output type is Application.









#### ItemDescription

Enabled	Turn this option on if you are going to use the build configuration for creating an application descriptor and packaging your application for Android.
Application descriptor	<p>Specify the <a href="#">application descriptor</a> to be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Generated. An auto-generated descriptor will be used.</li><li>– Custom template. The descriptor generated according to the specified template will be used.</li></ul> <p>To use an existing template, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the template file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>To create and use a new file, click Create . In the <a href="#">Create AIR Descriptor Template dialog</a> that opens, specify the descriptor file properties and click Create .</p> <p>When the template is used for generating the application descriptor (e.g. during the compilation or packaging), the text in the <code>&lt;content&gt;</code> element is replaced with the name and extension ( <code>.swf</code> ) of the application file.</p>
Package file name	Specify the name of the resulting package file.
Files and folders to package	<p>In addition to the <a href="#">application SWF file</a> , you may also want other application assets to be packaged. If so, specify the locations of these additional assets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Path to file or folder. Edit the absolute path to the file or folder where the desired asset resides. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the file or folder in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .</li><li>– Its relative path in package. Specify the relative asset location in the package.</li><li>–  ( <a href="#">Alt+Insert</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to add another asset to the list. Select the asset location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li></ul> <p>Note that for assets within the module source roots, their relative locations in the package, by default, will be set the same as in the source folder. That is, for a file <code>&lt;src&gt;\images\my_icon.png</code> , its relative location in the package, by default, will be <code>images\my_icon.png</code> .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>–  ( <a href="#">Alt+Delete</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item or items from the list.</li></ul>
Use temporary self-signed certificate	Select this option to sign the package with a pre-installed self-signed certificate. Otherwise, specify the settings related to signing the package (see below).
Keystore file	<p>Specify the path to the keystore file. (This is where a private key and corresponding certificate are stored.)</p> <p>Type the path in the field or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the keystore file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>(If your <a href="#">keystore type</a> is <code>PKCS12</code> , your keystore file, most probably, has the <code>.p12</code> extension.)</p>
Keystore type	Specify your keystore type. The default value <code>PKCS12</code> corresponds to a keystore file with the <code>.p12</code> extension.
More options or Less options	Click the link to show or hide the options described below.
Key alias	<p>Specify the key alias.</p> <p>Note that the alias is not necessary if the keystore contains only one key.</p>
Provider class	Specify the <a href="#">Java Cryptography Architecture (JCA)</a> provider for the specified keystore type.

Use this tab to manage the settings related to packaging your application for iOS.

Note that this tab is available only if the target platform of the build configuration is Mobile (AIR Mobile) and the output type is Application.

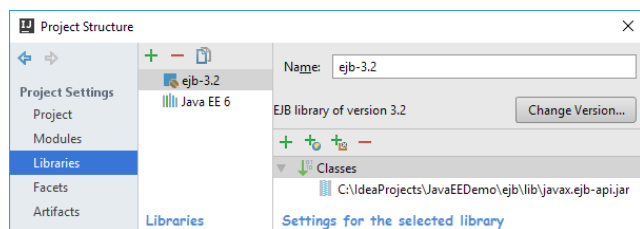
#### ItemDescription

Enabled	Turn this option on if you are going to use the build configuration for creating an application descriptor and packaging your application for iOS.
Application descriptor	<p>Specify the <a href="#">application descriptor</a> to be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Generated. An auto-generated descriptor will be used.</li><li>– Custom template. The descriptor generated according to the specified template will be used.</li></ul> <p>To use an existing template, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the template file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>To create and use a new file, click Create . In the <a href="#">Create AIR Descriptor Template dialog</a> that opens, specify the descriptor file properties and click Create .</p> <p>When the template is used for generating the application descriptor (e.g. during the compilation or packaging), the text in the <code>&lt;content&gt;</code> element is replaced with the name and extension ( <code>.swf</code> ) of the application file.</p>
Package file name	Specify the name of the resulting package file.
Files and folders to package	<p>In addition to the <a href="#">application SWF file</a> , you may also want other application assets to be packaged. If so, specify the locations of these additional assets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Path to file or folder. Edit the absolute path to the file or folder where the desired asset resides. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the file or folder in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .</li><li>– Its relative path in package. Specify the relative asset location in the package.</li><li>–  ( <a href="#">Alt+Insert</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to add another asset to the list. Select the asset location in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</li></ul> <p>Note that for assets within the module source roots, their relative locations in the package, by default, will be set the same as in the source folder. That is, for a file <code>&lt;src&gt;\images\my_icon.png</code> , its relative location in the package, by default, will be <code>images\my_icon.png</code> .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>–  ( <a href="#">Alt+Delete</a> ). Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected item or items from the list.</li></ul>
Provisioning profile	<p>Specify the location of your iOS provisioning profile.</p> <p>Type the path in the field or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the provisioning profile in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>For information on provisioning profiles, see <a href="#">How to Create a Provisioning Profile for iPhone</a> , <a href="#">Getting Your Provisioning Certificate to be Recognized by Your iPhone</a> or other online resources.</p>
Keystore file	<p>Specify the path to the keystore file. (This is where a private key and corresponding certificate are stored.)</p> <p>Type the path in the field or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the keystore file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p> <p>(Your keystore file, most probably, has the <code>.p12</code> extension.)</p>
Apple iOS SDK	<p>If you want to use a particular Apple iOS SDK to package your application, you can specify the path to that SDK this field. For example, if you have built an extension with the latest iOS SDK, you may want to use that SDK when packaging your application.</p> <p>Type the path in the field or click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) and select the SDK installation folder in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
Additional ADT options	<p>If necessary, specify additional command-line options to be passed to ADT. (ADT is a tool used for application packaging.) For more information, see <a href="#">ADT package command</a> in Adobe AIR documentation.</p> <p>If you need more room to type, click  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to open the Additional ADT Options dialog where the text entry area is larger.</p>

**Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S** | Libraries or Global Libraries

Libraries or Global Libraries

When you select the Libraries or the Global Libraries [category](#) in the [Project Structure dialog](#) , a list of existing project or global [libraries](#) is shown in the [element selector pane](#) .



Use the toolbar icons, context menu commands or keyboard shortcuts to manage the libraries ([see below](#) ).

To view or edit the name and contents of a library, select the library of interest, and use the [page to the right](#) of the selector pane.

## Toolbar icons, context menu commands and shortcuts

### IconCommandShortcutDescription

<b>+</b>	New Project Library or New Global Library	<b>Alt+Insert</b>	Create a new project or global library. See <a href="#">Creating a library</a> .
<b>-</b>	Delete	<b>Delete</b>	Delete the selected library.
	Copy		Create a copy of the selected library.
	Move to Global Libraries		For a project library: move the selected project library to the global (IDE) level. See <a href="#">Moving a library onto a higher level</a> .
	Copy to Project Libraries		For a global library: create a copy of the selected global library at the project level. See <a href="#">Creating a copy of a library at a lower level</a> .
	Add to Modules		Add the selected project or global library to <a href="#">dependencies</a> of one or more of your <a href="#">modules</a> . In the dialog that opens, select the corresponding modules.
	Find Usages	<b>Alt+F7</b>	Find usages of the selected library in the project.

The Project Library or the Global Library page opens in the right-hand part of the [Project Structure dialog](#) when you select a project or global [library](#) in the [element selector pane](#) .

Use this page to edit the library name and to manage the library contents.

The set of the available controls depends on whether you are working with a Java or ActionScript/Flex library, or a JavaScript library.


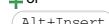
- [Controls for a Java or ActionScript/Flex library](#)
- [Controls for a JavaScript library](#)

## Controls for a Java or ActionScript/Flex library

### ItemDescription


**Change Version** This button may be available for a library that implements a certain framework or technology (e.g. JSF, Spring) in cases when IntelliJ IDEA can make version-specific file replacements in the library. In such cases, when you click this button, the [Downloading Options dialog](#) opens in which you can select the necessary library version, and also the files to be downloaded.


As a result, the files in the library will be replaced with the downloaded files.



 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add items (classes, sources, documentation, etc.) to the library. In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the necessary files and folders. For a Java library, these may be individual `.class` and `.java` files, directories and archives (`.jar` and `.zip` ) containing such files as well as directories with Java native libraries (`.dll` , `.so` or `.jnilib` ). For an ActionScript/Flex library, these may be raw ActionScript 3 libraries, `.swc` , `.jar` and `.zip` files, the directories containing such files, and so on.

IntelliJ IDEA will analyze the selected files and folders, and automatically assign their contents to the appropriate library categories (Classes, Sources, Documentation, Native Library Locations, etc.).

When IntelliJ IDEA cannot guess the category (e.g. when you select an empty folder), a dialog will be shown, in which you will be able to specify the category yourself.



 To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.

 Click this icon to make certain library items "excluded" (see [Excluded library items](#) ). In the dialog that opens, select the items that you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore (folders, archives and folders within the archives), and click OK .

 or  When you click this icon or press `Delete` :  
 – The selected "ordinary" library items are removed from the library.  
 – The selected excluded items (see [Excluded library items](#) ) become "ordinary" items, i.e. their excluded status is cancelled. The items themselves will stay in the library.

## Controls for a JavaScript library

### ItemDescription

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add items to the library. Select one of the following options:  
 – **Attach Files or Directories.** Select this option to add JavaScript files. In the dialog that opens, select the necessary files and folders. These may be individual JavaScript files and the directories containing such files.

IntelliJ IDEA will analyze the selected files and folders, and automatically assign the JavaScript files to the appropriate categories. [Minified files](#) will be assigned to the Release category; ordinary (uncompressed) files will be assigned to the Debug category.


When IntelliJ IDEA cannot guess the category (e.g. when you select an empty folder), a dialog will be shown, in which you will be able to specify the category (Release or Debug) yourself.



– **Attach Debug Version(s).** Select this option to add a single uncompressed JavaScript file or a directory containing such files.  
 Note that IntelliJ IDEA won't analyze the contents of the selected files. If you select a [minified JavaScript file](#) or a directory containing minified JavaScript files, the corresponding file or files will still be added to the library.

– **Attach Release Version(s).** Select this option to add a single [minified JavaScript file](#) or a directory containing such files.  
 Note that IntelliJ IDEA won't analyze the contents of the selected files. If you select an ordinary (uncompressed) JavaScript file or a directory with such files, the corresponding file or files will still be added to the library.

– **Specify Documentation URL.** Select this option to make external online documentation available in IntelliJ IDEA. Specify the documentation URL in the dialog that opens.

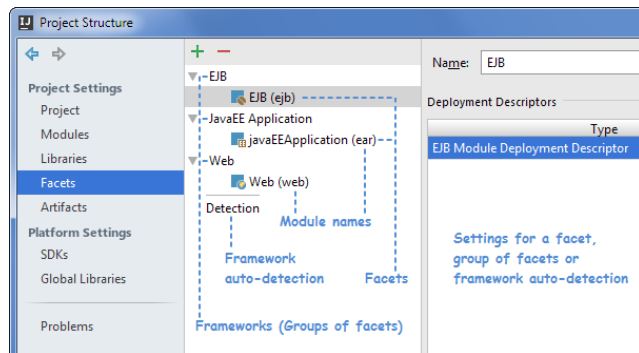
– **Download Documentation.** For jQuery: select this option to download and include jQuery documentation in the library.

 Click this icon to make certain library items "excluded" (see [Excluded library items](#) ). In the dialog that opens, select the folders that you want IntelliJ IDEA to ignore, and click OK .

 or  When you click this icon or press `Delete` :  
 – The selected "ordinary" library items are removed from the library.  
 – The selected excluded items (see [Excluded library items](#) ) become "ordinary" items, i.e. their excluded status is cancelled. The items themselves will stay in the library.

Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S | Facets

Facets



- [Framework auto-detection](#)

Settings for individual [facets](#) (frameworks):

- [Android Facet Page](#)
- [AspectJ Facet Page](#)
- [Android-Gradle Facet Page](#)
- [EJB facet page](#)
- [Google App Engine Facet Page](#)
- [GWT Facet Page](#)
- [Hibernate and JPA Facet Pages](#)
- [Java EE Application facet page](#)
- [JSF Facet Page](#)
- [OSGi Facet Page](#)
- [Seam Facet Page](#)
- [Struts Facet Page](#)
- [Struts 2 Facet Page](#)
- [Tapestry Facet Page](#)
- [Web facet page](#)
- [Web Services Facet Page](#)
- [Web Services Client Facet Page](#)

## Framework auto-detection

To disable [framework auto-detection](#), clear the Enable framework detection checkbox.

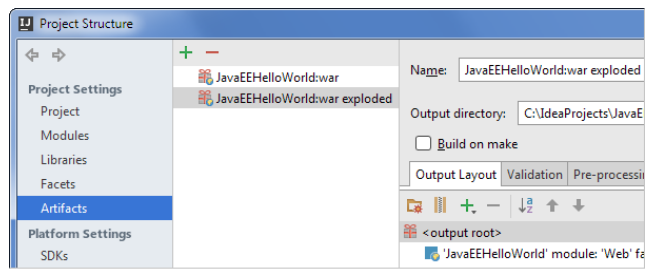
To exclude an individual framework from auto-detection, click [+](#), select the framework, and then select where auto-detection should be disabled:

- In the whole project.
- In directory. Select the directory where auto-detection should be disabled.



Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S | Artifacts

Artifacts



[Artifact configurations](#)

[Artifact configuration settings](#)

- General settings (Name, Type, etc.)
- Output Layout Tab
- Validation Tab
- Pre-Processing Tab
- Post-Processing Tab
- Android Tab
- Java FX tab

**ItemDescription**

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Name	The name of the artifact configuration and also that of the artifact.
Type	The artifact type. Defines the artifact format and structure, highlighting of problematic parts in the artifact layout as well as the options that IntelliJ IDEA suggests (or assumes acceptable) in relation to the artifact composition.
Output directory	The artifact, when built ( Build   Build Artifacts ), is placed into the directory whose path is specified in this field. If the artifact is not going to be used on its own but only as a part of other artifacts, the field may be left empty. In this case, the artifact will not appear in the suggestion list on choosing Build   Build Artifacts and no target will be generated for it in <code>build.xml</code> on choosing Build   Generate Ant Build .
Build on make	Build the artifact automatically when building the project ( Build   Make Project ).

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The Output Layout tab lets you specify the artifact structure and contents. The tab includes the following areas:

- The artifact layout pane (the left-hand one) shows the artifact structure and provides the means for changing it. You can create directories (📁) and archives (📦), add copies of compiled module sources, libraries, artifacts, files, etc. (+) as well as sort (📄) and reorder the items (↕). Note that the order of items, sometimes, may be **important**.
- The manifest file properties area (in the lower part of the artifact layout pane; available only for JAR, WAR and EAR files) lets you specify which manifest file is associated with the archive. It also lets you view and edit the values for the "most popular" `MANIFEST.MF` header fields.
- The Available Elements pane shows the elements that can be but are not yet added to the artifact. (The top level in this view just provides grouping for the elements.) For adding the elements to the artifact, this pane provides the options that generally work quicker (you can use double-clicks and drag-and-drop) than those in the artifact layout pane.

## Reordering the items


The order of items is important when there are elements that lead to producing files with the same name in the same directory. In such situations, only the file from the element that comes first will be included in the artifact.

To see the actual order of items, release 📄. Then use ↕ or ↕ to reorder the items.

## Artifact layout pane: context menu commands

Most of the commands have self-explanatory names. Here, we explain only the commands whose purpose may be unclear.

Command	Description
Extract Artifact	Transform the selected items into a new separate artifact. As a result: 1) a new artifact is created, 2) the selected items are moved to that new artifact, and 3) a copy of the new artifact is included in the old artifact in place of the initially selected items.
Inline Artifact	In a sense, this is the reverse to extracting an artifact and is used to make a "container artifact" independent of the artifact whose copy it contains. Let's assume, artifact A contains a copy of artifact B. As a result of inlining the copy of artifact B: 1) The copy of B in A is replaced with the contents of B and, from this moment on, can be edited independent of B. 2) The artifact B itself remains unchanged.
Surround with	In place of the selected items, create a directory or archive, and move the selected items into that directory or archive.

If you are using Oracle WebLogic Server, you can use its deployment descriptor validation extension. Click  and select the server version.

The tab is available only for the artifacts that can be deployed to a server.

If you want IntelliJ IDEA to run an Ant target before building the artifact, select the Run Ant target checkbox and specify the target. (The corresponding build file must already be [added to your project](#).)

To specify the parameters to be passed to the target, use the Properties section.

After the artifact is built, you can process it further by running an Ant target. To do that, select the Run Ant target checkbox and specify the target. (The corresponding build file must already be [added to your project](#).)

To specify the parameters to be passed to the target, use the Properties section.

In this tab, configure the Android Application Package to be generated.

#### ItemDescription

Type	<p>Select one of the following options from the drop-down list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Debug signed with default certificate : select this option to sign the extracted application packaged in the <b>debug mode</b> using the debug keystore or a key that is generated by the Android SDK tools. The following predefined values are used:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Keystore name : <code>debug.keystore</code></li><li>– Keystore password : <code>android</code></li><li>– Key alias : <code>androiddebugkey</code></li><li>– CN (common name): <code>CN=Android Debug,O=Android,C=US</code></li></ul></li><li>– Debug signed with custom certificate : Select this option to sign the extracted application packaged in the <b>debug mode</b> using a debug keystore or a key that you specify yourself. You can generate a new certificate, or reuse an existing one. Reusing a certificate may be useful, for example, if you have several applications and you want them all signed with the same certificate to be able to store them in the same folder on an Android device. When this option is selected, the Key store , Key store password , Key alias , and Key password fields become available.</li><li>– Release unsigned : select this option if you want to run a package on an emulator for test purposes, and want to have it extracted without a release signature.</li><li>– Release signed : select this option to extract and sign your application so that it can be published an run on physical devices. When this option is selected, the Key store , Key store password , Key alias , and Key password fields become available.</li></ul>
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**Note** Note that the **debug mode** signature is only sufficient for testing and debugging Android applications, and does not allow publishing them.

Key store path	In this text box, specify the location of the file where the key will be stored. Type the path manually or click the Choose existing button to choose the relevant file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
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Create new	Click this button to open the <a href="#">New Key Store Dialog</a> and configure a new key store and/or a release key to be generated.
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Choose existing	Click this button to have your package signed with a key from an existing key store file. Choose the relevant key store file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
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**Tip** Later you can choose to use an existing key from this keystore, or to have a new key generated in it.


Key store password	In this text box, type the password for the selected key store.
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Key alias	In this text box, specify the alias to address the key to be used.
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Key password	In this text box, specify the password to access the selected key.
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Run ProGuard	Select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to <a href="#">obfuscate the debug APK</a> through integration with the built-in <a href="#">ProGuard</a> tool.
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Config file paths	This text box shows the default location of the <code>proguard-project.txt</code> configuration file that is created automatically together with an Android module.
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Show content of elements	<p>Select this option if you want the contents of certain elements to be displayed in the layout tree. Click the  button to specify the elements whose contents you want to be shown:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Show Library Files</li><li>– Show Content of Included Artifacts</li><li>– Show Content of JavaEE Facets</li><li>– Show Content of JPA Resources</li></ul>
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Use this tab to specify the settings for packaging your JavaFX application or application [preloader](#) .

The settings depend on the artifact type (JavaFx Application or JavaFx Preloader).

– [JavaFx Application settings](#)

– [JavaFx Preloader settings](#)

## JavaFx Application settings

### ItemDescription

Application class	The qualified application main class name. Normally, this is the class that extends the <code>javafx.application.Application</code> class and contains the <code>main()</code> method.
Title	The application title. In technical terms, this is the information for the <code>&lt;title&gt;</code> element in the corresponding <a href="#">deployment descriptor JNLP file</a> . If not specified, the title <code>Sample JavaFX Application</code> is used.
Vendor	The name of the application vendor (i.e. the information for the <code>&lt;vendor&gt;</code> element in the JNLP file). If not specified, the text <code>Unknown vendor</code> is used.
Description	A brief description of the application (i.e. the information for the <code>&lt;description&gt;</code> element in the JNLP file). If not specified, the text <code>Sample JavaFX 2.0 application</code> is used.
Width	The width of the application window in pixels. This parameter is used mainly by the applications embedded in a Web page.
Height	The height of the application window in pixels. This parameter is used mainly by the applications embedded in a Web page.
HTML Parameters	You may want to pass dynamic parameters to the application that runs in the Web Start or embedded in browser modes from the <a href="#">corresponding HTML page</a> . In that case, you should create a <code>.properties</code> file and specify the necessary set of named parameters in that file. Then you should specify the path to the <code>.properties</code> file in this field.
Application Parameters	You may want to pass named and unnamed parameters to the application. In that case, you should create a <code>.properties</code> file and specify the necessary parameters in that file. Then you should specify the path to the <code>.properties</code> file in this field. (The specified parameters will be included in the <a href="#">generated deployment descriptor JNLP file</a> .) Example  If the <code>.properties</code> file contains <pre>arg1=value1  arg2</pre> the following elements will be generated within <code>&lt;jfx:javaafx-desc&gt;</code> : <pre>&lt;fx:param name="arg1" value="value1"/&gt;  &lt;fx:argument&gt;arg2&lt;/fx:argument&gt;</pre>
Update in background	Use this checkbox to set the <code>check</code> attribute of the <code>&lt;update&gt;</code> element in the JNLP file. (This element is used to specify how Java Web Start should handle the application updates.) If selected, <code>&lt;update check="background"/&gt;</code> . The JNLP client will check for updates in the background while the application is being launched.  If not selected, <code>&lt;update check="always"/&gt;</code> . The JNLP client will always check for updates before launching the application.
Native bundle	The native bundles to be generated. (A native bundle is an operating system-specific self-contained application package. Such a bundle contains an application itself as well as a JRE, JavaFX runtime and a platform-specific application launcher.) Select: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– none. No OS-specific bundles are created. The application is packaged into the following files: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <code>&lt;artifact_name&gt;.jar</code>. This file contains the compiled class files and images.</li> <li>– <code>&lt;artifact_name&gt;.jnlp</code>. This is a deployment descriptor JNLP file for Web deployment modes (Web Start and embedded in browser).</li> <li>– <code>&lt;artifact_name&gt;.html</code>. This file contains basic code for running the application in the Web Start and embedded in browser modes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>– all. All the bundles listed below are generated.</li> <li>– deb. A Debian software package for Debian GNU/Linux is generated.</li> <li>– dmg. An Apple disk image file for macOS is generated.</li> <li>– exe. An executable file for Windows is generated.</li> <li>– image. A bundle image for the OS that you are using is generated.</li> <li>– msi. A Windows Installer (Microsoft Installer) file is generated.</li> <li>– rpm. A Red Hat Package Manager file for Linux is generated.</li> </ul>
Convert css to bin	Select this checkbox if you want your application CSS file to be converted into binary format. (This may improve the application performance, especially for "large" CSS files.)
Enable signing	Select this checkbox if you want the application package to be digitally signed. IntelliJ IDEA can generate a key and the corresponding self-signed certificate, or an existing key may be used to sign



the package.

To select which way of signing should be used, click Edit Certificates . Then, in the Choose Certificate dialog that opens, select:

- Self signed. The package will be signed with the generated self-signed certificate.
- Signed by key. The package will be signed with your private key. Specify the associated settings:
  - Alias. Specify your private key alias.
  - Keystore. Specify the path to the keystore file. (This is where your private key and corresponding certificate are stored.)
  - Storepass. Specify the password for accessing the keystore.
  - Keypass. Specify the password for accessing the key.

## JavaFx Preloader settings

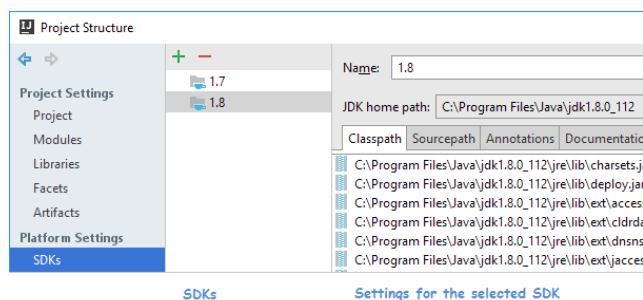
### ItemDescription

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Preloader class	The qualified application preloader class name.
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Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S | SDKs

SDKs



When you select SDKs in the left-hand pane of the Project Structure dialog, the SDKs defined in IntelliJ IDEA are shown. So you can add and remove SDKs, look for their usages in the project as well as manage their settings.

- [Adding and removing SDKs. Looking for SDK usages](#)
- [Managing SDK settings](#)

## Adding and removing SDKs. Looking for SDK usages

The corresponding functions are accessed by means of the toolbar icons, context menu commands or keyboard shortcuts.

### IconCommandShortcutDescription

Icon	Command	Shortcut	Description
+	Add New SDK	Alt+Insert	Define a new SDK. Select the <a href="#">SDK type</a> and then specify the SDK home directory.
-	Delete	Delete	Remove the selected SDKs from the list.
	Find Usages	Alt+F7	Look for usages of the selected SDK in the project.

## Managing SDK settings


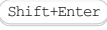
The settings for the selected SDK are shown in the right-hand part of the dialog. These settings depend on the [SDK type](#).



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- [SDKs. Java](#)
- [SDKs. IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [SDKs. Mobile](#)



Use this page to configure the selected Flex SDK . This includes managing the corresponding [path lists](#) on the Classpath , Sourcepath and Documentation Paths tabs.



#### ItemDescription

**Name** Use this field to edit the name of the SDK.

**Flex SDK home path** Specify the Flex SDK home directory.  
Use  (  ) to select the SDK installation directory in the Select Home Directory for Flex SDK dialog.

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to add one or more files and/or folders to the list.  
In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the necessary files and/or folders and click OK .

 or  Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected items from the list.

 or  For the tab Documentation Paths : To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.

When importing a [Flexmojos](#) project, IntelliJ IDEA automatically creates a Flexmojos SDK that lets you launch the Flex compiler and debugger.

Use the Flexmojos SDK page to view and edit the Flexmojos SDK settings.

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**ItemDescription**

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the SDK.
Flex Compiler POM	In this field, the path to your compiler <code>pom</code> file is shown (readonly).
Flex Compiler/Debugger Classpath	In this area, the files included in the compiler shell classpath are shown (readonly).
AIR Debug Launcher	Specify the path to the <code>ad1.exe</code> file.
AIR Runtime (directory or zip file)	Specify the path to the AIR runtime directory or archive.

Use this page to configure the selected Java [SDK](#) . This includes specifying the paths to the [class files](#) , [sources](#) , [external annotations](#) and documentation.

#### ItemDescription


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**Name** Use this field to edit the name of the SDK.


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**JDK home path** Specify the JDK home directory.  
Use  ( [Shift+Enter](#) ) to select the SDK installation directory in the Select Home Directory for JDK dialog.


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 or Use this icon or shortcut to add one or more files and/or folders to the list.  
[Alt+Insert](#) In the [dialog that opens](#) , select the necessary files and/or folders and click OK .

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 or Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected items from the list.  
[Alt+Delete](#)

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 or [Alt+S](#) For the tab Documentation Paths : To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.






Use this page to specify the settings related to the IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK . (This is an SDK type for [IntelliJ IDEA plugin development](#) .)

Configure the paths to the [class files, sources](#) , [external annotations](#) and documentation.

The page includes the following tabs with similar controls:

- Classpath
- Sourcepath
- Annotations
- Documentation Paths





#### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the SDK.
IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK home path	Specify the IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK home directory. Actually, this is the IntelliJ IDEA installation directory. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the SDK installation directory in the Select Home Directory for IntelliJ Platform Plugin SDK dialog.
Sandbox Home	Specify the sandbox directory, where IntelliJ IDEA will deploy plugins. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the necessary directory in the Sandbox Home dialog.
Internal Java Platform	Select the internal Java SDK.
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to add one or more files and/or folders to the list. In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the necessary files and/or folders and click OK .
 or 	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected items from the list.
 or 	For the tab Documentation Paths : To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.

Use this page to configure the selected Java ME [SDK](#) (Mobile SDK). This includes specifying the paths to the [class files](#), [sources](#), [external annotations](#) and documentation.

Note that Java ME support is available in the Community edition of IntelliJ IDEA via a free plugin.

#### ItemDescription

Name	Use this field to edit the name of the SDK.
Mobile SDK home path	Specify the Mobile SDK home directory. Use  ( <a href="#">Shift+Enter</a> ) to select the SDK installation directory in the Select Home Directory for Mobile SDK dialog.
Use default profile and configuration versions	Choose this option to have your application developed in compliance with the default set of <a href="#">Mobile Information Device Profiles (MIDP)</a> and <a href="#">Connected Limited Device Configurations (CLDC)</a> . This ensures that your application will fit maximum number of targeted platforms. The supported MIDP and CLDC are listed in a read-only field.
Use custom profile and configuration versions	Choose this option to have your application developed in compliance with <a href="#">Mobile Information Device Profiles (MIDP)</a> and <a href="#">Connected Limited Device Configurations (CLDC)</a> of your choice. In this case, your application will fit a restricted number of targeted platforms. Specify the required MIDP and CLDC in the text boxes.
Preverify parameters	Specify the parameters to be passed to the <a href="#">preverify utility</a> . This utility checks your compiled code for compliance with the targeted environment.
Choose Java SDK	Select the internal Java SDK, if any is registered with IntelliJ IDEA.
 or <a href="#">Alt+Insert</a>	Use this icon or shortcut to add one or more files and/or folders to the list. In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the necessary files and/or folders and click OK.
 or <a href="#">Alt+Delete</a>	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected items from the list.
 or <a href="#">Alt+S</a>	For the tab Documentation Paths : To be able to use external documentation available online, click this icon and specify the URL of the external documentation in the dialog that opens.

Using shortcuts is a major way to maximum efficiency and productivity of IntelliJ IDEA. This part lists keystroke combinations and their functions for the Default keymap defined in [Keymap](#) dialog box.

**Warning!** The key combinations documented in this part may fail to perform the function described, if you are using a [customized keymap](#) .

To get a printable copy of the default keymap, choose Help | Default Keymap Reference on the main menu.

**Tip** Note that in certain operating systems the key and mouse combinations may not work as described here. In this case, it's necessary to tweak the operating system's keymap. For example, if you are using Ubuntu, mind the windows manager, whose [shortcuts conflict](#) with that of IntelliJ IDEA

In this part:

- [Keyboard Shortcuts By Keystroke](#)
- [Keyboard Shortcuts By Category](#)
- [Mouse Reference](#)



In this part you can find reference information on keyboard shortcuts grouped by keystroke:

- [Alt](#)
- [Alt+Shift](#)
- [Ctrl](#)
- [Ctrl+Alt](#)
- [Ctrl+Shift](#)
- [Function Keys](#)
- [Insert, Delete and Navigation Keys](#)
- [Shift](#)
- [Ctrl+Alt+Shift](#)

To view a full list of available shortcuts, navigate to File | Settings and click Keymap under IDE Settings .

This section lists and describes the keyboard shortcuts that include the **Alt** key:

– [Alt+Alphanumeric keys](#)

– [Alt+Navigation keys](#)

– [Alt+Function \(F\) keys](#)

## Alt+Alphanumeric keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<b>Alt+O</b>	Export to Text File	Export a tool window's content to a text file.
<b>Alt+Q</b>	Context Info	Show the current method or class declaration when it is not visible.
<b>Alt+Number</b>	Open tool window	Open a tool window with the corresponding number.
<b>Alt+Slash</b>	Code completion / Expand word	Expand string at caret to any word in the visible scope that starts with the same characters.
<b>Alt+Back Quote</b>	VCS operations	Show quick list with the most required version control commands.

## Alt+Navigation keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<b>Alt+Delete</b>	Safe Delete	Delete selected class/method/field checking its usages.
<b>Alt+Enter</b>	Show Intention Action	Display <a href="#">intention actions</a> (if any) for a code where the caret is currently located.
<b>Alt+Home</b>	Activate Navigation Bar	Bring focus to the Navigation bar.
<b>Alt+Insert</b>	Create new entity	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– In the navigation views: create a new class, file or directory, using the New pop-up menu.</li><li>– In the editor: create constructors, accessor methods, EJB components, Maven dependencies, and test methods, using the Generate pop-up menu. See <a href="#">Generating Code</a> , <a href="#">Creating Maven Dependencies</a> , <a href="#">Creating Test Methods</a> .</li></ul>
<b>Alt+Down</b>	Navigate to Next Method	Navigate to the next method declaration in the active editor tab.
<b>Alt+Left</b>	Select Previous Tab	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When several tabs are opened in the editor or a view, open the next tab to the left (or the last tab if the current one is the first).</li><li>– In the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> invoked from the <a href="#">Update Project Info</a> tab of the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window, compare the local copy of the previous file with its update from the server.</li></ul>
<b>Alt+Right</b>	Select Next Tab	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When several tabs are opened in the editor or a view, open the next tab to the right (or the first tab if the current one is the last).</li><li>– In the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> invoked from the <a href="#">Update Project Info</a> tab of the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window, compare the local copy of the next file with its update from the server.</li></ul>
<b>Alt+Up</b>	Navigate to Previous Method	Navigate to the previous method declaration in the active editor tab.

## Alt+Function (F) keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<b>Alt+F1</b>	Select Target	Move focus from the current file, class, method or reference to a data source table to a view suggested in the Select Target pop-up menu. See <a href="#">Navigating Between IDE Components</a> .
<b>Alt+F7</b>	Find Usages	Initiate <a href="#">search for usages</a> .
<b>Alt+F8</b>	Evaluate Expression	Debugger: Evaluate an arbitrary expression.
<b>Alt+F9</b>	Run to Cursor	Debugger: Run to the line where the caret is located.

This section lists and describes the keyboard shortcuts that include the `Shift+Alt` keys:

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Shift+Alt+F7</code>	Force Step Into	Step into the method called in the current execution point, even if this method is to be skipped.
<code>Shift+Alt+F8</code>	Force Step Over	Run until the next line in this method or file, skipping the methods referenced at the current execution point and ignoring breakpoints.
<code>Shift+Alt+F9</code>	Debug	Quickly select run/debug configuration and debug/edit it.
<code>Shift+Alt+F10</code>	Run	Quickly select run/debug configuration and run/edit it.

This section lists and describes the keyboard shortcuts that include the `Ctrl` key:

- [Ctrl+Alphanumeric keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Navigation keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Symbol keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Numpad keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Function \(F\) keys](#)

## Ctrl+Alphanumeric keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Ctrl+A</code>	Select All	Select the entire text in the active editor.
<code>Ctrl+B</code>	Navigate to Declaration	Navigate directly to an element's declaration from any usage.
<code>Ctrl+C</code>	Copy	Copy selected text to the Clipboard.
<code>Ctrl+D</code>	Duplicate Line or Block	Duplicate selected block or line at caret.
<code>Ctrl+E</code>	Recent Files Recent find usages	Show the list of <a href="#">recently opened files</a> . When the Find tool window has the focus, use this shortcut to show the list of <a href="#">recent find usages results</a> .
<code>Ctrl+F</code>	Find	Initiate <a href="#">text search</a> in the editor.
<code>Ctrl+G</code>	Navigate to Line	Navigate the to a line with the specified number in the current file.
<code>Ctrl+H</code>	Type Hierarchy	Browse hierarchy for the selected class.
<code>Ctrl+I</code>	Implement Methods	<a href="#">Implement</a> methods of the base interface/class in the current class.
<code>Ctrl+J</code>	Insert Live Template	Show a pop-up list of Live Templates starting with a specified prefix.
<code>Ctrl+M</code>	Scroll to Center	Scroll a line at caret to the center of the screen.
<code>Ctrl+N</code>	Navigate to Class	Jump to a class in the project with the specified name.
<code>Ctrl+O</code>	Override Methods	Override base class methods in the current class.
<code>Ctrl+P</code>	Parameter Info	Show parameters of the method call at the caret.
<code>Ctrl+Q</code>	Quick documentation	Show a pop-up window with documentation for the symbol at caret. In the <a href="#">Database tool window</a> : show a pop-up window that displays the <code>create table</code> query for the database table at the caret and the first 10 rows of the table.
<code>Alt+Mouse Button2</code>		
<code>Ctrl+R</code>	Replace	Call the Replace Text dialog box.
<code>Ctrl+S</code>	Save All	Save all files and settings.
<code>Ctrl+U</code>	Navigate to Super Method	Navigate to a super method declaration of a method at caret
<code>Ctrl+V</code>	Paste	Paste from the Clipboard.
<code>Ctrl+W</code>	Select Word at Caret	Successively select expanding blocks of text, starting from the word at caret. (Use this shortcut repeatedly to select expressions.)
<code>Ctrl+X</code>	Cut	Cut to the Clipboard.
<code>Ctrl+Y</code>	Delete Line at Caret	Delete a word starting from the current caret location up to the end of word.
<code>Ctrl+Z</code>	Undo	Undo last operation.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Z</code>	Redo	Redo last undone operation.
<code>Ctrl+Number</code>	Navigate to bookmark	Navigate to a numbered bookmark with corresponding number.

## Ctrl+Navigation keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Ctrl+Tab</code>	Switcher	Navigate between the files opened in the editor, and tool windows.
<code>Ctrl+Backspace</code>	Delete to Word Start	Delete a word starting from the current caret location up to the word start.

Ctrl+Delete	Delete to Word End	Delete a word starting from the current caret location up to the word end.
Ctrl+End	Move to Text End	Move the caret to the end of text.
Ctrl+Enter	Split Line or Open Item	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In the editor: Intelligently split the current line into 2 lines, shifting quotes, etc. as necessary.</li> <li>- In the Tool Windows: Open an Editor tab or tabs for the selected item or items, respectively.</li> <li>- On the context menus of the modules in the <a href="#">Project Tool Window</a> , <a href="#">Dependency Viewer</a> , and <a href="#">Module Dependencies tool window</a> : open the <a href="#">Modules structure</a> .</li> </ul>
Ctrl+Home	Move to Text Start	Jump to the beginning of the text.
Ctrl+C	Copy	Copy a current line or a selected code block to the Clipboard.
Ctrl+Space	Basic Code Completion	Complete code for any class, method or variable.
Ctrl+Page Down	Navigate to Page Bottom	Move the caret down to the page bottom.
Ctrl+Page Up	Navigate to Page Top	Move the caret up to the page top.
Ctrl+Down	Scroll Down	Move line at caret one down, preserving syntactical correctness.
Ctrl+Left	Move to Previous Word	Move the caret to the previous word.
Ctrl+Right	Move to Next Word	Move the caret to the next word.
Ctrl+Up	Scroll Up	Move line at caret one up, preserving syntactical correctness.
Ctrl+Shift+Up		
Ctrl + End	Ctrl + Home /	Select text from the caret position to the beginning/end of the current line.

## Ctrl+Symbol keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

Ctrl+Open Bracket	Move to Code Block Start	Move the caret to the beginning of the current code block, highlighting its limits.
Ctrl+Close Bracket	Move to Code Block End	Move the caret to the end of the current code block, highlighting its limits.
Ctrl+Slash	Comment with Line Comment	Comment/uncomment current line or selected block with line comments.
Ctrl+Numpad/		
Ctrl+=	Expand All	Expand all folding blocks.
Ctrl+NumPad Plus		
Ctrl+NumPad -	Collapse All	Collapse all folding blocks.

## Ctrl+Numpad keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

Ctrl+Numpad/	Comment with Line Comment	Comment/uncomment current line or selected block with line comments.
Ctrl+Slash		
Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Expand All	Expand all folding blocks.
Ctrl+=		
Ctrl+NumPad -	Collapse All	Collapse all folding blocks.

## Ctrl+Function (F) keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

Ctrl+F1	Error Description	Show an error or warning description at the caret.
Ctrl+F3	Find Word at Caret	Search in the editor for the word where the caret is currently located.
Ctrl+F6	Change Method Signature	Refactor a selected method signature and update all references.
	Find Usages in File	Initiate <a href="#">search for usages</a> .

Ctrl+F7		
Ctrl+F8	Toggle Breakpoint	Toggle breakpoint at caret.
Ctrl+F9	Make Project	Compile all modified and dependent files in a project.
Ctrl+F11	Toggle Bookmark with mnemonic.	Turn bookmark with mnemonic on or off.
Ctrl+F12	File Structure Pop-up	Show the current file structure in the File Structure pop-up window for quick navigation.

This section lists and describes the keyboard shortcuts that include the `Ctrl+Alt` keys:

- [Ctrl+Alt+Alphanumeric keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Alt+Navigation keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Alt+Function \(F\) keys](#)

## Ctrl+Alt+Alphanumeric keys

ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...

<code>Ctrl+Alt+B</code>	Navigate to Implementation	<a href="#">Navigate to implementation</a> of an item at the caret.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+C</code>	Extract Constant	<a href="#">Replace selected expression with a constant</a> (static final field) (Refactoring).
<code>Ctrl+Alt+F</code>	Extract Field	<a href="#">Put the selected expression result into a field</a> (Refactoring).
<code>Ctrl+Alt+G</code>	Run Grails target	Execute Grails target with the specified target name.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+H</code>	Call Hierarchy	Browse call hierarchy for the selected method. See page <a href="#">Viewing Structure and Hierarchy of the Source Code</a>
<code>Ctrl+Alt+I</code>	Auto-indent Lines	Indent current line or selected block according to the <a href="#">Code Style settings</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Alt+J</code>	Surround with Live Template	<a href="#">Surround the selection with one of the Live Templates</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Alt+M</code>	Extract Method	<a href="#">Create a method</a> from the selected code (Refactoring).
<code>Ctrl+Alt+N</code>	Inline	<a href="#">Inline the selected method/variable</a> (Refactoring).
<code>Ctrl+Alt+P</code>	Extract Parameter	Turn the selected expression into a <a href="#">method parameter</a> (Refactoring).
<code>Ctrl+Alt+T</code>	Surround with	<a href="#">Surround selected code</a> fragment with <code>if</code> , <code>while</code> , <code>try/catch</code> , or another construct.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+V</code>	Extract Variable	Put selected expression result into a variable (Refactoring). See page <a href="#">Extract Variable</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Alt+Y</code>	Synchronize	Detect all externally changed files and reload them from disk.

## Ctrl+Alt+Navigation keys

ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...

<code>Ctrl+Alt+Enter</code>	Start new line before current one	Start a new line before the current one.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+Down</code>	Navigate to Next/Previous Occurrence	Navigate to the next/previous found item.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+Up</code>	Back	Undo last navigation operation. See page <a href="#">Navigating to Navigated Items</a>
		<b>Note</b> On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger right-to-left swipe gesture.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+Right</code>	Forward	Redo last undone navigation operation. See page <a href="#">Navigating to Navigated Items</a>
		<b>Note</b> On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger left-to-right swipe gesture.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+Home</code>	Navigate to Related Symbol	Navigates between files with the various relationships. See <a href="#">Navigation In Source Code</a> .

## Ctrl+Alt+Function (F) keys

ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...

<code>Ctrl+Alt+F6</code>	Switch to another coverage suite.	Open the Coverage Suites popu-up window and select the desired suite to run.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+F7</code>	Show usages	Show usages of a symbol at the caret. See page <a href="#">Viewing Usages of a Symbol</a>
<code>Ctrl+Alt+F8</code>	Quick Evaluate Expression	<a href="#">Evaluate an arbitrary expression</a> without calling Evaluate Expression dialog box.
<code>Ctrl+Alt+F9</code>	Force Run To Cursor	Run to the line where the caret is located, ignoring breakpoints. See page <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .

This section lists and describes the keyboard shortcuts that include the `Ctrl+Shift` keys:

- [Ctrl+Shift+Alphanumeric keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Shift+Navigation keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Shift+Symbol keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Shift+Numpad keys](#)
- [Ctrl+Shift+Function \(F\) keys](#)

## Ctrl+Shift+Alphanumeric keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Ctrl+Shift+A</code>	Find Action	Find an action, bypassing menus. See <a href="#">Finding Actions</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+B</code>	Navigate to Type Declaration	<a href="#">Navigate to type declaration</a> of a variable or a method call at caret.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+E</code>	Navigate to Recently Changed File	Show the list of <a href="#">recently updated files</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+F</code>	Find in Path	Initiate <a href="#">text search in the specified path</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+H</code>	Method Hierarchy	Browse hierarchy for the selected class.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+J</code>	Join Lines	<a href="#">Concatenate</a> selected lines into one or concatenate a line where the caret is currently located with the next line.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+N</code>	Navigate to File	Jump to the specified <a href="#">file</a> in project.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+R</code>	Replace in Path	Initiate <a href="#">text replacement in the specified path</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+U</code>	Toggle Case	<a href="#">Toggle case</a> of the selected text fragment.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+V</code>	Paste from History	Paste from recent Clipboards. See page <a href="#">Cutting, Copying and Pasting</a>
<code>Ctrl+Shift+W</code>	Deselect Word at Caret	Remove sequential selection made by the <a href="#">Select Word at Caret action</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Z</code>	Redo	<a href="#">Redo the last Undo operation</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Semicolon</code>	Show recent tests	<a href="#">View the list of recently performed tests.</a>

## Ctrl+Shift+Navigation keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Ctrl+Shift+End</code>	Move to Text End with Selection	Select text from the current caret position to the end of text, and move caret to the end of text. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Home</code>	Move to Text Start with Selection	Select text from the current caret position to the start of text, and move caret to the start of text. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Right</code>	Move to Word End with Selection	Select text from the current caret position to the end of word, and move caret to the end of word. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Left</code>	Move to Word Start with Selection	Select text from the current caret position to the beginning of the current word, and move caret to the beginning of this word. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+V</code>	Paste from History	Paste from recent Clipboards. See page <a href="#">Cutting, Copying and Pasting</a>
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Space</code>	<a href="#">SmartType Code Completion</a>	Complete code, filtering the lookup list based on an expected type.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Page Down</code>	Navigate to Page Bottom with Selection	Move the caret down to the page bottom selecting the text. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Page Up</code>	Navigate to Page Top with Selection	Move the caret up to the page bottom selecting the text. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Down</code>	Move Line Down	Move line at caret one down, preserving syntactical correctness. See page <a href="#">Adding, Deleting and Moving Code Elements</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Up</code>	Move Line Up	Move line at caret up, preserving syntactical correctness. See page <a href="#">Adding, Deleting and Moving Code Elements</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Backspace</code>	Last Edit Location	Jump to the place of the last editing.

## Ctrl+Shift+Symbol keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Ctrl+Shift+Open Bracket</code>	Move to Code	Move the caret to the beginning of the current code block, selecting the code
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	Block Start with Selection	from the initial caret location. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Close Bracket</a>	Move to Code Block End with Selection	Move the caret to the end of the current code block, selecting the code from the initial caret location. See page <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Slash</a>	Comment with Block Comment	Comment/uncomment code with block comments. See page <a href="#">Commenting and Uncommenting Blocks of Code</a> .
<a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad Plus</a>	Expand All	Expand all folding blocks. See page <a href="#">Folding Code Elements</a> .
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+NumPad -</a>	Collapse All	Collapse all folding blocks. See page <a href="#">Folding Code Elements</a> .

## Ctrl+Shift+Numpad keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Numpad/</a>	Comment with Block Comment	Comment/uncomment code with block comments. See page <a href="#">Commenting and Uncommenting Blocks of Code</a> .
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Numpad+</a>	Expand All	Expand all folding blocks. See page <a href="#">Folding Code Elements</a> .
<a href="#">Ctrl+NumPad Plus</a>		
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Numpad-</a>	Collapse All	Collapse all folding blocks. See page <a href="#">Folding Code Elements</a> .

## Ctrl+Shift+Function (F) keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+F4</a>	Close Active Tab	Close an active tab in a tool window. See page <a href="#">Editor</a> .
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+F7</a>	Highlight Usages in File / Highlight Method Exit Points	<a href="#">Highlight usages</a> of a symbol where the caret is currently located. If the caret is placed on one of the method's exit points, like <code>return</code> , all method exit points are highlighted.
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+F8</a>	<a href="#">View breakpoints</a>	View/manage all breakpoints/watchpoints
<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+F9</a>	Compile	<a href="#">Compile</a> the selected file or package.

This section describes default mappings for the function (F) keys.

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

F1	Help	Invoke reference page.
F2	Activate in-place editing	In a GUI Designer form, enable in-place editing of the name of a selected UI component.
F3	Search for next/previous occurrence	Navigate to the next/previous occurrence of a selected word in the editor.
Shift+F3		
F4	Edit Source	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– In Tool Windows: Open an Editor tab or tabs for the selected item or items (including GUI forms), and give focus to the last opened file.</li><li>– On the context menus of the modules in the <a href="#">Project Tool Window</a> , <a href="#">Dependency Viewer</a> , and <a href="#">Module Dependencies tool window</a> : open the <a href="#">Modules structure</a> .</li></ul>
F5	Copy	Create a copy of a selected class/file/directory in the same or a different package.
F6	Move	Move a selected class/package/static member to another package/class and correct all references.
F7	Step Into	Step to the next executed line (during debugging).
F8	Step Over	Step to the next line in the current file (during debugging).
F9	Resume Program	Resume program execution (during debugging).
F11	Toggle Bookmark	Turn anonymous bookmark on or off.
F12	Jump to Last Window	Activate a last focused tool window.

This section describes default mappings for the `Insert`, `Delete` and the navigation keys.

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Delete</code>	Delete	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- In the editor: delete selected symbol/block.</li><li>- In the <a href="#">Find tool window</a>: exclude items from the search results.</li><li>- In the <a href="#">Version Control tool window</a>: delete an item from a changelist.</li><li>- In other views: remove the selected item or items.</li></ul>
<code>Down</code>	Move down	Move the caret one line down.
<code>End</code>	Move to Line End	Move the caret to the end of line.
<code>Home</code>	Move to Line Start	Move the caret to the beginning of line.
<code>Insert</code>	Toggle Insert/Overwrite	Toggle Insert/Overwrite modes in the editor. The shape of the cursor changes according to the current mode.
<code>Left</code>	Move left	Move the caret one character to the left.
<code>Page Down</code>	Page down	Move the caret one page up.
<code>Page Up</code>	Page up	Move the caret one page up.
<code>Right</code>	Move right	Move the caret one character to the right.
<code>Tab</code>		In the editor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- With any selection: indent selected line(s).</li><li>- Without any selection: insert a tab symbol (or corresponding number of space.characters).</li></ul> In a lookup list: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- No code after the caret in the editor: select an item (like <code>Enter</code>)</li><li>- Some code after the caret in the editor: select an item and replace the code after the caret with it.</li></ul>
<code>Up</code>	Move up	Move the caret one line up.

This section lists and describes the keyboard shortcuts that include the **Shift** key:

- [Shift+Navigation keys](#)
- [Shift+Function \(F\) keys](#)

## Shift+Navigation keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<b>Shift+Down</b>	Down with Selection	Move the caret one line down selecting the text.
<b>Shift+End</b>	Move to Line End with Selection	Move the caret to the end of line, selecting text.
<b>Shift+Enter</b>	Start New Line	Start a new line after the current one, positioning the caret in accordance with the current indentation level (equal to sequential pressing End, Enter).
<b>Shift+Escape</b>	Hide Active Window	Hide the currently active tool window.
<b>Shift+Home</b>	Move to Line Start with Selection	Move the caret to the beginning of line, selecting the text.
<b>Shift+Left</b>	Left with Selection	Move the caret one character to the left selecting the text.
<b>Shift+Page Down</b>	Page Down with Selection	Move the caret one page down selecting the text.
<b>Shift+Page Up</b>	Page Up with Selection	Move the caret one page up selecting the text.
<b>Shift+Right</b>	Right with Selection	Move the caret one character to the right selecting the text.
<b>Shift+Tab</b>	Unindent Selection	Move selected block to the previous indent level.
<b>Shift+Up</b>	Up with Selection	Move the caret one line up selecting the text.

## Shift+Function (F) keys

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<b>Shift+F1</b>	External Documentation	Open browser with the documentation for the selected item. Refer to <a href="#">Viewing Inline Documentation</a> for details.
<b>Shift+F2</b>	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Navigate to Previous Highlighted Error.</li><li>- Stop Program.</li></ul>	Depending on whether you are editing or debugging: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- When editing: Navigate to the previous found error/warning.</li><li>- When debugging: Terminate the debugging session.</li></ul>
<b>F3</b> / <b>Shift+F3</b>	Search for next/previous occurrence	Jump to the next/previous occurrence of the selected word in the editor.
<b>Shift+F6</b>	Rename	<a href="#">Rename</a> a statement and correct all references. (Refactoring).
<b>Shift+F7</b>	Move to Previous Difference/Smart Step Into	Move to a previous difference in a view./ Select the method to step in, if the current line contains multiple method call expressions. (Debugger).
<b>Shift+F8</b>	Step Out	Step to the first executed line after returning from a current method.
<b>Shift+F9</b>	Debug	<a href="#">Debug</a> application.
<b>Shift+F10</b>	Run	<a href="#">Run</a> application.
<b>Shift+F11</b>	Show Bookmarks	Open <a href="#">Bookmarks</a> dialog to manage existing bookmarks and navigate between them.
<b>Shift+F12</b>	Restore Default layout	Restore the default IntelliJ IDEA layout (tool windows positions, buttons location and order). To restore the default layout, check the option Store Current Layout as Default in the Window menu.

This section lists and describes the keyboard shortcuts that include the `Ctrl+Shift+Alt` keys.

**ShortcutFunctionUse this shortcut to...**

<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+C</code>	Copy Relative Path	Copy a reference (a relative path) of a symbol to the Clipboard.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N</code>	Go to Symbol	<a href="#">Navigate to a symbol</a> with the specified name.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+H</code>	Pop up Hector	Open the <a href="#">Highlighting level</a> pop-up window.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+S</code>	Project Structure	Open <a href="#">Project Structure</a> dialog box.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+U</code>	Show Uml Diagram	<a href="#">Open UML Class diagram</a> for a class or package.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+V</code>	Paste Simple	Paste the last entry from the Clipboard as plain text.
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+L</code>	Show Reformat File Dialog	Show <a href="#">reformatting dialog</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+I</code>	Run Inspection by Name	Execute an inspection <a href="#">by its name</a> .
<code>Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Insert</code>	New Scratch File	Create a <a href="#">new scratch file</a> with the selected language.





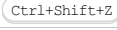


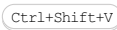

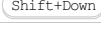

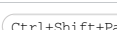








In this part you can find reference information about the keyboard shortcuts grouped by functional categories:

- [Advanced Editing](#)
- [Basic Editing](#)
- [Code Folding](#)
- [Running and Debugging](#)
- [General](#)
- [GUI Designer Shortcuts](#)
- [Search](#)
- [Navigation Between Bookmarks](#)
- [Navigation Between IDE Components](#)
- [Navigation In Source Code](#)
- [Refactoring](#)

**FunctionShortcutUse this  
shortcut to...**

Comment with Line Comment	Ctrl+Slash	Comment/uncomment current line or selected block with line comments.
Comment with Block Comment	Ctrl+Shift+Slash	Comment/uncomment code with block comments.
Quick Documentation	Ctrl+Q / Alt+Button2 Click	Show a pop-up window with the documentation for the symbol at the caret.
Show Table Data	Ctrl+Q	Show a pop-up window that displays the <code>create table</code> query for the database table at the caret and the first 10 rows of the table.
Pop-up Hecor	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+H	Show the Highlighting level pop-up window to configure highlighting in the current file.
Parameter Info	Ctrl+P	Show parameters of the method call at the caret.
Context Info	Alt+Q	Show the current method or class declaration when it is not visible.
Error Description	Ctrl+F1	Show an error or warning description at the caret.
External Documentation	Shift+F1	Open browser with the documentation for the selected item.
Override Methods...	Ctrl+O	Override base class methods in the current class.
Implement Methods...	Ctrl+I	Override base interface/class methods in the current class.
Surround with...	Ctrl+Alt+T	Surround selected code fragment with <code>if</code> , <code>do</code> , tags or other constructs. In the GUI Designer, use this shortcut to <a href="#">wrap</a> selected components into a container.
Generate	Alt+Insert	Generate constructors, accessor methods, EJB components, Maven dependencies in the <code>pom.xml</code> files, using the Generate pop-up menu.
Basic Code Completion	Ctrl+Space Alt+Slash	Code completion for any class, method or variable.
SmartType Code Completion	Ctrl+Shift+Space	Code Completion filtering the lookup list basing on expected type.
Expand Word	Alt+Slash	Goes through the names of classes, methods, keywords and variables in the current visibility scope.
Insert Live Template...	Ctrl+J	Show a pop-up list of starting with a specified prefix.
Surround with Live Template...	Ctrl+Alt+J	Surround the selection with one of the templates.
Next Template Variable	Tab	In templates: move the caret to the next template variable.
Previous Template Variable	Shift+Tab	In templates: move the caret to the previous template variable.

**FunctionShortcutUse this shortcut to...**

Enter		Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In a lookup list: select an item.</li> <li>- In the editor: enter a new line and set the caret at its beginning.</li> </ul>
Tab		In the editor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- With selection: indent selected lines.</li> <li>- Without selection: insert a tab symbol (or corresponding number of space characters).</li> </ul> In a lookup list: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No code after the caret: select an item.</li> <li>- Some code after the caret: select an item and substitute the code after the caret with it.</li> </ul>
Delete		Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In the editor: delete selected symbol/block.</li> <li>- In a usage view: exclude a selected item.</li> <li>- In other views: remove selected items.</li> </ul>
Backspace		Delete a character to the left of the caret.
Undo		Undo last operation.
Redo		Redo last undone operation.
Cut		Cut a current line or a selected code block to the Clipboard.
Copy		Copy a current line or a selected code block to the Clipboard.
Paste		Paste from the Clipboard to the caret location.
Paste from History		Paste selected entry from the Clipboard to the caret location.
Up		Move the caret one line up.
Up with Selection		Move the caret one line up selecting the text.
Down		Move the caret one line down.
Down with Selection		Move the caret one line down selecting the text.
Left		Move the caret one character to the left.
Left with Selection		Move the caret one character to the left selecting the text.
Right		Move the caret one character to the right.
Right with Selection		Move the caret one character to the right selecting the text.
Go to Page Bottom		Move the caret down to the page bottom.
Go to Page Bottom with Selection		Move the caret down to the page bottom, selecting the text.
Go to Page Top		Move the caret up to the page top.
Go to Page Top with Selection		Move the caret up to the page bottom, selecting the text.
Page Down		Move the caret one page down.
Page Down with Selection		Move the caret one page down, selecting the text.
Page Up		Move the caret one page up.
Page Up with Selection		Move the caret one page up, selecting the text.
Scroll Down		Scroll the text one line down.
Scroll to Center		Scroll a line at caret to the center of the screen.
Scroll Up		Scroll the text one line up.
Move to Line End		Move the caret to the end of line.
Move to Line End with Selection		Move the caret to the end of line, selecting the text.
Move to Line Start		Move the caret to the beginning of line.
Move to Line Start with Selection		Move the caret to the beginning of line, selecting the text.
Move to Next Word		Move the caret to the next word.
Move to Next Word with Selection		Move the caret to the next word, selecting it.
Move to Previous Word		Move the caret to the previous word.
Move to Previous Word with Selection		Move the caret to the previous word, selecting it.



Move to Text End	Ctrl+End	Move the caret to the end of text.
Move to Text End with Selection	Ctrl+Shift+End	Move the caret to the end of text, selecting it.
Move to Text Start	Ctrl+Home	Move the caret to the beginning of text.
Move to Text Start with Selection.	Ctrl+Shift+Home	Move the caret to the beginning of text, selecting it.
Select All	Ctrl+A	Select the entire text opened in the editor.
Delete Line at Caret	Ctrl+Y	Delete the line where the caret is currently located.
Delete to Word End	Ctrl+Delete	Delete the word starting from the current caret location up to the word end.
Delete to Word Start	Ctrl+Backspace	Delete the word starting from the current caret location up to the word start.
Toggle Insert/Overwrite	Insert	Toggle insert/overwrite modes.
Duplicate Line or Block	Ctrl+D	Duplicate selected block or the line at the caret.
Toggle Case	Ctrl+Shift+U	Toggle case of the selected text block.
Move to Code Block End	Ctrl+Close Bracket	Move the caret to the current code block end, highlighting the block limits.
Move to Code Block End with Selection	Ctrl+Shift+Close Bracket	Move the caret to the current code block end, selecting the code beginning from the initial caret location.
Move to Code Block Start	Ctrl+Open Bracket	Move the caret to the current code block start, highlighting the block limits.
Move to Code Block Start with Selection	Ctrl+Shift+Open Bracket	Move the caret to the current code block start, selecting the code beginning from the initial caret location.
Start New Line	Shift+Enter	Start a new line after the current one positioning the caret in accordance with the current indentation level.
Start New Line Before Current One	Ctrl+Alt+Enter	Start a new line before the current one.
Join Lines	Ctrl+Shift+J	Concatenate the selected lines into one or concatenate the line where the caret is currently located with the next line.
Split Line	Ctrl+Enter	Split the selected line at the point where the caret is located, leaving the caret at the end of the first line.
Select Word at Caret	Ctrl+W	Select successively increasing code blocks starting from the current caret location.
Unselect Word at Caret	Ctrl+Shift+W	Remove sequentially the selection made by the action.
Indent Selection	Tab	Move the selected block to the next indentation level.
Unindent Selection	Shift+Tab	Move the selected block to the previous indentation level.
Auto-Indent Lines	Ctrl+Alt+I	Indent the current line or selected block according to the <a href="#">Code Style</a> settings.


**CommandShortcutDescription**

Expand	Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Expand the current collapsed fragment
Collapse	Ctrl+NumPad -	Collapse the current folding region
Expand Recursively	Ctrl+Alt+NumPad Plus	Expand the current folded fragment and all the subordinate collapsed folding regions within that fragment
Collapse Recursively	Ctrl+Alt+NumPad -	Collapse the current folding region and all the subordinate folding regions within it
Expand All	Ctrl+Shift+NumPad Plus	Expand all collapsed fragments within the selection, or, if nothing is selected, expand all the collapsed fragments in the current file
Collapse All	Ctrl+Shift+NumPad -	Collapse all folding regions within the selection, or, if nothing is selected, collapse all the folding regions in the current file
Expand to level   1, 2, 3, 4 or 5	Ctrl+NumPad *, 1	Expand the current fragment and all the nested fragments up to the specified level
	Ctrl+NumPad *, 2	
	Ctrl+NumPad *, 3	
	Ctrl+NumPad *, 4	
	Ctrl+NumPad *, 5	
Expand all to level   1, 2, 3, 4 or 5	Ctrl+Shift+NumPad *, 1	Expand all the collapsed fragments in the file up to the specified nesting level
	Ctrl+Shift+NumPad *, 2	
	Ctrl+Shift+NumPad *, 3	
	Ctrl+Shift+NumPad *, 4	
	Ctrl+Shift+NumPad *, 5	
Fold Selection / Remove region	Ctrl+Period	Collapse the selected fragment and create a custom folding region for it to make it "foldable" / Expand the current fragment and remove the corresponding custom folding region to make the fragment "unfoldable"
Fold Code Block	Ctrl+Shift+Period	Collapse the code fragment between the matched pair of curly braces {} and create a custom folding region for that fragment to make it "foldable"

**FunctionShortcutUse this  
shortcut to...**

Make Project	Ctrl+F9	Compile all modified and dependent files in a project.
Compile	Ctrl+Shift+F9	Compile selected file/package.
Run	Shift+F10	Run a program.
Choose configuration and run	Shift+Alt+F10	Quickly select run/debug configuration and run or edit it.
Rerun	Ctrl+F5	Repeat execution with the same settings, with the same tab of the Run tool window having the focus.
Rerun without losing the focus in the editor	Shift+F10	Repeat execution with the same settings, with the same tab of the editor having the focus.
Debug	Shift+F9	Debug a program.
Choose configuration and debug	Shift+Alt+F9	Quickly select run/debug configuration and debug or edit it.
Step Over	F8	Step to the next line in the current file. See <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .
Step Into	F7	Step to the next executed line. See <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .
Smart Step Into	Shift+F7	Select the method to step in, if the current line contains multiple method call expressions. See <a href="#">Choosing a Method to Step Into</a> .
Step Out	Shift+F8	Step to a first executed line after returning from the current method. See <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .
Force Step Over	Shift+Alt+F8	Run until the next line in this method or file, skipping the methods referenced at the current execution point and ignoring breakpoints. See <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .
Force Step Into	Shift+Alt+F7	Steps into the method called in the current execution point even if this method is to be skipped. See <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .
Run to Cursor	Alt+F9	Run to the line where the caret is located. See <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .
Force Run To Cursor	Ctrl+Alt+F9	Run to the line where the caret is located, ignoring breakpoints. See <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> .
Resume Program	F9	Resume program execution.
Stop Program	Shift+F2	Terminate a debugging session.
Evaluate Expression	Alt+F8	Evaluate an arbitrary expression.
Quick Evaluate Expression	Ctrl+Alt+F8	Evaluate an arbitrary expression without calling Evaluate Expression dialog.
Toggle Breakpoint	Ctrl+F8	Toggle breakpoint at the current line.
View Breakpoints	Ctrl+Shift+F8	View/manage all breakpoints.
Switch to another coverage suite.	Ctrl+Alt+F6	Open the Coverage Suites pop-up window and select the desired suite to run.














**FunctionShortcutUse this  
shortcut  
to...**

Close Active Tab	Ctrl+Shift+F4	Close an active tab in a tool window (for example, Find tool window).
Close Editor	Ctrl+F4	Close an active editor.
Edit Source	F4	Open an editor for the selected item or items and give focus to the last opened file.
Escape	Escape	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– In the editor: close pop-up windows, terminate search, or remove highlighting.</li><li>– In a tool window: return focus to the editor.</li></ul>
Export to Text File	Alt+O	Export contents of a tool window to a text file. This feature applies to the <a href="#">Version Control Tool Window</a> , <a href="#">Messages Tool Window</a> , and the other tool windows that provide the export button  on the window toolbar.
New...	Alt+Insert	Create a new class, interface, file or directory.
Save All	Ctrl+S	Save all files and settings.
Select Next Tab	Alt+Right	When several tabs are open in the editor or a view, open the next tab to the right (or first tab if the current one is the last).
Select Previous Tab	Alt+Left	When several tabs are open in the editor or a view, open the next tab to the left (or last tab if the current one is the first).
Show Intention Action	Alt+Enter	Display <a href="#">intention actions</a> (if any) for the code where the caret is currently located, or the selected GUI component in a form.
Synchronize	Ctrl+Alt+Y	Detect all externally changed files and reload them from disk.
View Source	Ctrl+Enter	Depending on the context: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– In Tool Windows: Open an Editor tab or tabs for the selected item or items, respectively.</li><li>– In the editor: Intelligently split the current line into 2 lines, shifting quotes, etc. as necessary.</li><li>– On the context menus of the modules in the <a href="#">Project Tool Window</a> , <a href="#">Dependency Viewer</a> , and <a href="#">Module Dependencies tool window</a> : open the <a href="#">Modules structure</a> .</li></ul>

**FunctionShortcutUse this shortcut to...**

Select next component	Arrow	Move selection to the adjacent component.
Add to selection	Shift+Arrow	Add adjacent component to the selection.
Extend selection	Ctrl+W	Select successively increasing sets of components from the current component to its container. Compare to <a href="#">selecting text in the editor</a> .
	Ctrl+Shift+W	
Move component	Ctrl+Arrow	Move selected component to the adjacent valid container.
Expand component	Ctrl+Shift+Arrow	Expand component to the adjacent valid container.

**FunctionShortcutUse this shortcut to...**

Find		Initiate <a href="#">text search</a> .
Replace		Initiate <a href="#">text search and replace</a> .
Search for next/ previous occurrence	 	Navigate to the next/previous occurrence of a selected word in the editor.
Find Word at Caret		Search in the editor for the word where the caret is currently located.
Incremental Search		Initiate <a href="#">text search</a> .
Find in Path		Initiate <a href="#">search for a text string in the specified scope</a> .
Replace in Path		Initiate <a href="#">search and replace in the specified scope</a> .
Find Usages		Initiate <a href="#">search for usages of the selected symbol in the specified scope</a> .
Find Usages in File		Initiate <a href="#">search for usages of the selected symbol in the current file</a> .
Highlight Usages in File		<a href="#">Highlight usages of a symbol</a> at caret.
Show Usages		<a href="#">Show usages of a symbol</a> at caret in a pop-up window. Use list of found usages to jump to the desired location.
Find Action		Find an action, bypassing menus. See <a href="#">Finding Actions</a> .

**FunctionShortcutUse this shortcut to...**

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Go to Bookmark <number>	Ctrl+Number	Navigate to a <a href="#">numbered bookmark</a> with the corresponding number.
Toggle Bookmark	F11	Turn anonymous bookmark on or off.
Toggle Bookmark with Mnemonic	Ctrl+F11	Turn bookmark with mnemonic on or off.
Show Bookmarks	Shift+F11	Open <a href="#">Bookmarks</a> dialog to manage existing bookmarks and navigate between them.


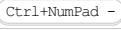



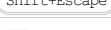

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In this section you can find keyboard shortcuts for navigation between:

- [Views and Windows](#) .
- [Differences](#) .

## Views and Windows

**Function** **Shortcut** **Use this shortcut to...**

Select Target		Move focus from the current file, class, method or reference to a data source, to a view suggested in the Select Target pop-up menu. Refer to <a href="#">Navigating Between IDE Components</a> .
Collapse all		Collapse all nodes in a tree view.
Expand all		Expand all nodes in a tree view.
Switcher		Navigate between files opened in the editor, and tool windows.
Open tool window		Open a tool window with the specified number.
Hide Active Window		Hide the currently active tool window.
Jump to Last Window		Activate the last focused tool window.

## Differences

**Function** **Shortcut** **Use this shortcut to...**

Move to Next Difference		Navigate to the next difference in <a href="#">view</a> .
Move to Previous Difference		Navigate to the previous difference in <a href="#">view</a> .



**Function Shortcut** Use this shortcut to...

File Structure Pop-up	Ctrl+F12	Display the <a href="#">Structure pop-up window</a> for quick navigation through the current file.
Select target	Alt+F1	Move focus from the current file, class, method or reference to a data source table to a view suggested in the Select Target pop-up menu. See <a href="#">Navigating Between IDE Components</a> .
Recent Files	Ctrl+E	Show the list of <a href="#">recently opened files</a> .
Recently Changed Files	Ctrl+Shift+E	Show the list of <a href="#">recently updated files</a> .
Type Hierarchy	Ctrl+H	Browse hierarchy for the selected <a href="#">class</a> class .
Method Hierarchy	Ctrl+Shift+H	Browse hierarchy for the selected <a href="#">method</a> .
Call Hierarchy	Ctrl+Alt+H	Browse <a href="#">call hierarchy</a> for the selected method.
Navigate to Class	Ctrl+N	Navigate directly <a href="#">to a class in project</a> by specifying its name in a pop-up dialog box.
Navigate to File	Ctrl+Shift+N	Navigate directly <a href="#">to a file in project</a> by specifying its name in a pop-up dialog box.
Navigate to Recently Opened File	Ctrl+E	Show the list of <a href="#">recently opened files</a> .
Navigate to Recently Changed File	Ctrl+Shift+E	Show the list of <a href="#">recently updated files</a> .
Navigate to Line	Ctrl+G	Navigate <a href="#">to any line in the current file</a> by specifying its number.
Navigate to Declaration	Ctrl+B	Navigate <a href="#">to declaration</a> of a symbol at caret.
Navigate to Implementation	Ctrl+Alt+B	Navigate to implementation of the item at caret.
Navigate to Type Declaration	Ctrl+Shift+B	Navigate to a type declaration of a symbol at caret, the symbol being a variable or a method call.
Navigate to Super Method	Ctrl+U	Navigate to a super method declaration of a method under the caret.
Navigate to Test/Test Subject	Ctrl+Shift+T	Navigate to a test for the class at caret, if any, or navigate from a test to a test subject.
Navigate to Related Symbol	Ctrl+Alt+Home	Navigate between files with complicated relationships between them. For example, use this shortcut to navigate between the various web entities.
Navigate to Next Method	Alt+Down	Navigate to the next method declaration in the active editor tab.
Navigate to Previous Method	Alt+Up	Navigate to the previous method declaration in the active editor tab.
Navigate to Opening Brace	Ctrl+Open Bracket	Navigate to the start of the current code block.
Navigate to Closing Brace	Ctrl+Close Bracket	Navigate to the end of the current code block.
Back	Ctrl+Alt+Left	Undo last navigation operation. <b>Note</b> On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger right-to-left swipe gesture.
Forward	Ctrl+Alt+Right	Redo last undone navigation operation. <b>Note</b> On a macOS computer, you can also use the three-finger left-to-right swipe gesture.
Navigate to Previous Occurrence	Ctrl+Alt+Up	Navigate to a previous found item.
Navigate to Next Occurrence	Ctrl+Alt+Down	Navigate to a next found item.
Last Edit Location	Ctrl+Shift+Backspace	Move through the most recent change points.
Navigate to Next Highlighted Error	F2	Navigate to the next found error/warning.
Navigate to Previous Highlighted Error	Shift+F2	Navigate to the previous found error/warning.

**FunctionShortcutDescription**

Rename	Shift+F6	Rename the selected file, class, field, method, etc. and change all references to it accordingly.
Change Method Signature	Ctrl+F6	Change the signature of the selected method and update all the corresponding method calls.
Move	F6	Move the selected class, package or static member to another package or class and update all the corresponding references.
Copy	F5	Create a copy of the selected class, file or directory in the same or different directory or package.
Clone		Create a copy of the selected class in the same package.
Safe Delete	Alt+Delete	Delete the selected class, method or field checking its usages.
Extract Method	Ctrl+Alt+M	Turn the selected code fragment into a method.
Extract Variable	Ctrl+Alt+V	Create a new variable and use the selected expression as its value.
Extract Field	Ctrl+Alt+F	Create a new field and use the selected expression as its value.
Extract Constant	Ctrl+Alt+C	Create a new constant (static final field) and use the selected expression as its value.
Extract Parameter	Ctrl+Alt+P	Turn the selected expression into a new method parameter.
Inline	Ctrl+Alt+N	Inline the selected method or variable.

**ItemDescription**

Middle mouse button rotate	Scroll vertically
<b>Shift</b> + Middle mouse button rotate	Scroll horizontally
<b>Ctrl</b> + Middle mouse button rotate	Change font size
Middle mouse button click on a tab	Close tab
Right mouse button click	Show context menu

This part provides miscellaneous information, related to common version control operations, and to VCS integrations:

- [CVS Reference](#)
- [Git Reference](#)
- [Mercurial Reference](#)
- [Perforce Reference](#)
- [Subversion Reference](#)
- [Checkout from TFS Wizard](#)
- [Apply Patch Dialog](#)
- [Create Patch Dialog](#)
- [Commit Changes Dialog](#)
- [Configure Ignored Files Dialog](#)
- [Enable Version Control Integration Dialog](#)
- [File Status Highlights](#)
- [New Changelist Dialog](#)
- [Patch File Settings Dialog](#)
- [Push Dialog \(Mercurial, Git\)](#)
- [Revert Changes Dialog](#)
- [Select Target Changelist Dialog](#)
- [Shelve Changes Dialog](#)
- [Show History for File / Selection Dialog](#)
- [Show History for Folder Dialog](#)
- [Unshelve Changes Dialog](#)




In this part:

- [CVS Global Settings Dialog](#)
- [CVS Options Dialog](#)
- [CVS Tool Window](#)

Use this dialog box to set up CVS roots. The dialog box is available for files and directories that are under CVS version control.



## Common Options

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to configure a new CVS root.
	Click this button to remove the selected CVS root configuration from the list.
	Click this button to create a copy of the selected CVS root.
Global Settings	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Global CVS Settings</a> dialog box where you can set up CVS options at the global level.
CVS root	In this text box, specify the CVS repository string according to the following syntax:

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[ :method: ][ [user] [ :password ] @ ] hostname [ : [port] ] / path / to / repository .
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**Tip** Obtain the valid string from your system administrator or click the Edit by Field button to open the [Configure CVS Root Field by Field](#) dialog box where you can specify the mandatory connection parameters and have IntelliJ IDEA [assemble](#) them into a correct repository string.

Edit by Field	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Configure CVS Root Field by Field</a> dialog box where you can specify the mandatory connection parameters and have them assembled into a CVS root string automatically.
Use version	Use this section to specify the revision you want to synchronize your local working copy with. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– HEAD revision : this option is suggested by default.</li> <li>– By tag : select this option to access the revision with a specific tag. Type the desired tag in the text box or click the Browse button  and select the desired tag from the list. The list shows all the tags available on the CVS server according to the specified CVS root.</li> <li>– By date : select this option to access the revision with a specific date and time stamp. Type the end date and time in the format <code>dd:mm:yy hh:mm:ss</code> or click the Browse button  and select the desired date from the calendar. This date and time are passed to the server with the GMT parameter.</li> </ul>

**Tip** The controls in the area are available only after the CVS root text box is filled in with valid data.

**Warning!** If you perform update or checkout from the CVS repository with the By tag or By date option selected, the resulting working copy will be permanently restricted to the specified tag or date, until you force the update operation to reset this sticky data .

Test connection	Click this button to check that the specified settings ensure successful connection to the CVS server.
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## Additional Connection Settings


In this area, specify additional settings to flexibly configure connection to the CVS server. The contents of the area depends on the [connection method](#) set in the CVS root text box.

- [pserver](#)
- [ext](#)
- [ssh](#)
- [local](#)

### pserver



**Warning!** The settings specified in this area affect all CVS roots that use the pserver connection method.

### ItemDescription

Password	In this text box, type the fully qualified path to the <code>.cvspass</code> file. Click the Browse button  to select the file in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .
Connection timeout	In this text box, type the connection timeout in seconds.
Proxy Settings	See the <a href="#">Proxy Settings</a> section below.

### ext


### ItemDescription

Use internal <code>ssh</code> implementation	Select this checkbox to access the <a href="#">ssh area</a> , where you can specify the SSH version to use, the port to listen to, and configure your private key and password. Clear this checkbox to access the Ext Protocol Settings area with the following controls available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Path to external rsh : in this text box, specify the location of the external <code>rsh</code> . If necessary, click the Browse button  to select the necessary location in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .</li> <li>– Path to private key file : in this text box, specify the location of the file with your private <code>ssh</code> key. If necessary, click the Browse button  to select the file in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .</li> <li>– Additional parameters : in this text box, specify additional connection parameters.</li> </ul>
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## ssh

This area is also available when you have specified the [ext](#) connection method and selected the Use internal ssh implementation checkbox.


### ItemDescription

SSH version	In this area, specify the SSH version to use. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Allow both</li><li>– Force SSH1</li><li>– Force SSH2</li></ul>
Port	In this text box, specify the <code>ssh</code> port to listen to.
Use Private key file	Select this checkbox, if you want to pass server authentication using a private <code>ssh</code> key. In the text box, specify the location of the file with your private <code>ssh</code> key. If necessary, click the Browse button  to select the file in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .
Change password	Click this button to open the SSH PAssword dialog box, where you can specify the password for the curent CVS root.
Proxy Settings	See <a href="#">Proxy Settings</a> section below.

## local

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA does not provide the server functionality. If you want to use a local CVS client, you need to install CVS on your local host computer and configure it to work as a server.

### ItemDescription

Path to CVS client	In this text box, type the path to CVS client installed on the host computer and configured to work as a server. If necessary, click the Browse button  to select the necessary location in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .
Server command	In this text box, specify the server command.

## Proxy Settings

### ItemDescription







Use proxy	Select this checkbox to enable using the Proxy server and access the Login , Password , Proxy host , and Proxy port text boxes below. This checkbox is available only in two cases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– The connection method is <code>pserver</code> or <code>ssh</code>.</li><li>– The connection method is <code>ext</code> and the Use internal ssh implementation checkbox is selected.</li></ul>
Protocol	Select the protocol to use. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– HTTP</li><li>– Socks4</li><li>– Socks5</li></ul>
Login	In this text box, specify your user name.
Password	In this text box, specify the user password.
Proxy host	In this text box, specify the Proxy host name.
Proxy port	In this text box, specify the Proxy port number.

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This tool window opens, when you browse a CVS repository, and enables you to view contents of the repository, check out files, browse changes, view annotations and navigate to source code.

**ItemDescription**

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	Click this button to close the current tab.
	Click this button to open the selected file in the editor.
	Click this button to <a href="#">obtain a local copy</a> of the selected file or directory.
	Click this button to open selected file in the editor with the annotations turned on. See <a href="#">Viewing Annotations</a> .
	Click this button to see the changes that affect the selected file or directory, and that have been committed to the repository by a certain user, or during the specified period. The filtering information is entered in the Search Criteria dialog. Search results show in a dedicated tab of the <a href="#">Version Control tool window</a> .
	Click this button to show reference page.



Use this dialog to import a directory into the specified CVS repository.

## Select CVS Configuration

Use this page to select the target CVS root and change its configuration, if necessary.

## Select Directory to Import to

Use this page to select the target directory.

## Select Import Directory

Use this page to select the directory to be imported. If you are importing an IntelliJ IDEA project, make sure that the project file is located under that directory. Multiple selection is not available.

## Customize Keyboard Substitution

Use this page to specify the [keyword substitution rule](#) for the files imported into the repository.

## Import Settings

### ItemDescription

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Name in repository	<p>In this field, specify the name that corresponds to the <code>module</code> argument.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> For import, <code>module</code> refers to the absolute location in the repository, not to a module name defined in the modules file.</p>
Vendor	<p>In this field, specify the name that corresponds to the <code>vendor-tag</code> argument. This tag is used as a branch tag. No checkouts will ever be done explicitly on it. Type a name that is relevant to the project, or just VENDOR.</p>
Release tag	<p>In this text box, specify the string that corresponds to the <code>release-tag</code> argument. The tag should refer to a version or a release number.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> A tag name cannot contain punctuation marks.</p> <p>For example: <code>-release-2.2</code> is wrong</p> <p><code>release-2-2</code> is correct.</p>
Log message	<p>In this field, specify the string that corresponds to the <code>-m</code> command-line argument. By default, the field shows the previous log message; you can accept default, or type a new comment.</p>
Checkout after import	<p>Select this option to have CVS checkout run after completing the import operation.</p>
Make checked out files read-only	<p>Select this option to mark the checked out files as read-only after import. This option is disabled if the Checkout after import option is cleared.</p>

The dialog consists of the following pages:

- [Select CS Configuration](#)
- [Select CVS Element to Check Out](#)
- [Select Checkout Location](#)
- [Check out to](#)

## Select CVS Configuration

### ItemDescription

List of available CVS configurations	Use this list to select the desired CVS configuration.
Configure	Click this button to define a new CVS configuration, or modify an existing one, in the CVS Roots dialog box.



## Select CVS Element to Check Out

Use this page to select elements of the repository to check out. Next button is only available when an element is selected.

## Select Checkout Location

Use this page to specify the target location for the artifacts to check out. All actions can be performed using the toolbar buttons, or context menu.

### ItemShortcut Description

		Jump to the user's home directory.
		Jump to the project root directory.
		Create a new directory where the files will be checked out to.
		Delete the selected directory.
		Synchronize with external changes.
	N/A	Show Hidden Files and Directories

## Check out to

Use this page to define CVS-specific checkout options.

### ItemDescription

List of local paths	Select the local path to which the module name should be added.
Make new files read-only	Check this option to set read-only attribute for the files that did not exist locally but were checked out from the repository.
Prune empty directories	Check this option to delete empty directories from the repository.
Change keyword substitution to	Check this option to enable keyword substitution, and select the desired substitution mode from the drop-down list.

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This dialog box opens when you click the Edit by Field button in the CVS Roots dialog box. Use this dialog box to specify the parameters for connecting to the CVS server and have IntelliJ IDEA assemble them into a correct repository string according to the CVS root string syntax.

**ItemDescription**

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Method	From this drop-down list, select the desired connection method. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- pserver</li><li>- ext</li><li>- ssh (internal implementation)</li><li>- local</li></ul>
User	In this text box, type your login to the CVS server.
Port	In this text box, specify the port to listen to on the CVS server host.
Host	In this text box, type the name of the host where the desired CVS server is located.
Repository	In this text box, type the path to the CVS repository relative to the host name.

In this section:

- [Menu commands according to file status](#) .
- [Effect of rolling back local changes](#) .

## Menu Commands According to File Status

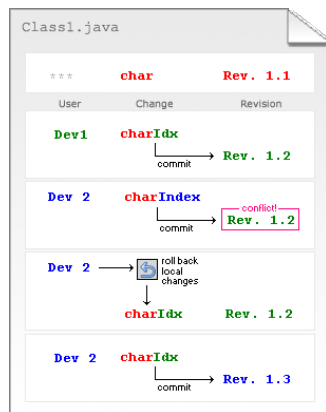
Depending on the file status, the Rollback Changes command will be *aliased* as shown in the following table:

File status	Rollback Command	Result
modified	Rollback Local Changes	all changes made in the file will be reverted, and the file will acquire the <i>up to date</i> status
deleted	Rollback Deletion	file will be restored both on the disk and in CVS with the <i>up to date</i> status
externally deleted	Rollback Deletion	file will be restored on the disk and assigned the <i>up to date</i> status
added	Rollback Creation	file will be deleted from disk
merged	Rollback Local Changes	all local changes will be dropped, changes from the repository will be accepted, and the file will be assigned the <i>up to date</i> status
merged with conflicts	Rollback Local Changes	all local changes will be dropped, changes from the repository will be accepted, and the file will be assigned the <i>up to date</i> status
unknown	Rollback Creation	file will be deleted from the disk

## Effect of rolling back local changes

The effect of Rollback Local Changes may not be what you intuitively expect in terms of the revision you have locally after running the command.

The image below represents a file in CVS and a sequence of actions by two developers. It shows a simple example of what happens in terms of the local copy's CVS revision after rolling back conflicting local changes.






Here's what happens:

- The developer *Dev1* takes Revision 1.1 from the repository, modifies it, and commits changes to CVS.
- The developer *Dev2* doesn't know about *Dev1*'s changes and modifies the same code in the local copy of Revision 1.1 . When *Dev2* commits these changes, he gets a message from CVS that the repository has changed. So he runs Update to synchronize, and his local copy is then updated to Revision 1.2 , and CVS sets the *Merged with Conflicts* status on the file.
- *Dev2* decides to roll back local changes. He is left with a local copy of Revision 1.2 .
- When *Dev2* commits the file to CVS, it becomes Revision 1.3 even though the content is identical to Revision 1.2 .

In these dialog boxes, configure synchronization of local files or folders with the repository.

#### ItemDescription

Branch Merging	<p>In this area, specify the repository branch to synchronize with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Don't merge - select this option to synchronize with the counterpart of the current branch in the repository. This option is selected by default.</li> <li>- Merge with branch - select this option to have the local copy synchronized with a repository branch different from the counterpart of the current branch. In the first text box below, specify the branch to synchronize with. Type the branch name manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired branch from the list in the Select Tag dialog box that opens. This option is equivalent to the <code>-j</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</li> <li>- Merge two branches - select this option to have the local copy synchronized with the result of merging two repository branches different from the counterpart of the current branch. In the text boxes below, specify the branches to synchronize with. This option is equivalent to the <code>-j -j</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</li> </ul>
Use Version	<p>In this area, specify the version of repository file(s) or folder(s) to synchronize with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Default - select this option to have the local copy synchronized with the latest repository version.</li> <li>- By tag - select this option to have the local copy synchronized with a particular repository version. In the text box, specify the desired version number or tag. Type the version number or tag manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired branch from the list in the Select Revision or Tag dialog box that opens. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- When updating a single file, you can specify its repository counterpart either through a version number or a tag.</li> <li>- When updating an entire folder, its repository counterpart can be specified only through a tag.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>This option is equivalent to the <code>-r</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- By date - select this option to have the local copy synchronized with a repository version that was submitted on a particular date. Type the date manually or click the Calendar button  and select the desired date from the calendar pop-up window that opens with the current date selected by default. This option is equivalent to the <code>-D</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</li> </ul>
Reset sticky data	<p>Select this checkbox to remove the date or tag restriction from the local file(s) or folder(s) to be updated. Such restrictions are set on files and folders checked out or previously updated with the By tag or By date options. This option is equivalent to the <code>-A</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</p>
Prune empty directories	<p>Select this option while updating a directory to have IntelliJ IDEA remove the subfolders whose repository counterparts are empty. This option is equivalent to the <code>-P</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</p>
Change keyword substitution to	<p>Select this checkbox to have the <a href="#">default keyword expansion mode</a> changed. From the drop-down list, choose the relevant substitution. This option is equivalent to the <code>-k</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</p>
Create new directories	<p>Select this option while updating a directory to have IntelliJ IDEA create new local subfolders when any new subfolders have been created in the repository counterpart of the directory to be updated. This option is equivalent to the <code>-k</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</p> <p>By default, all the new subfolders will be picked including empty ones. To avoid creating empty subfolders, it is recommended that you select the Prune empty directories checkbox as well.</p>
Clean copy	<p>Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA backup the local changes and replace the changed file(s) with their counterparts from the repository. This option is equivalent to the <code>-C</code> command-line option of the <code>update</code> command.</p>
Do not show this dialog in the future	<p>Select this option to have the <code>update</code> operation performed <a href="#">silently</a> in the future. To have IntelliJ IDEA show this dialog box before <code>update</code> again:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open the <a href="#">Version Control - Confirmation</a> page of the <a href="#">Settings</a> dialog box.</li> <li>2. In the Display Option dialogs when these commands are invoked area, select the Update checkbox.</li> </ol>

In this part:

- [Merge Branches Dialog](#)
- [Rebase Branches Dialog](#)

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Use this dialog box to specify arguments for merging branches in a local Git repository.

**ItemDescription**

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Git Root	From this drop-down list, select the path to the local repository in which you want to merge branches.
Current Branch	This read-only field shows the name of the branch which is currently checked out in the selected local repository. This is the target branch, the changes from the selected source branches will be applied to it. The contents of the field depend on the selection in the Git Root drop-down list.
Branches to Merge	Use this list box to specify the source branches from which changes will be applied to the target branch. The list shows only those branches that contain applicable commits. Applicable commits are commits made after a branch separated from the target branch.
Strategy	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">merge strategy</a> . The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Default</li><li>– Resolve - select this option if you need to resolve two HEADs, one of which is the current branch and the other HEAD is the branch which you selected in the Branches to Merge list. When this option is selected, the 3-way merge algorithm is applied.</li><li>– Recursive - the default merge strategy for merging the current branch with one branch. Select this option if you need to resolve two HEADs by applying the 3-way merge algorithm and there are more than one common ancestor that can be used for 3-way merge.</li><li>– Octopus - the default merge strategy for merging the current branch with more than one branch. Merges that require resolving conflicts manually are not performed.</li><li>– Ours - select this option if you need to resolve several HEADs. The result of the merge is always the HEAD of the current branch.</li><li>– Subtree - a modified recursive strategy.</li></ul> <p>When two or more source branches are selected in the Branches to Merge list box, only the Octopus and Ours options are available.</p>
No Commit	Select this checkbox if you need to inspect and, if necessary, adjust the result of merging before committing the result. The merge is performed but is not committed automatically, as if it failed.
No Fast Forward	Select this checkbox to generate a merge commit even if the merge resolved as a <a href="#">fast-forward</a> .
Squash Commit	Select this checkbox to create a single commit on top of the current branch instead of merging one or more other branches. The working tree and index state are produced as if a real merge happened, but commit is not performed and the HEAD is not moved.
Add Log Information	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA populate, in addition to branch names, a log message with one-line descriptions from the actual commits that are being merged.
Commit Message	In this text box, provide a description for the commit. The text box is available only if the No Commit checkbox is not selected.
Merge	Click this button to initiate merging the specified branches in the local repository according to the defined settings.

Use this dialog box to specify the branch to rebase, the new base, the rebasing mode, and configure the rebasing procedure.

#### ItemDescription

Git Root	From this drop-down list, select the path to the local repository in which you want to rebase a branch.
Branch	From this drop-down list, select the branch to rebase. By default, the current working branch is selected. If you specify another branch, it will be automatically checked out first.
Interactive	Select this checkbox to view and possibly edit a list of commits to be rebased.
Preserve Merges	Select this checkbox to have the possibility to recreate merges instead of ignoring them. The checkbox is available only when the Interactive checkbox is selected. <b>Warning!</b> When this checkbox is selected, Git does not support squashing commits.
Onto	Use this drop-down list to specify the new base for the selected branch. To specify the required commit, type its commit hash or use an expression, for example, of the following structure: <code>&lt;branch&gt;~&lt;number of commits backwards between the latest commit (HEAD) and the required commit&gt; .</code> Refer to the Git <a href="#">commit naming</a> conventions for details. If no commit is specified, the HEAD of the selected branch is used as the new base.
Validate	Click this button to check that the commit specified in the Onto field exists and view which files were affected in it.
From	Use this drop-down list to specify the commit starting from which you want to apply the branch to the new base. Type the required commit hash or use an expression, for example, of the following structure: <code>&lt;branch&gt;~&lt;number of commits backwards between the latest commit (HEAD) and the required commit&gt; .</code> Refer to the Git <a href="#">commit naming</a> conventions for details. To apply the entire branch, leave the field empty.
Validate	Click this button to check that the commit specified in the From field exists and view which files were affected in it.
Show Tags	Select this checkbox to have <a href="#">tagged commits</a> included in the Onto and From drop-down lists.
Show Remote Branches	Select this checkbox to have branches in the remote repository included in the Onto drop-down list.
Merge Strategy	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">merge strategy</a> . The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Default</li><li>- Resolve - select this option if you need to resolve two HEADs, one of which is the current branch and the other HEAD is the branch from which you pulled changes. When this option is selected, the 3-way merge algorithm is applied.</li><li>- Recursive - the default merge strategy for pulling one branch. Select this option if you need to resolve two HEADs by applying the 3-way merge algorithm and there are more than one common ancestor that can be used for 3-way merge.</li><li>- Octopus - the default merge strategy for pulling more than one branch. Merges that require resolving conflicts manually are not performed.</li><li>- Ours - select this option if you need to supersede old development history of side branches. By applying this strategy any number of HEADs can be resolved but the result of the merge is always the HEAD of the current branch.</li><li>- Subtree - a modified recursive strategy.</li></ul>
Do not use merge strategies	When this checkbox is selected, no merge strategy is applied during rebase.
Rebase	Click this button to initiate rebasing according to the defined settings.



In this part:

- [Clone Mercurial Repository Dialog](#)
- [Create Mercurial Repository Dialog](#)
- [Merge Dialog \(Mercurial\)](#)
- [New Bookmark Dialog](#)
- [Pull Dialog](#)
- [Switch Working Directory Dialog](#)
- [Tag Dialog \(Mercurial\)](#)
- [Update Project Dialog \(Mercurial\)](#)

Use the dialog box to set up a local repository by downloading the data from a remote repository.

**ItemDescription**


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Mercurial Repository URL In this text box, type the URL of the remote repository which you want to clone.

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Test Click this button to check that connection to the remote repository has been established successfully.

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Parent Directory In this text box, specify the directory where you want IntelliJ IDEA to create a folder for your local Mercurial repository. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the desired directory in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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Directory Name In this text box, type the name of the new folder into which the repository will be cloned.

**Warning!** The parent directory must not contain a folder with the specified name.

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Clone Click this button to start cloning the specified repository.


Use this dialog box to create a local Mercurial repository in the folder of your choice.

**ItemDescription**

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**Create repository for the whole project**      Select this option to have a repository initialized in the project root directory. This option is helpful if you want to put the entire project under Mercurial control.

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**Select where to create repository**      Select this option to have a repository initialized in one of the folders below the project root. With this option, you can have folders of your project under control of different version control systems. In the text box below, specify the folder to create the repository in. Type the path manually or click the Browse button  and choose the desired folder in the [dialog that opens](#) .

context menu of the Editor - Mercurial | Merge

VCS | Mercurial | Branches - <branch name> - Merge

context menu of the Editor - Mercurial | Branches - <branch name> - Merge

Use this dialog box to merge the [current working directory](#) to a [named branch](#), [light-weight branch \(bookmark\)](#), or a specific [changeset](#) identified by a [tag](#), [hash](#), or [revision number](#).

By default, **Mercurial** requires that before merge the current working directory should be **clean**, that is, it should not contain any uncommitted changes. Otherwise the merge operation fails and IntelliJ IDEA shows the corresponding error message.

The message also recommends that you clean the current working directory by running the `hg merge <target branch, bookmark, or changeset> -C` to discard the uncommitted changes.

#### ItemDescription

Repository	From this drop-down list, choose the repository to run the merge in. The contents of the Branch, Tag, and Bookmark drop-down lists are updated to show the branches, tags, and bookmarks that are available in the selected repository.
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Merge with	<p>In this area, choose the branch, bookmark, or changeset to merge with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Branch: choose this option to switch to another line of development identified by a <a href="#">branch name</a> and merge to the <a href="#">branch head</a>. Choose the desired branch from the drop-down list which shows all the named branches available in the current repository.</li><li>– Tag: choose this option to merge to a <a href="#">changeset</a> to which you have previously assigned a <a href="#">tag identifier</a>. Choose the relevant tag from the drop-down list. The list shows both local tags (from <code>.hg/localtags</code>) and global tags (from <code>.hgtags</code>).</li><li>– Bookmark: choose this option to switch to another line of development which is identified by a <a href="#">bookmark</a> and merge to its <a href="#">head</a>. Choose the relevant bookmark from the drop-down list which shows all the available light-weight branches in the current repository.</li><li>– Revision: choose this option to merge to a specific changeset identified by its <a href="#">hash</a> or <a href="#">revision number</a>. In the text box, type the relevant revision number or paste the hash. To copy a hash, open the Log tab of the Version Control tool window, select the relevant branch and revision, and then choose Copy Hash on the context menu of the selection.</li></ul>
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Use this dialog box to establish a new light-weight Mercurial branch (bookmark). The bookmark will immediately appear in the Branches pop-up. You can create both **active** and **inactive** bookmarks. By default, IntelliJ IDEA creates an **active** bookmark, so you are immediately switched to the new bookmark and it is marked with a tick in the Branches pop-up. If you do not want to move your development to the new bookmark right now, you can create an **inactive** bookmark and switch to it later. Note that tracking and updating is available only for the bookmark that is currently active. You can have only one active bookmark. For details, see <http://mercurial.selenic.com/wiki/Bookmarks> and [Managing Mercurial Branches and Bookmarks](#).

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**ItemDescription**

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Bookmark Name	In this text box, type the name of the bookmark. This identifier will always point at the head of the new light-weight branch as you commit changes. You can use this name to identify the head of the relevant light-weight branch when during update or merge.
Inactive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Clear this checkbox to activate the new bookmark and thus enable tracking and updating the light-weight branch the bookmark identifies. The checkbox is cleared by default.</li><li>– Select this checkbox to have an inactive bookmark created, that is, to remain in the current light-weight branch (bookmark) or named branch and switch to the new bookmark later.</li></ul>

Use this dialog box to specify parameters for fetching changes from a remote repository and applying them to a local repository.

**ItemDescription**

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**Pull From**                      In this text box, specify the URL address of the remote repository to fetch the changes from.

Use this dialog box to update the [current working directory](#) to a [named branch](#) , [light-weight branch \(bookmark\)](#) , or a specific [changeset](#) identified by a [tag](#) , [hash](#) , or [revision number](#) .

By default, **Mercurial** requires that before update the current working directory should be **clean** , that is, it should not contain any uncommitted changes. Otherwise the update operation fails and IntelliJ IDEA shows the corresponding error message.

The message also recommends that you clean the current working directory by running the `hg update <target branch, bookmark, or changeset> -C` to discard the uncommitted changes.

#### ItemDescription

Repository	From this drop-down list, choose the repository to run the update in. The contents of the Branch , Tag , and Bookmark drop-down lists are updated to show the branches, tags, and bookmarks that are available in the selected repository.
Switch to	<p>In this area, choose the branch, bookmark, or changeset to switch to.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Branch: choose this option to switch to another line of development identified by a <a href="#">branch name</a> and update to the <a href="#">branch head</a> . Choose the desired branch from the drop-down list which shows all the named branches available in the current repository.</li> <li>- Tag: choose this option to update to a <a href="#">changeset</a> to which you have previously assigned a <a href="#">tag identifier</a> . Choose the relevant tag from the drop-down list. The list shows both local tags (from <code>.hg/localtags</code> ) and global tags (from <code>.hgtags</code> ).</li> <li>- Bookmark: choose this option to switch to another line of development which is identified by a <a href="#">bookmark</a> and update to its <a href="#">head</a> . Choose the relevant bookmark from the drop-down list which shows all the available light-weight branches in the current repository.</li> <li>- Revision: choose this option to update to a specific changeset identified by its <a href="#">hash</a> or <a href="#">revision number</a> . In the text box, type the relevant revision number or paste the hash. To copy a hash, open the Log tab of the Version Control tool window, select the relevant branch and revision, and then choose Copy Hash on the context menu of the selection.</li> </ul>
Overwrite locally modified files (no backup)	<p>If you are going to update to another branch, bookmark, or changeset and you have any uncommitted changes in the current line of development, technically there can be two ways to treat them. The uncommitted changes can be either committed before update or abandoned ( <a href="#">cleaned</a> ).</p> <p>By default, <b>Mercurial</b> requires that before update the current working directory should be <b>clean</b> , that is, it should not contain any uncommitted changes. Otherwise the update operation fails and IntelliJ IDEA shows the corresponding error message. The message also recommends that you clean the current working directory by running the <code>hg update &lt;target branch, bookmark, or changeset&gt; -C</code> to discard the uncommitted changes. Use the Overwrite locally modified files (no backup) checkbox to prevent failures during update when the current working copy is not clean.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Select the checkbox to abandon any uncommitted local changes.</li> <li>- Clear the checkbox if you are sure that the current working directory is clean.</li> </ul>

context menu of the Editor - Mercurial | Tag Repository

Use this dialog box to create a global tag that identifies the **tip** of a repository, which is the most recently changed **head** e in this repository. The created tag will be stored in the file `.hgtags` and tracked by Mercurial.

**ItemDescription**

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**Select repository to tag** From this drop-down list, choose the repository whose **tip** you want to tag. The list shows the location of the repositories under the project root.

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**Tag name** In this text box, type the name of the tag. By this name, you will be able to find the tag in the [Log Tab](#) of the Version Control tool window.



To access this dialog, click VCS in the main menu, and select Update Project from the popup. Alternatively, you can use the `Ctrl+T` shortcut.

In this dialog, select how you want to synchronize your local repository with the central storage.

#### OptionDescription

Pull	Select this option to pull new changesets from the remote repository to the local one. This option can be deselected if the pull operation is performed by other means, for example via a script. The result is identical with that of running the <code>hg pull</code> command.
Update Strategy	<p>In this section, select the synchronization method. This strategy will be applied to all Mercurial version control roots. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Only Update : select this option to apply the <a href="#">update</a> strategy. The local working directory will be updated to the latest available changeset. The result is identical with that of running the <code>hg update</code> command. It is recommended to select this option only if there are no conflicting changes or multiple heads, and if the latest changeset is a descendant or ancestor of the working directory's parent. Otherwise, the update operation will be aborted with errors.</li><li>– Merge : select this option to apply the <a href="#">merge</a> strategy. The latest changeset from the central repository will be incorporated into the current tip in your working directory. The result is identical with that of running the <code>hg merge</code> command.</li><li>– Commit after merge without conflicts : select this option if you want to commit the resulting changeset after the merge operation has completed successfully.</li><li>– Rebase : select this option to apply the <a href="#">rebase</a> strategy. Your local changes will be detached, the working directory will be synchronized with the central repository, and then the local changes will be appended on top of the new remote changes.</li></ul>

**Note** To be able to use this method, you need to enable the Rebase extension in the configuration file for your repository (for instructions on how to create configuration files, refer to [hgrc](#)).

Do not show this dialog in the future	<p>Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA update your project silently in the future using the specified update strategy. To invoke this dialog before an update:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Open the <a href="#">Settings / Preferences Dialog</a> by pressing <code>Ctrl+Alt+S</code> or by choosing File   Settings for Windows and Linux or IntelliJ IDEA   Preferences for macOS, and click Confirmation under Version Control .</li><li>2. On the <a href="#">Confirmation</a> page that opens, select the Update checkbox in the Display option dialogs when these commands are invoked area.</li></ol>
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This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

In this part:

- [Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist Dialog](#)
- [Integrate File Dialog \(Perforce\)](#)
- [Link Job to Changelist Dialog](#)
- [Perforce Options Dialog](#)
- [Update Project Dialog \(Perforce\)](#)


This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Show Changes View - Local

View | Tool Windows | Changes - Local




VCS | Commit Changes

The dialog box opens in the following cases:

- When you select a changelist and then select Edit Associated Jobs from the context menu.
- When you click the  button in the Performe area of the [Commit Changes](#) dialog box.

Use the dialog box to search for Performe jobs, link jobs to the selected changelist, and detach currently linked jobs.

**ItemTooltip** **Description**  
**and**  
**Shortcut**

	Unlink selected jobs	Click this button to detach the selected job from the changelist.
	Search	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Link Job to Changelist</a> dialog box, where you can search for available jobs, view their details, and link the desired job to the changelist.
	Find and link job matching the pattern	Click this button to start quick search for the job that matches the pattern specified in the text box and attach the job to the changelist. In the text box, specify the exact name of the desired job or a search pattern according to the Performe jobs <a href="#">syntax rules</a> .

**Tip** If only one job matching the pattern is found, it is attached to the changelist automatically. Otherwise, to select a job among several available jobs, click  and find the desired job using the [Link Job to Changelist](#) dialog box.

Close

Click this button to save the specified settings and leave the dialog box.

Use this dialog box to integrate changelists from one branch spec to another.

**ItemDescription**

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Branch Spec	Select the branch spec that will be used for change integration. Consider the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If the Reverse option is enabled, changes are integrated from the selected branch to the local copy.</li><li>- If the Reverse option is disabled, changes are integrated from the local copy to the selected branch.</li></ul>
Integrate changelist	Use this option to invoke the Changes Browser , where you can select the changelist that will be integrated into the current branch/local copy.
Store Changes To Changelist	Specify the changelist where the integrated changes should be stored.
Revert unchanged files before sync (p4 revert -a)	Select this option to revert unchanged files.
Run resolve automatically after the sync (p4 resolve -am)	Select this option to automatically resolve the files that can be resolved without conflicts.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

The dialog box opens when you click the  button in the [Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist](#) dialog box.

Use this dialog box to search for available jobs, view their details, and link jobs to the changelist.

**Tip** When you need to attach only one job to a changelist, you can use the [quick search](#) functionality. This requires that you know the exact name of the job or at least can specify a search pattern for it.

## Specify search parameters

Use the controls in this area for specifying various criteria to limit the search output. Follow the [Perforce jobs syntax rules](#).

The specified values are joined in the generated command line query via the `AND` operation.

**Tip** At least one of the fields should be filled in.

### ItemDescription

**Job name pattern** In this text box, type the desired job name search pattern.

**Status** Use this drop-down list to specify the status of the job you are looking for. The available options are:

- \* - when this option is selected, all the jobs that match the remaining search criteria are displayed, regardless of their job statuses.

**Tip** If you specify Status as the only criterion and select this option, all the jobs that are currently present on the Perforce server will be retrieved.

- Open
- Closed
- Suspended

**User name pattern** In this text box, specify the search pattern or the exact name of the user who created the desired job.

**Date before/Data after** Use these text boxes to specify the time period the desired job is created in. The appropriate formats are `yyyy/mm/dd` or `yyyy/mm/dd:hh:mm:ss`.

**Description pattern** In this text box, type the desired job description search pattern.

**Search** Click this button to start searching for jobs that match the specified criteria.

## Search results

Use this area to view the details of found jobs, select the desired job, and attach it to the changelist.

### ItemDescription

**Search results** The list contains the jobs found according to the specified search criteria. When you select a job, the read-only area shows its details.

**OK** Click this button to link the selected job to the changelist.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

File | Settings | Version Control | Configure | Perforce for Windows and Linux

IntelliJ IDEA | Preferences | Version Control | Configure | Perforce for macOS

Ctrl+Alt+S



In this dialog box, configure connection to the specified Perforce server.

#### ItemDescription

Perforce is online	Select this checkbox to enable establishing connection to the Perforce server. If there is a connection but the server does not respond (for example, because the server is backing up currently), you can disable such attempts by clearing this checkbox, or IntelliJ IDEA will suggest to do that after a timeout. After that the version control-specific operations will be disabled.
Use P4CONFIG or default connection	Use server information and user credentials from the P4CONFIG environment variable or default Perforce client connection. Otherwise, specify port, user, client, and password.
Charset	Select the charset corresponding to the one set on the server.
Dump Perforce commands to <i>IDEA_Home\bin\p4.output</i>	Log Perforce commands in the specified file.
Use login authentication	Toggle authentication.
Try to log in silently	Skip prompt dialog. This option works, when login authentication is required.
Use native Perforce API	Speed up connection to the server using a special library.
Path to P4 executable	Specify the path to the Perforce client executable file.
Test connection	Make sure that connection to the Perforce server is established.
Show branching history	See branches for files in the dialogs showing File History. When you work with several branches, it is recommended to enable this option so that the file branches are correctly displayed.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Update Project

Ctrl+T

Context menu of a file or directory | Perforce | Update File/Directory

VCS | Perforce | Update File/Directory

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Use this dialog box to update the local working copy of a file, directory, or project with a revision from the repository.

**ItemDescription**

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Revert unchanged files before sync (p4 revert -a)	Select this checkbox to discard changes made to open files. This option corresponds to the Perforce <code>revert</code> command. See <a href="#">p4 revert</a> reference for details.
Force sync (-f)	Select this checkbox to forcibly copy files from the depot into the workspace. This option corresponds to the Perforce <code>sync</code> command. See <a href="#">p4 sync</a> reference for details.
Run resolve automatically after the sync (p4 resolve -am)	Select this checkbox to resolve conflicts between file revisions. This option corresponds to the Perforce <code>resolve</code> command. See <a href="#">p4 resolve</a> reference for details.
Do not show this dialog in the future	If this checkbox is selected, the specified actions will be performed silently in future.

In this section:

- [Authentication Required](#)
- [Changes Browser](#)
- [Check Out From Subversion Dialog](#)
- [Configure Subversion Branches](#)
- [Create Branch or Tag Dialog \(Subversion\)](#)
- [Import into Subversion](#)
- [Integrate Project Dialog \(Subversion\)](#)
- [Integrate to Branch](#)
- [Lock File Dialog \(Subversion\)](#)
- [Mark Resolved Dialog \(Subversion\)](#)
- [Select Branch](#)
- [Select Repository Location Dialog \(Subversion\)](#)
- [Set Property Dialog \(Subversion\)](#)
- [Subversion Options Dialog](#)
- [Subversion Working Copies Information Tab](#)
- [SVN Repositories](#)
- [Update Project Dialog \(Subversion\)](#)



Use this dialog to specify your credentials and gain access to the Subversion repository. The dialog is opened when you add a new repository location, or attempt to browse a repository.

**ItemDescription**

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Authentication realm	This read-only area displays the repository name and URL.
User name	By default, this field shows the current user name. You can change the name as required.
Password	Type the password for your Subversion account.
Save credentials	Select this checkbox to preserve the specified user name and password.

This dialog opens when you select the Specified option in the [Integrate Project dialog](#) , and click the  button.

Use this dialog to select which revision to use in integration.

The Changes Browser dialog consists of the following areas:

- [Changes list](#)
- [Commit message](#)
- [Commit details](#)

## Changes list

This pane contains the list of all changes to your project. For each change, there is the revision number, the user who made the change, the date and the description. You can sort the list by this information by clicking the corresponding column header.

You can click the Older and Newer buttons to display the previous/next list of change.

## Commit message












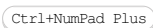
This read-only area shows the commit message for the selected revision.

## Commit details

This pane shows a list of files that were modified in the selected revision.

## Toolbar

**ItemTooltip** **Description**  
and  
**Shortcut**

	<b>Show Differences</b>  	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences</a> dialog that points at the differences between the selected revision and the previous revision of the selected file.
	<b>Show Diff with Local</b>	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences</a> dialog that points at the differences between the selected file in the current revision and in your local working copy.
	<b>Edit Source</b>  	Click this button to open the source code of the selected file in the editor.
	<b>Open Repository Version</b>	Click this button to open the repository version of the selected file for editing.
	<b>Revert Selected Changes</b>	Click this button to roll back the changes in the selected file.
	<b>Compare Subversion Properties</b>	Click this button to view the differences in properties between the selected revision of the selected file and your local working copy.
	<b>Group by Directory</b>  	Click this button to transform a flat list of files into a tree of packages with files.
	<b>Expand All/Collapse All</b>  	Click this button to expand/collapse all nodes. Note that these buttons are only available only when tree-view is enabled.








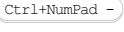
Use this dialog box to create local working copies.

In this topic:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Main Controls](#)
- [Context Menu](#)

## Toolbar

**ItemTooltip** **Description**  
and  
**Shortcut**

	Add Repository Location	Click this button to <a href="#">configure a new repository location</a> .
	Edit Location URL	Click this button to edit the URL address of the selected repository.
	Discard Location	Click this button to discard selected repository location.
	Show/Hide Details	Click this button to display the details for each node below the repository location (changelist number, user name, date and time of the last change).
	Refresh	Click this button to refresh the view.
		
	Collapse All	Click this button to have all the nodes below all the repository locations collapsed.
		

## Repositories


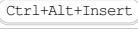
In this area, manage the available repositories and select the locations to check out contents from.

**ItemDescription**

Repositories	Use this tree view to explore and manage the available repository locations. If necessary, right-click a node and choose the relevant item from its context menu.
Checkout	Click this button to check out the contents of the selected node to the specified location.

## Context Menu



**ItemDescription**

New	Select this menu item to configure a new <a href="#">repository location</a> , or a new remote folder in the selected repository location.
Checkout	Select this menu item to <a href="#">check out</a> the contents of the selected node.
Compare With	Select this menu item to <a href="#">compare</a> the selected node with the specified branch.
Browse Changes	Select this menu item to view changes that match the specified criteria (author, time range, and revision).
Import	Select this menu item to import a directory into the repository. You can select the directory you want to import from the Import Directory dialog that opens.
Export	Select this menu item to export the contents of the selected repository or folder to the specified destination. The exported contents are not under version control.
Branch or Tag	Select this menu item to create a branch or tag of the selected folder.
Move or Rename	Select this menu item to change name of the selected folder.
Delete	Select this menu item to delete the selected folder from the repository location.
	
Copy URL	Select this menu item to put the URL string to the clipboard.
	
Refresh	Select this menu item to synchronize to the repository.
Edit Location URL	Select this menu item to edit the selected repository location.
Discard Location	Select this menu item to discard the selected repository location.

This dialog appears when you have selected the repository you want to check out and the destination folder.

**ItemDescription**


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Checkout	This read-only field shows the selected source repository.
Destination	From this list, select the directory to create the working copy in. Choose one of the available folders or click the Browse button  and select the relevant folder in the dialog box that opens.
Update / Switch to revision	In this area, specify the revision to check out. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- HEAD - select this option to have the latest revision checked out.</li><li>- Specified - select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA check out a specific earlier revision. Type the revision number in the text box or click the Browse button  and select the relevant revision from the Changes Browse that opens.</li></ul>
Depth	Use this drop-down list to specify the range of recursion into subdirectories. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Empty : select this option to involve only the current file.</li><li>- Files : select this option to involve the files in the folder.</li><li>- Immediates : select this option to involve direct children of the current file.</li><li>- Infinity : select this option to enable full recursion.</li></ul>
Include external locations	Select this checkbox to have <a href="#">externals</a> included in the working copy.

Use this dialog box to compose a list of branches you work with.

**ItemDescription**

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**Trunk location** In this text box, specify the URL address of the trunk in the repository. If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Select Repository Location dialog box and select the required trunk in the repository structure tree.

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**Branch locations** In this list, select the URL address of the folders in which the required branches are stored.

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**Add** Click this button to add a branch to the list. The Select Repository Location dialog box opens where you can select the required branch in the repository structure tree.

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**Remove** Click this button to remove the selected branch from the list.

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In this dialog box, set the arguments for creating a branch or a tag on the basis of a local working copy or a repository version.

**ItemDescription**

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Copy from	In this section, specify the source folder to create a branch or tag from. The source of the copy can be taken from the local working copy or from the repository.
Working Copy	Click this option to create a branch or tag on the basis of your local working copy. Type the path in the text box or click the Browse button  and select the desired directory in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Repository Location	Click this option to create a branch or tag on the basis of the repository. Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Type the URL of the repository location in the text box.</li><li>- Click the browse button and select the source repository location.</li><li>- Click the  button to use the project home directory.</li></ul>
Revision	In this section, specify the source revision to create a branch or tag from. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- HEAD - select this option to have a branch or tag created on the basis of the HEAD revision.</li><li>- Specified - select this option to have a branch or tag created on the basis of a specific revision. Type the revision number in the text box manually or click the Browse button  and select the desired revision in the Changes Browser dialog box, that opens.</li></ul>
Copy to	Use this section to define the target folder for a branch or tag. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Branch or Tag - select this option to have the selected revision copied to a specific branch or tag.</li></ul> <p>In the Base URL text box, specify the base URL of the branch or tag. In the Name text box, specify the name of the new branch.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Any location - select this option to have to have the selected revision copied to a location of your choice. In the text box below, specify the URL of any valid location. Type the URL manually or click the Browse button  and specify the desired location in the Select Repository Location dialog box, that opens.</li></ul>
Comment	Type some meaningful description in the text area.








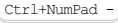
Use this dialog box to specify the options for importing data into Subversion.

In this topic:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Main Controls](#)
- [Context Menu](#)

## Toolbar buttons

**ItemTooltip  
and  
Shortcut**

	Add Repository Location	Click this button to configure a new <a href="#">repository location</a> .
	Edit Location URL	Click this button to edit the URL address of the selected repository.
	Discard Location URL	Click this button to discard the selected repository location and remove it from the list.
	Show/Hide Details	Click this button to display the details for each node below the repository location (changelist number, user name, date and time of the last change).
	Refresh	Click this button to refresh the view.  
	Collapse All	Click this button to have all the nodes below all the repository locations collapsed.  

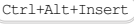
## Main Controls

**ItemDescription**

Repositories	Use this tree view to explore and manage the available repository locations. Right-click nodes and examine context menus.
Import	Click this button and in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the directory whose contents should be imported to the selected repository location.

## Context Menu

**ItemDescription**

New	Select this menu item to configure a new <a href="#">repository location</a> , or a new remote folder in the selected repository location.
Checkout	Select this menu item to <a href="#">check out</a> the contents of the selected node.
Compare With	Select this menu item to <a href="#">compare</a> the selected node with the specified branch.
Browse Changes	Select this menu item to view changes that match the specified criteria (author, time range, and revision).
Export	Select this menu item to export the contents of the selected repository or folder to the specified destination. The exported contents are not under version control.
Branch or Tag	Select this menu item to create a branch or tag of the selected folder.
Move or Rename	Select this menu item to change name of the selected folder.
Delete	Select this menu item to delete the selected folder from the repository location.
Copy URL	Select this menu item to put the URL string to the clipboard.  
Refresh	Select this menu item to synchronize to the repository.
Edit Location URL	Select this menu item to edit the selected repository location.
Discard Location	Select this menu item to discard the selected repository location.

Use this dialog box to integrate differences between two branches in the Subversion repository into a local working copy.

**ItemDescription**

Source 1	In this text box, specify the URL address of the first branch to compare. If necessary, click the Browse button <input type="button" value="..."/> and select the desired URL from the <a href="#">Select Repository Location</a> dialog box.
Source 2	In this text box, specify the URL address of the second branch to compare. If necessary, click the Browse button <input type="button" value="..."/> and select the desired URL from the <a href="#">Select Repository Location</a> dialog box.
Revision	For each source, specify the revision to use. The possible options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- HEAD - select this option to use the Head revision of the source. The Head revision is suggested by default</li><li>- Specified - select this option to use a revision different from the Head revision. Specify the required revision in the text field. If necessary, click the <input type="button" value="..."/> button and select the revision from the Changes Browser dialog box.</li></ul>

**Tip** Based on the sources and revisions you specify, the difference between source 2 and source 1 is calculated and applied to the local working copy.

Use ancestry	Select this checkbox to take the ancestry of the Source1 and Source2 URLs into consideration when comparing revisions. If the checkbox is not selected, only the contents of the files are compared.
Try merge, but make no changes	Select this checkbox to enable the <code>--dry-run</code> switch of the <code>svn</code> command. If this checkbox is not selected, the sources are merged silently.
Depth	Use this drop-down list to specify the range of recursion into subdirectories. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Empty - select this option to involve only the current file.</li><li>- Files - select this option to involve the files in the folder.</li><li>- Immediates - select this option to involve direct children of the current file.</li><li>- Infinity - select this option to enable full recursion.</li></ul>





Subversion | Integrate to Branch

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Use this dialog to specify the options for integrating changes into a branch.

**ItemTooltipDescription**

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Source branch URL	This read-only field shows the URL address of the source branch.
Target branch URL	This read-only field shows the URL address of the target branch.
Integrate into working copy	From this list, select the path to the local working copy into which the changes will be integrated.
Ignore whitespaces	Select this option if whitespaces are not important.
Try merge, but make no changes	Select this option to preview merge results by enabling the <code>--dry-run</code> switch of the <code>svn</code> command. If this option is unchecked, sources are merged silently.
	Add Click this button to add a working copy to the list.
	Remove Click this button to remove the selected working copy from the list.

Use this dialog box to lock file when it is necessary to avoid overwriting changes.

**ItemDescription**

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Lock Comment	In this text box, describe the reason for locking the file and some additional comments, if necessary.
Steal existing lock	Select this checkbox to override the lock previously set on the desired file by someone else.
Do not show this dialog in the future	Select this checkbox to suppress displaying this dialog box and have files and folders locked silently. To have IntelliJ IDEA show this dialog box before locking files or folders again: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Open the <a href="#">Version Control - Confirmation</a> page of the <a href="#">Settings</a> dialog box.</li><li>2. In the Display Option dialogs when these commands are invoked area, select the Checkout checkbox.</li></ol>

VCS | Subversion | Mark Resolved

Project tool window | context menu of a file | Subversion | Mark Resolved

Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window | context menu of a file | Subversion | Mark Resolved

Project tool window | context menu of a file | Subversion | Mark Resolved

Version Control tool window - Merged with conflicts list | context menu of a file | Subversion | Mark Resolved

Use this dialog box to have IntelliJ IDEA consider conflicts in a file or directory resolved. This operation is most often required after merging text or property conflicts manually.

#### ItemDescription

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Files and directories	The list shows all the files and directories where merge or updated resulted in conflicts that IntelliJ IDEA cannot resolve automatically. When you have examined the conflicts resolved them manually or considered irrelevant, you need to tell IntelliJ IDEA that these files are no longer conflicting. To appoint a file for marking as free from conflicts, select the checkbox next to it.
Select All	Click this button to have all the items in the list appointed for marking as resolved.
Deselect All	Click this button to clear the list of candidates for marking as resolved.
Mark Resolved	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA treat all the selected items as conflict free. The dialog box closes, whereupon the Local Changes tab of the Version Control tool window shows the affected files as updated and available for submitting to the server.

[Version Control tool window](#) | Repository Tab | Merge Info Pane - Browse

[Version Control tool window](#) | Subversion Working Copies Information Tab | Merge from

[Update Project/Directory dialog box](#) - Browse

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The pop-up dialog box opens when you click the Browse button  or press `Shift+Enter` to select the path to the target branch.

Use this dialog box to select the relevant branch or working copy.

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**ItemDescription**

Trunk	Choose this option to set the current trunk as the target branch or working copy.
Branches	Choose this option to select the relevant branch in the Branches list.
Tags	Choose this option to select the relevant tag in the Tags list.
Configure Branches	Choose this option to open the <a href="#">Configure Subversion Branches</a> dialog box and compose a list of branches you work with.

VCS | Subversion | Branch or Tag | Copy From | Repository location

VCS | Subversion | Branch or Tag | Copy To | Any location

**ItemDescription**

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Repositories	Use this tree view to explore and manage the available repository locations. Right-click nodes and examine context menus.
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Copy as	Specify the name under which the file or folder will be stored in branch.
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Use this dialog to define SVN-specific properties for the files and folders under SVN version control (ignore list, externals etc.)

**ItemDescription**

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**Property name** Enter custom property name in the text field, or use the drop-down list to select one of the pre-defined properties.

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**Set property value** Click this radio-button to set value for the specified property name in the text area. Properties that accept multiple values, such as an ignore list, can be entered on multiple lines.

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**Delete property** Click this radio-button to remove selected property from the list.

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**Update properties recursively** Check this option, if you want to apply the property to every file and directory under the selected directory.

**ItemDescription**

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Use system default Subversion configuration directory	Store Subversion configuration files in the system default directory: <code>user_home\Application Data\Subversion</code>
Subversion configuration directory	Remove the content of the corresponding directory in the Subversion configuration directory. You may need to clear the authorization information from the configuration file, for example, when your credentials have changed.
Clear authentication cache	Remove the content of the corresponding directory in the Subversion configuration directory. You may need to clear the authorization information from the configuration file, for example, when your credentials have changed.

Use this tab to configure the format of your working copies.

**Tip** The tab is only available, when the current project sources are entirely or partially under Subversion control.

The tab displays a list of all detected directories under Subversion control supplied with information on the formats used.

**ItemDescription**

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


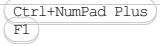

Refresh	Click this button to get the information on all the detected Subversion working copies up-to-date.
Root Path	This read-only field shows the full path to the directory.
URL	This read-only field shows the URL address of the remote directory the selected local copy is mapped to.
Format	This read-only field shows the actual Subversion format used in the selected directory.
Change	Click this link to open the Convert Working Copy Format dialog box, where you can select the desired format option.
Depth	This read-only field shows the range of recursion into subdirectories specified in the <a href="#">Update</a> dialog box.
Working Copy Root	This read-only field is displayed only if the directory in question is the root of a working copy.
Configure Branches	Click this link to open the <a href="#">Configure Subversion Branches</a> dialog box, where you can view and update the list of branches to work with.
Merge from	Click this link to open the <a href="#">Select Branch</a> pop-up dialog box and appoint the source of changes to merge to the current directory.



Use this tool window to view, add, and edit the location of SVN repositories.

## Toolbar

**Item**  
**Tooltip**  
**and**  
**shortcut**

Item	Tooltip	Shortcut
	Add Repository Location	Click this button to configure a new <a href="#">repository location</a> . The New Repository Location dialog box opens, where you can select a repository URL in the drop-down list that contains previously added URL addresses.
	Edit Location Url	Click this button to edit the URL of the selected repository.
	Discard Location	Click this button to remove the selected repository from the list.
	Show/Hide Details	Click this button to display the details for each node under the repository location (changelist number, user name, date and time of the last change).
	Refresh	Click this button to refresh the view.
		
	Expand All/Collapse All	Click this button to expand/collapse all nodes.
		
	Close	Click this button to close the tool window.

## Context Menu

**Item**  
**Description**

New	Select this menu item to configure a new <a href="#">repository location</a> , or a new remote folder in the selected repository location. The New Repository Location dialog box opens where you can select a repository URL in the drop-down list that contains previously added URL addresses.
Show History	Select this item to open the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window with the history of the selected repository location.
Checkout	Select this menu item to <a href="#">check out</a> the contents of the selected node.
Compare with	Select this menu item to <a href="#">compare</a> the selected node with the specified branch.
Browse changes	Select this menu item to view changes that match the specified criteria (author, time range, and revision).
Export	Select this menu item to export the contents of the selected repository or folder to the specified destination. The exported contents are not under version control.
Branch or Tag	Select this menu item to create a branch or tag of the selected folder.
Move or Rename	Select this menu item to change name of the selected folder.
Delete	Select this menu item to delete the selected folder from the repository location.
Copy URL	Select this menu item to put the URL string to the clipboard.
Refresh	Select this menu item to synchronize to the repository.
Edit location Url	Select this menu item to edit the selected repository location.
Discard location	Select this menu item to discard the selected repository location.

Ctrl+T

Context menu of a file or directory | Subversion | Update File/Directory

VCS | Subversion | Update File/Directory

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Use this dialog box to update the local working copy of a file, directory, or project with a revision from the repository.

**ItemDescription**

**Update/Switch to specific Uri**

- Select this checkbox to synchronize your local working copy with a specific repository. Specify the source repository either in the URL text box through its full Uri address or in the Use Branch text box through the branch name.
- Clear this checkbox to bring the changes from the repository that corresponds to the current working copy.

**Use Branch**

In this text box, specify the location of the required repository through its branch name. Click the Browse button  to choose the required branch in the [Select Branch](#) dialog box that opens.

**Note**

1. To use this method of specifying the required repository, you need to [configure a list of branches](#) you work with. If you have not done it yet, click [Configure Branches](#) in the [Select Branch](#) dialog box.
2. The text box is enabled only when the Update/Switch to specific Uri checkbox is selected.

**Url**

In this text box, specify the location of the required repository through its full URL address. Click the Browse button  to open the [Select Repository Location](#) dialog box.

The text box is enabled only when the Update/Switch to specific Uri checkbox is selected.

**Update/Switch to specific revision**

Select this checkbox to synchronize your local working copy with a specific revision different from the HEAD revision. The Update/Switch to specific revision text box becomes enabled.

In this text box, specify the number of the revision to be used. Click the Browse button  to open the [Changes Browser](#) dialog box. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to update your local working copy the HEAD revision. This option corresponds to the  switch of the Subversion  command.

**Depth**

Use this drop-down list to specify the range of recursion into subdirectories. The available options are:

- Working copy - select this option to get files/directories from repository subtrees that have not been checked out yet.
- Empty: select this option to involve only the current file.
- Files: select this option to involve the files in the folder.
- Immediates: select this option to involve direct children of the current file.
- Infinity: select this option to enable full recursion.

**Force Update**

Select this checkbox to have local files replaced with the files from the repository even if the local files have modifications and thus abandon the local modifications.

**Update administrative**

This option only applies to working copies older than SVN 1.7 managed by SVNKit.

**information only in changed subtrees**

During synchronization with the server (update), SVN locks your working copy one subtree after another by creating empty `lock` files in the corresponding administrative `.svn` directories. After that, SVN starts comparing file hashes to detect which local files need to be synchronized.

When this option is selected, SVN first checks if any files from a subtree have been modified on the server, and locks this subtree (i.e. creates a `.svn/lock` file) only if such files are detected. This approach improves performance but may cause concurrency issues, for example, with antiviral software.

**Ignore Externals**

Select this checkbox if you do not want IntelliJ IDEA take into account [externals definitions](#) during update.

**Do not show this dialog in the future**

Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA perform future updates silently.

To have IntelliJ IDEA show this dialog box before update again:

1. Open the [Version Control - Confirmation](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.
2. In the Display Option dialogs when these commands are invoked area, select the Update checkbox.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS

Use this wizard to download the files from a TFS server according to the settings from a new or an existing [workspace](#) .

The menu item and the wizard are available only when the TFS Integration plugin is installed and enabled. The plugin is activated by default. If the plugin is disabled, enable it on the [Plugins settings](#) page as described in [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#) .

In this part:

- [Checkout from TFS Wizard: Checkout Mode](#)
- [Checkout from TFS Wizard: Source Server](#)
- [Checkout from TFS Wizard: Choose Source and Destination Paths](#)
- [Checkout from TFS Wizard: Source Workspace](#)
- [Checkout from TFS Wizard: Choose Source Path](#)
- [Checkout from TFS Wizard: Summary](#)

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS

On this page, choose the way to map the files and folders on your server with their local copies. These mappings are referred to as [workspaces](#). You can either specify new mappings and have a new workspace generated or use mappings from an existing workspace.

Item	Description
<a href="#">Create workspace automatically</a>	Choose this option to have IntelliJ IDEA generate a workspace for you, with the folder mapping based on your <a href="#">choice of the local and remote paths</a> .
Workspace name	In this text box, type the name of the workspace to be generated.
<a href="#">Choose workspace manually</a>	Choose this option to have the data downloaded according to the mappings from an existing workspace.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS - Create workspace automatically

On this page, choose the server to download the data from.

**ItemDescription**

Team servers	In this list box, manage the list of the servers you have access to and select the server to download the data from.
Add	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Add Team Foundation Server</a> dialog box, and specify the address of your TFS server and the credentials to connect to it.
Remove	Click this button to delete the selected server from the list.
TFS Proxy	Click this button to open the Set TFS proxy for server... dialog box where you can specify the parameters for accessing the selected server via Proxy.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS - Create workspace automatically


The page opens when you select the server to download the data from on the [Source Server](#) page and click Next .

On this page, specify the remote folder to download the data from and map it to a local folder where the data will be downloaded to. The data is downloaded recursively, that is, the structure of subfolders under the selected source node is reproduced locally.

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**ItemDescription**

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Source Path	In this area, specify the folder on the server to download the data from. Select the folder in the tree, and Source Path read-only field displays the path to it relative to the server root.
Destination path	In this text box, specify the local folder to download the sources to. Type the path to the folder manually or click the Browse button  and select the folder in the dialog box, that opens. The data is downloaded recursively, that is, the structure of subfolders under the source node is repeated locally.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS - Choose workspace manually

On this page, specify the workspace to add the imported files and folders to. The data will be downloaded according to the mappings defined in the selected workspace. The data is downloaded recursively, that is, the structure of subfolders under the selected source node is reproduced locally.

You can use an existing workspace as is, or update it as necessary, or even create an entirely new workspace manually.

#### ItemDescription

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**Server/Workspace** This read-only field shows the URL addresses of TFS servers you have access to and workspaces available on these TFS servers.

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**Workspace comment** This read-only field shows the descriptions of workspaces on the servers you have access to.

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**Team Servers** Use the buttons in this area to manage the list of available servers and workspaces and configure access to them.

- Add: click this button to open the [Add Team Foundation Server](#) dialog box where you can specify the parameters for establishing connection to a TFS server. TFS uses [NTLM authentication](#), so native Windows applications (that is, [Microsoft Team Explorer](#)) authenticate silently with system credentials. IntelliJ IDEA users must always specify their username and password because of limitations posed by Java Runtime.
- Remove: click this button to remove the selected server from the list.
- Reload workspaces: click this button to have the list of available workspaces refreshed.
- TFS Proxy: click this button to open the Set TFS proxy for server... dialog box where you can specify the parameters for accessing the selected server via Proxy.
- Check-in Policies: click this button to open the [Edit Check-in Policies](#) dialog box where you can manage the list of check-in policies to be applied.

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**Workspaces** Use the buttons in this area manage the list of available workspaces and update the workspaces, when applicable.

- Create: click this button to open the [Create Workspace](#) dialog box for creating a new workspace.
- Edit: click this button to open the [Edit Workspace](#) dialog box for editing the selected workspace.
- Delete: click this button to remove the selected workspace from the list.

This feature is only supported in the Ultimate edition.

VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS - Choose workspace manually

The page opens when you choose an existing workspace on the [Source Workspace](#) page and click Next .

On this page, specify the folder on the server to download data from.

The page shows a tree of folders on the server that you have access to. When you select the required folder, \$product\$ tells you which local folder it is mapped to in the [current workspace](#) .



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













VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS - Create workspace automatically

VCS | Checkout from Version Control | TFS - Choose workspace manually

This last, read-only, page of the wizard shows the name of the workspace to be used or generated, the URL address of the server, the source folder to download data from, and the local folder to save the downloaded data in. Review the details and click Finish .

Use the dialog box to restore changes that were preserved in a patch file in the specified directory.

**Item Tooltip  
and  
Shortcut**

Patch file name		In this text box, specify the name of the *.patch file to be applied. Type the fully qualified name or click the Browse button  and locate the desired patch file using the Select Patch File dialog box, that opens.
	Group by Directory  	Use this button to toggle between the flat view and the directory tree view. Select the checkboxes next to the changes that you want to be applied.
	Expand All/Collapse All   	Use these buttons to expand/collapse all nodes
	Map base directory	In the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> , select the directory relative to which file names in the patch file will be interpreted. You can map a base directory to a single file, directory, or to a selection.
	Show Differences  	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> that shows the differences between your local working copy, the repository version, and the patch. Use the buttons Compare Previous File  and Compare Next File  to have the files in patch compared in a chain.
<b>Tip</b> If the patch cannot be applied without conflicts, the lines with conflicts are highlighted with red.		
	Strip Directory	Use this button to apply the changes to files located in different directories from the ones specified in the patch. Clicking this button removes one slash in the path to the target file. Click the button as many times as many leading directories you need to strip. The number of removed slashes is indicated in square brackets.
	Restore Directory	Use this button to revert the last strip directory action. Click the button as many times as many previously stripped leading directories you need to restore.
	Reset Directories	Use this button to revert all strip directory actions in the selection.
	Remove Directories	Click this button to have all the leading directories stripped and have the changes applied to the file with the specified name in the base directory.
	Refresh	Click this button to synchronize the tree with the current state of the file system.
Summary	This section displays summary information for the currently selected changelist (the number of modified, new, and deleted files).	
Existing Changelist	Select this option to add the patched files to an existing changelist and select the desired changelist from the drop-down list.	
New Changelist	<p>Select this option to create a new changelist and add the patched files to it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Name : in this text box, type the name of the new changelist. By default, it is the name of the current patch.</li> <li>- Comment : in this text box, type the comment to the new changelist.</li> <li>- Make this changelist active: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically give the <i>active</i> status to the new change list immediately after the changes are restored in it. When this checkbox is cleared, the current active changelist remains active. See <a href="#">Changelist</a> for details.</li> <li>- Track Context : select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA preserve the context of the task associated with the new changelist on its deactivation and restore the context when the changelist becomes active. See <a href="#">Managing tasks and contexts</a> for details.</li> </ul>	

Use this dialog box to generate a patch file for the specified changelist or files.

Use this dialog box to create a patch from the selected changelist or files.

This dialog box consists of several areas:














- [Modified files pane](#)
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## Modified files pane

This section contains a list of files that were modified since the last commit. All files in this list are selected by default.

Deselect the check-boxes next to the files that you want to exclude from the patch.

## Toolbar

Item Icon	Item Tooltip and Shortcut	Description	Available in
	Show Differences  Ctrl+D	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences</a> dialog box that highlights the differences between your local working copy of the selected file and its repository version.	All VCSs
	Refresh Changes  Ctrl+F5	Click this button to reload the Changed files tree view so it is up-to-date.	All VCSs
	Show Unversioned Files	Click this button if you want to see newly added files that have not been added to version control yet under the Unversioned Files node.	All VCSs
	Add to VCS  Ctrl+Alt+A	Click this button to move the files selected under the Unversioned Files node to the active changelist, so that they are added to your version control system during the commit.	All VCSs
	Move to Another Changelist  F6	Click this button to add the selected file(s) to another changelist. The Move to Another Changelist dialog box opens where you can select an existing changelist or create a new one.	All VCSs
	Delete	Click this button to delete the selected file.	
	Ignore	Click this button to leave the selected files unversioned.	All VCSs
	Revert	Click this button to revert all changes made to the local working copy of the selected files.	All VCSs
	Jump to source  F4	Click this button to open the source code of the selected file in the editor.	All VCSs
	Revert Unchanged Files	Click this button to revert the files that have not been modified locally.	Subversion Perforce
	Group by Directory  Ctrl+P	Click this button to toggle between the flat view and the directory tree view.	All VCSs
 	Expand or collapse all nodes  Ctrl+NumPad Plus  Ctrl+NumPad -	Click these buttons to expand or collapse all nodes in the directory tree. These buttons are not available in flat view.	All VCSs
Change list	N/A	From this drop-down list, select the changelist that contains the modified files to be checked in or included in the patch. The active changelist is selected by default.	All VCSs

The summary under the modified files pane shows statistics on the currently selected changelist, such as the number of


modified, new and deleted files. This area also shows how many files of each type are shown, and how many of them will be included in the patch.

## Commit Message pane


The comment you enter in this area will be used as the name of the patch file.

## Toolbar

Icon and Tooltip	Shortcut	Description
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	Ctrl+M	Click this icon to invoke the Commit Message History dialog that contains a list of your twenty-five last commits and the corresponding commit messages.
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## Details pane

The Details pane is hidden by default. To unfold it, click the arrow button  next to the pane title.


In this pane you can explore the differences between the base repository version of the selected file, and the version you want to include in the patch.


## Toolbar

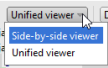
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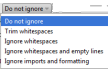
	Previous Difference / Next Difference Shift+F7 F7	Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference. When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to click the arrow buttons  /  once more and compare other files, depending on the <a href="#">Go to the next file after reaching last change</a> option in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer settings</a> .
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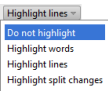
This behavior is supported only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the [Version Control](#) tool window.

	Compare Previous/Next File Alt+Left Alt+Right	Click these buttons to compare the local copy of the previous/next file with its update from the server. <b>Tip</b> These buttons are only available when there is more than one file in the selected changelist.
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	Jump to Source F4	Click this button to open the selected file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer.
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Viewer type		Use this drop-down list to choose the desired viewer type. The side-by-side viewer has two panels; the unified viewer has one panel only. Both types of viewers enable you to <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Edit code. Note that one can change text only in the right-hand part of the default viewer, or, in case of the unified viewer, in the lower ("after") line, i.e. in your local version of the file.</li><li>– Perform the Apply/Append/Revert actions.</li></ul>
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Whitespace		Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This option is selected by default.</li><li>– Trim whitespaces : <code>("\\t", " ")</code>, if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.</li><li>– If two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the <a href="#">By word</a> mode.</li></ul></li><li>– Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.</li><li>– Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– all whitespaces (as in the 'ignore whitespaces' option)</li><li>– all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only</li><li>– all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>For example, changing <code>a b c</code> to <code>a \\n b c</code> is not highlighted in this mode.</p> <li>– Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).</li>
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Highlighting mode		Select the way differences granularity is highlighted.  The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted</li><li>– Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted</li></ul>
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- **Highlight split changes** : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.

For example, `A \n B` vs. `A X \n B X` will be treated as two changes instead of one.

- **Do not highlight** : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.

	<b>Collapse unchanged fragments</b>	Click this button to collapse all unchanged fragments in both files. The amount of non-collapsible unchanged lines is configurable in the Diff & Merge settings page.
	<b>Synchronize scrolling</b>	Click this button to scroll both differences panes simultaneously. If this button is released, each pane can be scrolled independently.
	<b>Disable editing</b>	Click this button to enable editing of the local copy of the selected file, which is disabled by default. When editing is enabled, you can make last-minute changes to the modified file before committing it.
	<b>Editor settings</b>	Click this button to open a drop-down list of available options. Select or clear these options to show or hide line numbers, indentation guides, white spaces, and soft wraps.
	<b>Show diff in external tool</b>	Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page. This button only appears on the toolbar when the Use external diff tool option is enabled in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page.
	<b>Help</b>	Click this button to show the corresponding help page.

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Note that the options listed above are available for text files only. IntelliJ IDEA cannot compare binary files, so most commands will be unavailable for them.

After you've selected the files you want to commit, click the Create Patch button and specify the patch file options in the dialog that opens.

Use this dialog box to commit (check in) changes from the selected changelist to the repository and, optionally, to create a patch file.

This dialog box consists of several areas:





















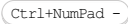
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The options available in this dialog depend on the version control system you are using.

## Modified files pane

This section contains a list of files that have been modified since the last commit. Deselect the check-boxes next to the files that you want to exclude from current commit.

## Toolbar

Item and Shortcut	Description	Available in
	Show Differences  	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences</a> dialog box that highlights the differences between your local working copy of the selected file and its repository version.  All VCSs
	Refresh Changes  	Click this button to reload the Changed files tree view so it is up-to-date.  All VCSs
	Show Unversioned Files	Click this button if you want to see newly added files that have not been added to version control yet under the Unversioned Files node.  All VCSs
	Add to VCS  	Click this button to move the files selected under the Unversioned Files node to the active changelist, so that they are added to your version control system during the commit.  All VCSs
	Move to Another Changelist  	Click this button to add the selected file(s) to another changelist. The Move to Another Changelist dialog box opens where you can select an existing changelist or create a new one.  All VCSs
	Delete	Click this button to delete the selected file.
	Ignore	Click this button to leave the selected files unversioned.  All VCSs
	Revert	Click this button to revert all changes made to the local working copy of the selected files.  All VCSs
	Jump to source  	Click this button to open the source code of the selected file in the editor.  All VCSs
	Revert Unchanged Files	Click this button to revert the files that have not been modified locally.  Subversion Perforce
	Group by Directory  	Click this button to toggle between the flat view and the directory tree view.  All VCSs
 	Expand or collapse all nodes   	Click these buttons to expand or collapse all nodes in the directory tree. These buttons are not available in flat view.  All VCSs

Change list	N/A	From this drop-down list, select the changelist that contains the modified files to be checked in or included in the patch. The active changelist is selected by default.	All VCSs
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The summary under the modified files pane shows statistics on the currently selected changelist, such as the number of modified, new, deleted and unversioned files. This area also shows how many files of each type are shown, and how many of them will be committed.


## Commit Message pane

In this area, enter a comment to the current commit. You cannot commit your changes until you enter some description in the Commit Message field.

This comment will also be used as the name of the patch file, if you decide to create a patch.





## Toolbar

<b>Icon and</b>	<b>Shortcut</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Tooltip</b>		

 Commit Message History	<b>Ctrl+M</b>	Click this icon to invoke the Commit Message History dialog that contains a list of your twenty-five last commits and the corresponding commit messages.
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## VCS-specific controls

The controls in this section are located in the top-right part of the dialog, and contain the options that are specific for the version control system you are using.

Item	Description	Available for
Author	Use this drop-down list to select the author of the changes that you are going to commit. This may be useful when you are committing changes made by another person.	Git
Amend commit	Select this checkbox to replace the previous commit with the current changes (see <a href="#">Git Basics: Undoing Things</a> for details).	Git, Mercurial
Sign-off commit	Select this option if you want to sign off your commit, i.e. to certify that the changes you are about to check in have been made by you, or that you take the responsibility for the code in question. When this option is enabled, the following line is automatically added at the end of the commit message: <b>Signed off by: &lt;username&gt;</b>	Git
Keep files locked	Select this checkbox to keep the changed files <b>locked</b> after they are checked in.	Subversion
Jobs	<p>These controls are available only if you select the Enable Perforce Jobs Support checkbox on the <a href="#">Perforce settings page</a> .</p> <p>Use the controls in this area to search for <a href="#">Perforce jobs</a> , link jobs to the selected changelist, and detach the currently linked jobs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-  Unlink selected jobs : click this button to detach the selected job from the changelist.</li> <li>-  Edit associated jobs : click this button to open the <a href="#">Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist</a> dialog where you can search for available jobs, view their details, and link jobs to the selected changelist.</li> <li>-  Find and link job matching the pattern : click this button to start quick search for the job that matches the pattern specified in the text box and attach the job to the changelist.</li> </ul> <p>In the text box, specify the exact name of the job or a search pattern according to the Perforce jobs <a href="#">syntax rules</a> .</p> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px; border: 1px solid #ccc;"> <p><b>Tip</b> If only one job matching the pattern is found, it is attached to the changelist automatically. Otherwise, to select a job among several available jobs, click the  button and find the desired job using the <a href="#">Edit Jobs Linked to Changelist</a> dialog box.</p> </div> <p>The list box in the bottom of the area displays the jobs that are currently attached to the selected changelist.</p>	Perforce

## Before Submit / Before Commit section

Use the controls in this area to define which additional actions you want IntelliJ IDEA to perform before committing the selected files.

These controls are available for the following version control systems:



- Git
- CVS
- Subversion
- Perforce

## ItemDescription

Reformat code	Select this checkbox to perform code formatting according to the <a href="#">Project Code Style settings</a> .
Rearrange code	Select this checkbox to rearrange your code according to the <a href="#">arrangement rules preferences</a> .
Optimize imports	Select this checkbox to <a href="#">remove redundant import statements</a> .
Perform code analysis	Select this checkbox to run code inspection on the files you are about to commit.
Check TODO (<filter name>)	Select this checkbox to review the <a href="#">TODO items</a> matching the specified filter. Click the Configure link to choose an <a href="#">existing TODO filter</a> , or open the <a href="#">TODO settings page</a> and define a new filter to be applied.
Cleanup	Select this checkbox if you want to automatically apply the current inspection profile to the files you are going to commit.
Update copyright	Select this checkbox to <a href="#">add or update a copyright notice</a> according to the selected copyright profile - scope combination.
Revert unchanged files	Select this checkbox to revert the files that have not been modified. This option is only available for Perforce.

## After Submit / After Commit section

Use the controls in this area to define which additional actions you want IntelliJ IDEA to perform after committing the selected files.

Item	Description	Available for
Run tool	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">external tool</a> that you want IntelliJ IDEA to launch after the selected changes have been committed. You can select a tool from the list, or click the Browse button  and configure an external tool in the <a href="#">External Tools</a> dialog box that opens.	All VCSs
Upload files to	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">server access configuration</a> to use for uploading the committed files to a local or remote host, a mounted disk, or a directory. To suppress uploading, choose None . To add a server configuration to the list, click  and fill in the required fields in the Add Server dialog that opens.	All VCSs
Always use selected server	Select this checkbox to always upload files to the selected server access configuration. The drop-down list and the checkbox are only available if the Remote Hosts Access plugin is enabled.	All VCSs
Tag committed files	Select this checkbox to assign a tag to the committed files and type the name of the tag. To replace a previously assigned tag with a new one, select the Override existing tags option.	CVS
Auto-update after commit	Select this checkbox to automatically update your project after the commit. Enabling this option will help prevent your working copy against the <a href="#">mixed-revision state</a> . The mixed-revision state of a working copy may affect the <a href="#">Move</a> and <a href="#">Rename</a> refactoring applied to folders, in which case items in revisions different from the moved subtree root will be tracked separately, which can be confusing.  When the Auto-update after commit option is enabled: – Merge will fail with an error if the merge target is a mixed-revision working copy. – <a href="#">Your own changes</a> will never cause a 409 conflict.	Subversion





## Diff pane

The Diff pane is hidden by default. To unfold it, click the arrow button  next to the pane title.




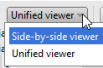
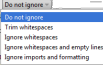
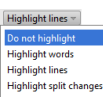







In this pane you can explore the differences between the base repository version of the selected file, and the version you are about to commit.

## Toolbar

### ItemTooltip Description and Shortcut

	Previous Difference / Next Difference Shift+F7 F7	Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference. When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to click the arrow buttons  /  once more and compare other files, depending on the <a href="#">Go to the next file after reaching last change</a> option in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer settings</a> .  This behavior is supported only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window.
	Compare Previous/Next File	Click these buttons to compare the local copy of the previous/next file with its update from the server.  <b>Tip</b> These buttons are only available when there is more than one file in the selected changelist.



		
	<b>Jump to Source</b> 	Click this button to open the selected file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer .
<b>Viewer type</b>		Use this drop-down list to choose the desired viewer type. The side-by-side viewer has two panels; the unified viewer has one panel only. Both types of viewers enable you to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Edit code. Note that one can change text <b>only</b> in the right-hand part of the default viewer, or, in case of the unified viewer, in the lower ("after") line, i.e. in your local version of the file.</li> <li>– Perform the Apply/Append/Revert actions.</li> </ul>
<b>Whitespaces</b>		Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This option is selected by default.</li> <li>– Trim whitespaces : (" \t", " ") , if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.</li> <li>– If two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the <b>By word</b> mode.</li> </ul> </li> <li>– Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.</li> <li>– Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– all whitespaces (as in the 'ignore whitespaces' option)</li> <li>– all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only</li> <li>– all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.</li> </ul> <p>For example, changing <code>a b c</code> to <code>a \n b c</code> is not highlighted in this mode.</p> </li> <li>– Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).</li> </ul>
<b>Highlighting mode</b>		Select the way differences granularity is highlighted. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted</li> <li>– Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted</li> <li>– Highlight split changes : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.</li> </ul> <p>For example, <code>A \n B</code> vs. <code>A X \n B X</code> will be treated as two changes instead of one.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Do not highlight : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.</li> </ul>
	<b>Collapse unchanged fragments</b>	Click this button to collapse all unchanged fragments in both files. The amount of non-collapsible unchanged lines is configurable in the Diff & Merge settings page.
	<b>Synchronize scrolling</b>	Click this button to scroll both differences panes simultaneously. If this button is released, each pane can be scrolled independently.
	<b>Disable editing</b>	Click this button to enable editing of the local copy of the selected file, which is disabled by default. When editing is enabled, you can make last-minute changes to the modified file before committing it.
	<b>Editor settings</b>	Click this button to open a drop-down list of available options. Select or clear these options to show or hide line numbers, indentation guides, white spaces, and soft wraps.
	<b>Show diff in external tool</b>	Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page. This button only appears on the toolbar when the Use external diff tool option is enabled in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page.
	<b>Help</b> 	Click this button to show the corresponding help page.

Note that the options listed above are available for text files only. IntelliJ IDEA cannot compare binary files, so most commands will be unavailable for them.

## Submit / Commit button


Click this button to commit the selected files, or hover your mouse over this button to display one of the following available commit options:

- Commit and Push : select this option to push the changes to the remote repository immediately after the commit. This







option is available if you are using [Git](#) or [Mercurial](#) as a version control system.

- Create MQ Patch : select this option to create an MQ patch based on your changes. This option is only available if you are using Mercurial as a version control system.
- Create Patch : select this option if you want IntelliJ IDEA to generate a patch based on the changes you are about to commit. In the Create Patch dialog that opens, type the name of the patch file and specify whether you need a reverse patch.
- Remote Run : select this option to [run your personal build](#) . This option is only available when you are logged in to [TeamCity](#) . Refer to [TeamCity plugin documentation](#) for details.

Use this dialog to configure a list of files and directories that you do not want to put under version control. These can be file names associated with VCS administration, backup files, and any other artifacts that you want to remain unversioned. You can also specify patterns of files you want to ignore.

 You can only ignore unversioned files, i.e. files that have not yet been put under version control.

**Item**  
**Keyboard shortcut**

		Use this icon or shortcut to add an item to the list. The <a href="#">Ignore Unversioned Files</a> dialog box opens where you can type an exact path to a file or directory to be ignored or specify a pattern that defines the names of files and directories to be ignored.
		Use this icon or shortcut to edit the selected path or pattern in the <a href="#">Ignore Unversioned Files</a> dialog box.
		Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected path or pattern from the list.

In this dialog box, choose one of the registered Version Control Systems to use in your project and assign it to the Project Root.

The dialog box and the menu item are available only if the project does not use any Version Control System.

**Item Description**

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Select a version control system to associate with the project root	From this drop-down list, select one of the supported version control systems that you want to associate with the project root.
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## Introduction

In IntelliJ IDEA each file has its own status marked with a specific color. The file status denotes correspondence of the actual file content with the one marked as 'current'.

In the editor, each line in a file is checked whether it corresponds to the state at the 'current' point and marked with a specific color at the left gutter area.

You can customize the default colors:

- For files - in the File Status page of the [Color Scheme](#) settings.
- For the lines in the editor - in the VCS page of the [Color Scheme](#) settings.




## File Status in views

### ColorFile Description Status

Black	Up to date	File is unchanged. <a href="#">PhantomsTest.java</a>
Gray	Deleted	File is scheduled for deletion from the repository. <a href="#">privatent.txt</a>
Blue	Modified	File has changed since the last synchronization. <a href="#">Advice.java</a>
Green	Added	File is scheduled for addition to the repository. <a href="#">ResultTest.java</a>
Violet	Merged	File is merged by your VCS as a result of an update. <a href="#">VcsHistoryDialog.java</a>
Brown	Unversioned	File exists locally, but is not in the repository, and is not scheduled for adding. <a href="#">Test.xml</a>
Olive	Ignored	File will be ignored in any VCS operation. <a href="#">Test.html</a>
Light brown	Hijacked	File is <a href="#">modified without checkout</a> . This status is valid for the files under Perforce, ClearCase and VSS. modified without checkout . <a href="#">HelpTOC.xml</a>
Red	Merged with conflicts	During the last update, file was merged with conflicts. <a href="#">HistoryTestCase.java</a>
Lilac	Externally deleted	File is deleted locally, but was not scheduled for deletion, and still exists in the CVS repository. <a href="#">test1.txt</a>
Dark cyan	Switched	The file is taken from a different branch than the whole project. This status is valid for CVS and SVN. <a href="#">test1.txt</a>

## Line Status in the editor

### Color File Description Status

	Modified	Denotes the lines modified since the last synchronization.
	Added	Denotes the lines added since the last synchronization.
	Deleted	Denotes the lines removed since the last synchronization.

Alt+Insert

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Use this dialog box to create a new changelist.

**ItemDescription**

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Name	Type the name of the new changelist.
Comment	Type optional comment. When the new changelist will be submitted to the repository, this comment will appear in the Comment text area of the <a href="#">Commit Changes</a> dialog box.
Make this changelist active	Select this check box to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically give the <b>active</b> status to the new change list immediately after the changes are restored in it. When this checkbox is cleared, the current active changelist remains active. See <a href="#">Changelist</a> for details.
Track context	Select this check box to have IntelliJ IDEA preserve the context of the task associated with the new changelist on its deactivation and restore the context when the changelist becomes active. See <a href="#">Managing tasks and contexts</a> for details.

Use this dialog to configure the patch file settings.

**ItemDescription**

Patch file	Specify the name of the patch file. By default, the text in the Commit Message section of the <a href="#">Create Patch dialog</a> is used as the file name. If the Commit Message section is empty, the default name is <code>unnamed.patch</code> .
Base path	Specify the path relative to which paths inside the patch file will be written. Normally, this is your project directory, but you may want to use a relative path, for example, if the modified files are stored inside your VCS repository.
Reverse patch	Select this option if you want to create a patch that reverts the changes you have made.
Encoding	Select the encoding for the patch file from the drop-down list.

This dialog is available for the following version control systems:

- Git
- Mercurial

The dialog consists of two panes (the Repositories pane and the Commit details pane) and the Push controls area:

- [Repositories pane](#)
- [Commit details pane](#)
- [Push controls](#)

## Repositories pane

The left pane shows a list of Git and/or Mercurial repositories (as well as which local branch/active bookmark will be pushed to which remote branch), and a list of commits performed in each repository.





- Hover the mouse over a commit: a tooltip is displayed showing the commit number, date and time, author, and the commit message. If the author of a commit is different from the current user, this commit is marked with an asterisk.
- Select the checkbox next to each repository to which you want to push.
  - If you have a multirooted project where repositories are not controlled synchronously, only the current repository is selected by default (or multiple repositories selected in the Project View ). For details on how to enable/disable synchronous repositories control, refer to the following sources:
    - for **Git**: [Version Control Settings: Git](#)
    - for **Mercurial**: [Version Control Settings: Mercurial](#)
- To modify the target branch where you want to push (it is highlighted in blue), click it. The label turns into a text field where you can specify the target branch. You can also switch into the editing mode by selecting the branch that you want to modify and pressing `Enter`.
- You can also edit the remote repository (if there are multiple ones) in the same way as the remote branch. Note that if no remotes have been specified, the Define remote link will appear instead of a remote name. Click it to add a remote.
- If there are no remotes in the repository, the Define remote link appears. Click this link and specify the remote name and URL in the dialog that opens.

## Commit details pane

The right pane shows which files are included in the selected commit. If you select multiple branches in the left pane, all corresponding commits will be shown.

The toolbar in this area provides the following options:

### ItemTooltip Description and shortcut

	<b>Show Diff</b> <code>Ctrl+D</code>	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences Viewer for Files</a> dialog that shows the differences between the committed version of the selected file and its previous version.
	<b>Edit Source</b> <code>F4</code>	Click this button to open the selected file in the editor.
	<b>Group by Directory</b> <code>Ctrl+P</code>	Click this button to toggle between the flat view and the directory view.
	<b>Collapse All / Expand All</b> <code>Ctrl+NumPad - /</code> <code>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</code>	Click these buttons to fold/unfold all nodes in the directory tree. These buttons are unavailable if the flat view is selected.

## Push controls

The controls in this area allow you to select the following push options:

### ItemDescription

Push Tags	<p>This option is only available if you are using Git.</p> <p>By default, when you perform the <code>push</code> operation, tags are not sent to the remote repositories. Select this option if you want to push tags with your commits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select All if you want to push all tags, including the tags that do not belong to the selected branches you are about to push (equivalent to <code>push --tags</code>).</li> <li>– Select Current Branch if you want to push only the tags that belong to the selected branches you are about to push (equivalent to <code>push --follow-tags</code> available since Git 1.8.3).</li> </ul>
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Export Active  
Bookmarks

This option is only available if you are using Mercurial.

By default, when you perform the `push` operation, bookmarks are not sent to the remote repositories. Select this option if you want to push active bookmarks with your commits.

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Push

Click this button and select which operation you want to perform from the drop-down menu: `push` or `push --force`.

For instructions on how to use the `push --force` command and where it may be useful, refer to:









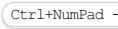


- For Git: [Using Git integration](#)
- For Mercurial: [Pushing Changes to the Upstream \(Push\)](#)

**Note** For Git, these choice options are only available if the Allow force push option is enabled (see [Version Control Settings: Git](#)), otherwise, you can only perform the `push` operation.

Use this dialog box to roll back changes that have not yet been committed to the repository.

## Toolbar

### ItemTooltip Description and Shortcut

	<b>Show Differences</b> 	Click this button to open the Differences dialog box that points at the inconsistencies between your local working copy of the selected file and the file in the repository.
	<b>Move to Another Changelist</b> 	Click this button to add the selected file(s) to another changelist. The Choose Changelist dialog box opens where you can select an existing changelist or create a new one.
	<b>Group by Directory</b> 	Click this button to toggle between the flat view and the directory tree view.
	<b>Expand or collapse all nodes</b>  	Click these buttons to expand or collapse all nodes in the directory tree. These buttons are not available in flat view.
	<b>Select All</b> 	Click this button to select all the files in the list or directory tree.

## Controls

### ItemDescription

Changed files	This tree view displays the list of changed files. Select checkboxes next to the files to be reverted.
Change list	Use the drop-down list to select the change list that contains the modified files to be reverted. By default, the active change list is suggested.
Delete local copies of added files	Use this checkbox to revert added files as well as your changes in modified ones.

Use this dialog box to roll back changes from a certain change list.

#### ItemDescription

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Existing Changelist	Choose this option restore the shelved changes in one of the existing changelists. Choose the target changelist from the drop-down list.
New Changelist	<p>Choose this option to create a new changelist and restore the changes from the shelf in it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name: in this text box, type the name of the changelist to be created.</li><li>- Comment: in this text box, type an optional description of the new changelist.</li><li>- Make this changelist active: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically give the <b>active</b> status to the new change list immediately after the changes are restored in it. When this checkbox is cleared, the current active changelist remains active. See <a href="#">Changelist</a> for details.</li><li>- Track context: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA preserve the context of the task associated with the new changelist on its deactivation and restore the context when the changelist becomes active. See <a href="#">Managing tasks and contexts</a> for details.</li></ul>
Remove successfully applied files from the shelf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Clear this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA still display already unshelved changes in the Shelf tab so that you can apply them once more if necessary.</li><li>- When this checkbox is selected, the changes are not displayed in the Shelf tab after they are unshelved.</li></ul>

Use this dialog box to [shelve](#) the selected files or changelists.

This dialog consists of several areas:









- [Modified files pane](#)
  - [Toolbar](#)
- [Commit Message pane](#)
  - [Toolbar](#)
- [Before Submit / Before Commit section](#)
- [After Submit / After Commit section](#)
- [Diff pane](#)
  - [Toolbar](#)

## Modified files pane

This section contains a list of files that have been modified since the last commit. All files in the list are selected by default. Deselect the files that you do not want to shelve.

## Toolbar

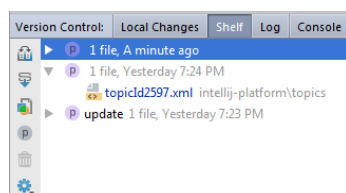
**Icon****Tooltip** **Description**  
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**Shortcut**

	<b>Show Differences</b>	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Differences</a> dialog box that highlights the differences between your local working copy of the selected file and its repository version.	All VCSs
	<b>Refresh Changes</b>	Click this button to reload the Changed files tree view so it is up-to-date.	All VCSs
	<b>Move to Another Changelist</b>	Click this button to add the selected file(s) to another changelist. The Move to Another Changelist dialog box opens where you can select an existing changelist or create a new one.	All VCSs
	<b>Revert</b>	Click this button to revert all changes made to the local working copy of the selected files.	All VCSs
	<b>Jump to source</b>	Click this button to open the source code of the selected file in the editor.	All VCSs
	<b>Group by Directory</b>	Click this button to toggle between the flat view and the directory tree view.	All VCSs
	<b>Expand or collapse all nodes</b>	Click these buttons to expand or collapse all nodes in the directory tree. These buttons are not available in flat view.	All VCSs
	<b>Revert Unchanged Files</b>	Click this button to have unchanged files Perforce reverted.	Perforce

The summary under the modified files pane shows statistics on the currently selected changelist, such as the number of modified, new and deleted files. This area also shows how many files of each type are shown, and how many of them will be shelved.

## Commit Message pane

In this area, enter a string that will be used as the shelf name. When you unshelve your changes, a new changelist with the same name will be created in the [Local Changes tab](#) . If you leave this field empty, the shelf name will be generated using the following pattern: <number of files in the shelf>, <date and time when the shelf was created>:



## Toolbar

**Icon and** **Shortcut****Description**  
**Tooltip**

## Before Submit / Before Commit section

Use the controls in this area to define which additional actions you want IntelliJ IDEA to perform before putting the selected files to a shelf.

These controls are available for the following version control systems:

- Git
- CVS
- Subversion
- Perforce


### ItemDescription

Reformat code	Select this checkbox to perform code formatting according to the <a href="#">Project Code Style settings</a> .
Rearrange code	Select this checkbox to rearrange your code according to the <a href="#">arrangement rules preferences</a> .
Optimize imports	Select this checkbox to <a href="#">remove redundant import statements</a> .
Perform code analysis	Select this checkbox to run code inspection on the files you are about to commit.
Check TODO (<filter name>)	Select this checkbox to review the <a href="#">TODO items</a> matching the specified filter. Click the Configure link to choose an <a href="#">existing TODO filter</a> , or open the <a href="#">TODO settings page</a> and define a new filter to be applied.
Cleanup	Select this checkbox if you want to automatically apply the current inspection profile to the files you are going to commit.
Update copyright	Select this checkbox to <a href="#">add or update a copyright notice</a> according to the selected copyright profile - scope combination.
Revert unchanged files	Select this checkbox to revert the files that have not been modified. This option is only available for Perforce.

## After Submit / After Commit section

Use the controls in this area to define which additional actions you want IntelliJ IDEA to perform after putting the selected files to a shelf.

### ItemDescription

Upload files to	From this drop-down list, select the <a href="#">server access configuration</a> to use for uploading the selected files to a local or remote host, a mounted disk, or a directory. To suppress uploading, choose None . To add a server configuration to the list, click  and fill in the required fields in the Add Server dialog that opens.
Always use selected server	Select this checkbox to always upload files to the selected server access configuration. The drop-down list and the checkbox are only available if the Remote Hosts Access plugin is enabled.






## Diff pane

The Diff pane is hidden by default. To unfold it, click the arrow button  next to the pane title.

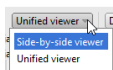
In this pane you can explore the differences between the base repository version of the selected file, and the version you are about to shelve.

## Toolbar

### ItemTooltip Description and Shortcut

	<p>Previous Difference / Next Difference</p> <p>Shift+F7</p> <p>F7</p>	<p>Use these buttons to jump to the next/previous difference.</p> <p>When the last/first difference is hit, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to click the arrow buttons  /  once more and compare other files, depending on the <a href="#">Go to the next file after reaching last change</a> option in the <a href="#">Differences Viewer settings</a> .</p> <p>This behavior is supported only when the Differences Viewer is invoked from the <a href="#">Version Control</a> tool window.</p>
	<p>Compare Previous/Next File</p> <p>Alt+Left</p> <p>Alt+Right</p>	<p>Click these buttons to compare the local copy of the previous/next file with its update from the server.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> These buttons are only available when there is more than one file in the selected changelist.</p>
	<p>Jump to Source</p> <p>F4</p>	<p>Click this button to open the selected file in the active pane in the editor. The caret will be placed in the same position as in the Differences Viewer .</p>

## Viewer type

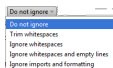


Use this drop-down list to choose the desired viewer type. The side-by-side viewer has two panels; the unified viewer has one panel only.

Both types of viewers enable you to

- Edit code. Note that one can change text **only** in the right-hand part of the default viewer, or, in case of the unified viewer, in the lower ("after") line, i.e. in your local version of the file.
- Perform the Apply/Append/Revert actions.

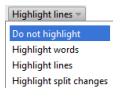
## Whitespace



Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text.

- Do not ignore : white spaces are important, and all differences are highlighted. This option is selected by default.
  - Trim whitespaces : (" \t", " ") , if they appear in the end and in the beginning of a line.
    - If two lines differ in trailing whitespaces only, these lines are considered equal.
    - If two lines are different, such trailing whitespaces are not highlighted in the **By word** mode.
  - Ignore whitespaces : white spaces are not important, regardless of their location in the source code.
  - Ignore whitespaces and empty lines : the following entities are ignored:
    - all whitespaces (as in the 'ignore whitespaces' option)
    - all added or removed lines consisting of whitespaces only
    - all changes consisting of splitting or joining lines without changes to non-whitespace parts.
- For example, changing `a b c` to `a \n b c` is not highlighted in this mode.
- Ignore imports and formatting : changes within import statements and whitespaces are ignored (whitespaces within String literals are respected though).







## Highlighting mode



Select the way differences granularity is highlighted.

The available options are:

- Highlight words : the modified words are highlighted
  - Highlight lines : the modified lines are highlighted
  - Highlight split changes : if this option is selected, big changes are split into smaller 'atomic' changes.
- For example, `A \n B` vs. `A X \n B X` will be treated as two changes instead of one.
- Do not highlight : if this option is selected, the differences are not highlighted at all. This option is intended for significantly modified files, where highlighting only introduces additional difficulties.

	Collapse unchanged fragments	Click this button to collapse all unchanged fragments in both files. The amount of non-collapsible unchanged lines is configurable in the Diff & Merge settings page.
	Synchronize scrolling	Click this button to scroll both differences panes simultaneously. If this button is released, each pane can be scrolled independently.
	Disable editing	Click this button to enable editing of the local copy of the selected file, which is disabled by default. When editing is enabled, you can make last-minute changes to the modified file before committing it.
	Editor settings	Click this button to open a drop-down list of available options. Select or clear these options to show or hide line numbers, indentation guides, white spaces, and soft wraps.
	Show diff in external tool	Click this button to invoke an external differences viewer, specified in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page. This button only appears on the toolbar when the Use external diff tool option is enabled in the <a href="#">External Diff Tools</a> settings page.
	Help	Click this button to show the corresponding help page.

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Note that the options listed above are available for text files only. IntelliJ IDEA cannot compare binary files, so most commands will be unavailable for them.

Use this dialog to explore changes to a file, or selection. There are two views in this dialog:

- [History view](#) in the left-hand part
- [Differences view](#) in the right-hand part




**Tip** The same dialog boxes are available on the context menu of a file or selected text in the editor.

## History view

This view shows the list of revisions (states) of a file, with the date and time when the revision was stored. Some of the revisions are supplied with tags and labels.

Revisions are tagged automatically, for example, on opening a project, committing changes, or performing test. You can also [set your own labels](#) .

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to revert the selected action.
	Click this button to create a patch based on the selected local version.
	Click this button to open the corresponding help topic.









**Tip** The same actions are available on the context menu of each revision.

## Differences view

The Differences view is a powerful editor that supports [basic search and replace](#) , [undo/redo actions](#) , and [code completion](#) .

If a revision is selected in the [History view](#) , the left-hand pane of the Differences view shows this read-only revision, with the differences against the current revision which is displayed in the right-hand pane. The current revision can be edited.

### Item ShortcutDescription

		Click this button to copy the current line or the selected fragment to the clipboard.
	 	Click this button to initiate the <a href="#">finding and replacing text procedure</a> in the pane where the caret currently resides. Refer to the <a href="#">search options description</a> for details.
		Use these buttons to move to the next or previous difference.
Ignore whitespace		Use this drop-down list to define how the differences viewer should treat white spaces in the text. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not ignore - when this option is selected, white spaces are considered unimportant and the differences are highlighted.</li> <li>- Leading and Trailing - select this option to have differences in the end and in the beginning of a line ignored.</li> <li>- All - when this option is selected, white spaces are considered unimportant regardless of their location in the source code.</li> </ul>
		Use these buttons to apply differences.
Legend		This area shows summary information about the encountered differences: the number of differences found and the color map. The color map for the Differences viewer is configured on the <a href="#">Colors and Fonts page</a> .

Use this dialog to explore changes to a folder. There are two views in this dialog:




- [History view](#) in the left-hand part
- [Changes view](#) in the right-hand part

**Tip** The same dialog box is available on the context menu of a folder.

## History view

The History view shows a list of folder revisions (states), each one being supplied with a time stamp, revision number, and an indication of the action that resulted in that state.








### ItemDescription

	Click this button to revert the selected action.
	Click this button to create a patch based on the selected local version.
	Click this button to open the corresponding help topic.

## Changes view

The Changes view shows the differences between the current state and the one selected in the [History view](#). The differences are shown as a tree of changed (new, modified and deleted) files and subfolders.

### ItemShortcutDescription

	<b>Ctrl+D</b>	Click this button to show the <a href="#">differences</a> between the current local version and the one selected in the History view. Alternatively, double-click the current local version in the Changes view.
		With a file selected in the Changes view, click this button to roll back the selected action.
	<b>Ctrl+P</b>	Click this button to show changed files as a tree view of folders. If this button is not pressed, the files are shown as a flat list.
	<b>Ctrl+NumPad Plus</b> or <b>Ctrl+NumPad -</b>	Click these buttons to have all nodes expanded or collapsed. These buttons are only available when the changed files are shown as a tree view.
	<b>Ctrl+A</b>	Click this button to select all the files in the list or a tree view.
	<b>Ctrl+F</b>	In this area, type the search string. Note also that <a href="#">speed search</a> is available in the Changes pane.
		Click this button to clear the search area.

**Tip** [Speed search](#) is available in the Version Control view.



Use this dialog box to restore shelved changes from a shelf to a changelist.

**ItemDescription**

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Existing Changelist	Choose this option restore the shelved changes in one of the existing changelists. Choose the target changelist from the drop-down list.
New Changelist	Choose this option to create a new changelist and restore the changes from the shelf in it. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name: in this text box, type the name of the changelist to be created.</li><li>- Comment: in this text box, type an optional description of the new changelist.</li><li>- Make this changelist active: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically give the active status to the new change list immediately after the changes are restored in it. When this checkbox is cleared, the current active changelist remains active. See <a href="#">Changelist</a> for details.</li><li>- Track context: select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA preserve the context of the task associated with the new changelist on its deactivation and restore the context when the changelist becomes active. See <a href="#">Managing tasks and contexts</a> for details.</li></ul>
Remove successfully applied files from the shelf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Clear this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA still display already unshelved changes in the Shelf tab so that you can apply them once more if necessary.</li><li>- When this checkbox is selected, the changes are not displayed in the Shelf tab after they are unshelved.</li></ul>

In this part:

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

Use this dialog box to bring the beans created according to the EJB 1.x or EJB 2.0 specifications into compliance with the EJB 3.0 specification.

#### ItemDescription

EnterpriseBeans to apply EJB 3.0 style to	This table shows the list of Objects encountered in the selected module with EJB facet. Use the checkboxes in the left column of the table to include or exclude beans from refactoring. If a certain bean has a home interface, use the checkbox in the Retain Home interfaces column to convert home interfaces, rather than delete them.
Environment Access	Select the preferred mode of environment access: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Prefer resource injection : click this radio-button to force convert all environment access to resource injection.</li><li>– Prefer lookup : click this radio-button to force convert all environment access to context lookup.</li><li>– Leave as is if possible : click this radio-button to leave environment access as is in case it does not interfere with the converted code. If not, IntelliJ IDEA automatically selects the most appropriate method.</li></ul>
Replace JNDI lookup with EJB context lookup	If this checkbox is selected, the system resources will be retrieved using the <code>EJBContext.lookup()</code> . Otherwise, JNDI environment lookup will be used.
Inline injected fields	If this checkbox is selected, all usages of a context lookup will be replaced with a reference to an an injected field.
Copy metadata from XML descriptor	Select this checkbox to copy meta information to the <code>ejb-jar.xml</code> file.
Delete copied XML tags	Clear this checkbox to preserve duplicates.
Replace Entity beans with CMP to Persistence Unit	Select this checkbox, if you want to try to convert outdated entity beans to Container Managed Persistence. <b>Warning!</b> Select this option with extreme care because it can render your project incompatible.
Refactor	Click this button to perform refactoring, and close the dialog box.
Preview	Click this button to open tentative refactoring results in the dedicated tab of the <a href="#">Find Tool Window</a> , and close the dialog box.

Use the dialog box to [change properties](#) of existing beans.

**Tip** The contents of the dialog box are bean type-specific. See comments in the Available in column.

Item	Description	Available in
<ejb-name>	This read-only field shows the basic name used for generating the names of the EJB constituent classes. The rules for generating EJB names are configured in the <a href="#">Java EE Names</a> dialog box.	All bean types
Package	In this text box, specify the fully qualified path to the package where the bean resides or click the Browse button  and select the desired package in the module tree.	All bean types
EJB Class	This read-only field shows the name of the bean implementation class.	All bean types
Message Listener	In this text box, specify the message listener interface. Type a fully qualified name or click the Browse button  and select the message listener interface from the list of available interfaces.	Message beans
Primary key class	In this text box, specify the class that will be used to access the primary key of the <a href="#">data source</a> the entity bean is associated with.	Entity beans
CMP version	This read-only field shows the used CMP version.	Entity beans
	For BMP Entity beans, the field is read-only.	
Remote Interface	Select this checkbox if you want to configure a remote client view of the bean. <b>Tip</b> Selecting this checkbox enables the Home and Remote text boxes.	Entity beans
Home	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a remote home interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Home Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.	Entity beans
Remote	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a remote interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Remote Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.	Entity beans
Local Interface	Select this checkbox if you want to configure a local client view of the bean. <b>Tip</b> Selecting this checkbox enables the Local Home and Local text boxes.	Entity beans
Local Home	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a local home interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Local Home Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.	Entity beans
Local	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a local interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Local Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.	Entity beans

The dialog opens when you select a servlet in the Servlets Configured pane and click Change Class in the Servlet Initialization Params that opens.

Use this dialog to select the class that implements the selected servlet.

The dialog contains two tabs:

- [Search by Name](#)
- [Project](#)

## Search by Name Tab

Use the tab to search a relevant class to implement the servlet. Specify the class name or part of the name.


### ItemDescription

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Search pattern area	The text field for typing a part of the name of the relevant class.
Search results area	Shows a list of classes that meet the search pattern. The contents of the area change dynamically as you type.
Include non-project classes	Involves classes outside the current project into the search.



## Project Tab

Use this tab to select the relevant class in the project tree.

This dialog box opens when you click the Add button  in the Entity Bean Specifics section.

Use the dialog box to create a CMP field for the current entity bean.

#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, specify the name of the CMP field.
Description	In this text box, provide a description of the CMP field.
	Click this button to open the Description dialog box and type s description of the CMP field there.
Type	From this drop-down list, select the required type for the CMP field. <b>Note</b> Actually, you select the class that implements the type.
	Click this button to open the Choose Class dialog box, where you can select a class that is not available in the Type drop-down list.
Primary Key	Select this checkbox to set the current CMP field as a primary key.
Generate getter in	Select the relevant checkbox to specify where the <code>getter</code> method of the entity bean will be generated. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Local Interface</li><li>- Remote Interface</li></ul> <b>Note</b> If the bean does not have a local or remote interface, the corresponding checkbox is disabled and the remaining option is selected.
Generate setter in	Select the relevant checkbox to specify where the <code>setter</code> method of the entity bean will be generated. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Local Interface</li><li>- Remote Interface</li></ul> <b>Note</b> If the bean does not have a local or remote interface, the corresponding checkbox is disabled and the remaining option is selected.

This dialog opens when you draw or double-click a link between entities on an entity-relationship diagram for a persistence unit or a session factory.

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Specify the settings for the relationship.

The left-hand and the right-hand parts are for the two sides of the relationship. For a unidirectional relationship, specify the settings only in one of the parts.

**ItemDescription**

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Attribute	The name of the field to be added to the corresponding entity and also the name of the relationship.
Multiplicity	The multiplicity on the corresponding side of the relationship.
Optional	Whether the relationship is optional.
Owner	The owner of the relationship.
Fetch Type	See <a href="#">FetchType</a> .
Cascade Type	See <a href="#">CascadeType</a> .

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The dialog opens when you click + (Alt+Insert) or (Enter) on the [File Sets tab](#) of the [Struts 2 Facet page](#).

Use this dialog to [configure a validation file set](#) by selecting the relevant files in the module tree.

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**ItemDescription**

**File Set name** Use this field to edit the file set name.

**Locate** Use this button to add the files that are external to your module. (The [Select Path dialog](#) will open.)



The bean editor is accessible from the [EJB](#) tool window only. The editor consists of two tabs: General tab and Assembly Descriptor tab.

The General tab consists of a common part, and a bean specific part. The Assembly Descriptor tab is similar for all bean types.









In this part:

- [EJB Editor - General Tab - Entity Bean](#)
- [EJB Editor - General Tab - Message Bean](#)
- [EJB Editor - General Tab - Session Bean](#)
- [EJB Editor - Assembly Descriptor](#)
- [Assembly Descriptor Dialogs](#)
- [EJB Editor General Tab - Common](#)

This section describes the fields that are specific for the entity beans.

#### ItemShortcutDescription

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Abstract Schema Name		In this text box, specify the bean reference name that can be used to call the bean from QL queries. This field is available for the CMP Entity Beans only.
Primary Key Class		In this field, specify the class that will be used to access primary key of a datasource the bean is associated with. This field is available for the CMP and BMP Entity Beans .
Reentrant		Select this checkbox if you need the bean to handle multiple simultaneous, interleaved, or nested invocations that do not interfere with each other. This field is available for the CMP and BMP Entity Beans .
CMP fields		These fields are available for CMP Entity Beans only.
		Click this button to <a href="#">create a new CMP field</a> .
		Click this button to <a href="#">change CMP field</a> .
		Click this button to delete selected field with its accessor methods and tags in the deployment descriptor.
		Click this button to show reference page.

This section describes the fields that are specific for Message beans .

**Item**    **Shortcut****Description**

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Transaction Type	In this field, specify the object by which the transactions should be managed. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bean</li><li>- Bean container</li></ul>
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Destination Type	In this field, specify the message queue class to which the bean should listen.
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Activation Config	Use this section to define the bean behavior.
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	 Click this button to add activation configuration elements.
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	 Click this button to delete selected activation configuration element.
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	 Click this button to show reference page.
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This section describes the fields that are specific for Session beans .

**ItemDescription**

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Session Type	Select session type (stateful or stateless) depending on the conversational state the bean should have.
Transaction Type	Specify an object the transactions should be managed with. The possible options are a bean and its container.

Use this tab to define how the beans are deployed and configured at the target application server.

#### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to create an element of the deployment descriptor.
		Click this button to change the selected element.
		Click this button to delete the selected element.

#### Configuration Parameters setting

EJB Environment Entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name</li><li>- Value</li><li>- Type</li><li>- Description</li></ul>
EJB Local Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name</li><li>- EJB Home interface</li><li>- Link</li><li>- Type</li><li>- Remote interface</li><li>- Description</li></ul>
EJB Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name</li><li>- EJB Home interface</li><li>- Link</li><li>- Type</li><li>- Remote interface</li><li>- Description</li></ul>
Web Service Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name</li><li>- Type</li><li>- Service interface</li><li>- JAX-RPC mapping file</li><li>- WSDL name</li><li>- Service QName</li><li>- Description</li></ul>
EJB Resource Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name</li><li>- Type</li><li>- Aunentication</li><li>- Shareable</li><li>- Description</li></ul>
EJB Resource Environment Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name</li><li>- Type</li><li>- Description</li></ul>
Message Destination Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Name</li><li>- Type</li><li>- Message destination usage</li><li>- Message destination line</li><li>- Description</li></ul>

The dialog boxes that open are specific for the various types of assembly descriptors.

The fields in the General section are available for all bean types.

#### ItemDescription

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**Display name** Use this field to change the display name of a bean.

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**Description** Use this field to type optional textual description of a bean.

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**EJB Classes** These fields are available for all bean types.

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**Change EJB Classes** Click this button to open the bean-specific [Change Bean dialog](#) , where you can define the classes that comprise a bean: bean class, local and remote interfaces, and primary key class.

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**Rename EJB and Classes** Click this button to change the name of the bean and propagate this change to all the constituent classes of the bean. This renaming is performed as the [Rename Refactoring](#) .

An EJB ER diagram opens on a separate editor tab when you select ER Diagram in the context menu for a module in the [EJB tool window](#) .











Use this diagram to view entity beans defined in your module, and also to create and change relationships between them.

– [Toolbar](#)

– [Context menu](#)

## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to show grid in the diagram background.
	Click this button to align elements against the grid.
	Click this button to increase the scale of the diagram.
	Click this button to decrease the scale of the diagram.
	Click this button to restore the actual size of the diagram.
	Click this button to change the scale to make the contents fit into the current diagram size.
	Click this button to apply the current layout, selected on the context menu of the diagram.
	Click this button to save the diagram in an image file with the specified name and path. The possible formats are: <code>jpeg</code> , <code>png</code> and <code>gif</code> .
	Click this button to print the diagram.
	Click this button to open the diagram preview in a separate frame, where you can configure the page layout, scale, and headings information.

## Context menu

### ItemDescription

New	Use this node to add new EJBs to a module with the EJB facet and configure relationships between CMP Entity Beans.
Layout	Choose this command to select the desired layout from the list.
Show edge labels	Choose this command to show multiplicities of the relationship links in diagram.



The EJB Relationship Properties dialog opens when you draw a line between entity beans on an [EJB ER diagram](#). (In this way you create a relationship between the corresponding beans.)

Use this dialog to define the relationship properties, and also to add the corresponding elements to the deployment descriptor.

#### ItemDescription

Relationship Name	Type the name of a new relationship link.
Description	Type optional description. If the text is long, click the ellipsis button, and type the desired text in the editor dialog box.
Role 1,2	Use these sections of the dialog box to specify attributes of each side of a relationship link.
EJB	Select the source and target EJBs from the drop-down lists.
Role name	Type the names of the roles for each side of the relationship link.
Multiplicity	Select multiplicity from the drop-down list.
CMR Field	Select this checkbox, if you want to create a container-managed relation field <code>&lt;cmr-field &gt;</code> in the deployment descriptor. If this option is checked, specify following attributes.
Field name	Type the name of the new CMR field. The <code>&lt;cmr-field-name&gt;</code> element is generated in the deployment descriptor.
Field type	Select the type of the new CMR field. The <code>&lt;cmr-field-type&gt;</code> element is generated in the deployment descriptor.
Getter / Setter	If the checkboxes are selected, the getter and setter methods are generated in the bean implementation class.

Use the tabs in this editor to configure the [beans contained in a module](#) with an EJB facet, [method permissions](#) , and [transaction attributes](#) .

If the EJB module editor is invoked from the deployment descriptor, the [text editor](#) tab is also available.

Use this tab to configure the beans contained in a module with EJB facet.

**ItemDescription**







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New	Click this button to add a new bean to a module with EJB facet. The bean type is selected from the submenu. Refer to the section <a href="#">Creating EJB</a> for the detailed description of procedure.
Remove	Click this button to delete the selected bean from the module.
Edit	Click this button to invoke the <a href="#">EJB editor</a> for the selected bean. Refer to the section <a href="#">Editing EJB</a> for the detailed description of procedure.
Help	Click this button to show reference page.

Use this tab to configure security roles and method permissions for a bean.

## Toolbar

### ItemShortcutDescription

		Click this button to define a custom security role by specifying the security role name and optional description in the Add Security Role dialog box. A column for a new security role is added to the table.
		Click this button to change the selected security role by choosing the desired role from the submenu, and changing the security role name and optional description in the Edit Security Role dialog box.
		Click this button to delete the selected security role.

## Table

### ItemDescription

Name	This column shows beans, their interfaces, and a list of methods that they implement.
Excluded	Select the checkboxes in this column for the methods, which you want to add to the list of excluded methods. The selected methods will be added to the <code>&lt;exclude-list &gt;</code> section of the deployment descriptor.
Unchecked	Select the checkboxes in this column for the methods with unchecked permissions. The selected methods will be marked as <code>&lt;unchecked/&gt;</code> in the deployment descriptor.
<code>&lt;security role &gt;</code>	Select the checkboxes for the methods to assign the selected security roles.

Use this tab to manage the transaction attributes that are used by the EJB container to control the transaction scope when the enterprise bean methods are invoked.

**ItemDescription**

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<b>Name</b>	This column shows beans, their interfaces and the list of methods that they implement.
<b>Transaction Attribute</b>	This column displays the transaction attribute for a method, interface or bean. The possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Mandatory</li><li>- Never</li><li>- NotSupported</li><li>- Required</li><li>- RequiresNew</li><li>- Supports</li></ul>

Use this dialog box to view the compilation output of a GWT module.

**Item****Description**

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GWT Module From this drop-down list, select the module to view the output of.

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Generate Click this button to have a new report generated.

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View Report Click this button to have the previous generated report opened in the browser.

 IntelliJ IDEA informs you how long ago a report was generated last.

From the [Persistence tool window](#) : Right-click a module, persistence unit or session factory, point to Generate Persistence Mapping and select the necessary option.






Specify the settings for generating entity classes and object/relational mappings for them. Depending on the option that you selected, one of the following is used as a source:

- A database schema represented by a [data source](#) .
- An EJB facet, if exists in the current project, or, to be more exact, the deployment descriptor file ejb-jar.xml associated with that facet. (Only the <entity> elements are processed.)
- Only for JPA: a Hibernate object/relational mapping file (.hbm.xml). The file should be within the current project.

- [General Settings](#)
- [Database Schema Mapping](#)
- [Generation Settings](#)

## General Settings

### ItemDescription









Choose Data Source	When importing a database schema: Specify the <a href="#">data source</a> to be used as a source of import.  opens the <a href="#">Data Sources and Drivers dialog</a> which lets you create a new data source.
Choose EJB Facet	When importing an EJB facet: Specify the EJB facet to be used as a source.  opens the dialog which lets you select the facet. (The EJB facets available in the current project are suggested.)
Choose Hibernate XML	When importing a Hibernate object/relational mapping file: Specify the <code>.hbm.xml</code> file to be used as a source.  opens the dialog which lets you select the file. (The corresponding file must be available in the current project.)
Package	The destination package for your entity classes.  opens the dialog which lets you select an existing package, or create a new one (  ).
Entity prefix	One or more characters to be used as a prefix for your entity class names.
Entity suffix	One or more characters to be used as a suffix for your entity class names.
Prefer primitive types	When importing a database schema: Prefer primitive field types to object types (e.g. when <code>int</code> and <code>java.lang.Integer</code> are the alternatives).
Show default relationships	When importing a database schema: If this checkbox is selected, IntelliJ IDEA analyzes the foreign keys in the tables and suggests to create corresponding relationships (e.g. one-to-one, one-to-many).

## Database Schema Mapping

This section is available only when importing a database schema.



Select the tables and columns to be mapped. Edit the names of the entity classes and their persistent fields (the Map As column). Adjust the field types (the Mapped Type column). Use the toolbar for working with relationships and performing other tasks.

### ItemDescription



	Create a new relationship between the entities. (The <a href="#">Add Relationship dialog</a> will open.)
	Edit the selected relationship. (The <a href="#">Edit Relationship dialog</a> will open.)
	Delete the selected relationship.
	Refresh the database schema.
	Select all the tables, fields and relationships.
	Deselect all the tables, fields and relationships.
	Expand all the nodes in the table.
	Collapse all the nodes in the table.

## Generation Settings

### ItemDescription

Add to Persistence Unit / Add to Session Factory	The persistence unit or session factory with which the generated entity classes will be associated. If the Generate Persistence Mapping command was called on a persistence unit or session factory, the info about the entity classes will be added to the current persistence unit or session factory (hibernate.cfg.xml). If the command was called on a module, you can select a target persistence unit or session factory. This may be an existing persistence unit or session factory (hibernate.cfg.xml), or a new one. To create a new persistence unit or session factory, click  . In the case of the persistence unit, just specify its name (a new <code>&lt;persistence-unit name="" /&gt;</code> element will be added to <code>persistence.xml</code> .) In the case of the session factory, a new Hibernate configuration file will be created. So, in the dialog that opens, select the destination folder, click  and specify the file name. <code>.xml</code> in the file name may be omitted.
Generate Column Properties	Select the checkbox for the column properties (e.g. <code>length</code> , <code>nullable</code> ) to be included.

Generate Single Mapping XML Store object/relational mappings for all the generated entity classes in one XML file.  
To define the target file:

1. Click  .
2. If suggested, select the target file format (Hibernate mapping or JPA mapping descriptor (JPA ORM)).
3. In the dialog that opens, select an existing mapping file or create a new one.  
To create a new file, select the destination directory, click  and specify the file name. `.xml` in the file name may be omitted.

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Generate Separate XML per Entity Create an individual object/relational mapping file for all the generated entity classes. The file names will be `<ClassName>.xml` for JPA and `<ClassName>.hbm.xml` for Hibernate.

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Generate JPA Annotations (Java 5) Add the mapping information to the source code of the generated entity classes as annotations.





From the [Import Database Schema dialog](#) :  or  in the Database Schema Mapping section.

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Use this dialog to specify the settings for a relationship.

**ItemDescription**

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Source / Target	Within the relationship, one of the entities (the left-hand one) is referred to as a source and the other one as a target.
Table	The corresponding database table.
Attribute name	The name of the field to be added to the corresponding entity and also the name of the relationship.
Type	The Java type for the corresponding field.
Map Key Column	Select the desired column name from the drop-down list.
Join Table	The join table if used.
Join Columns	Joined table columns for the relationship. Use  and  to manage the list.

EJB Tool Window | context menu of a module with an EJB facet | New - bean type

EJB Tool Window | context menu of a module with an EJB facet | Jump to Source | New - bean type

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Use these dialog boxes to [create EJBs](#) of various types.

The contents of the dialog boxes are bean type-specific.



In this section:

- [New Session Bean Dialog](#)
- [New Message Bean Dialog](#)
- [New BMP Entity Bean Dialog](#)
- [New CMP Entity Bean Dialog](#)

Use this dialog box to [create Session Beans](#) .

**ItemDescription**

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<ejb-name>	In this text box, type the basic name to be used for generating the names of the EJB constituent classes. The rules for generating EJB names are configured in the <a href="#">Java EE Names</a> dialog box.
Package	In this text box, specify the fully qualified path to the package where the bean resides. If necessary, click the Browse button  and select the desired package in the project tree.
EJB Class	In this text box, specify the name of the bean implementation class. If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Class dialog box, where you can search for the desired class by name or select it in the project tree.

Use this dialog box to [create Message Beans](#) .

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




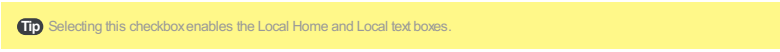


**ItemDescription**

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<ejb-name>	In this text box, type the basic name to be used for generating the names of the EJB constituent classes. The rules for generating EJB names are configured in the <a href="#">Java EE Names</a> dialog box.
Package	In this text box, specify a fully qualified path to the package where the bean resides. If necessary, click the Browse button  and select the desired package in the project tree.
EJB Class	In this text box, specify the name of the bean implementation class. If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Class dialog box, where you can search for the desired class by name or select it in the project tree.
Message Listener	In this text box, specify the message listener interface. Type a fully qualified name or click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Message Listener Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired message listener interface by name or select it in the project tree.










Use this dialog box to [create Bean Managed Persistence \(BMP\) Entity Beans](#) .

**ItemDescription**

<ejb-name>	In this text box, type the basic name to be used for generating the names of the EJB constituent classes. The rules for generating EJB names are configured in the <a href="#">Java EE Names</a> dialog box.
Package	In this text box, specify a fully qualified path to the package where the bean resides. If necessary, click the Browse button  and select the desired package in the project tree.
EJB Class	In this text box, specify the name of the bean implementation class. If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Class dialog box, where you can search for the desired class by name or select it in the project tree.
Primary Key Class	In this text box, specify the class to be used for accessing the primary key of the <a href="#">data source</a> the entity bean is associated with. If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Primary Key Class dialog box, where you can search for the desired class by name or select it in the project tree.
CMP version	This read-only field shows the Container Managed Persistence (CMP) version used.
Remote Interface	Select this checkbox if you want to configure a remote client view of the bean. 
Home	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a remote home interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Home Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.
Remote	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a remote interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Remote Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.
Local Interface	Select this checkbox if you want to configure a local client view of the bean. 
Local Home	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a local home interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Local Home Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.
Local	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a local interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Local Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.

Use this dialog box to [create Container Managed Persistence \(CMP\) Entity Beans](#) .

#### ItemDescription




<ejb-name>	In this text box, type the basic name to be used for generating the names of the EJB constituent classes. The rules for generating EJB names are configured in the <a href="#">Java EE Names</a> dialog box.
Package	In this text box, specify a fully qualified path to the package where the bean resides. If necessary, click the Browse button  and select the desired package in the project tree.
EJB Class	In this text box, specify the name of the bean implementation class. If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Class dialog box, where you can search for the desired class by name or select it in the project tree.
Primary Key Class	In this text box, specify the class to be used for accessing the primary key of the <a href="#">data source</a> the entity bean is associated with. If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Primary Key Class dialog box, where you can search for the desired class by name or select it in the project tree.
CMP version	From this drop-down list, select the Container Managed Persistence (CMP) version to be used.
Remote Interface	<p>Select this checkbox if you want to configure a remote client view of the bean.</p> <p> Selecting this checkbox enables the Home and Remote text boxes.</p>
Home	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a remote home interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Home Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.
Remote	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a remote interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Remote Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.
Local Interface	<p>Select this checkbox if you want to configure a local client view of the bean.</p> <p> Selecting this checkbox enables the Local Home and Local text boxes.</p>
Local Home	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a local home interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Local Home Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.
Local	In this text box, specify the implementation class for a local interface . If necessary, click the Browse button  to open the Choose EJB Local Interface dialog box, where you can search for the desired interface by name or select it in the project tree.


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Specify the settings for the new servlet.

**ItemDescription**

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Name	<p>The "root part" of the servlet name.</p> <p>This name (along with its prefix and suffix) will be used either in the <code>&lt;servlet-name&gt;</code> element in <code>web.xml</code> or in the servlet class <code>@WebServlet</code> annotation.</p> <p>You can specify the servlet name prefix and suffix (the <code>&lt;servlet-name&gt;</code> tag Prefix and Suffix fields on the <a href="#">Java EE Names tab</a> of the Editor   Code Style   Java page in the Settings dialog). In that case, the prefix and the suffix are added before and after the specified name automatically.</p>
Package	<p>The name of the package in which the new servlet class should be created.</p> <p>Click . Then select an existing package or click  to create a new package.</p>
Class	<p>The fully qualified name of the servlet class.</p> <p>The default class name is generated using the package name, the class name prefix, the servlet name, and the class name suffix.</p> <p>The class name prefix and suffix are set in the Settings dialog. (The Servlet Class Prefix and Suffix fields on the <a href="#">Java EE Names tab</a> of the Editor   Code Style   Java page.)</p> <p>If you want to specify an existing class, click  and select the class in the dialog that opens.</p>
Create Java EE 6 annotated class	<p>If the checkbox is not selected, the servlet name - class mapping is added to <code>web.xml</code>.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the new servlet class will be <code>@WebServlet</code> -annotated and no changes will be made to <code>web.xml</code>.</p> <p>If there is no <code>web.xml</code> in your project, the checkbox is selected by default, and you cannot deselect it.</p>

This dialog opens when you click  next to the Package field in the [New Servlet dialog](#) .

Select an existing package or click  to create a new package. The new servlet class will be created in the specified package.






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Specify the settings for the new filter.

**ItemDescription**

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Name	<p>The "root part" of the filter name.</p> <p>This name (along with its prefix and suffix) will be used either in the <code>&lt;filter-name&gt;</code> element in <code>web.xml</code> or in the filter class <code>@WebFilter</code> annotation.</p> <p>You can specify the filter name prefix and suffix (the <code>&lt;filter-name&gt;</code> tag Prefix and Suffix fields on the <a href="#">Java EE Names tab</a> of the Editor   Code Style   Java page in the Settings dialog). In that case, the prefix and the suffix are added before and after the specified name automatically.</p>
Package	<p>The name of the package in which the new filter class should be created.</p> <p>Click . Then select an existing package or click  to create a new package.</p>
Class	<p>The fully qualified name of the filter class.</p> <p>The default class name is generated using the package name, the class name prefix, the filter name, and the class name suffix.</p> <p>The class name prefix and suffix are set in the Settings dialog. (The Filter Class Prefix and Suffix fields on the <a href="#">Java EE Names tab</a> of the Editor   Code Style   Java page.)</p> <p>If you want to specify an existing class, click  and select the class in the dialog that opens.</p>
Create Java EE 6 annotated class	<p>If the checkbox is not selected, the filter name - class mapping is added to <code>web.xml</code>.</p> <p>If the checkbox is selected, the new filter class will be <code>@WebFilter</code>-annotated and no changes will be made to <code>web.xml</code>.</p> <p>If there is no <code>web.xml</code> in your project, the checkbox is selected by default, and you cannot deselect it.</p>

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Specify the settings for the new listener.

**ItemDescription**

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Name	The listener name. Used only to generate the default listener class name.
Package	The name of the package in which the new listener class should be created. Click <input type="button" value="..."/> . Then select an existing package or click <input type="button" value="New"/> to create a new package.
Class	The fully qualified name of the listener class. The default class name is generated using the package name, the class name prefix, the listener name, and the class name suffix.  The class name prefix and suffix are set in the Settings dialog. (The Listener Class Prefix and Suffix fields on the <a href="#">Java EE Names tab</a> of the Editor   Code Style   Java page.)  If you want to specify an existing class, click <input type="button" value="..."/> and select the class in the dialog that opens.
Create Java EE 6 annotated class	If the checkbox is not selected, a <code>&lt;listener-class&gt;</code> element for the listener class is added to <code>web.xml</code> . If the checkbox is selected, the new listener class will be <code>@WebListener</code> -annotated and no changes will be made to <code>web.xml</code> .  If there is no <code>web.xml</code> in your project, the checkbox is selected by default, and you cannot deselect it.

This dialog box opens when you click Rename EJB and Classes in the EJB Classes section.

Use the dialog box to rename an entity EJB and/or the classes that implement it.







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**ItemDescription**

<ejb-name>	Type the basic name that will be used to generate the names of the entity EJB constituent classes. The rules for generating EJB names are configured in the <a href="#">Java EE Names</a> settings tab.
Abstract Schema Name	Type the name of the abstract scheme that CMP will use to map to the physical database.
Refactor	Click this button to update the EJB deployment descriptor <code>ejb-jar.xml</code> according to the changes made in the fields above. The Rename Entity Beans Classes dialog box opens where you can specify which of the EJB constituent classes must be renamed.
Preview	Click this button to open the <a href="#">Refactoring Preview</a> window with all the occurrences of the EJB constituent classes.


Use this dialog box to select methods to be included in a transfer object for an entity bean.

**ItemTooltipDescription**

		Use this button to have methods sorted in the ascending or in the descending order.
	Show Classes	If a bean refers to ancestor classes, clicking this button reveals these classes and their members. Otherwise, the button is not available. This functionality depends on the EJB specification.
	Expand All	Click this button to have all nodes expanded.
	Collapse All	Click this button to have all nodes collapsed.
List of members in the entity bean in question		From the list, select the desired methods. Use the  and  keys for multiple selection.
Transfer object class name		In this field, specify a name for a transfer object class that matches a certain pattern. Accept the name suggested by IntelliJ IDEA or change it as required.
Generate getter/setter in <class name> interface		Select these checkboxes to have accessor methods for the selected fields generated. You can accept the suggested names of the accessor methods or change them as required.
Copy JavaDoc		Select this checkbox to have a JavaDoc comment to the generated transfer object included, if any.

In this section:

- [Expose Class As Web Service Dialog](#)
- [Generate WSDL from Java Dialog](#)
- [Generate Java Code from WSDL or WADL Dialog](#)
- [Monitor SOAP Messages Dialog](#)
- [Show Deployed Web Services Dialog](#)

The dialog box is available only through a dedicated intention action. To invoke it, position the cursor at the class name and press **Alt+Enter** or click the yellow bulb icon .

Use the dialog box to configure Web service WSDL generation for an entire class, with all its methods exposed as Web service operations and deployed. The contents of the dialog box depend on the Web service type.

Item	Description	Web Service Type
Service Name	Use this drop-down list to specify the name of the service to be published (e.g. empty text for <code>ROOT</code> context or <code>mycontext</code> for <code>/mycontext</code> ).	Apache Axis
Service Class Name	In this text box, specify the class to expose as a Web service.	All
Service Namespace	In this text box, type the Web service namespace prefix.	Apache Axis
Service Style	Use this drop-down list to specify the style of the WSDL document to be generated. The available options are: - RPC - select this option to have an rpc WSDL generated. This option is selected by default. - Document - select this option to have a Document WSDL generated. - Wrapped - select this option to have a WSDL generated using the wrapped approach. If you select this option, Literal is automatically pre-selected in the Use Items in Bindings drop-down list.	Apache Axis
Use of Items	From this drop-down list, select how the generated WSDL document should be used. The available options are: - Literal - when this option is selected, the representation of the XML for the request is defined by the XML Schema. - Encoded - select this option to have the SOAP encoding specified in the generated WSDL.	Apache Axis
Target Module		All
Status	View the information in this read-only field to track and improve discrepancies.	All

Use the dialog box to configure Web service WSDL generation and select the methods to be exposed as Web service operations and deployed. The contents of the dialog box depend on the Web service type.

Item	Description	Web Service Type
Class to Generate WSDL For	This read-only field shows the name of the class	All
Web Service URL	In this text box, specify the URL address the Web service will be available at.	All
Methods for Operation	<p>In this area, specify which methods of the selected class you want to be deployed as Web service operations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Method to Expose - this column shows a list of all the methods within the selected class.</li> <li>– Add to Deployment - select the checkbox next to the methods you want to be deployed as operations.</li> </ul> <p>If a method cannot be selected, a tooltip explains the reason.</p>	Apache Axis
Web Service Namespace	In this text box, type the Web service namespace prefix	Apache Axis
SOAP Action	<p>From this drop-down list, select the value for the <code>soapAction</code> attribute of the <code>&lt;wsdl:soap:operation /&gt;</code> field. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Default - when this option is selected, the <code>soapAction</code> is set according to the operation's meta data (usually to "").</li> <li>– Operation - when this option is selected, the <code>soapAction</code> is set to the operation's name.</li> <li>– None - when this option is selected, the <code>soapAction</code> is set to "".</li> </ul>	Apache Axis
Binding Style	<p>Use this drop-down list to specify the style of the WSDL document to be generated. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– RPC - select this option to have an rpc WSDL generated. This option is selected by default.</li> <li>– Document - select this option to have a Document WSDL generated.</li> <li>– Wrapped - select this option to have a WSDL generated using the wrapped approach. If you select this option, Literal is automatically pre-selected in the Use Items in Bindings drop-down list.</li> </ul>	Apache Axis
Use Items in Bindings	<p>From this drop-down list, select how the generated WSDL document should be used. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Literal - when this option is selected, the representation of the XML for the request is defined by the XML Schema.</li> <li>– Encoded - select this option to have the SOAP encoding specified in the generated WSDL.</li> </ul>	Apache Axis
Type Mapping Version	<p>Use this drop-down list to specify the default <a href="#">type mapping</a> registry for mapping the Java class to an XML qualified name, using a specified Serializer. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 1.1 indicates SOAP 1.1 JAX-RPC compliant.</li> <li>– 1.2 indicates SOAP 1.1 encoded.</li> </ul>	Apache Axis
Status	This read-only field shows whether the specified URL address is correct.	All

The dialog box opens after you create a Java module and [enable Web services client development](#) in it. To access the dialog box at any time during the development, select the desired client module in the Project view and choose WebServices | Generate Java Code from Wsdl or Wadl on the context menu.

Use the dialog box to have the client-side XML-Java bindings generated based on the desired WSDL descriptor of the target Web service.

Technically, IntelliJ IDEA generates Java code from WSDL using third party libraries that are controlled through a command line. This command line is assembled of the data you enter in the fields of this dialog box.

Item	Description	Web Service Client Type
Web service wsdl url	Use this drop-down list to specify the location of the target Web service WSDL descriptor.	All
User Name and Password	In these text boxes, type the credentials for accessing the WSDL URL address. The fields are mandatory if the WSDL location requires authentication.	JAX-WS
Output Path	Use this drop-down list to specify the module source directory to place the generated files in.	All
Package Prefix	Use this drop-down list to specify the package for the compiled Java classes.	All
Output Mode	Use this drop-down list to specify whether you want to generate Java code only for the client side or for the server side as well.	Apache Axis
Type Mapping Version	Use this drop-down list to specify the default <a href="#">type mapping</a> registry for mapping an XML qualified name to a Java class, using a specified Deserializer. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1.1</li> <li>- 1.2</li> </ul>	Apache Axis
Allow Extensions	Select this checkbox to have Java code generated for the <a href="#">extension points</a> contained in the WSDL file.	All
Generate TestCase	Select this checkbox to have an additional JUnit test case class generated for testing purposes.	Apache Axis
Generate Classes for Schema Arrays	Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Select this checkbox to have classes generated for schema arrays.</li> <li>- Clear the checkbox to have Java arrays used.</li> </ul>	Apache Axis
Generate Unreferenced Elements	Select this checkbox to have Java code generated for unreferenced (declared in the schema but not used) elements as well.	Apache Axis
Support Wrapped Document/Literal Style	Use this checkbox to configure processing of "wrapped" document/literal, which is a document literal variation, that wraps parameters as children of the root element. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- When this checkbox is cleared, no special treatment is applied to "wrapped" document/literal style operations.</li> <li>- When the checkbox is selected, a set of conditions is considered to decide whether top level elements are "unwrapped" and each component of the element should be treated as an argument of the operation. The following conditions are considered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- An input message consists of single part.</li> <li>- This single part is an element.</li> <li>- The element has the same name as the operation.</li> <li>- The element's complex type has no attributes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>By default, the checkbox is selected.</p>	Apache Axis
Status	View the information in this read-only field to track and improve discrepancies when configuring the code generation procedure.	All



Use this dialog box to monitor SOAP messages testing the client side of an Apache Axis Web service.

**ItemDescription**

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Web context name	Use this drop-down list to specify the context name of the server that is used for running the Web module on your local Tomcat session.
Port Name	Use this drop-down list to specify the port of the SOAP TCP monitor servlet, which is retrieved from <code>web.xml</code> descriptor settings.

Use this dialog box to have a list of all Web services deployed at the current server host displayed.

**ItemDescription**

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Context name	In this text box, type the <a href="#">application context</a> under which you want to see the deployed Web services.
Status	This read-only field shows information on the status of the target server and hints in the format of the data specified in the Context name text box.

In this section:

- [Generate Java from Xml Schema using JAXB Dialog](#)
- [Generate XML Schema From Java Using JAXB Dialog](#)
- [Generate Java Code from XML Schema using XmlBeans Dialog](#)
- [Generate Instance Document from Schema Dialog](#)
- [Generate Schema from Instance Document Dialog](#)


Use this dialog box to configure generation of Java code stubs based on an XML Schema via the [JAXB](#) data binder.

- This functionality is provided via the WebServices bundled plugin, which is enabled by default. If not, enable it as described in the section [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
- The menu item and the dialog box are available when the file opened in the active editor tab contains an XML Schema.

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**ItemDescription**

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JAXB Schemas / wsdl / dtd path	In this field, specify the file to be used as the generation basis. By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. To use another Schema, click the Browse button  and choose the desired file in the Select XML Schema File for JAXB Generation dialog box, that opens.
Output path	From this drop-down list, select the module source directory to place the generated Java code stubs in.
Package prefix	Use this drop-down list to specify the package to place the generated Java files in.
Generate package level annotations	Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Select this checkbox to have a <code>package-info.java</code> with annotations generated.</li><li>– Clear this checkbox to have annotations internalized into other generated classes.</li></ul>
Mark generated code with 'generated' annotation	Select this checkbox to have generated code supplied with the <code>javax.annotation.Generated</code> annotations.
Make generated file read-only	Select this checkbox to force the XJC binding compiler to mark the generated Java source code as read-only.
Add necessary libraries in order for generated code compile and work	Select this checkbox to have additional JAXB client libraries automatically added to the classpath of the module where the generated source code will be placed. These are libraries the generated stubs code depend on.
Do not generate header	Select this checkbox to pass <code>no-header</code> parameter to the corresponding command.
Add external binding file/dir	Select this checkbox to specify an external binding file or an output directory where the generated file is located.
Status	View the information in this read-only field to track and improve discrepancies when configuring the generation procedure.

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Use this dialog box to configure XML Schema generation based on the existing Java code.

**Note** This functionality is provided via the WebServices bundled plugin, which is enabled by default. If not, enable it as described in the section [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).

2. The menu item and the dialog box are available when a Java class is opened in the active editor tab.

#### ItemDescription

Class Name	This read-only field shows the name of the class to base the XML Schema generation on.
Include parameter and return type of the following methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– When the checkbox is cleared, the parameter and return type of all the class methods will be reflected in the generated Schema.</li><li>– Select this checkbox to have a list of the class methods displayed and specify the methods to be involved in Schema generation.</li></ul> <p>Selecting this checkbox enables the Parameter / return type of the following method and the Add to JAXB generation controls.</p>
Parameter / return type of the following method	This read-only field shows a list of all the methods of the current class.
Add to JAXB generation	Select this check to have the parameter/return type of the corresponding method involved in Schema generation.
Status	View the information in this read-only field to track and improve discrepancies when configuring the Schema generation procedure.



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Use this dialog box to configure generation of Java code stubs based on an XML Schema via the [XmlBeans](#) data binder.

## Getting access to the dialog box

1. This functionality is provided via the WebServices bundled plugin, which is enabled by default. If not, enable it as described in the section [Enabling and Disabling Plugins](#).
2. The menu item and the dialog box are available when the file opened in the active editor tab contains an XML Schema.

### ItemDescription

Schema path	In this field, specify the file to be used as the generation basis. By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. To use another Schema, click the Browse button  and choose the desired file in the Select XML Schema / Wsdl File for generation dialog box, that opens.
Output path	Use this field to specify the name of the <code>.jar</code> to place the generated and compiled Java code in. By default, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create a new <code>types.jar</code> . To overwrite an existing <code>.jar</code> , click the Browse button  and choose the desired <code>.jar</code> in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Add necessary libraries in order for generated code compile and work	Select this checkbox to have additional XmlBeans libraries automatically added to the classpath of the module where the generated source code will be placed. These are libraries the generated stubs depend on.
Status	View the information in this read-only field to track and improve discrepancies when configuring the generation procedure.



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In this dialog box, specify the options for generating an XML file based on the XSD (XML Schema Definition) [Schema](#) that describes its structure.

The menu item and the dialog box are available when the file opened in the active editor tab contains an XML Schema.

#### ItemDescription

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Schema path	<p>In this field, specify the location of the <code>.xsd</code> Schema file to be used as the basis for XML document generation.</p> <p>By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. To use another Schema, click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
Instance document name	<p>In this text box, specify the name of the output XML file to be generated. By default, the generated XML file will inherit the name of the source Schema and will have the <code>.xml</code> extension. If you type another name for the document to be generated, make sure the extension is correct.</p> <p>The default location for the generated document is the directory where the source <code>.xsd</code> Schema file resides. To specify another location, click the Browse button  and select the desired path in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
Element name	<p>In this drop-down list, specify the local name of the global element to be used as the root of the generated document.</p>
Enable restriction check	<p>Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA take restriction particles into consideration (if the specified Schema uses any).</p>
Enable unique check	<p>Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA take uniqueness particles into consideration (if the specified Schema uses any).</p>
Status	<p>View the information in this read-only field to track and improve discrepancies when configuring the generation procedure.</p>

In this dialog box, specify the options for generating an XSD (XML Schema Definition) [Schema](#) that describes the structure of the desired XML file.

The menu item and the dialog box are available when an XML document is opened in the active editor tab.



#### ItemDescription

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Instance document path	<p>In this text box, specify the full path to the XML document to be used as the basis for Schema generation.</p> <p>By default, the field shows the full path to the current file. To use another XML document, click the Browse button  and select the desired file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
Result Schema file name	<p>In this text box, specify the name of the output file for the Schema to be generated. By default, the generated XSD Schema file will inherit the name of the instance document used and will have the <code>.xsd</code> extension. If you type another name for the Schema to be generated, make sure the extension is correct.</p> <p>The default location for the generated Schema is the directory where the source XML instance document resides. To specify another location, click the Browse button  and select the desired path in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .</p>
Design type	<p>Use this drop-down to specify how to declare elements and complex types. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Local elements / global complex types</li><li>- Local elements / types</li><li>- Global elements / local types</li></ul>
Detect simple content types	<p>From this drop-down list, choose the type to render leaf text, which should be distinguished from the text used. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- String</li><li>- Smart</li></ul>
Detect enumeration limit	<p>In this text box, type the number of occurrences to cause the Schema enumeration appearance. To suppress Schema enumeration, specify 0.</p>

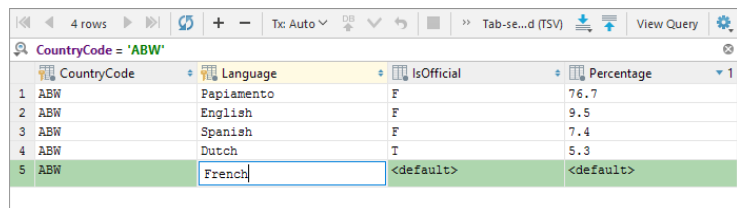


From the [Database tool window](#) (for any table within a DB data source):

-  on the toolbar (if the toolbar is not currently hidden)
- Open Editor from the context menu
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## Overview

The data editor provides a GUI for working with table data. It lets you sort, filter, add, edit and remove the data as well as perform other, associated tasks.



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## Toolbar controls, context menu commands for data cells and keyboard shortcuts

Most of the available functions are accessed by means of controls on the toolbar, context menu commands for the data cells, and associated keyboard shortcuts.

### ItemShortcutDescription



These icons and corresponding commands are for switching between the result set pages, i.e. the pages that show the table data. A fixed number of rows shown simultaneously is referred to as a [result set page](#). If this number is less than the number of rows in the table, only a subset of all the rows is shown at a time.

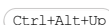
In such cases, you can use  to switch between the subsets. (If all the rows are currently shown, these icons and the corresponding commands are inactive.)

The result set page size is set on the [Database page](#) of the Settings dialog.

 First Page

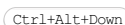
Use this icon or command to switch to the first of the [result set pages](#) to see the first series of rows.

 Previous Page



Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the previous [result set page](#) to see the previous series of rows.

 Next Page



Use this icon, command or shortcut to switch to the next [result set page](#) to see the next series of rows.

 Last Page

Use this icon or command to switch to the last of the [result set pages](#) to see the last series of rows.

 Reload Page





Use this icon, command or shortcut to refresh the current table view. Use this function to:

- Synchronize the data shown with the actual contents of the database.
- Apply the [Result set page size](#) setting after its change.

 Add New Row





Use this icon, command or shortcut to add a new row to the table. Complete entering a value into a cell by pressing . To save the new row, select [Submit New Row](#) from the context menu or press .

See also, [Adding a row](#).

 Delete Rows



Use this icon, command or shortcut to delete the selected row or rows. Rows are selected by clicking the cells in the column where the row numbers are shown. To select more than one row, use mouse clicks in combination with the  key.

 Tx and Tx Isolation

Select the [isolation level](#) for database transactions and the way the transactions are committed.

- Auto. The current transaction is committed automatically when you submit your local changes to the database server.
- Manual. The changes submitted to the database server are accumulated in a transaction that can either be committed or rolled back.

 Submit




Submit local changes to the database server. See [Submitting and reverting changes](#).

 Commit

Commit the current transaction. See also, [Tx](#).

 Rollback

Roll back the current transaction. See also, [Tx](#).

 Cancel Query



Use this icon or shortcut to terminate execution of the current query.

 Compare With


Use this icon to compare the current table with another table. The tables open in the data editors and ones shown in the Database Console tool window are suggested for comparison.

Tab-se...d (TSV) Data  
Extractor:  
<current\_format>

Use this button or command to open a menu in which you can select an output format for your data.

In addition to output formats, there are also the following options and commands:


- Allow Transposition. For delimiter-separated values formats (TSV, CSV): If the table is shown transposed and you are copying selected cells or rows to the clipboard (e.g. **Ctrl+C**), the selection is copied transposed (as shown) if the option is on and non-transposed (as in the original table) otherwise.
- Skip Generated Columns (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or saving data (**Copy**, **Dump Data | To File**, **Dump Data | To Clipboard**), don't include auto-increment fields.
- Add Table Definition (SQL). For SQL INSERTs and UPDATES: When copying or saving data, add the table definition (CREATE TABLE).
- Configure CSV Formats. Open the [CSV Formats dialog](#) that lets you manage your delimiter-separated values formats (e.g. CSV, TSV).
- Go to Scripts Directory. Switch to the directory where the scripts that convert table data into various output formats are stored.

 **Dump Data | To Clipboard**

Use this command to copy the table data onto the clipboard.

 **Dump Data | To File**

Use this command to save the table data in a file. In the dialog that opens, specify the location and name of the file.

 **Export to Database**

Export the data to another table, schema or database. Select the target schema (a new table will be created) or table (the data will be added to the selected table). In the dialog that opens, specify the data mapping info and the settings for the target table.

**View Query**

Use this button to view the query which was used to generate the current table view. To close the pane where the query is shown, press **Escape**.



This icon provides access to the following commands:


- Transpose. Turn the transposed table view on or off. (In the transposed view, the rows and columns are interchanged. So, the rows are shown as columns and vice versa.)
- Reset View. Restore the initial table view after reordering or hiding the columns, or sorting the data.
- Sort via ORDER BY. Turn the corresponding option on or off.  
If the Sort via ORDER BY option is on, all the [sorting operations](#) that you perform are reflected in the corresponding **SELECT** statement (an **ORDER BY** clause is added or modified) which is executed immediately. As a result, the data for the whole table is sorted by the corresponding database system.

Don't turn this option on if you want to keep interactions with the database to a minimum (e.g. when the table is very big or the database connection is "slow").

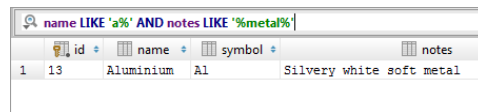
If this option is off, the data is sorted "locally" by IntelliJ IDEA and only for the rows currently shown.


- Row Filter. Show or hide the [filter box](#).
- Settings. Open the [Database page](#) of the Settings dialog to view or edit the settings for your database, Hibernate and JPA consoles, data editors and the Database tool window.


 <Filter criteria>

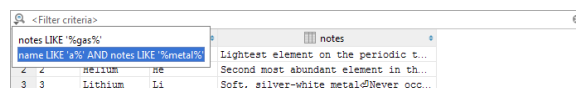
Specify filtering conditions for the table. (If the filter box is not currently shown, click  on the toolbar and select Row Filter.)

The filtering conditions are specified as in a **WHERE** clause but without the word **WHERE**, e.g. `name LIKE 'a%' AND notes LIKE '%metal%'`. Within the **LIKE** expressions, the SQL wildcards can be used: the percent sign (**%**) for zero or more characters and underscore (**\_**) for a single character.



To apply the conditions currently specified in the box, press **Enter**. To cancel filtering, click , or delete the contents of the filter box and press **Enter**.

To reapply a memorized filter, click  and select the filter in the list. See also, [Filter history size](#).



**Edit**

**F2**

Use this command or shortcut to start editing a value in the selected cell or cells. (Alternatively, you can double-click the cell or simply start typing.)

To open the value completion suggestion list, press **Ctrl+Space**. To enter the modified value, press **Enter**. To cancel editing, press **Escape**.

See also, [Modifying cell contents](#) and [Modifying values in a number of cells at once](#).

















**Edit Maximized**

**F2**

Maximize the selected cell and start editing a value in it.


When working in a maximized cell, use **Enter** to start a new line and **Ctrl+Enter** to enter the value. To restore an initial value and quit the editing mode, press **Escape**.


See also, [Modifying cell contents](#) .


Set DEFAULT		If appropriate: Set the default value or values.
Set NULL		If appropriate: Replace the value or values with <code>null</code> .
Load File		If appropriate: Load a file into the field.
Revert		Revert the changes within the selection. See <a href="#">Submitting and reverting changes</a> .
Clone Row		Use this command or shortcut to create a copy of the selected row.
Quick Documentation		Use this command or shortcut to open the quick documentation view. To close the view, press  . For more information, see <a href="#">Using the quick documentation view</a> .
Transpose		Turn the transposed table view on or off. Alternatively, use    Transpose .
Go To   Row		Use this command or shortcut to switch to a specified row. In the dialog that opens, specify the row number to go to.
Go To   Related Data		Use this command or shortcut to switch to a related record. The command options are a combination of those for <a href="#">Go To   Referenced Data</a> and <a href="#">Go To   Referencing Data</a> . The command is not available if there are no related records.
Go To   Referenced Data		Use this command or shortcut to switch to a record that the current record references. If more than one record is referenced, select the target record in the pop-up that appears. The command is not available if there are no referenced records.
Go To   Referencing Data		Use this command or shortcut to see the records that reference the current record. In the pop-up that appears there are two categories for the target records: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– First Referencing Row. All the rows in the corresponding table will be shown and the first of the rows that references the current row will be selected.</li><li>– All Referencing Rows. Only the rows that reference the current row will be shown.</li></ul> The command is not available if there are no records that reference the current one.
Filter by		Use this command to access quick filtering options. The options include those for the current column name and depend on the value in the current cell.
Copy		Copy the selection onto the clipboard. See also, <a href="#">Copying and pasting data: data types are converted if necessary</a> .
Paste		Paste the contents of the clipboard into the table. See also, <a href="#">Copying and pasting data: data types are converted if necessary</a> .
Save LOB		Use this command to save the large object (LOB ) currently selected in the table in a file.
	 ,  , 	See <a href="#">Selecting cells and ranges: using unobvious techniques</a> .


## Sorting data

You can sort table data by any of the columns by clicking the cells in the header row.




Each cell in this row has a sorting marker in the right-hand part and, initially, a cell may look something like this:  . The sorting marker in this case indicates that the data is not sorted by this column.

If you click the cell once, the data is sorted by the corresponding column in the ascending order. This is indicated by the sorting marker appearance:  . The number to the right of the marker (1 on the picture) is the sorting level. (You can sort by more than one column. In such cases, different columns will have different sorting levels.)

When you click the cell for the second time, the data is sorted in the descending order. Here is how the sorting marker indicates this order:  .


Finally, when you click the cell for the third time, the initial state is restored. That is, sorting by the corresponding column is canceled:  .

Here is an example of a table where data are sorted by two of its columns.

			
1	3	Dylan	brother
2	6	Jack	brother
3	1	Harry	father
4	2	Chloe	mother
5	5	Alice	sister
6	4	Emily	sister

To restore the initial "unsorted" state for the table, click  and select Reset View . See also, [Sort via ORDER BY](#) .

## Reordering columns

To reorder columns, use drag-and-drop for the corresponding cells in the header row. To restore the initial order of columns, click  and select Reset View .

	member_id	relation	name
1	5	sister	Alice
2	1	mother	Chloe
3	3	brother	Dylan
4	4	sister	Emily
5	2	father	Harry

## Hiding and showing columns

To hide a column, right-click the corresponding header cell and select Hide column .

To show a hidden column:

1. Do one of the following:

- Right-click any of the cells in the header row and select Column List .
- Press `Ctrl+F12` .

In the list that appears, the names of hidden columns are shown struck through.

	member_id	relation	name
1	5	<del>test.family</del>	Alice
2	1	<del>Chloe</del>	Chloe
3	3	<del>member_id int(11)</del>	Dylan
4	4	<del>name varchar(50) *1</del>	Emily
5	2	<del>relation varchar(50)</del>	Harry
6	6		Jack

2. Select (highlight) the column name of interest and press `Space` .
3. Press `Enter` or `Escape` to close the list.

To show all the columns, click  and select Reset View .

See also, [Using the Structure view to sort data, and hide and show columns](#) .

In this part:

- [Android Layout Preview Tool Window](#)
- [Choose Device Dialog](#)
- [Asset Studio](#)
- [Create Android Virtual Device Dialog](#)
- [Create Layout Dialog](#)
- [Designer Tool Window](#)
- [Generate Signed APK Wizard](#)
- [Inline Android Style Dialog](#)
- [New Android Component Dialog](#)
- [New Resource Directory Dialog](#)
- [New Resource File Dialog](#)

The tool window appears when you open a layout definition file for editing in the [manual mode](#) . It allows you to adjust the appearance of the layout preview and to emulate different configurations. This helps you adjust your application to different Android platforms, devices, orientations, dock modes, locales, etc.









In this section:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Controls](#)

## Toolbar

Use the controls in this area to adjust the appearance of the layout preview.


### ItemTooltipDescription

	Zoom to Fit	Toggle this button to have IntelliJ IDEA compress or expand the preview so it fits the <a href="#">target screen size</a> .
	Reset Zoom to 100%	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA reset the zoom to preview the actual size.
	Zoom In	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA expand the preview.
	Zoom Out	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA compress the preview.
	Jump to Source	Click this button to switch to the Text tab where you can edit the application layout in the source <code>.xml</code> file.
	Refresh	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA update the preview so that it reflects on-the-fly changes to the current layout definition.
	Save Screenshot	Click this button to take a screenshot of the application preview. <b>Note</b> This button is only available from the Text tab of the layout preview window.
	Options	Click this button to configure the appearance and behavior of the tool window. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hide for non-layout files: select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA temporarily close the tool window when the focus in the editor switches to a non-layout file. As soon as the same or another layout definition file is in focus, the tool window re-appears automatically.</li> <li>– Include Device Frames (if available): select this option to make the preview look like it is going to appear on the actual device.</li> <li>– Show Lighting Effect: select this option to display lighting effects to make the preview look more natural.</li> </ul> <b>Note</b> This option is only available if the Include Device Frames option is selected.







## Controls

Use the controls in this area to preview your layout in different configurations.

### ItemTooltipDescription

	Configuration to render this layout in the IDE	From this drop-down list, select a layout configuration that you want to preview and edit, create a new layout configuration, or select different preview options. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Create Landscape Variation : select this option to create a landscape version of your layout. The corresponding layout definition file will be generated in the <code>res/layout-land</code> folder. Once this variation is created, this menu option will be replaced with the Switch to layout-land option that opens the <code>layout-land&lt;layout_file_name&gt;.xml</code> file for editing.</li> <li>– Create layout-xlarge Variation : select this option to create a variation of your layout for an extra large screen size (at least 960x720 dp). The corresponding layout definition file will be generated in the <code>res/layout-xlarge</code> folder. Once this variation is created, this menu option will be replaced with the Switch to layout-xlarge option that opens the <code>layout-xlarge&lt;layout_file_name&gt;.xml</code> file for editing.</li> <li>– Switch to layout : this option is only available if you have created multiple layout versions. Select it to return to the original layout definition file.</li> <li>– Create Other : select this option to create another variation of your layout. In the Select Layout Directory dialog that opens, specify the folder where the layout definition will be stored and select <a href="#">resource qualifiers</a> that determine a specific device configuration. Select the relevant qualifier and click <code>»</code> . Then specify the value of the qualifier in the dialog box that opens. The qualifier is added to the Chosen qualifiers list.</li> <li>– Preview Representative Sample select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout on the most important screen sizes.</li> <li>– Preview All Screen Sizes : select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout on all available screen sizes.</li> <li>– Preview All Locales : select this option to preview the layout in all locales where your application is going to be used.</li> <li>– Preview Right-to-Left Layout : select this option to preview the layout in both directions (left-to-right and right-to-left) side by side.</li> <li>– Preview Android Versions : select this option to preview the layout on all installed Android API versions.</li> <li>– Preview Included : select this option to preview your layout nested in another layout. This option is only available if the current layout is included into another layout.</li> <li>– Preview Layout Versions : select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout in all available variations.</li> </ul>
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- None : select this option to return to the default view.
- Toggle Layout Mode : select this option to switch between different preview options.

 Nexus 4+	The virtual device to render the layout with	From this drop-down list, select a virtual or a physical device to preview what your application will look like on this device. To add a new virtual device, select Add Device Definition and configure an emulator in the <b>Android Virtual Device (AVD) Manager</b> that opens (for instructions refer to <a href="#">Managing Virtual Devices</a> ).
	Go to next state	From this drop-down list, select the preview orientation ( <b>portrait</b> or <b>landscape</b> ), the UI mode ( <b>Normal</b> , <b>Car Dock</b> , <b>Desk Dock</b> , <b>Television</b> , <b>Appliance</b> ) and switch between the <b>Night</b> (dimmed screen) and <b>Not Night</b> (standard brightness) modes. For details on UI modes refer to <a href="#">UIModeManager</a> .
 Holo	Theme	Click this button to select a theme from the Select Theme dialog.
	N/A	Click this button to associate the layout with an activity. Select Associate with <activity_name> to associate it with the current activity, or Associate with Other Activity to display a list of available activities to select from.
	Locale to render layout with in the IDE	From this drop-down list, select an existing locale or add a locale for your application. A locale is a combination of the target country and language to have the dates and some other data presented in accordance with the local rules and preferences. You can also preview the layout in all available locales and in both directions (left-to-right and right-to-left).
	Android version to use when rendering layouts in the IDE	From this drop-down list, select an API version or use the Automatically Pick Best option to render the layout using the most suitable Android version. You can also preview the layout on all installed Android API versions.

Run | Run

Run | Debug

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This dialog box opens when you start a run or a debug session with the manual selection of the target device specified in the run/debug configuration (i.e. the Show chooser dialog option is selected in the [Run/Debug Configuration: Android Application](#) dialog). It shows the list of all currently running devices, both physical and virtual.

Use this dialog box to appoint a running device, or to launch a virtual device.

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**ItemDescription**

Choose a running device	Select this option to choose a running device from the list below. The following information is provided on each device: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Device : the device name.</li><li>- Serial Number : the device serial number assigned to it by the manufacturer.</li><li>- State : the device current state ( <b>Online</b> or <b>Offline</b> ).</li><li>- Compatible : shows whether the device is compatible with the application settings.</li></ul>
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Launch emulator	Select this option to launch a virtual Android device. To create a new device, click the Browse button to launch the Android Virtual Device Manager.
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Use same device for future launches	Select this checkbox to use the selected device for the future run and debug sessions.
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To access the Asset Studio wizard, in the [Project Tool Window](#) , right-click the `res` folder and select New | Image Asset from the popup menu.

The Asset Studio wizard is a convenient tool that allows you to create icons for your Android applications. It creates multiple icons for different screen resolutions and lets you see a live preview in the process of creating. You can create icons using your own images, clipart images, or text, configure the background shape, the colors, the fonts, etc.


– [Asset Studio. Page 1](#)

– [Asset Studio. Page 2](#)

Use this page to select the image source, adjust the original image to the icon size and aspect ratio, modify shapes and colors, etc.

#### ItemDescription

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Asset Type	Select the type of icon you want to create from the drop-down list. The available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Launcher Icons</li><li>- Action Bar and Tab Icons</li><li>- Notification Icons</li></ul>
Foreground	Select one of the following sources for your icon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Image</li><li>- Clipart</li><li>- Text</li></ul>
Image file	This field is only available if Image is selected as the icon source. Specify the path to the image file, or click the Browse button  and select the image file in the dialog that opens.
Clipart	This control is only available if Clipart is selected as the icon source. Click the Choose button to select the foreground image from the clipart collection.
Text	This control is only available if Text is selected as the icon source. Enter the text and select the font from the Font drop-down list.
Trim surrounding blank space	Select this option if you want to contract the blank space around your image and adjust the foreground to the icon size.
Additional padding	Drag the slider if you want to increase/decrease the amount of blank space around the foreground image.
Foreground scaling	This control is only available if Launcher Icons is selected as the asset type. The image that serves as the source for your icon may not have the same aspect ratio as the icon itself. You can adjust it by selecting one of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Crop : the foreground image will be cropped so that it takes the full space of the parent element.</li><li>- Center : the foreground image will remain unchanged and will be placed in the middle of the parent element.</li></ul>
Shape	These controls are only available if Launcher Icons is selected as the asset type. Use these controls to add a shaped frame to your icon. The following options are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- None</li><li>- Square</li><li>- Circle</li></ul>
Background color	This control is only available if Launcher Icons is selected as the asset type. Click the color block to open the Select Color dialog where you can choose the color that will fill the background if you have selected Square or Circle above as the icon shape.
Foreground color	This control is only available if Launcher Icons is selected as the asset type, and Clipart or Text is selected as the icon source. Click the color block to open the Select Color dialog where you can choose the color for the foreground image.
Theme	This control is only available if Action Bar and Tab Icons is selected as the asset type. Select a theme for your icon from the drop-down list.
Resource name	Enter the name for the new drawable resource.

Use this page to specify the target module for the new drawable resource.

**ItemDescription**

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Res Directory      This field shows the path to your resource directory.

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Output Directories      This pane shows the target folders for the new drawable resource in different output formats.

This dialog box opens when you first launch a Run/Debug session for an Android module, Emulator is selected as the target device on module creation, and you have no Android Virtual Devices configured.

Use this dialog box to create new emulators.

**ItemDescription**

Name	In this text box, type the name of the new emulator.
Target	From this drop-down list, select the Android platform to have the application built against.
Skin	From this drop-down list, choose a <a href="#">skin</a> to use for controlling screen dimensions (optional).
Abi Type	From this drop-down list, select the Application Binary Interface (ABI) type.
SDCard	If you want to simulate the presence of an SD card in the virtual device, you can create an SD card image by generating a dedicated file and specifying the virtual SD card size (optional).

The dialog box opens when you create a component of the **activity** or **fragment** type, and select the Create layout file checkbox.

In this dialog box, specify the layout name, its root element, and the set of qualifiers to be included in this layout.

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#### ItemDescription

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File name	In this text box, specify the name of the layout definition file associated with the new component. Only lowercase letters and numbers are supported.
Root element	In this text box, specify the root element of the layout. Press <code>Ctrl+Space</code> to get a list of available values. The value must be of the <a href="#">View</a> or <a href="#">ViewGroup</a> type, learn more at <a href="http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/resources/layout-resource.html">http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/resources/layout-resource.html</a> .
Directory name	<p>In this text box, specify the folder where the layout definition will be stored relative to the <code>res</code> folder.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– If your application does not need to be compatible with various Android devices and, therefore, no <a href="#">multiple screens</a> support is required, accept the default <code>layout</code> subfolder.</li><li>– To provide <a href="#">alternative resources</a>, specify the <a href="#">resource qualifiers</a> that determine a specific device configuration. Move the relevant qualifiers from the Available qualifiers list to the Chosen qualifiers list and specify their values. IntelliJ IDEA appends all the selected qualifiers to the Directory name field with a dash character as separator.</li></ul> <p>For details, see <a href="#">Creating Resources</a>.</p>
Available qualifiers	From this list, select the <a href="#">resource qualifiers</a> that determine a specific device configuration. Select the relevant qualifier and click <code>»</code> . Then specify the value of the qualifier in the dialog box that opens. The qualifier is added to the Chosen qualifiers list.

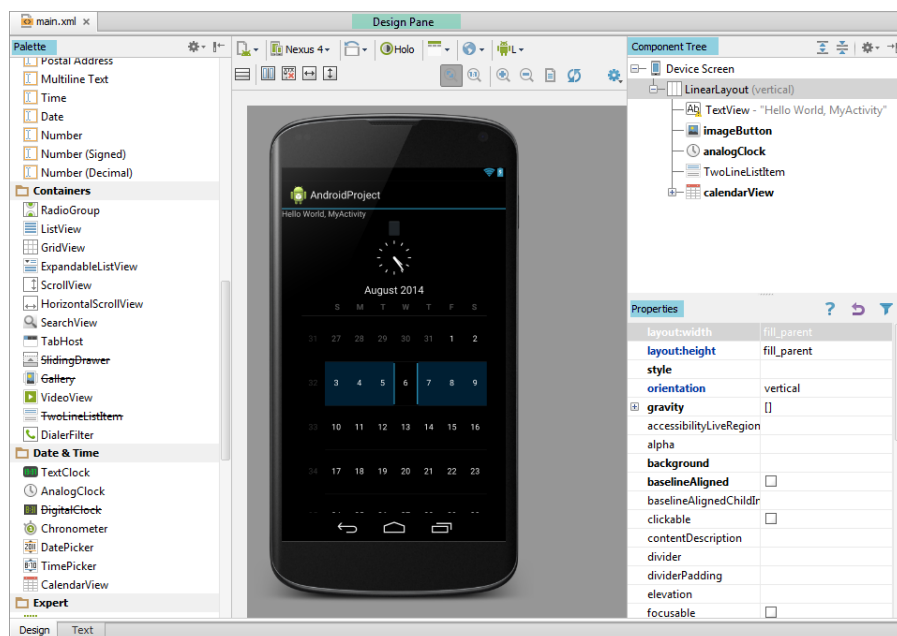
Use this dedicated tool window to build the design of your application without editing the layout definition files manually, and check how the application design is rendered in various target environments without running the application on any physical or virtual devices.

**Note** Alternatively, edit the layout definition files manually, possibly using the Android-specific refactoring provided by IntelliJ IDEA and [preview the changes](#) that are immediately reflected in the dedicated [Preview](#) tool window, where you can adjust the layout to various platforms and devices. To switch to the manual mode, click the Text tab or choose Go To Declaration from the [context menu](#) in the Design pane or in the Component Tree.

A **layout** defines the user interface of an **activity** or an **app widget** (fragment). Layouts are declared in XML **resource definition files**. See [Creating Resources](#) for instructions on how to create resource folders and resource definition files.

The Android UI designer consists of the following panes:

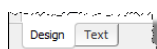
- [Design Pane](#)
- [Component Tree](#)
- [Properties](#)
- [Palette](#)



## Design Pane

The Design pane is located in the central part of the UI Designer (assuming the default tool window layout). When you open a layout definition file for editing, the pane appears in the editor tab by default. If you are editing the layout definition file manually and then switch to the visual mode by clicking the Design tab, the pane opens in the tab where the edited layout definition file is opened,

To toggle between the manual and visual editing modes, use the Text and Design tabs in the bottom of the pane/editor:



The pane shows a rectangular canvas that is synchronized with the current layout definition file and with the Component Tree view, so any changes to the canvas are reflected there accordingly.

To add a component to the canvas, do one of the following:

- Select the required element in the Palette pane and drag and drop it to the canvas in the Design pane.
- Click the required element in the Palette pane and then click an area on the canvas.

Every component added in either way is also added to the Component Tree and is declared in the layout definition file.

You can also specify the most essential properties for a component right in the canvas, without switching to the Properties pane. To do that, select the component in question, double click the selected area, and fill in the fields in the pop-up dialog box that opens.

The canvas has a [context menu](#) that provides access to the clipboard, layout actions, refactoring, and more.

You can view what the built layout will look like on various devices: [configure the target environment emulation](#) using the controls on the [Controls](#).






For details on different configuration options available from the Design pane, refer to the following sections:

- [Context Menu](#)
- [Toolbar](#)
- [Controls](#)

## Context Menu

The context menu is available from any area in the Design pane, both inside the canvas and outside it. All actions are synchronized with the Component Tree and the XML definition files, so all changes are immediately reflected in them. The same actions are also available from the context menu of the Component Tree pane.









### ItemShortcutDescription

Cut		Choose this option to cut the selected component.
Copy		Choose this option to copy the selected component to the clipboard.
Paste		Choose this option to insert the component from the clipboard inside the selected parent component in the canvas. <b>Note</b> This action is available only when a parent component is selected.
Delete		Choose this option to remove the selected component from the canvas and from the layout.
Select	N/A	Choose this option to select one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Select Parent : choose this option to select the parent component of the selected component.</li><li>– Select Siblings : choose this option to select the components located on the same level as the selected component.</li><li>– Select Same Type : choose this option to select the components of the same type as the selected component.</li><li>– Select All : choose this option to select all components on the canvas.</li><li>– Deselect All : choose this option to deselect all selected components.</li></ul>
Morphing	N/A	Choose this option to convert the selected component into a component of another type preserving the properties that are common for both types. When you choose this option, IntelliJ IDEA shows a list of compatible component types, that is, the types into which the selected component can be converted.
Save Screenshot	N/A	Choose this option to take a screenshot of the current layout.
Refactor	N/A	Choose this option to apply one of the available <a href="#">refactorings</a> to the current XML layout definition file. The XML code will be optimized while the layout itself will not be affected. The list of available refactorings depends on the type of the selected component.
Go To Declaration		Choose this option to navigate to the definition of the selected component in the XML layout definition file. <b>Note</b> Choosing this option automatically brings you to the <b>manual</b> layout editing mode. To return to the <b>design</b> mode, switch to the Design tab in the bottom of the editor.

## Toolbar

Use the controls in this area to adjust the appearance of the layout preview.








### ItemTooltipDescription

	Zoom to Fit	Toggle this button to have IntelliJ IDEA compress or expand the preview so it fits the <a href="#">target screen size</a> .
	Reset Zoom to 100%	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA reset the zoom to preview the actual size.
	Zoom In	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA expand the preview.
	Zoom Out	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA compress the preview.
	Jump to Source	Click this button to switch to the Text tab where you can edit the application layout in the source <code>.xml</code> file.
	Refresh	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA update the preview so that it reflects on-the-fly changes to the current layout definition.
	Save Screenshot	Click this button to take a screenshot of the application preview. <b>Note</b> This button is only available from the Text tab of the layout preview window.
	Options	Click this button to configure the appearance and behavior of the tool window. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Hide for non-layout files: select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA temporarily close the tool window when the focus in the editor switches to a non-layout file. As soon as the same or another layout definition file is in focus, the tool window re-appears automatically.</li><li>– Include Device Frames (if available): select this option to make the preview look like it is going to appear on the actual device.</li><li>– Show Lighting Effect: select this option to display lighting effects to make the preview look more natural.</li></ul> <b>Note</b> This option is only available if the Include Device Frames option is selected.

## Controls

Use the controls in this area to preview your layout in different configurations.

## ItemTooltipDescription

	Configuration to render this layout in the IDE	<p>From this drop-down list, select a layout configuration that you want to preview and edit, create a new layout configuration, or select different preview options. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Create Landscape Variation : select this option to create a landscape version of your layout. The corresponding layout definition file will be generated in the <code>res\layout-land</code> folder. Once this variation is created, this menu option will be replaced with the Switch to layout-land option that opens the <code>layout-land\&lt;layout_file_name&gt;.xml</code> file for editing.</li><li>– Create layout-xlarge Variation : select this option to create a variation of your layout for an extra large screen size (at least 960x720 dp). The corresponding layout definition file will be generated in the <code>res\layout-xlarge</code> folder. Once this variation is created, this menu option will be replaced with the Switch to layout-xlarge option that opens the <code>layout-xlarge\&lt;layout_file_name&gt;.xml</code> file for editing.</li><li>– Switch to layout : this option is only available if you have created multiple layout versions. Select it to return to the original layout definition file.</li><li>– Create Other : select this option to create another variation of your layout. In the Select Layout Directory dialog that opens, specify the folder where the layout definition will be stored and select <a href="#">resource qualifiers</a> that determine a specific device configuration. Select the relevant qualifier and click <b>»</b> . Then specify the value of the qualifier in the dialog box that opens. The qualifier is added to the Chosen qualifiers list.</li><li>– Preview Representative Sample select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout on the most important screen sizes.</li><li>– Preview All Screen Sizes : select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout on all available screen sizes.</li><li>– Preview All Locales : select this option to preview the layout in all locales where your application is going to be used.</li><li>– Preview Right-to-Left Layout : select this option to preview the layout in both directions (left-to-right and right-to-left) side by side.</li><li>– Preview Android Versions : select this option to preview the layout on all installed Android API versions.</li><li>– Preview Included : select this option to preview your layout nested in another layout. This option is only available if the current layout is included into another layout.</li><li>– Preview Layout Versions : select this option to display multiple device configurations and preview the layout in all available variations.</li><li>– None : select this option to return to the default view.</li><li>– Toggle Layout Mode : select this option to switch between different preview options.</li></ul>	
	Nexus 4+	The virtual device to render the layout with	From this drop-down list, select a virtual or a physical device to preview what your application will look like on this device. To add a new virtual device, select Add Device Definition and configure an emulator in the <a href="#">Android Virtual Device (AVD) Manager</a> that opens (for instructions refer to <a href="#">Managing Virtual Devices</a> ).
	Go to next state		From this drop-down list, select the preview orientation ( <code>portrait</code> or <code>landscape</code> ), the UI mode ( <code>Normal</code> , <code>Car Dock</code> , <code>Desk Dock</code> , <code>Television</code> , <code>Appliance</code> ) and switch between the <code>Night</code> (dimmed screen) and <code>Not Night</code> (standard brightness) modes. For details on UI modes refer to <a href="#">UIModeManager</a> .
	Holo	Theme	Click this button to select a theme from the Select Theme dialog.
	NA		Click this button to associate the layout with an activity. Select Associate with <code>&lt;activity_name&gt;</code> to associate it with the current activity, or Associate with Other Activity to display a list of available activities to select from.
	Locale to render layout with in the IDE		From this drop-down list, select an existing locale or add a locale for your application. A locale is a combination of the target country and language to have the dates and some other data presented in accordance with the local rules and preferences. You can also preview the layout in all available locales and in both directions (left-to-right and right-to-left).
	Android version to use when rendering layouts in the IDE		From this drop-down list, select an API version or use the Automatically Pick Best option to render the layout using the most suitable Android version. You can also preview the layout on all installed Android API versions.

## Component Tree

This pane shows a hierarchy of components in the current layout with the `Device Screen` root node. The pane is synchronized with the Design pane and the layout definition file, so any changes to them are reflected in the tree view on-the-fly.

For details on different configuration options available from the Component Tree , refer to the following sections:

- [Context Menu](#)
- [Toolbar](#)

### Context Menu





The context menu is available from any area in the Component Tree pane. All actions are synchronized with the Design Pane and the XML definition files, so all changes are immediately reflected in them. The actions available from the Component Tree context menu are identical with those of the [Design Pane context menu](#) .

### Toolbar

**ItemTooltip and Description**



## Shortcut





	<b>Expand All</b> Ctrl+NumPad Plus	Click this button to expand all nodes in the Component Tree view.
	<b>Collapse All</b> Ctrl+NumPad -	Click this button to collapse all nodes in the Component Tree view.
	N/A	Click this button to open the context menu and configure the pane <a href="#">viewing mode</a> .
	<b>Hide</b> Shift+Escape	Click this button to hide the pane.

## Properties

In this pane, specify property values of the component that is currently selected in the canvas or in the component tree view. The most frequently used properties are displayed in bold , "expert" properties are shown in *italic* , properties whose values have been updated are highlighted in blue.

## Toolbar

Item	Tooltip and Shortcut	Description
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	Show documentation	Click this button to have IntelliJ IDEA display a brief documentation for the selected property from the <a href="#">Android reference</a> .  Ctrl+Q
	Restore default value	For any newly added component, the default property values are set. After you edit a property value, this property is highlighted in blue. Click this button to discard the changes and restore the default value. When you edit the default value of an expert property, the property is also highlighted in blue and will remain in the list when the Show expert properties toggle button  is released.  <b>Note</b> The button is available only if you have re-defined the value of the selected property.
	Show expert properties	By default, the pane shows only a standard set of properties, and the most frequently used ones are displayed in bold . However, you can have IntelliJ IDEA display the entire set of properties for the selected component to enable advanced component configuration. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Click this button on to have the pane display all properties that are defined for the selected component according to the specification. All "expert" properties are displayed in <i>Italic</i> .</li><li>– Release this button to have only the standard set of properties displayed. If the value of an expert property has been updated, the property will still remain in the list.</li></ul>

## Palette



The Palette pane contains a number of pre-built UI elements that you can drag-and-drop to the canvas to design the layout of your application. For detailed instructions refer to [Designing Layout of Android Application](#) .

For details on different options available from the Palette pane, refer to the following sections:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [UI Components](#)

## Toolbar

Item	Tooltip and Shortcut	Description
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	N/A	Click this button to open the context menu and configure the pane <a href="#">viewing mode</a> .
	<b>Hide</b> Shift+Escape	Click this button to hide the pane.

## UI Components

This pane contains UI components which you can place in the canvas. The available components are grouped into categories. To hide/expand the contents of a group, click the group title. The following groups of UI components are available:

Components	Description
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Layouts	<a href="#">Android Layouts</a> define the visual structure of your application's interface. They are a class that determines the way its children appear on the screen.
Widgets	<a href="#">Android widgets</a> are interactive components in a user interface. You can select from a variety of widgets, such as buttons, checkboxes, text fields, etc.
Text Fields	A <a href="#">text field</a> allows the user to enter text into the application, such as name, password, number, etc.
Containers	Containers are composite views that are comprised of multiple other views.
Date & Time	This section provides predesigned UI elements related to date and time, such as different types of clocks, a date and time picker controls, etc.
Expert	This section contains extra predefined UI elements in addition to the most frequently used components.
Custom	<p>In this section, you can choose and add UI components defined either in your project, or in the Android SDK. You can insert elaborate combinations of widgets, or even embed entire layouts into the current layout. IntelliJ IDEA checks for a resource definition of the appropriate type in the project and in the Android SDK. The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- include : click this item to choose the layout that you want to embed. In the Resources dialog box that opens, select the Project tab to pick a layout definition from within your project, or the System tab to search in the SDK.</li><li>- fragment : click this item to choose the fragment that you want to embed.</li><li>- requestFocus : click this item to include the <code>requestFocus</code> element in a <code>view</code> object. The <code>requestFocus</code> element gives its parent initial focus on the screen.</li><li>- CustomView : click this item to choose a <a href="#">user-defined view</a> that you want to embed.</li></ul>

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To deploy and run an Android Application package ([.apk file](#)) on physical devices, you need to [sign](#) it with your personal signature (certificate). Based on this signature, the Android system identifies the author of every deployed application. You do not need to apply for a personal signature to any authority, a signature generated by IntelliJ IDEA is quite sufficient.

Use the **Generate Signed APK Wizard** to have IntelliJ IDEA [digitally sign](#) Android Packages (`.apk` files) during package extraction. You can use previously created signature keys, create new ones in existing keystores, or create new keystores.

Alternatively, you can configure the `.apk` file as an [artifact](#) by creating an [artifact definition](#) of the **Android application** type with the Release signed package mode turned on. When IntelliJ IDEA builds the package in accordance with this definition, it signs the package automatically.

**Note** An **unsigned package** is used when you want to test your application on an emulator. Unsigned packages can be extracted only through artifact definitions with the Release unsigned package mode turned on.

You can also extract and sign **debug** packages. This is sufficient for testing and debugging applications but does not allow publishing them. Signing packages in the debug mode is available only through an artifact with the Debug package mode turned on.

In this section:

- [Generate Signed APK Wizard. Specify Key and Keystore](#)
- [New Key Store Dialog](#)
- [Generate Signed APK Wizard. Specify APK Location](#)

On this page of the Wizard, specify the key store file that contains the digital key to sign the package with. You can use an existing key, or create a new one in an existing keystore, or create a new keystore.

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**ItemDescription**

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**Key store path** In this text box, specify the location of the file where the key will be stored. Type the path manually or click the **Choose existing** button to choose the relevant file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

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**Create new** Click this button to open the [New Key Store Dialog](#) and configure a new key store and/or a release key to be generated.

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**Choose existing** Click this button to have your package signed with a key from an existing key store file. Choose the relevant key store file in the [dialog that opens](#) .

 Later you can choose to use an existing key from this key store, or to have a new key generated in it.

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**Key store password** In this text box, type the password for the selected key store.

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**Key alias** In this text box, specify the alias to address the key to be used.

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**Key password** In this text box, specify the password to access the selected key.

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**Remember passwords** Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA automatically use the specified passwords to access the key store and the key.

This dialog box opens when you click the Create new button on the [Generate Signed APK Wizard. Specify Key and Keystore](#) page, or in the [Android](#) tab of the Artifact page.

In this dialog box, specify the data required for generating new keys and key stores.

#### ItemDescription

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Key store path	In this text box, specify the location of the file where the new key will be stored. Type the path manually, or click the Browse button to choose the file in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
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Password	In this text box, enter the password that will be used to access the key store.
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Confirm	Re-type the password.
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Alias	In this text box, specify the alias to address the new key.
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Password	In this text box, enter the password that will be used to access the new key.
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Confirm	Re-type the password.
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Validity (years)	Use this spin box to specify how long the new key will be valid.
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**Tip** Set the validity period in accordance with the [expected lifespan of your application](#) .

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Certificate	In this area, specify the following personal data:
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- First and Last Name
- Organizational Unit
- Organization
- City or Locality
- State or Province
- Country Code

On this, last, page of the Wizard, specify the output directory for the generated Android Package. Optionally, have IntelliJ IDEA obfuscate the application through integration with the [ProGuard](#) built-in tool.

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**ItemDescription**

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Destination APK path	In this text box, specify the path where the generated <code>.apk</code> file will be stored. Type the path manually, or click the Browse button to choose the path in the <a href="#">dialog that opens</a> .
Run ProGuard	Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA <a href="#">obfuscate the application</a> through integration with the built-in <a href="#">ProGuard</a> tool. If this option is selected, the default paths to the configuration files that are created automatically are displayed. For Android SDK tools revision 17 and higher, this option is selected by default. For already existing projects, this checkbox is cleared.

<context menu of a selection> | Refactor | Inline Style

Ctrl+Alt+N

Use this dialog box to configure the **Inline Style**. This refactoring is opposite to the **Extract Style** refactoring and results in adding all attributes defined in a style to one or all components where this style is applied. This refactoring is also used when you need to merge a [parent style with its inheritor](#).

#### ItemDescription

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**Inline all references and remove the style** Select this option to have IntelliJ IDEA convert the attributes of the style into XML tags, add them to the definitions of all components where the style is used, and remove the style definition.

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**Inline this usage and keep the style** Select this option to have the refactoring applied to the current component only.

**Note** When the refactoring is invoked from the style definition file, only the Inline all references and remove the style option is available and selected by default.

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**Refactor** Click this button to apply the changes immediately.

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**Preview** Click this button to [preview the changes before applying](#) in the [Find tool window](#).

In this dialog, specify the class that implements the new Android component, the component type, and the title to be displayed to the user.

#### ItemDescription

Name	In this text box, type the name of the class that implements the component.
Kind	<p>In this drop-down list, specify the component type. The available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">AIDL</a> : an Android Interface Definition Language (AIDL) interface used for interprocess communication.</li><li>- <a href="#">Activity</a> : implements a window where you place your UI to interact with the user.</li><li>- <a href="#">Android Auto</a> : lets you extend your application for use in vehicles. You can add either Media Service or Messaging Service activity.</li><li>- <a href="#">Folder</a> : creates a source root based on the activity you have selected for this component.</li><li>- <a href="#">Fragment</a> : represents a behavior or a part of user interface in an activity.</li><li>- <a href="#">Google</a> : lets you create an activity for Google maps and <a href="#">AdMob Ads</a> activities.</li><li>- <a href="#">Application</a> : an Android package, i.e. an <code>.apk</code> archive that contains the contents of an Android app and the installer.</li><li>- <a href="#">Service</a> : represents an application's desire either to perform an operation without interacting with the user, or to supply functionality for other applications.</li><li>- <a href="#">Other</a> : lets you add the following components to your application:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="#">Android Manifest File</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Broadcast Receiver</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Content Provider</a></li><li>- <a href="#">Daydream</a></li></ul></li><li>- <a href="#">UI Component</a> : lets you add custom views to you application.</li><li>- <a href="#">Wear</a> : lets you extend your application for use in Android wear.</li><li>- <a href="#">Widget</a> : lets you add different types of widgets for your application.</li><li>- <a href="#">XML</a> : lets you add different types <code>.xml</code> files for Android layouts and values.</li></ul>
Label	<p>In this text box, type the title that will be displayed to the user.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If no title is specified, the label assigned to the entire application will be displayed.</li><li>- No label is specified for the Remote Interface component.</li></ul>
Mark as startup Activity	<p>Select this checkbox to have the new component of the Activity type displayed by default when the application starts.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The checkbox is available only when the Activity component type is specified in the Kind drop-down list.</p>
Create layout file	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Select this checkbox to have IntelliJ IDEA generate a stub of the related layout definition file, that is, the content view of the new activity or fragment.</li><li>- If the checkbox is cleared, you will have to create a content view of the new activity or fragment manually.</li></ul> <p><b>Note</b> The checkbox is available only for the <code>activity</code> or <code>fragment</code> component types.</p>



Use this dialog box to create a resource directory for your Android project.

**ItemDescription**


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Directory name In this text box, specify the name for the new resource directory.

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Resource type From this drop-down list, select the application resource [type](#) that the new directory will contain.

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Available qualifiers From this list, select the [resource qualifiers](#) that determine a specific device configuration. Select the relevant qualifier and click . Then specify the value of the qualifier in the dialog box that opens. The qualifier is added to the Chosen qualifiers list.

Use this dialog box to create a resource file for your Android project.

#### ItemDescription

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**File name** In this text box, specify the name for the new resource definition file.

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**Resource type** From this drop-down list, select the application resource [type](#) .

**Tip** You can scroll through the list of resource types right from the File name text box by using the Up and Down keyboard keys.

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**Root element** This field is populated automatically depending on the selected resource type.

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**Directory name** In this text box, specify the folder where application resources will be stored.

**Tip** IntelliJ IDEA can automatically compose folder name based on the resource type and the qualifier you select. For details, refer to [Creating Resources](#) .

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**Available qualifiers** From this list, select the [resource qualifiers](#) that determine a specific device configuration. Select the relevant qualifier and click » . Then specify the value of the qualifier in the dialog box that opens. The qualifier is added to the Chosen qualifiers list.

In this section:

- [Create AIR Descriptor Template Dialog](#)
- [Create HTML Wrapper Template Dialog](#)
- [New ActionScript Class dialog](#)
- [New MXML Component dialog](#)
- [Package AIR Application Dialog](#)
- [Runtime-Loaded Modules dialog](#)

Use this dialog to configure and create an [application descriptor](#) template for your AIR (Desktop or Mobile) application.

During the compilation or packaging, the text in the `<content>` element of the template will be replaced with the name and extension ( `.swf` ) of the application file.

- [AIR application descriptor](#)
- [Application properties](#)
- [Mobile options](#)
- [Android tab](#)
- [iOS tab](#)

## AIR application descriptor

### ItemDescription

File name	Specify the name of the descriptor template <code>.xml</code> file to be generated.
Folder	Specify the folder in which the generated descriptor template should be stored. Use <code>...</code> ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) to select the folder in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .
AIR version	Specify (select or type) the target AIR version.

## Application properties

### ItemDescription

ID	Specify the application ID.
Name	Specify the application name, that is, the text to be displayed as the application title.
Version	Specify the application version in the <code>x.x.x</code> format. Note that this isn't the <a href="#">AIR version</a> .

## Mobile options

### ItemDescription

Mobile platform	Select which platform (Android or iOS) the application descriptor is intended for.
Common options	Select or deselect the following <a href="#">screen options</a> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Auto-orient. If selected, corresponds to <code>&lt;autoOrients&gt;true&lt;/autoOrients&gt;</code> .</li><li>- Full screen. If selected, corresponds to <code>&lt;fullScreen&gt;true&lt;/fullScreen&gt;</code> .</li></ul>

## Android tab

### ItemDescription

Permissions	Use the checkboxes to enable or disable the corresponding <a href="#">Android permissions</a> .
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## iOS tab

### ItemDescription


Devices	Select the supported device family. If iPhone/iPod Touch and iPad are supported, select All .
High resolution	Select this option if your application should use the high screen resolution mode.

Use this dialog to configure and create an [HTML wrapper](#) template for your Web-targeted ActionScript or Flex application.

The generated template ( `index.template.html` ) will contain a set of tokens, such as `${title}` , `${swf}` , etc. During the compilation, these tokens will be replaced with the appropriate values. For example, `${swf}` will be replaced with the `.swf` file name. The resulting `.html` wrapper file will have the same name as the `.swf` file.

See also, [Using the SWF metadata tag to control HTML wrapper properties](#) .

#### ItemDescription

Create HTML wrapper template in the following folder	Specify the folder in which the HTML wrapper template files should be created. Use  ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ) to select the folder in the <a href="#">corresponding dialog</a> .
Enable integration with browser navigation	Select this option to enable deep linking. Deep linking lets users navigate their interactions with the application by using the Back and Forward buttons in their browser.
Check Flash player version	If you select this option, the compiled application will check for the correct version of Flash Player.
Express install	If you select this option, the application will run an SWF file in the existing Flash Player to upgrade users to the latest version of the player.

Use this dialog to specify the settings for an ActionScript [class](#) or [interface](#) to be created. You can also create a new [package](#) if you specify the package that doesn't yet exist.

#### ItemDescription

Name	<p>Specify the name of the class or interface.</p> <p>When the cursor is in this field, you can use the <b>Up</b> and <b>Down</b> arrow keys to browse the contents of the <a href="#">Template list</a>.</p>
Package	<p>Specify the fully qualified name of the package in which the class or interface should be created. To do that, you can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select the package from the list.</li> <li>– Click <b>[...]</b> (<b>Shift+Enter</b>) and select the package in the Choose Destination Package dialog that opens.</li> <li>– Type in the field. To enable package name completion, press <b>Ctrl+Space</b>.</li> </ul> <p>This field may be left blank. In this case, the class or interface will be created in the default root package (usually corresponds to the <code>src</code> folder).</p> <p>If you type the name of a package that doesn't yet exist (the name in this case is shown red), the corresponding package will be created.</p> <p>You can create more than one package at once. For example, if you type <code>myPackage.mySubpackage</code> and none of these packages currently exists, both these packages (<code>myPackage</code> and <code>mySubpackage</code>) will be created.</p>
Template	<p>Select the <a href="#">file template</a> to be used.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Class. Select this template to create a class that doesn't extend another class or implement an interface.</li> <li>– Class with Supers. Select this template to create a class that extends another class and/or implements one or more interfaces.</li> <li>– Interface. Select this template to create an interface.</li> </ul> <p>To edit an existing file template or to create a new one, click <b>[...]</b> (<b>Shift+Enter</b>). The <a href="#">File Templates dialog</a> will open.</p> <p>If the selected template contains variables whose values are undefined, the Next button appears in the dialog instead of the Create button. In such a case, if you click Next, an additional dialog opens in which you can set the variable values. (This may happen if a <a href="#">custom template</a> that contains <a href="#">custom variables</a> is used.)</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Predefined file template variables for ActionScript and Flex</a> and <a href="#">An example of creating a custom file template for an MXML component</a>.</p>
Superclass	<p>For the Class with Supers template: specify the class that the class you are creating should extend. To do that, you can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Click <b>[...]</b> (<b>Shift+Enter</b>) and select the class in the Choose Superclass dialog that opens.</li> <li>– Type in the field. To enable class name completion, press <b>Ctrl+Space</b>.</li> </ul>
Interfaces	<p>For the Class with Supers template: specify the interface or interfaces that the class you are creating should implement.</p> <p>To add an interface to the list, point to &gt;&gt; and click <b>+</b> (<b>Alt+Insert</b>). Select the interface in the Choose Super Interface dialog that opens.</p> <p>To remove unnecessary interfaces from the list, select them and click <b>-</b> (<b>Alt+Delete</b>).</p>

Use this dialog to specify the settings for an [MXML component](#) to be created. You can also create a new package if you specify the package that doesn't yet exist.

#### ItemDescription

Name	<p>Specify the name of the component. This is the name of the <code>.mxml</code> file which will be created.</p> <p>When the cursor is in this field, you can use the <code>Up</code> and <code>Down</code> arrow keys to browse the contents of the <a href="#">Template list</a>.</p>
Package	<p>Specify the fully qualified name of the package in which the component should be created. To do that, you can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Select the package from the list.</li> <li>– Click <code>[...]</code> (<code>Shift+Enter</code>) and select the package in the Choose Destination Package dialog that opens.</li> <li>– Type in the field. To enable package name completion, press <code>Ctrl+Space</code>.</li> </ul> <p>This field may be left blank. In this case, the component will be created in the default root package (usually corresponds to the <code>src</code> folder).</p> <p>If you type the name of a package that doesn't yet exist (the name in this case is shown red), the corresponding package will be created.</p> <p>You can create more than one package at once. For example, if you type <code>myPackage.mySubpackage</code> and none of these packages currently exists, both these packages (<code>myPackage</code> and <code>mySubpackage</code>) will be created.</p>
Template	<p>Select the <a href="#">file template</a> to be used.</p> <p>Initially, there is only one choice which is different depending on the Flex SDK version associated with the <a href="#">active build configuration</a> (MXML 4 Component for Flex SDK 4 or MXML 3 Component for Flex SDK 3).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Class. Select this template to create a class that doesn't extend another class or implement an interface.</li> <li>– Class with Supers. Select this template to create a class that extends another class and/or implements one or more interfaces.</li> <li>– Interface. Select this template to create an interface.</li> </ul> <p>To edit an existing file template or to create a new one, click <code>[...]</code> (<code>Shift+Enter</code>). The <a href="#">File Templates dialog</a> will open.</p> <p>If the selected template contains variables whose values are undefined, the Next button appears in the dialog instead of the Create button. In such a case, if you click Next, an additional dialog opens in which you can set the variable values. (This may happen if a <a href="#">custom template</a> that contains <a href="#">custom variables</a> is used.)</p> <p>See also, <a href="#">Predefined file template variables for ActionScript and Flex</a> and <a href="#">An example of creating a custom file template for an MXML component</a>.</p>
Parent component	<p>Specify a parent component for the component that you are creating. The parent component defines the root tag of the new MXML component, e.g. <code>&lt;s:Application&gt;</code>, <code>&lt;s:Module&gt;</code>, <code>&lt;s:ComboBox&gt;</code>.</p> <p>To specify the parent component, you can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Click <code>[...]</code> (<code>Shift+Enter</code>) and select the component in the Choose Superclass dialog that opens.</li> <li>– Type in the field. To enable component name completion, press <code>Ctrl+Space</code>.</li> </ul>

Use this dialog to specify packaging options and to package your AIR applications (Desktop and Mobile) according to the specified options.

- [The upper part of the dialog](#)
- [Packaging options](#)

## The upper part of the dialog

Use the available checkboxes to select the [build configurations](#) for which you want to create the application packages.

Included in the list are the Desktop and Mobile-targeted build configurations whose output type is Application.

The build configurations are grouped by Flash modules.

## Packaging options

Select the packaging options for Desktop and Mobile (Android and iOS) applications, and click Package .

Note that the availabilities of the options depend on the selected build configurations and their settings (e.g. on whether packaging for Android and iOS is enabled in the selected Mobile-targeted build configurations).


### ItemDescription

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Desktop application package	<p>Select one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- installer (*.air). Select this option to create a digitally-signed installer file or a number of such files (one for each of the selected Desktop-targeted build configurations).</li><li>- native installer. Select this option to create a <a href="#">native application installer</a> or a number of native installers for the operating system that you are using.</li><li>- captive runtime bundle. Select this option to create a <a href="#">captive runtime bundle</a> or a number of bundles for the operating system that you are using.</li><li>- unsigned package (*.airi). Select this option to create an unsigned AIR intermediate file or a number of such files.</li></ul>
Android package type (*.apk)	<p>Select one of the following <a href="#">target types for the Android package</a> or packages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- release. For the AIR runtime to be packaged, select the Captive runtime option. See the discussion of the <a href="#">captive runtime</a> option.</li><li>- debug over USB port. If necessary, change the port suggested by IntelliJ IDEA.</li><li>- debug over network.</li></ul>
iOS package type (*.ipa)	<p>Select one of the following <a href="#">target types for the iOS package</a> or packages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- test without debugging. If necessary, select the Fast packaging option. If this option is selected, the ActionScript bytecode is interpreted and not translated to machine code. As a result, packaging is performed faster but code execution is slower.</li></ul> <p>In technical terms, the <code>ipa-test-interpreter</code> target is used instead of <code>ipa-test</code> .</p> <p>See the discussion of the corresponding targets in <a href="#">Adobe AIR documentation</a> .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- debug over network. If necessary, select the Fast packaging option. (The <code>ipa-debug-interpreter</code> target will be used instead of <code>ipa-debug</code> .)</li><li>- ad hoc distribution.</li><li>- Apple App Store distribution.</li></ul>
Package	<p>Click this button to package your applications.</p>






Use this dialog to manage dependencies on runtime-loaded modules (RLMs). The RLMs are identified by their main classes.

To add a dependency, click  ( `Alt+Insert` ) and select the main class of the corresponding RLM in the Choose Main Class of Runtime-Loaded Module dialog that opens.

To optimize (reduce) the size of compiled RLM file, select the Optimize checkbox.

For more information, see the following table.

#### ItemDescription

 or <code>Alt+Insert</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to add a dependency. Select the main class of the corresponding RLM in the Choose Main Class of Runtime-Loaded Module dialog that opens.
 or <code>Alt+Delete</code>	Use this icon or shortcut to remove the selected RLMs from the list of dependencies.
Main Class	In this column, the fully qualified names of the main RLM classes are shown. To replace a class with a different one, click the corresponding field (table cell) and click  that appears in the field ( <code>Shift+Enter</code> ). Then select the necessary class in the Choose Main Class of Runtime-Loaded Module dialog that opens.
Output File	In this column, paths to RLM SWF files to be generated are shown (readonly). All the paths are relative to the build configuration output folder.
Optimize	Select the checkbox for the corresponding RLM SWF file size to be optimized (reduced).

This section provides important information that is common for all types of diagrams used in IntelliJ IDEA. A diagram enables you to visually explore the dependencies, navigation rules, relationships etc. for the various types of applications.

In this section:












- [Diagram Toolbar and Context Menu](#)
- [Diagram Preview](#)
- [General Techniques of Using Diagrams](#)
- [Class Diagram Toolbar, Context Menu and Legend](#)

In this section:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Context menu](#)

## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to show primary key columns in diagram.
	Click this button to show columns in diagram.
	Click this button to increase the scale of the diagram. Alternatively, press <code>NumPad+</code> .
	Click this button to decrease the scale of the diagram. Alternatively, press <code>NumPad-</code> .
	Click this button to restore the actual size of the diagram.
	Click this button to make the contents fit into the current diagram size.
	Click this button to apply the current layout, selected on the context menu of the diagram.
	Click this button to save the current diagram in the specified location as <code>xml</code> file.
	Click this button to save the diagram in an image file with the specified name and path. The possible formats are: <code>jpeg</code> , <code>png</code> , <code>svg</code> , <code>svgz</code> , or <code>gif</code> .
	Click this button to print the diagram.
	Click this button to open the diagram preview in a separate frame, where you can configure the page layout, scale, and headings information.

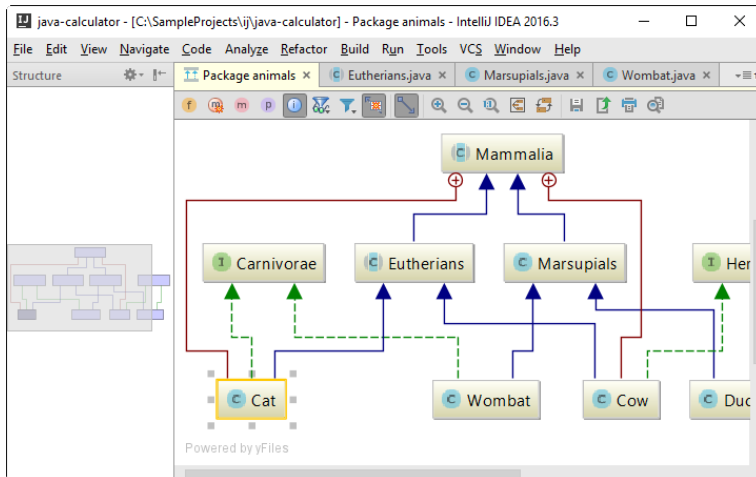
## Context menu

The table below contains commands that are not available from the toolbar.

### ItemDescription

New	Use this node to add new elements to a diagram.
Analyze	This node contains <a href="#">analysis</a> commands, enabled in the current context.
Refactor	This node contains refactoring commands, enabled in the current context.
Jump to Source	Choose this command to open the selected diagram node element in the editor.
Find Usages	Choose this command to <a href="#">search for usages</a> of the selected node element.
Layout	Select the desired diagram layout from the submenu.
Show Edge Labels	Check this command to show multiplicities in diagram.

Use the [Structure view](#) as a Preview, that allows you to get a "10,000-feet" look on a diagram. The shadow area represents the visible part of a diagram. As you zoom in or out, or change the shape of the IntelliJ IDEA windows, the size of the shadow area changes accordingly.



### To enable the diagram preview

- Open the Structure tool window.

### In the Preview pane, the following actions are available:

- Keeping the mouse button pressed, move the shadow area to obtain the desired view.
- Select one or more nodes in the diagram, and the corresponding nodes in the Preview are marked dark gray.

This section describes some general techniques applicable to the various types of diagrams (Hibernate and JPA ER diagrams, Seam navigation rules, Grails domain classes dependencies etc.)


In this section:

- [Selecting elements in diagram](#) .
- [Managing diagram layout](#) .
- [Zooming in and out](#) .
- [Using the magnifier tool](#) .
- [Navigating to source code](#) .
- [Invoking refactoring commands](#) .
- [Finding usages of the selected node element](#) .
- [Drawing links between node elements](#) .



## To select elements in diagram

- To select an element, just click it in diagram.
- To select multiple adjacent elements, keep **Shift** pressed and click the desired elements, or just drag a lasso around the elements to be selected.
- To select multiple non-adjacent elements, keep **Ctrl+Shift** pressed and click the desired elements.
- To select a member of a node element, double-click the node element, and then use the arrow keys, or the mouse pointer.

## To manage diagram layout

- Right-click the diagram background, and choose Layout command of the diagram context menu. Next, select the desired layout from the submenu.
- Use Drag-and-drop technique to lay out entities in diagram manually.
- Apply the current layout selected on the context menu of the diagram, by clicking  .

## To zoom in and out, do one of the following

- Use the  and  toolbar buttons.
- Keeping **Ctrl** key pressed, rotate your mouse wheel up or down.
- Press **NumPad+** or **NumPad-** .

**Tip** As you zoom in or out, the size of the shadow area in the diagram preview changes accordingly.

## To use the magnifier tool

- Keep the **Alt** key pressed, and hover your mouse pointer over the most interesting, or problematic areas of the diagram.



## To jump from an element in diagram to the underlying source code

1. Select an element in diagram.
2. Do one of the following:
  - On the context menu of the diagram, choose Jump to Source
  - Press **F4** .
  - Double-click selected element.

The source code of the corresponding source file opens in a separate tab in the editor.

## To draw a link between nodes



















- Click the source node, and drag a link to the target node. This technique slightly differs for the various types of diagrams. Refer to the corresponding procedures for details.

In this section:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Context Menu](#)
- [Legend of a Class Diagram](#)

## Toolbar

### ItemDescription

	Click this button to show methods in the class nodes.
	Click this button to show fields in the class nodes.
	Click this button to show constructors in the class nodes.
	Click this button to show properties in the class nodes.
	Click this button to show inner classes in the class nodes.
	Click this button to reveal the combo box, and select visibility level of the elements to be displayed in diagram.
	Click this button to reveal the combo box, and select the desired scope of elements to be displayed in diagram, for example, project or non-project files. The elements out of the selected scope will be hidden.
	Click this button to enable creating extends or implements links between node elements. If this button is not pressed, links cannot be drawn.
	Click this button to show dependencies of the selected class or package.
	Click this button to increase the scale of the diagram, or press <code>NumPad+</code> .
	Click this button to decrease the scale of the diagram, or press <code>NumPad-</code> .
	Click this button to restore the actual size of the diagram.
	Click this button to make the contents fit into the current diagram size.
	Click this button to apply the current layout, selected on the context menu of the diagram, or press <code>F5</code> .
	Click this button to save the current diagram as a <code>*.uml</code> file.
	Click this button to save the diagram in an image file with the specified name and path. The possible formats are: <code>jpeg</code> , <code>png</code> , <code>svg</code> , <code>svgz</code> , or <code>gif</code> .
	Click this button to print the diagram.
	Click this button to open the diagram preview in a separate frame, where you can configure the page layout, scale, and headings information.

## Context Menu




This section describes only those context menu commands that are not available from the toolbar.

### Item ShortcutDescription

Add class to diagram	<code>Space</code>	Choose this command to <a href="#">add existing class</a> to the diagram background.
Collapse nodes	<code>C</code>	Choose this command to show the containing package of the selected node.
Expand nodes	<code>E</code>	Choose this command to show class diagram of the selected package.
New	<code>Alt+Insert</code>	Choose this command to create a new node element or member.
Refactor		Point to this node to select one of the refactoring commands available in this context.
Analyze		Point to this node to select one of the code analysis commands available in this context.

## Legend of a Class Diagram

### ItemDescription

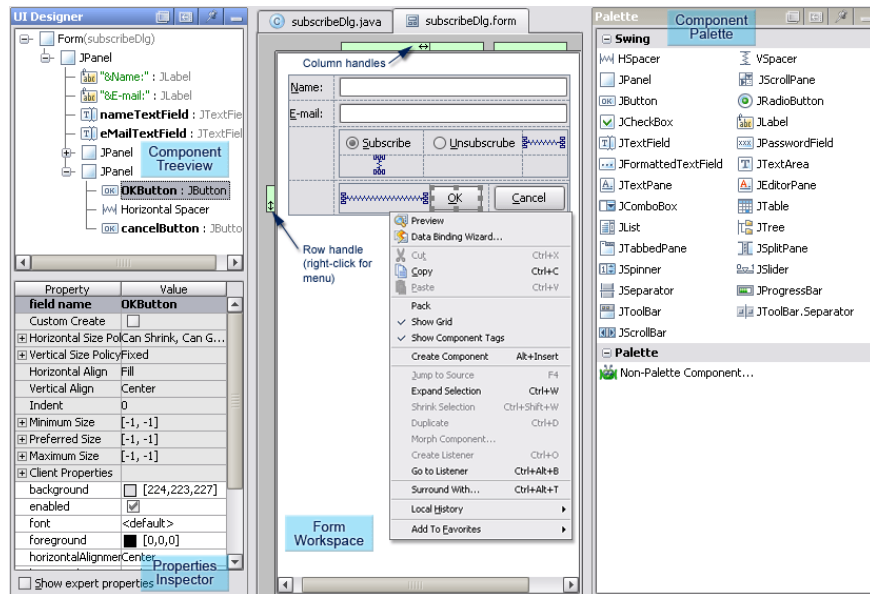
	The green arrow corresponds to the <code>implements</code> clause in a class declaration.
	The blue arrow corresponds to the <code>extends</code> clause in a class declaration .
	This sign appears for the inner classes.

This part provides miscellaneous information related to the GUI Designer, including the tour of the UI, properties reference and dialog descriptions:

- [Components of the GUI Designer](#)
- [Components Properties](#)
- [Components Treeview](#)
- [Data Binding Wizard](#)
- [Form Workspace](#)
- [Inspector](#)
- [Palette](#)
- [Add/Edit Palette Component](#)

The GUI Designer occupies the same space in the IntelliJ IDEA main window as the Editor. Each GUI form opens in a separate tab. (For information on how to create and open forms, see [Building GUI Forms](#) ). The GUI Designer consists of the following main components:

- [Components Treeview](#)
- [Properties Inspector](#)
- [Components Palette](#)
- [Form Workspace](#)





The gray shaded section of the [Inspector](#) provides a set of properties that are proprietary to the GUI Designer and used by its code generation and other processes.

When a component is added to a form, [it can be created as a component or as a container](#) . In the latter case, such component acquires certain properties that are specific to the containers only. In the tables below the properties that pertain to the containers are specially noted.

In this section you will find descriptions of the following groups of properties:

- [Code Binding Properties](#)
- [Component Sizing Properties](#)
- [Layout and Alignment Properties](#)
- [Other Properties](#)

Properties are layout-specific. Some of the properties can be missing for certain layout managers.

## Code Binding Properties

The properties covered in this section are related to binding of GUI forms and components to source code.

### PropertyDescription

bind to class	<p>This is a property of Forms only. It specifies the name of a class that contains the logic to make the form work. When this property is set to a valid class, we say the Form is <a href="#">bound to the class</a> .</p> <p>If no target class exists yet, you can still type in the name of this <i>future</i> class. IntelliJ IDEA will offer a Quick Fix to create a class of the specified name for you whenever the property is focused. You can use the Quick Fix to create the class whenever you are ready.</p> <p>See sections <a href="#">Binding Form to Existing Class</a> and <a href="#">Binding Form to a New Class</a> .</p>
field name	<p>This is a property of components. It specifies the name of the field in the parent form's class to which the component is bound. For most components, a default field name is automatically entered, and a corresponding declaration is written to the Form's bound source file. You can change the default field name in the Inspector if you wish, and the source will be updated automatically. You can optionally <a href="#">change the field name</a> in the source file, and the change will reflect in the Inspector when you return to the GUI Designer.</p>
Custom Create	<p>This is a property of components. If the option is checked, it means that you want to call a non-default constructor for the component, rather than have the GUI Designer generate a default constructor during the runtime build of the GUI. Code generation will ignore the component and assume you have written a constructor method. See <a href="#">Creating Form Initialization Code</a> .</p> <p>If a non-default constructor does not yet exist, IntelliJ IDEA will show you a Quick Fix whenever the Custom Create property is focused in the Inspector. You can use this to create the constructor in the source file bound to the parent Form.</p>

## Component Sizing Properties

The properties described in this section affect how components are sized at design time and/or runtime.

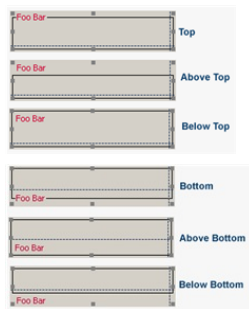
### PropertySubpropertyDescription

Horizontal Size Policy	These properties define how dimensions of a component are affected by resizing of its container along the horizontal axis and vertical axis respectively. This property applies to the <code>GridLayoutManager</code> (IntelliJ) and has the following subproperties:
Vertical Size Policy	
	<code>canShrink</code> The element size can be diminished (less than the preferred size) when the pane is resized.
	<code>canGrow</code> The element size can be enlarged when the pane is resized.
	<code>wantGrow</code> The element size is enlarged when the pane is resized. This flag takes precedence over <code>canGrow</code> .
	These options can be set simultaneously.
Same Size Horizontally	This is the property of a container that wraps the component. When the option is checked, all columns in the layout grid are always sized equally. Applicable only to the <code>GridLayoutManager</code> (IntelliJ).
Same Size Vertically	This is the property of a container that wraps the component. When the option is checked, all rows in the layout grid are always sized equally. Applicable only in the <code>GridLayoutManager</code> (IntelliJ).
Minimum Size	For the Swing layout managers, these properties are the same as in Java SDK.
Preferred Size	For the layout managers <code>GridLayoutManager</code> (IntelliJ) and <code>FormLayout</code> , these properties are different from those used in the Java SDK. To be more specific, they are not actual properties but a part of constraints with which a component is added to a container.
Maximum Size	Such feature enables you to set a size value only for 1 dimension.
	For instance, if you set Preferred Size values as <code>200; -1</code> - it means that the component height will be calculated dynamically and the width value will be used as the preferred size. In effect it is like the Java statement:
	<pre>getPreferredSize().height();</pre>

## Layout and Alignment Properties

The properties described in this section control various aspects of component layout and/or alignment.

### PropertySubpropertyDescription

Layout Manager		This is a property of container type components only (e.g. JPanel, JScrollPane). The setting controls which layout manager the container uses. The setting affects both design-time and runtime. Find the list of supported layout managers in the section <a href="#">GUI Designer Options</a> of the Settings dialog.
border		Defines how the component border and (optional) title will look. Applies to container type components only, and includes the following subproperties:
	type	Specifies the bevel characteristics of the element border. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– None. No border. If <i>title</i> is specified, it will be hidden.</li><li>– Empty. No border properties specified.</li><li>– Bevel Lowered. Border bevel will make container look lowered.</li><li>– Bevel Raised. Border bevel will make container look raised.</li><li>– Etched. The container appears flat with an etched or 3D border.</li></ul>
	title	Optionally specify a string to appear as the container's title at runtime. You can enter a string literal directly in the edit field, or click the ellipsis button to open a dialog where you can either hardcode a string value, or specify the identifier of a resource.
	title justification	Controls how the text of <i>title</i> is justified. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Default. The justification is determined at compile-time.</li><li>– Left. Force left-justified text.</li><li>– Center. Force centered text.</li><li>– Right. Force right-justified text.</li><li>– Leading. For use with locales requiring leading justification.</li><li>– Trailing. For locales requiring trailing justification.</li></ul>
	title position	Controls where the title is positioned with respect to the container border. Horizontal position of the text is controlled by title justification setting. Default, Above Top, Top, Below Top, Above Bottom, Bottom, Below Bottom, as shown on the following images: 
	title font	Controls the font used for displaying the text of the title.
	title color	Controls the color of the font used for displaying the text of the title. The ellipsis button launches a color picker dialog, where you can choose a color from one of several palettes (AWT, Swing, System), or specify an RGB or HSB color value, or select a color from a graphical set of color Swatches.
margins		This property of JPanel controls the amount of spacing between the outer border of the container, and its contents. Applies to FormLayout and GridLayoutManager(IntelliJ).
	Top	Each attribute controls the spacing at the respective edge of the pane. The value of each attribute is an integer which specifies the number of pixels in the respective spacing. Zero means no space.
	Right	
	Bottom	
	Left	
Horizontal Gap		This is a property of JPanel only and has effect only when the pane uses a grid type layout manager such as the default GridLayoutManager. The property defines the pixel dimension of a space inset between the edge of a grid cell in the pane, and the edge of a contained component (a JRadiobutton, for example).
Vertical Gap		The default value is -1, which indicates the default spacing. You can enter zero or any positive integer value and see the result at design time.  For Vertical Gap to have any effect, the layout grid should have at least 2 rows.
Horizontal Align		This property determines the relative horizontal position of a component within its container. Select a value from the drop-down list: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Left. The left-hand edge of the component snaps to the left border of its container.</li><li>– Center. The component is centered horizontally within its container.</li><li>– Right. The right-hand edge of the component snaps to the right border of its container.</li></ul>

- Fill. The component fills its container's horizontal space entirely.

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#### Vertical Align

This property determines the relative vertical position of a component within its container. Select a value from the drop-down list:

- Top. The top edge of the component snaps to the top border of its container.
- Center. The component is centered vertically within its container.
- Bottom. The bottom edge of the component snaps to the bottom border of its container.
- Fill. The component fills its container's vertical space entirely.

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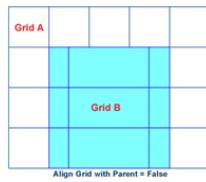
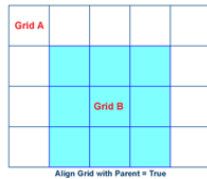
#### Indent

This property is only applicable for GridLayoutManager. Valid values are zero or any positive integer. The selected component is shifted to the right by the specified number of pixels times ten. For example, if you enter 12, the indent will be 120 pixels ( $12 * 10$ ).

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#### Align Grid with Parent

This is a property of panes and applicable with grid type layout managers. When checked, it means that grid columns and rows in a child (nested) container always align with the rows and columns of the parent container. If not checked, the grid columns and rows of a child container may be aligned independently:



## Other Properties

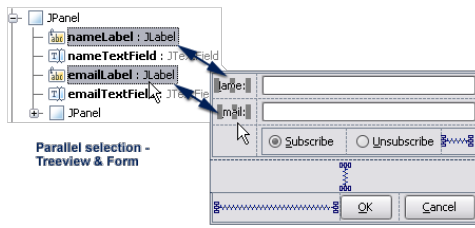
This section describes other GUI Designer properties that are not classified any other way.

#### ItemDescription

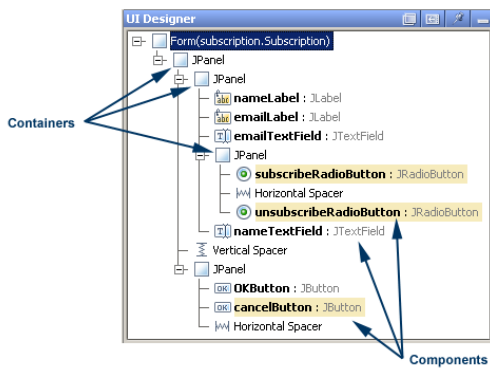
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Client Properties	This is a property with configurable sub-properties. If you develop your own components, you can configure a Custom Property in the GUI Designer to support it. Refer to the section <a href="#">Customizing Client Properties</a> .
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This treewiew displays the components contained in the design form and enables you to navigate to and select one or more components. Selection of one or more components here is reflected in parallel on the design form and vice versa as shown in the following figure:



The treewiew hierarchy represents containment. Expandable nodes represent some type of container. Sub-nodes of containers represent UI components (including nested containers). The root node represents the Form, which is, in effect, the top-level container for the GUI you are building with the GUI Designer. When you create a new Form, a JPanel component is automatically added to the Form Workspace and it appears as a child of the Form in the Component Treewiew. This JPanel is the top of the UI component hierarchy (in the Java sense) for the current Form. All other Swing or other UI components are contained by it, as the next figure illustrates:



It is possible to move components from one container to another using drag-and-drop operation in the Component Treewiew:





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Use this dialog box to generate `getData` and `setData` methods for the fields in a UI class that are bound to components in a GUI form.

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**ItemDescription**

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Create new bean	Click this radio button to bind components to data in a new bean class. If this option is selected, specify the name of the new bean class, and the package where it will be created.
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Bind to existing bean	Click this radio button to bind components to data in an existing bean class. If this option is selected, specify the name of the desired bean class.
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Form Field	This column displays the list of components of the GUI Form that can be bound to data.
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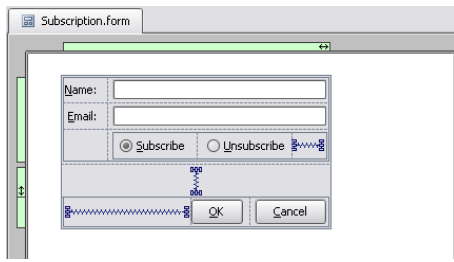
Bean Property	Use this column to specify the name of the bean property that will be created in the specified bean class.
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<code>getData()</code>	If this option is checked, the method <code>getData()</code> is generated in the bound class of the GUI form.
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<code>setData()</code>	If this option is checked, the method <code>setData()</code> is generated in the bound class of the GUI form.
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<code>isModified()</code>	If this option is checked, the method <code>isModified()</code> is generated in the bound class of the GUI form.
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The Form Workspace occupies the center part of the frame (assuming the default tool window layout and visibility). The background is white by default. When you create a new Form, a JPanel component is added to the workspace which appears as a gray rectangle. You can place components from the Component Palette into this container by first clicking on the component in the Palette, and then clicking within the pane in the Form Workspace. The form workspace has a [context menu](#) that provides access to the Clipboard, layout actions and more.



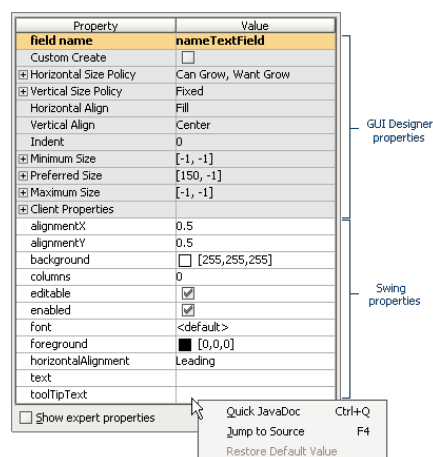
#### ItemDescription

Preview	Show the form as it should look at runtime. See <a href="#">Previewing Forms</a> .
Data Binding Wizard	Generate <code>getData()</code> , <code>isModified()</code> and <code>isModified()</code> methods for the fields bound to data. The corresponding class should already exist. See <a href="#">Generating Accessor Methods for Fields Bound to Data</a>
Cut, Copy, Paste	Perform usual Clipboard operations.
Pack	Choose this command to compress the current form to its minimal size, defined by the layout manager. This command is only available for the top level container in a form.
Show Grid	If this option is checked, the form displays grid lines.
Show Component Tags	This option toggles display of the name of a field associated with the selected component. This feature is available for the components that exceed certain pre-defined dimensions.
Create Component	Choose this command to display the list of available components and insert the selected one in the current location.
Jump to Source	Open the bound class in the editor, and place the caret to the field associated with the selected component. For the whole form, the caret rests at the class declaration.
Expand/Shrink Selection	Select successively increasing sets of components from the current one to its container. Compare to <a href="#">selecting text in the editor</a> .
Duplicate	Clone the selected component.
Morph Component	Create a component of a different type with the same properties. See <a href="#">Morphing Components</a> .
Create Listener	<a href="#">Create listener for the selected component</a> .
Go To Listener	<a href="#">Navigate to the source code of the selected listener.</a>
Surround With	Display the list of available containers, and place in one or more selected components into the container of your choice. See section <a href="#">Wrapping/Unwrapping Components</a>
Flatten	Unwrap components from a container. See section <a href="#">Wrapping/Unwrapping Components</a> .
Local history	Access the commands of the <a href="#">local version control</a> .
Add to Favorites	<a href="#">Add selected component to favorites</a> .

The Property Inspector window shows properties for the component currently selected in the form workspace, or the form itself if no components exist or none are selected.

In this section you will find information about the groups of properties, context menu commands, and types of editors.

The Inspector has two groups of properties, as shown in the following figure:



### ItemDescription

**Upper group** The shaded properties at the top of the Inspector are proprietary to IntelliJ IDEA; they are mainly used to control the layout constraints of the components for the given layout. These properties are layout-specific and depend on the layout of the container where the component is placed.

**Lower group** This group is not shaded and contains properties of the selected Swing component. There are two levels of properties: *Basic* and *Expert*. The Expert level can be toggled on and off using the Show Expert Properties checkbox in the bottom line of the Inspector. Refer to [Sun documentation for the Swing libraries](#).

The context menu of each property provides the following commands:

### ItemKeyboardDescription

#### Shortcut

Quick Javadoc	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ctrl+Q</b>	Opens related API documentation for the selected property, provided that the necessary paths are added to the API docs in the Project Settings.
Jump to Source	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>F4</b>	Opens in the editor the source code of the class that contains the selected property.
Restore Default Value		This command is enabled for the modified properties only.

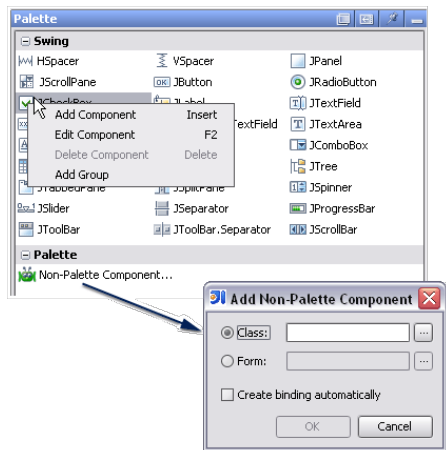
Several types of property editors appear in the Value column of the inspector:

- Text field : Type a value.
- Pick list : Pick a value from a drop-down list of valid choices.
- Checkbox : Set value for Boolean type properties.
- Dialog : Presents an ellipsis button which opens a dialog box.

The Component Palette is a tool window which appears by default at the right side of the frame next to the Form Workspace. It contains UI components which you can visually place on a Form. The default Group of the Palette contains a set of Swing user interface components that you can arrange on forms as needed. The Swing group also has horizontal and vertical Spacers that you can place on the form to define space between components. (These can behave differently depending on the setting in the Layout Manager property of the container into which a spacer is placed.) You can customize the Component Palette to contain additional groups, and your own and/or third-party GUI components (see [Customizing the Palette](#) ).

The context menu of the Palette tool window provides functions for managing components and groupings. Two groups are present by default:

- Swing : contains components from the Swing component library.
- Palette : contains a single component labeled *Non-Palette component* . When you select this *component* and add it to a Form, a dialog appears in which you can select any component class accessible to your project, or any other existing Form. This is useful in cases where you want to use a component without adding it to the Component Palette.



If you have your own custom components, or if you reuse components from third-party libraries, you can add them to the Component Palette via the context menu, which also enables you to add component groups. For more information, see [Customizing the Component Palette](#) .



Use this dialog to create a new component in the [Palette](#) , or change an existing one.

**ItemDescription**

**Class** Click this radio-button to add a component from a class library. You can enter a fully qualified class name in the text field, or click the ellipsis button, and select the desired class from the libraries, or project. Note that code completion is available in the text field.

**Form** Click this radio-button to add an existing GUI form. You can enter a fully qualified form name in the text field, or click the ellipsis button, and select the desired form from the libraries, or project.

**Icon** Specify the fully-qualified name of the icon file, or click the ellipsis button, and select the desired icon file from the libraries, or project.

**Group** Select the target group where the new component will be added.

**Tip** This field is available for the Add Component dialog only.

**Horizontal / Vertical Size Policy** The sizing policies define the behavior of the component, when its parent container is being resized.

**Can shrink** If this option is checked, the size of the component can reduce, when the container is resized.

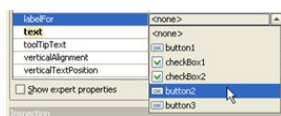
**Can grow** If this option is checked, the size of the component can increase, when the container is resized.

**Want grow** If this option is checked, the size of the component can increase, when the container is resized. This option has a higher priority, when competing with the cells of the other components.

**Is container** If this option is checked, the component can accommodate nested components, and acquires some properties that pertain to the containers.

**Create binding automatically** If this option is checked, the field for the component is automatically added to the [bound class](#) .

**Can have attached label** If this option is checked, the component of this type appears in the `labelFor` field of a `JLabel` component in the [Inspector](#) . It is important to note that Can have attached label option affects all components of this type on a GUI form. For example, if you check this option for `JButton` and `JCheckBox` Palette components, all instances of these components (already existing and newly added) appear in the `labelFor` field:



- File Types Recognized by IntelliJ IDEA
- Symbols










































IntelliJ IDEA recognizes numerous file types. Each file type is denoted with a special icon. Custom files types are also allowed. Each file type is associated with one or more extensions that match a certain pattern.



































The file types and their extensions are configurable in the [File Types](#) dialog.

**Note** "Recognized" does not mean "supported with extensive support". For example, `.php` files are recognized in the Community Edition and marked with the corresponding icon, although the edition does not provide PHP development support.

**Note** The file recognized types depend on the installed plugins.

The default types include:

File Type	Icon	Recognized in
<a href="#">ActionScript files</a>		Ultimate Edition
Active Server Pages files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Android files</a>		Ultimate Edition: all Android-related file types; Community Edition: Android IDL files, Android renderscript files
Apache Config files		Ultimate Edition
Archive files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">AspectJ files</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
C# files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
C/C++ files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Command Shell files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">CSS files</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">CoffeeScript files</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Cucumber feature files</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">ColdFusion files</a>		Ultimate Edition
Eclipse project files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Dart files</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Diagram files</a>		Ultimate Edition
Drools files		Ultimate Edition
Erlang files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
EJB QL files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Files <a href="#">Configuring projects</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Files opened in associated applications		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
FreeMarker template files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Gant scripts</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Gradle scripts</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Groovy files</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Groovy Server Pages</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">GUI Form</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Handlebars files</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">HAML files</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">HTML files</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
IntelliJ IDEA files <a href="#">project, module or workspace</a> .		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
IDL files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Image files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Java class files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Java source files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
JavaFX files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">JavaScript files</a>		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">JavaScript test files</a>		Ultimate Edition
JavaScript files that can be executed on <a href="#">Node.js</a>		Ultimate Edition
Jade files (refer to the section <a href="#">Pug (Jade) Template Engine</a> ).		Ultimate Edition
JSF files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
































JSHint configuration files		Ultimate Edition
JSON files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">JSTestDriver Config</a> files		Ultimate Edition
Java Server Pages files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
JSPx files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Kotlin files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Kotlin classes</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Kotlin interfaces</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Kotlin enums</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Kotlin objects</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Less</a> files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Patch</a> files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Perl files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">PHP</a> files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Properties</a> files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Resource bundles</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
XML-based properties files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
Pug files (refer to the section <a href="#">Pug (Jade) Template Engine</a> ).		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Regular expressions</a>		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
RELAX NG Compact Syntax		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Sass</a> files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">SCSS</a> files		Ultimate Edition
Scala files		Ultimate Edition
Smarty, Smarty config files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">SQL</a> files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
<a href="#">Stylus</a> files		Ultimate Edition
<a href="#">Drools Expert</a> files		Ultimate Edition
Text files		Ultimate Edition, Community Edition
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Velocity template files		Ultimate Edition
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<a href="#">YAML</a> files		Ultimate Edition

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## Common

### IconDescription










	Class
	Abstract class
	Groovy class
	Annotation
	Enumeration
	Exception
	Final Java class
	Interface
	Java class that contains declaration of the <code>main()</code> method.
	Test case
	Java class located out of the source root. Refer to the section <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> for details.
	Java class <a href="#">excluded from compilation</a> .
	<a href="#">PHP trait</a>
	Method
	Abstract method
	Field
	Variable
	Property
	Parameter
	Element
	Directory
	Module
	Group of modules
	Package
	<a href="#">Source root</a>
	<a href="#">Test root</a>
	<a href="#">Excluded root</a>
	<a href="#">Resources</a>
	<a href="#">Test resources</a>
	<a href="#">Generated source roots</a>
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### Visibility modifiers











	Read-only class, e.g. from a jar of an external library.
	private
	protected
	package protected
	static
	public

## Data Sources

### IconDescription

	DB data source. Also, DBMS-specific icons are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-  <a href="#">Amazon Redshift</a></li><li>-  <a href="#">DB2</a></li><li>-  <a href="#">Derby</a></li><li>-  <a href="#">H2</a></li><li>-  <a href="#">HSQLDB</a></li><li>-  <a href="#">Microsoft Azure</a></li><li>-  <a href="#">MySQL</a></li><li>-  <a href="#">Oracle</a></li></ul>
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-  PostgreSQL
-  SQL Server
-  SQLite
-  Sybase

	DB data source with the read-only status, e.g.  for Derby.
	DDL data source
	Database
	Schema
	Table
	View
	Column
	A <code>NOT NULL</code> column
	Column with a primary key
	Column with a foreign key
	Column with an index
	Primary key
	Foreign key
	Index
	Trigger
	Stored procedure or function

This section provides a brief summary of regexp syntax that can be helpful for creating search and issue navigation patterns.

## RegEx syntax reference

### CharacterDescription

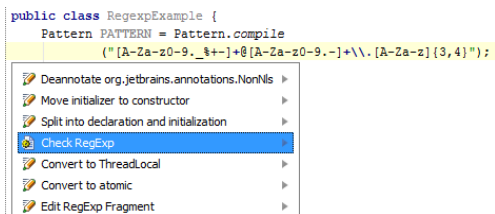
<code>\</code>	Marks the next character as either a special character or a literal. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <code>n</code> matches the character <code>n</code>. <code>"n"</code> matches a newline character.</li><li>- The sequence <code>\\</code> matches <code>\</code> and <code>\(</code> matches <code>(</code>.</li></ul>
<code>^</code>	Matches the beginning of input.
<code>\$</code>	Matches the end of input.
<code>*</code>	Matches the preceding character zero or more times. For example, <code>"zo*"</code> matches either <code>z</code> or <code>zoo</code> .
<code>+</code>	Matches the preceding character one or more times. For example, <code>"zo+"</code> matches <code>zoo</code> but not <code>z</code> .
<code>?</code>	Matches the preceding character zero or one time. For example, <code>a?ve?</code> matches the <code>ve</code> in <code>never</code> .
<code>.</code>	Matches any single character except a newline character.
<code>( subexpression )</code>	Matches <i>subexpression</i> and remembers the match. If a part of a regular expression is enclosed in parentheses, that part of the regular expression is grouped together. Thus a regex operator can be applied to the entire group. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If you need to use the matched substring within the same regular expression, you can retrieve it using the backreference <code>( \num )</code>, where <code>num = 1..n</code>.</li><li>- If you need to refer the matched substring somewhere outside the current regular expression (for example, in another regular expression as a replacement string), you can retrieve it using the dollar sign <code>( \$num )</code>, where <code>num = 1..n</code>.</li><li>- If you need to include the parentheses characters into a <i>subexpression</i>, use <code>\(</code> or <code>\)</code>.</li></ul>
<code>x   y</code>	Matches either <code>x</code> or <code>y</code> . For example, <code>z wood</code> matches <code>z</code> or <code>wood</code> . <code>(z w)oo</code> matches <code>zoo</code> or <code>wood</code> .
<code>{ n }</code>	<code>n</code> is a nonnegative integer. Matches <b>exactly</b> <code>n</code> times. For example, <code>o{2}</code> does not match the <code>o</code> in <code>Bob</code> , but matches the first two <code>o</code> 's in <code>foooood</code> .
<code>{ n , }</code>	<code>n</code> is a nonnegative integer. Matches <b>at least</b> <code>n</code> times. For example, <code>o{2,}</code> does not match the <code>o</code> in <code>Bob</code> and matches all the <code>o</code> 's in <code>foooood</code> .  <code>o{1,}</code> is equivalent to <code>o+</code> . <code>o{0,}</code> is equivalent to <code>o*</code> .
<code>{ n , m }</code>	<code>m</code> and <code>n</code> are nonnegative integers. Matches <b>at least</b> <code>n</code> and <b>at most</b> <code>m</code> times. For example, <code>o{1,3}</code> matches the first three <code>o</code> 's in <code>foooood</code> . <code>o{0,1}</code> is equivalent to <code>o?</code> .
<code>[ xyz ]</code>	A character set. Matches any one of the enclosed characters. For example, <code>[abc]</code> matches the <code>a</code> in <code>plain</code> .
<code>[^ xyz ]</code>	A negative character set. Matches any character not enclosed. For example, <code>[^abc]</code> matches the <code>p</code> in <code>plain</code> .
<code>[ a-z ]</code>	A range of characters. Matches any character in the specified range. For example, <code>"[a-z]"</code> matches any lowercase alphabetic character in the range <code>a</code> through <code>z</code> .
<code>[^ m-z ]</code>	A negative range characters. Matches any character not in the specified range. For example, <code>[^m-z]</code> matches any character not in the range <code>m</code> through <code>z</code> .
<code>\b</code>	Matches a word boundary, that is, the position between a word and a space. For example, <code>er\b</code> matches the <code>er</code> in <code>never</code> but not the <code>er</code> in <code>verb</code> .
<code>\B</code>	Matches a non-word boundary. <code>ea*r\b</code> matches the <code>ear</code> in <code>never early</code> .
<code>\d</code>	Matches a digit character. Equivalent to <code>[0-9]</code> .
<code>\D</code>	Matches a non-digit character. Equivalent to <code>[^0-9]</code> .
<code>\f</code>	Matches a form-feed character.
<code>\n</code>	Matches a newline character.
<code>\r</code>	Matches a carriage return character.
<code>\s</code>	Matches any white space including space, tab, form-feed, etc. Equivalent to <code>[ \f\n\r\t\v ]</code> .
<code>\S</code>	Matches any nonwhite space character. Equivalent to <code>[ ^\f\n\r\t\v ]</code> .
<code>\t</code>	Matches a tab character.
<code>\v</code>	Matches a vertical tab character.
<code>\w</code>	Matches any word character including underscore. Equivalent to <code>[A-Za-z0-9_]</code> .
<code>\W</code>	Matches any non-word character. Equivalent to <code>[^A-Za-z0-9_]</code> .
<code>\ num</code>	Matches <code>num</code> , where <code>num</code> is a positive integer, denoting a reference back to remembered matches. For example, <code>(.)1</code> matches two consecutive identical characters.
<code>\ n</code>	Matches <code>n</code> , where <code>n</code> is an octal escape value. Octal escape values should be 1, 2, or 3 digits long. For example, <code>\11</code> and <code>\011</code> both match a tab character.  <code>\0011</code> is the equivalent of <code>\001</code> & <code>1</code> .  Octal escape values should not exceed 256. If they do, only the first two digits comprise the expression. Allows ASCII codes to be used in regular expressions.

<code>\x n</code>	Matches <i>n</i> , where <i>n</i> is a hexadecimal escape value. Hexadecimal escape values must be exactly two digits long. For example, <code>\x41</code> matches <code>A</code> . <code>\x041</code> is equivalent to <code>\x04 &amp; 1</code> .  Allows ASCII codes to be used in regular expressions.
<code>\\\$</code>	Escapes <code>\$</code> .
<code>\l</code>	Changes the case of the next character to the lower case.
<code>\u</code>	Changes the case of the next character to the upper case.
<code>\L</code>	Changes the case of all the subsequent characters up to <code>\E</code> to the lower case.
<code>\U</code>	Changes the case of all the subsequent characters up to <code>\E</code> to the upper case.

## Tips and Tricks

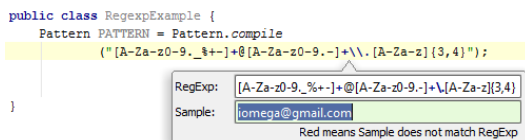
IntelliJ IDEA provides intention actions to check validity of the regular expressions, and edit regular expressions in a scratchpad. Place the caret at a regular expression, and press `Alt+Enter`. The suggestion list of intention actions, available in this context, appears:

```
public class RegexpExample {
    Pattern PATTERN = Pattern.compile
        ("[A-Za-z0-9._%+]+@[A-Za-z0-9.-]+\.[A-Za-z]{3,4}");
}
```

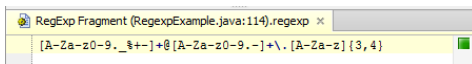


- Choose `Check RegExp`, and press `Enter`. The dialog box that pops up, shows the current regular expression in the upper pane. In the lower pane, type the string to which this expression should match. If the regular expression matches the entered string, the background becomes green. If the regular expression doesn't match, then the background is red.

```
public class RegexpExample {
    Pattern PATTERN = Pattern.compile
        ("[A-Za-z0-9._%+]+@[A-Za-z0-9.-]+\.[A-Za-z]{3,4}");
}
```



- Choose `Edit RegExp Fragment`, and press `Enter`. The regular expression opens for editing in a separate tab in the editor. However, this is but a scratchpad, and no file is physically created:



As you type in the scratchpad, all changes are synchronized with the original regular expression. Press `Escape` to close the editor tab.



The **scopes language** is used in specifying project **scopes** involved in the various kinds of analysis.

## Sets of classes

- Single class is defined by a class name, i.e. `com.intellij.openapi.MyClass`
- Set of all classes in a package, not recursing into subpackages, is defined by an asterisk after dot, for example:  
`com.intellij.openapi.*`
- Set of all classes in a package including contents of subpackages, is defined by an asterisk after double dot, for example  
`com.intellij.openapi..*`

## Sets of files

- Single file is defined by a file name, i.e. `MyDir/MyFile.txt`
- Set of all files in a directory, not recursing into subdirectories, is defined by an asterisk after slash, for example:  
`file:src/main/myDir/*`
- Set of all files in a directory including contents of subdirectories, is defined by an asterisk after double slash, for example  
`file:src/main/myDir/**`

## Modifiers

### Location modifiers

help you specify whether the desired set is located in the source files, library classes or test code in the form of location modifiers `src:`, `lib:`, `file:`, or `test:`.

For example, the following scope

```
src:com.intellij.openapi.*
```

implies all classes under the source root in the `com.intellij.openapi` package, excluding subpackages.

The default location is the module root.

### Module modifiers

help you narrow down the scope by specifying the name of the related module in one of the following ways:

```
src[module name]:<E>
lib[module name]:<E>
test[module name]:<E>
```

For example, the following scope

```
src[MyModule]:com.intellij.openapi.*
```

implies all classes under the source folders related to the module `MyModule` in the package `com.intellij.openapi`, excluding subpackages.

### Group modifier

help you narrow down the scope by specifying the name of the related module group (several modules can be joined into a group in the [Project Structure dialog](#)).

The group modifier has the following format:

```
[group:<group name>]
```

For example, the following scope

```
file[group:mygroup]:**/*
```

denotes a scope of all files in the group of modules with the specified name.

## Logical operators

The scope language allows you to use common logical operators:

&& for AND  
|| for OR  
! for NOT

Besides that, the parentheses can be used to join the logical operators into groups. For example, the following scope

```
(<a>||<b>)&&<c>
```

implies either <a> and <c>, or <b> and <c>.

Another example

```
file[*web*]:src/main/java/**
```


denotes a scope of all modules whose name contains `web`, and all the files recursively in the directory `src/main/java`.

## Defining scopes

Scopes are defined in the [Scopes](#) dialog box in the following ways:

- Manually
- With the pointing device

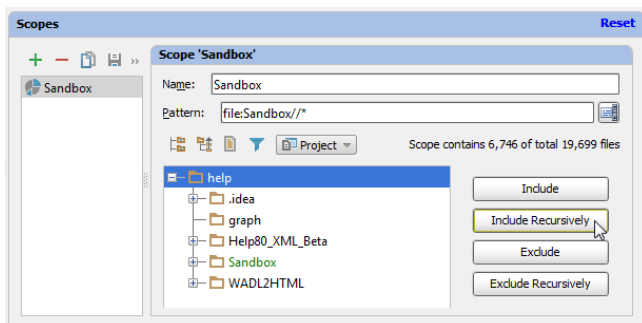
Manually

Specify file masks in the Pattern text box, or click  and type the pattern in the editor.

Using the Mouse Pointer

Select files and folders in the project tree view and click the buttons Include, Include Recursively, Exclude, and Exclude Recursively. For information about the controls, refer to [Scope](#) page description.

Based on the inclusion/exclusion of file and directories, IntelliJ IDEA creates an expression and displays it in the Pattern field.



## Examples

- `file[MyMod]:src/main/java/com/example/my_package/**` - include in a project all the files from module "MyMod", located in the specified directory and all subdirectories.
- `src[MyMod]:com.example.my_package.*` - recursively include all classes in a package in the source directories of the module.
- `lib:com.company.*|com.company.*` - recursively include all classes in a package from both project and libraries.
- `test:com.company.*` - include all test classes in a package, but not in subpackages.
- `[MyMod]:com.company.util.*` - include all classes and test classes in the package of the specified module.
- `file:*.js||file:*.coffee` - include all JavaScript and CoffeeScript files.
- `file:*js&&!file:*.min.*` - include all JavaScript files except those that were generated through **minification**, which is indicated by the `min` extension.

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

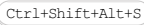

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

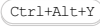



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## File



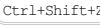

















**Menu Keyboard Description**  
**item shortcut**

New...	Project	Use this command to <a href="#">create a new project</a> .
	Project from Existing Source	Use this command to <a href="#">create a new project from existing source</a> .
	Project from Version Control	Use this command to check out a project from a version control system.
	Module	Use this command to add a new module to an existing project.
	Module from Existing Sources	Use this command to create a <a href="#">new module</a> from existing sources.
	<File type>	Use this command to <a href="#">create a new element in a project</a> .
Open...	Use this command to open the specified directory, or an existing IntelliJ IDEA project. A directory that contains a project is marked with  icon. This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.	
Open Recent	Use this command to open one of the recent projects.	
Close Project	Use this command to close the current project .	
Settings... (on Windows/*NIX)/IntelliJ IDEA Preferences (on macOS)		Use this command to change the project and IDE configurations in the <a href="#">Settings/Preferences dialog</a> . See also the section <a href="#">Configuring Project and IDE Settings</a> . This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.  This command is available on Windows/Linux. On Mac OS it appears on the IntelliJ IDEA menu and has the name Preferences .
Project Structure		Use this command to open the Project Structure dialog to configure SDKs, libraries, content roots, etc.
Other Settings	Point to this node to reveal the submenu of the default configuration commands (Default Settings, Configure Plugins, Default Project Structure)	
Import Settings...	Choose this command to <a href="#">import settings from an archive</a> .	
Export Settings...	Choose this command to <a href="#">export settings to an archive</a> .	
Export to Eclipse	Choose this command to invoke <a href="#">Export to Eclipse Dialog</a> . As a result, two Eclipse files  are added to the exported project: <code>.classpath</code> and <code>.project</code> .  If in <a href="#">Export to Eclipse Dialog</a> the checkbox Switch selected module to Eclipse-compatible format is selected, the file <code>&lt;module name&gt;.eml</code> is created.  If in <a href="#">Export to Eclipse Dialog</a> the checkbox Export non-module libraries is selected, the file <code>&lt;module name&gt;.userlibraries</code> is created.  Refer to the section <a href="#">Exporting an IntelliJ IDEA Project to Eclipse</a> for details.	
Settings Repository...	Choose this command to invoke the <a href="#">Settings Repository</a> dialog.	

Save All		Choose this command to <a href="#">save all changes</a> , when editing is over. This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Synchronize		Choose this command to check the IntelliJ IDEA caches and bring them up-to-date by keeping in sync with external changes. This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Invalidate Caches/Restart...		Choose this command to clean the system cache .
Export to HTML...		Use this command results to <a href="#">save selected files in HTML format</a> .
Print...		Choose this command to print selected file on the default printer. Refer to the <a href="#">Print dialog</a> description.
Add to Favorites		Use this command to <a href="#">add the selected files to the list of Favorites</a> . Click the right arrow to select the list of favorites you want to be modified. Refer to the description of the <a href="#">Favorites tool window</a> .
File Encoding		Use this command to <a href="#">change encoding of an individual file</a> . See also the section <a href="#">Encoding</a> .
Line Separators		Use this command to select the desired line separator style. Refer to the section <a href="#">Configuring Line Separators</a> .
Make File Read-Only / Make File Writable		Use these toggle commands to change read-only status of a file selected in the Project tool window, or currently active in the editor. If a file is made read-only, it is marked with  , and doesn't allow editing. You can also toggle read-only attribute of a file in the <a href="#">Status bar</a> .
Power Save Mode		Use this mode if you are working with a laptop. If Power-Save mode is on, then the background processes are turned off, to minimize the power consumption. You can also turn this mode on or off by clicking  in the <a href="#">Status bar</a> .
Exit		Choose this command to quit IntelliJ IDEA. This command is available on Windows/Linux. On Mac OS it appears on the IntelliJ IDEA menu and has the name Quit IntelliJ IDEA .

## Edit

### MenuKeyboardDescription item shortcut

Undo <action>		Use this command to <a href="#">roll actions back</a> . This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Redo <action>		Use this command to <a href="#">repeat the last actions</a> . This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Cut		Choose this command to take the selected characters to the clipboard and delete them. Refer to the section <a href="#">Cutting, Copying, and Pasting</a> . This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Copy		Choose this command to take the selected characters to the clipboard. Refer to the section <a href="#">Cutting, Copying, and Pasting</a> . This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Copy Path		Choose this command to take the path to the selected symbol to the clipboard. Refer to the section <a href="#">Cutting, Copying, and Pasting</a> .
Copy as Plain Text		Choose this command to take the selected fragment to the clipboard without formatting. Refer to the section <a href="#">Settings/Preferences   Editor   General</a> .
Copy Relative Path		Choose this command to take a reference to a symbol to the clipboard. Refer to the section <a href="#">Cutting, Copying, and Pasting</a> .
Paste		Choose this command to place the latest entry from the Clipboard at the insertion point. Refer to the section <a href="#">Cutting, Copying, and Pasting</a> . This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Paste from History...		Choose this command to place at the insertion point the selected entry from the Clipboard. Refer to the section <a href="#">Cutting, Copying, and Pasting</a> .
Paste Simple		Choose this command to place the last entry from the Clipboard at the insertion point as plain text. Refer to the section <a href="#">Cutting, Copying, and Pasting</a> .
Delete		Choose this command to delete the selected files, or folder from the project tool window, or selected fragment of text from the active editor.
Find		Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of search commands:  Find/Replace  /  <a href="#">Find or replace text in a current file</a> . These commands are duplicated by  and  icons on the main toolbar.

Find Next/Find Previous (Move to Next/Previous Occurrence)	F3 / Shift+F3	Use these commands to navigate through the search results in a file. See <a href="#">Finding and replacing text in a file</a> .
Find Word at Caret	Ctrl+F3	Use this command to jump to the next occurrence of the word where the caret rests. See <a href="#">Finding and replacing text in a file</a> .
Select All Occurrences	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+J	Use this command to find and select all the occurrences of an item.
Add Selection for Next Occurrence	Alt+J	Use this command to select the next occurrence of an item.
Unselect Occurrence	Shift+Alt+J	Use this command to remove selection from the last selected occurrence of an item.
Find in Path/Replace in Path	Ctrl+Shift+F / Ctrl+Shift+R	Use these commands to search for, and replace a text fragment in a whole project. Refer to the section <a href="#">Finding and Replacing text in Project</a> .
Search/Replace Structurally		Use these commands to perform structural search or replace. Refer to the section <a href="#">Structural Search and Replace</a> for details.
Find Usages	Alt+F7	Use this command to search for the usages of a symbol across an entire project. Refer to the section <a href="#">Finding Usages in Project</a> .
Find Usages Settings	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+F7	Use this command to search for the usages of a symbol across an entire project, after setting the desired search options. Refer to the section <a href="#">Finding Usages in Project</a> .
Show Usages	Ctrl+Alt+F7	Use this command to bring up a list of the usages of a symbol across the whole project. Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Usages of a Symbol</a> .
Find Usages in a File	Ctrl+F7	Refer to the section <a href="#">Finding Usages in the Current File</a> .
Highlight Usages in a File	Ctrl+Shift+F7	Use this command to visualize usage of a symbol in the current file. Refer to the section <a href="#">Highlighting Usages</a> .
Recent Find Usages	Ctrl+E	Choose this command to view the recent search results. Refer to <a href="#">Viewing Recent Find Usages</a> .
Evaluate XPath...	Ctrl+Alt+X, E	Use this command to <a href="#">evaluate an XPath expression</a> . Refer to <a href="#">XPath and XSLT Support</a> .
Find by XPath...	Ctrl+Alt+X, F	Use this command to find occurrences of certain XPath expressions in all XML files in a specific scope. Refer to <a href="#">XPath and XSLT Support</a> .

Macros		Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of the macros-related commands. Refer to the section <a href="#">Using Macros in the Editor</a> .
Column Selection Mode	Shift+Alt+Insert	Use this command to toggle between column selection and line selection modes. Refer to the section <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
Select All	Ctrl+A	Choose this command to select all contents of the current file. Refer to the section <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
Extend Selection	Ctrl+W	Choose this command to select the current word. Use this command successively to extend selection. Refer to the section <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
Shrink Selection	Ctrl+Shift+W	Choose this command to unselect the currently selected word. Use this command successively to shrink selection. Refer to the section <a href="#">Selecting Text in the Editor</a> .
Join Lines	Ctrl+Shift+J	Choose this command to <a href="#">join lines or literals</a> .
Fill Paragraph		Choose this command to create soft wraps in a paragraph.
Duplicate Lines	Ctrl+D	Choose this command to duplicate a line or fragment of text. Refer to <a href="#">Adding, Deleting and Moving Code Elements</a> .
Indent Selection/Unindent Selection	Tab / Shift+Tab	Choose this command to change indentation of the line at caret. Refer to the section <a href="#">Changing Indentation</a> .

Toggle Case	<b>Ctrl+Shift+U</b>	Choose this command to change case of the selection. See <a href="#">Toggling Case</a> .
Convert Indents		Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of the possible indentation and toggle indentation style. Refer to <a href="#">Changing Indentation</a> .
Encode XML/HTML Special Characters		Choose this command to convert the selected special character to its HTML name in the format <code>&amp;char;</code> .
Edit as Table		Choose this command to invoke the <a href="#">table editor</a> for the current documents.

## View

### MenuKeyboardDescription item shortcut

Tool Windows		Point to this node to reveal the list of the available tool windows. Refer to the section <a href="#">Manipulating the Tool Windows</a> .
Quick Definition	<b>Ctrl+Shift+I</b>	Choose this command to open the quick definition popup. Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Definition</a> .
Quick Documentation	<b>Ctrl+Q</b>	Choose this command to <a href="#">view quick documentation</a> popup window.
Show Bytecode		Choose this command to show the byte code of the current <code>.java</code> class in the Byte Code Viewer popup window.
Parameter Info	<b>Ctrl+P</b>	Choose this command to <a href="#">view method parameter information</a> .
Context Info	<b>Alt+Q</b>	Choose this command to <a href="#">show the current cursor position</a> , if it runs out of the visible editor pane.
Jump to Source	<b>F4</b>	Choose this command to edit a file selected in a tool window. The file opens in the editor.
Recent Files	<b>Ctrl+E</b>	Choose this command to show the pop-up list of <a href="#">recently opened files</a> and tool windows, and navigate to them.
Recently Changed Files	<b>Ctrl+Shift+E</b>	Choose this command to show the pop-up list of <a href="#">recently changed files and navigate to them</a> .
Recent Changes	<b>Shift+Alt+C</b>	Choose this command to open the pop-up list of <a href="#">recent changes</a> .
Compare with Clipboard		Choose this command to compare the file currently opened in the editor with the contents of the system clipboard. See <a href="#">Comparing Files</a> .
Quick Switch Scheme	<b>Ctrl+Back Quote</b>	Choose this command to <a href="#">switch between schemes</a> .
Toolbar		Select or clear this check command to show or hide the <a href="#">main toolbar</a> .
Tool Buttons		Select or clear this check command to show or hide the <a href="#">tool window buttons</a> .
Status Bar		Select or clear this check command to show or hide the <a href="#">Status toolbar</a> .
Navigation Bar		Select or clear this check command to show or hide the <a href="#">Navigation bar</a> .
Active Editor		Point to this node to reveal the list of nested check commands. These commands apply to the <a href="#">active editor</a> and is only available when it exists.
	Show Whitespaces	Select or clear this check command to show or hide the whitespaces in the text.
	Show Line Numbers	Select or clear this check command to show or hide line numbers.
	Show Gutter	Select or clear this check command to show or hide the icons in the left gutter.
	Icons Show Indent	Select or clear this check command to show or hide vertical indent markers.
	Guides Use Soft Wraps	Select or clear this check command to show or hide soft wrap markers in the text.
	Show Import Popups	Select or clear this check command to show or hide import popups.
BiDi Text Direction		Point to this node to select the direction of text in the string literals containing RTL strings and tokens. Refer to the page <a href="#">Text Direction</a> .
Enter/Exit Presentation Mode		Choose this command to <a href="#">enter or exit presentation mode</a> .
Enter/Exit Distraction Free Mode		Choose this command to <a href="#">enter or exit distraction-free mode</a> .

## Navigate

### MenuKeyboardDescription

#### item shortcut

Class/File/Symbol	<a href="#">Ctrl+N</a> / <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+N</a> <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+N</a>	Choose these commands to find and jump to a <a href="#">class, file, or symbol by name</a> .
Custom Folding...	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Period</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">navigate between custom regions</a> .
Line...	<a href="#">Ctrl+G</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">navigate to the specified line of code</a> .
Back/Forward	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Left</a> / <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Right</a>	Choose these commands to <a href="#">go through the history of the recently navigated items</a> . These commands are duplicated with <a href="#">↶</a> and <a href="#">↷</a> buttons on the main toolbar.
Last/Next Edit Location	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Backspace</a>	Choose these commands to jump to the <a href="#">latest edit location</a> and back.
Bookmarks		Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of commands related to <a href="#">using bookmarks</a> .
Select In...	<a href="#">Alt+F1</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">select the desired component from the pop-up list of possible targets</a> .
Jump to Navigation Bar	<a href="#">Alt+Home</a>	Choose this command to navigate across your project <a href="#">using the Navigation Bar</a> .
Declaration	<a href="#">Ctrl+B</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">jump to a declaration of a symbol</a> .
Implementation(s)	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+B</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">jump to an implementation of a method</a> .
Type Declaration	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+B</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">jump to the type declaration of a symbol</a> .
Super Method	<a href="#">Ctrl+U</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">jump to a super method</a> of the method at caret.
Test	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+T</a>	Choose this command to navigate to an existing test, or create a test. See section <a href="#">Creating Tests</a> .
Related Symbol...	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Home</a>	.
File Structure	<a href="#">Ctrl+F12</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">navigate through the source code using the File Structure view</a> .
File Path	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+F12</a>	See <a href="#">Navigating to File Path</a> .
Type/Method/Call Hierarchy	<a href="#">Ctrl+H</a> / <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+H</a> / <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+H</a>	Choose these commands to navigate using the hierarchy views. Refer to the sections <a href="#">Viewing Structure and Hierarchy of the Source Code</a> .
Next/Previous Highlighted Error	<a href="#">F2</a> <a href="#">Shift+F2</a>	Choose these commands to <a href="#">navigate through the highlighted errors</a> .
Next/Previous Emmet Edit Point	<a href="#">Shift+Alt+Close Bracket</a> / <a href="#">Shift+Alt+Open Bracket</a>	Refer to the section <a href="#">Emmet</a> for details.
Next/Previous Change	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Down</a> <a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Up</a>	Choose these commands to navigate through the change markers (when VCS integration is <a href="#">enabled</a> ) .
Next/Previous Method	<a href="#">Alt+Down</a> <a href="#">Alt+Up</a>	Choose these commands to <a href="#">go up and down through the methods and tags</a> .

## Code

### MenuKeyboardDescription

#### item shortcut

Override Methods...	<a href="#">Ctrl+O</a>	Choose this command to override a method. See <a href="#">Overriding Methods of a Superclass</a> .
Implement Methods...	<a href="#">Ctrl+I</a>	Choose this command to implement a method. See <a href="#">Implementing Methods of an Interface</a> .
Generate...	<a href="#">Alt+Insert</a>	Choose this command to create a new element.
Surround With...	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+T</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">surround a logical fragment with code construct</a> .
Unwrap/Remove...	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+Delete</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">unwrap an expression from enclosing statements</a> .
Completion		Point to this node to reveal the nested <a href="#">auto-completion</a> commands.
Folding		Point to this node to reveal the nested <a href="#">folding</a> commands.
Insert Live Template...	<a href="#">Ctrl+J</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">create code constructs by live templates</a> .
Surround with Live Template...	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+J</a>	Choose this command to <a href="#">create code constructs using surround templates</a> .
Comment with Line Comment	<a href="#">Ctrl+Slash</a>	Choose this command to comment an entire line of code. See <a href="#">Commenting and Uncommenting Blocks of Code</a> .

Comment with Block Comment	Ctrl+Shift+Slash	Choose this command to comment out a block of code. See <a href="#">Commenting and Uncommenting Blocks of Code</a> .
Reformat Code...	Ctrl+Alt+L	Choose this command to perform code reformatting. See <a href="#">Reformatting Source Code</a> .
Auto-Indent Lines	Ctrl+Alt+I	Choose this command to <a href="#">change indentation</a> .
Optimize Imports...	Ctrl+Alt+O	Choose this command to optimize import statements. See <a href="#">Optimizing Imports</a> .
Rearrange Code		Choose this command to rearrange code according to the arrangement rules. See <a href="#">Rearranging Code Using Arrangement Rules</a> .
Move Statement Up/Down	Ctrl+Shift+Up / Ctrl+Shift+Down	Choose this command to <a href="#">move a statement up or down</a> .
Move Element Left/Right	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Left / Ctrl+Shift+Alt+Right	Choose this command to move element at caret left or right.
Move Line Up/Down	Shift+Alt+Up / Shift+Alt+Down	Choose this command to <a href="#">move a line at caret up or down</a> .

## Analyze

### Menu Keyboard Description item shortcut

Inspect Code...		Choose this command to <a href="#">run an inspection</a> .
Code Cleanup		Choose this command to open the dialog <a href="#">Specify Code Cleanup Scope Dialog</a> .
Run Inspection by Name...	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+I	Choose this command to <a href="#">run the specified inspection</a> .
Configure Current File Analysis...	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+H	Choose this command to <a href="#">change highlighting level of the current file</a> .
View Offline Inspection Results...		Choose this command to see inspection results stored on your computer. See <a href="#">Viewing Offline Inspections Results</a> .
Locate Duplicates...		Choose this command to find code duplicates. Refer to <a href="#">Analyzing Duplicates</a> .
Analyze Stacktrace...		Choose this command to <a href="#">analyze external stacktrace</a> .

## Refactor

Note that the composition of this menu item depends upon the current context.

### Menu Keyboard Description item shortcut

Refactor This...	Ctrl+Shift+Alt+T	Choose this command to open a popup menu of the refactorings available in the current context. Refer to the section <a href="#">Refactoring Source Code</a> .
Rename...	Shift+F6	Choose this command to <a href="#">rename an element</a> .
Change Signature...	Ctrl+F6	Choose this command to perform the change signature refactoring. See <a href="#">Change Signature</a> and <a href="#">Change Signature for JavaScript</a> for details.
Move...	F6	Choose this command to <a href="#">move</a> a symbol to the specified location.
Copy...	Ctrl+C	Choose this command to create a copy of an element in the specified location. See <a href="#">Copy</a> for details.
Safe Delete	Alt+Delete	Choose this command to <a href="#">delete a symbol</a> , performing search for its usages.
Extract		Choose this command to perform one of the <a href="#">extract</a> refactorings. See <a href="#">Extract Refactorings</a> for details.
Inline...	Ctrl+Alt+N	Choose this command to perform <a href="#">inline refactoring</a> .
Pull Members Up...		Choose this command to perform <a href="#">pull members up refactoring</a> .
Push Members Down		Choose this command to perform <a href="#">push members down refactoring</a> .
Invert Boolean		Choose this command to perform <a href="#">invert boolean refactoring</a> .
XML Refactorings		Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of XML-related refactorings, available in the current context.


## Build

Refer to the section [Compiler and Builder](#) for details.

### Menu Keyboard Description item shortcut






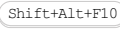
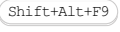






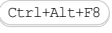


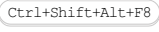
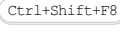
Build Project	Ctrl+F9	Choose this command to <a href="#">build a project</a> .
Build Module <name>		Choose this command to <a href="#">build a module</a> .
Rebuild <name>	Ctrl+Shift+F9	Choose this command to <a href="#">compile the specified target</a> .



Rebuild Project		Choose this command to <a href="#">rebuild your project</a> .
Generate Ant Build		Choose this command to <a href="#">generate an Ant build file</a> .
Build Artifacts		Choose this command to <a href="#">Package a module into a JAR file</a> .
Generate Signed APK		Choose this command to <a href="#">Generate a signed Android application package</a> .
Run Ant Target		Choose this command to <a href="#">execute an Ant target</a> .

## Run

### MenuKeyboardDescription item shortcut

Run <current run/debug configuration>		Choose this command to <a href="#">run</a> the current class with the <code>main()</code> method with the corresponding temporary run/debug configuration. This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Debug <current run/debug configuration>		Choose this command to <a href="#">debug</a> the current class with the <code>main()</code> method with the corresponding temporary run/debug configuration. This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Run <current run/debug configuration> with Coverage		Choose this command to <a href="#">run with coverage</a> the current class with the <code>main()</code> method with the corresponding temporary run/debug configuration. This command is duplicated with  icon on the main toolbar.
Run...		Choose this command to select the desired run/debug configuration, and then launch it. Refer to the section <a href="#">Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations</a> .
Debug...		Choose this command to select the desired run/debug configuration, and then launch it in debugging mode. Refer to the section <a href="#">Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations</a> .
Edit Configurations...		Choose this command to change run/debug configuration. Refer to the section <a href="#">Creating and Editing Run/Debug Configurations</a> .
Import Test Results		Choose this command to import test results from a file.
Stop		Choose this command to <a href="#">terminate execution of a run/debug configuration</a> . This command is duplicated with  icon in the toolboxes of the <a href="#">Run</a> and <a href="#">Debug</a> tool windows.
Show Running List		Choose this command to display a popup that lists all currently running/debugging applications. Refer to the section <a href="#">Viewing Running Processes</a> .
Stepping Commands		These commands become enabled with the debugger session on. Refer to the section <a href="#">Stepping Through the Program</a> . See also descriptions of the stepping toolbar buttons in the <a href="#">Debug</a> tool window reference.
Pause Program		Choose this command to pause output of the current run or <a href="#">debug</a> session. This command is duplicated with  icon in the toolboxes of the <a href="#">Run</a> and <a href="#">Debug</a> tool windows. Note that the button is not available for <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Node.js</a> , <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: Attach to Node.js/Chrome</a> , and <a href="#">Run/Debug Configuration: NUnit</a> .
Resume Program		Choose this command to <a href="#">resume the debugger session</a> with the selected run/debug configuration. This command is duplicated with  icon in the toolbox of the <a href="#">Debug</a> tool windows.
Evaluate Expression		Choose this command to <a href="#">evaluate expression</a> during the debug session.
Quick Evaluate Expression		Choose this command to perform <a href="#">quick evaluation</a> of an expression in the editor during the debug session.
Show Execution Point		Choose this command to <a href="#">show execution point</a> during the debug session.
Toggle Line Breakpoint		Choose this command to turn on or off a line breakpoint. Refer to the section <a href="#">Creating Line Breakpoints</a> .
Toggle Temporary Line Breakpoint		Choose this command to turn on or off a temporary line breakpoint. Refer to the section <a href="#">Creating Line Breakpoints</a> .
View Breakpoints...		Choose this command to <a href="#">show all available breakpoints and change them</a> in the <a href="#">Breakpoints dialog</a> .

## Tools

Note that composition of the menu Tools depends on the enabled [plugins](#) and [external tools](#) .

### MenuKeyboardDescription item shortcut


Tasks and Contexts		Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of commands related to <a href="#">tasks and contexts management</a> .
Save File as Template...		The current file is saved as a <a href="#">file template</a> and appears in the Files tab of the <a href="#">File and Code Templates</a> page of the editor settings.
Save Project as		The the current project or any its module is saved as a template project.

Template...	
Save File as Template	Choose this command to save the current file as a <a href="#">template file</a> .
IDE Scripting Console	Choose this command to launch the interactive scripting console.
XML Actions	Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of <a href="#">XML-related commands</a> .
Capture Memory Snapshot	Choose this command to get the memory state of the profiled application.
Vim Emulator	Select this check command to enable or disable Vim emulation. This command only appears when Vim plugin is installed and enabled. Refer to the tutorial <a href="#">Configuring IntelliJ IDEA to work as a Vim editor</a> .
Reconfigure Vim Keymap	This command is only visible, when Vim Emulator is checked. Choose it to select a different base keymap for the Vim emulator.
Deployment	Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of deployment-related commands. Refer to the section <a href="#">Deploying you application</a> .
Open terminal	Choose this command to run the <a href="#">embedded local terminal</a> .
Start SSH Session	Choose this command to launch a terminal on a remote SSH server. Refer to the section <a href="#">Running SSH Terminal</a> .
Test RESTful Web Service	Choose this command to compose and run requests to a RESTful web service. Refer to the section <a href="#">Testing RESTful Web Services</a> .
Kotlin	Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of <a href="#">Kotlin-related commands</a> . See also the Kotlin page <a href="https://kotlinlang.org/">https://kotlinlang.org/</a> .

## VCS

Note that the VCS menu contains different commands, depending on the enabled version control system. The following table shows the menu commands available when no version control integration is enabled.

### MenuKeyboardDescription item shortcut


Local History	Point to this node to reveal the list of commands related to <a href="#">working with the Local History</a> .
Enable Version Control Integration...	Choose this command to <a href="#">associate a project root</a> with one of the supported version control systems.
VCS Operations Popup	 Choose this command to <a href="#">invoke the popup list of the most popular VCS actions</a> .
Apply Patch...	Choose this command to <a href="#">apply a patch</a> .
Checkout from Version Control	Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of the checkout commands, specific for the supported version control systems. With no version control integration enabled, it is possible to check out from <a href="#">SVN</a> , <a href="#">Mercurial</a> , <a href="#">Git</a> , GitHub, and <a href="#">CVS</a> .
Import into Version Control	Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of the import commands, specific for the supported version control systems. With no version control integration enabled, it is possible to import to <a href="#">SVN</a> , <a href="#">Mercurial</a> , <a href="#">Git</a> , GitHub, and <a href="#">CVS</a> .
Browse VCS Repository	Point to this node to reveal the sub-menu of the browse commands, specific for the supported version control systems. With no version control integration enabled, it is possible to browse <a href="#">Subversion</a> , <a href="#">Git</a> , and <a href="#">CVS</a> repositories that are not associated with the currently opened project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Browse CVS Repository: when you choose this option IntelliJ IDEA opens the Select CVS Root Configuration dialog, where you can select the relevant CVS root, see <a href="#">Configuring CVS Roots</a> and <a href="#">Browsing CVS Repository</a> .</li> <li>– Browse Git Repository Log: choose this option to view the log for a local Git repository that is associated with another project. When you select the relevant repository in the Select Path dialog box, IntelliJ IDEA adds a new Log tab to the Version Control tool window and shows the log for the selected repository. The name of the project associated with the selected repository is displayed in the tab title, when you hover the mouse over this tab, the full path to the repository is shown in a tooltip.</li> <li>– Browse Subversion Repository: when you choose this option IntelliJ IDEA opens the <a href="#">SVN Repositories</a> tool window where you can view, add, and edit location of <a href="#">SVN</a> repositories, see <a href="#">Browsing Subversion Repository</a> and <a href="#">Browsing Contents of the Repository</a> .</li> </ul>

It is important to note that with VCS integration enabled, the composition of the VCS menu is different. Refer to the following help sections for details:

- [Version Control concepts](#)
- [Common VCS procedures](#)
- [VCS-specific procedures](#)
- [Version Control reference](#)

## Window

### MenuKeyboardDescription item shortcut

Store Current Layout as Default	Choose this command to <a href="#">save the current way the tool windows are arranged</a> .
Restore Default Layout	 Choose this command to <a href="#">restore the initial way the tool windows are</a>

arranged .

Active Tool Window	Choose this command to reveal the sub-menu of commands, related to the <a href="#">active tool window</a> . Refer to the sections <a href="#">Tool Windows</a> , <a href="#">Manipulating the Tool Windows</a> , <a href="#">Specifying the Appearance Settings for Tool Windows</a> , <a href="#">Viewing Modes</a> .
Editor Tabs	Choose this command to reveal the sub-menu of commands, related to the editor tabs. Refer to the section <a href="#">Managing Editor Tabs</a> . Note that these commands can also be found on the context menu of an editor tab.
Background Tasks	Choose this command to reveal the sub-menu of commands, related to performing tasks in background.
Next Project Window / Previous Project Window	<a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Close Bracket</a> Choose this command to switch between currently opened projects. See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> . <a href="#">Ctrl+Alt+Open Bracket</a>
<project>	Select project to be shown in the active window. See <a href="#">Configuring projects</a> .

## Help

### MenuKeyboardDescription item shortcut

Find Action	<a href="#">Ctrl+Shift+A</a> Choose this command to <a href="#">invoke an action by its name</a> .
Keymap Reference	Choose this command to see the IntelliJ IDEA shortcuts map in PDF format.
Demos and Screencasts	Choose this command to see the IntelliJ IDEA demo <a href="#">videos and screencasts on YouTube</a> .
Help	Choose this command to visit IntelliJ IDEA online Help topics.
Tip of the Day	Choose this command to show an arbitrary tip. Refer to the section <a href="#">Using Tips of the Day</a> .
Productivity Guide	Choose this command to <a href="#">show productivity guide</a> .
Support Center	Choose this command to open <a href="#">JetBrains Support</a> page.
Submit Feedback	Choose this command to report your overall impression of IntelliJ IDEA to the support service. Refer to the section <a href="#">Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback</a> .
Show Log in Explorer/Finder	Choose this command to find IntelliJ IDEA's log. Refer to the section <a href="#">Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback</a> for details.
Edit Custom Properties	Choose this command to open the custom file <code>idea.properties</code> , located under the user home. If this file does not exist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create it. Refer to the section <a href="#">Tuning IntelliJ IDEA</a> for details.
Edit Custom VM Options	Choose this command to open the custom file <code>*.vmoptions</code> , located under the user home. If this file does not exist, IntelliJ IDEA suggests to create it. Refer to the section <a href="#">Tuning IntelliJ IDEA</a> for details.
Debug Log Settings	Choose this command to change logging level for a category. Choosing this command leads to opening the Custom Debug Log Configuration dialog box, where you have to type the log categories names, separated with new lines. Refer to the section <a href="#">Reporting Issues and Sharing Your Feedback</a> .
What's New in IntelliJ IDEA	Choose this command to open the <a href="#">What's New page</a> .
Licences	Choose this command to show the legal information.
Register...	Choose this command to <a href="#">register</a> IntelliJ IDEA.
Check for Updates...	Choose this command to obtain information about the current version, and the availability of newer versions of IntelliJ IDEA. Refer to <a href="#">Updates</a> page. This command is available on Windows/Linux. On Mac OS it appears on the IntelliJ IDEA menu.
About	Choose this command to obtain information about the current version of IntelliJ IDEA, current build, etc. Press <a href="#">Escape</a> to close the popup window. This command is available on Windows/Linux. On Mac OS it appears on the IntelliJ IDEA menu.

Besides working from within IntelliJ IDEA, it is possible to perform certain actions "offline", without actually launching the IDE.

This way you can:

- Inspect code
- View differences
- Open files
- Format files

**Note**

- [Opening a file in the editor](#)
- [Examples](#)
  - [Windows](#)
  - [macOS](#)
  - [Linux](#)

## Opening a file in the editor

IntelliJ IDEA helps opening a file for editing so that the caret rests at the specified line.

### To open a file for editing

- In the command line, type the following:

```
<IntelliJ IDEA> <path1> --line <number> <path2>
```

where:

- `<IntelliJ IDEA>` is the platform-specific product launcher
- `<path1>` is the path to the project that contains the desired file
- `<number>` is the number of the line, where the caret should rest
- `<path2>` is the path to the file to be opened

## Examples

### Windows

```
IntelliJ IDEA.exe C:\SamplesProjects\MetersToInchesConverter --line 3 C:\SamplesProjects\MetersToInchesC
```

### macOS

```
/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/MacOS/idea ~/IntelliJ IDEAProjects/untitled45 --line 1 ~/Intell
```

### Linux

```
~/jetbrains/IntelliJ IDEA-2017.2.1/bin/idea.sh ~/IntelliJ IDEAProjects/test_project/ --line 2 ~/IntelliJ
```

## Launching a code inspection from the command line

### To launch a code inspection from the command line

- Specify the following command line arguments:
  - Path to the launcher : specify the **full path** to one of the following launchers (which reside under the `bin` directory of your IntelliJ IDEA installation):
    - For Windows : `inspect.bat`
    - For UNIX and macOS : `inspect.sh`
  - Project file path is the **full path** to the directory that contains the project to be inspected.
  - Inspection profile path is the **full path** to the profile, against which the project should be inspected. The inspection profiles are stored under `USER_HOME\IntelliJ IDEAXX\config\inspection`
  - Output path is the **full path** to an existing directory where the report will be stored.
- Options . You can specify:
  - The directory to be inspected `-d <full path to the subdirectory>`
  - The verbosity level of output `-vX` , where X is 0 for quiet, 1 for noisy and 2 for extra noisy.

**Warning!** Please note that you have to specify full paths. Relative paths are not accepted!

**Tip** If SDK is not defined, the inspection will fail. The SDK descriptions should be stored in `config\options\jdk.table.xml` . Learn how to configure SDK [here](#) .

## Examples

### Windows

```
"C:\Program Files (x86)\JetBrains\IntelliJ IDEA home\bin\inspect.bat" E:\SampleProjects\MetersToInches
```

Note that your paths should be adjusted to your particular local system.

### macOS

```
/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/bin/inspect.sh ~/IntelliJ IDEAProjects/MyTestProject ~/Library/
```

## Viewing the results of an offline inspection

If you have performed an offline inspection and exported the inspection results to a directory in the XML format you can always download and view these results.

### To view the results of an offline inspection, follow these steps

1. Open the project against which the inspection was performed.
2. On the main menu, choose Analyze | View Offline Inspection Results .
3. In the Select Path dialog box that opens, navigate to the directory that contains inspection results in XML format.
4. Click OK . Inspection results display in the Offline View tab in the [Inspection Results Tool Window](#) .

**Tip** Alternatively, you can open the relevant XML file in IntelliJ IDEA or in any other text processor without opening the inspected project.

Command-line source code formatter is a special functionality within IntelliJ IDEA that lets you format arbitrary files outside a project.

**Note** To be able to format files, make sure that the corresponding plugins that support the required file types are installed and enabled.

The script is `format.bat/format.sh` located in the `<IntelliJ IDEA_HOME>/bin` home directory. The script launches IntelliJ IDEA which formats the specified files and quits:

```
format [-h] [-r|-R] [-s|-settings settingsPath] [-m|-mask masks] [path1 [path2]...]
```

You can launch the script with the following options:

#### ParameterDescription

<code>-h</code>	Shows help and quits.
<code>-r -R</code>	Scans directories specified in <code>path1,path2...</code> recursively.
<code>-s -settings settingsPath</code>	<code>settingsPath</code> is a path to the file with the code style settings. You can use one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– A file with exported code style settings: in the Settings/Preferences dialog ( <code>Ctrl+Alt+S</code> ), open the Editor   Code Style settings page and click Export under EditorConfig .</li><li>– The <code>.idea/codeStyleSettings.xml</code> file stored in your project directory (for IntelliJ IDEA version 2017.2 and below).</li><li>– The <code>.idea/codeStyles/Project.xml</code> file stored in your project directory (for IntelliJ IDEA version 2017.3 and above).</li></ul>

**Note** If this parameter is omitted, the default code style settings are used.

<code>-m -mask masks</code>	A comma-separated list of file masks which defines the files to be processed. Wildcards <code>*</code> (any string) and <code>?</code> (any single character) are supported.
<code>pathN</code>	The path to a file or directory to be processed.

## Example

1. Format all files in `C:\Data\src` directory including all subdirectories using the default code style settings:

```
format -r C:\Data\src
```

2. Non-recursively format all `.java` and `.html` files in the `C:\Data\src` directory using code style settings from `C:\Data\settings.xml` :

```
format -s C:\Data\settings.xml -m *.java,*.html C:\Data\src
```

## Viewing differences

### To view differences using command line diff tool

– In the command line, type the following:

```
<IntelliJ IDEA> diff <path1> <path2>
```

where:

- <IntelliJ IDEA> is the platform-specific product launcher
- <path1>, <path2> are full paths to the files to be compared.

## Examples

### Windows

```
IntelliJ IDEA.exe diff C:\SamplesProjects\MetersToInchesConverter\src\javascript\numbers.js  
C:\SamplesProjects\MetersToInchesConverter\src\coffeescript\numbers.coffee
```

### macOS

```
/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/MacOS/idea diff ~/Documents/file1.txt ~/Documents/file2.txt
```



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## Overview

Besides using IntelliJ IDEA as an Integrated Development Environment, you can use it as a command line tool for comparing and merging files.

IntelliJ IDEA executable is platform-dependent:

- **Windows** : `IntelliJ\IdeaXX\bin\idea.exe` / `IdeaICXX\bin\idea.exe` or `IntelliJ\IdeaXX\bin\idea.bat` / `IdeaICXX\bin\idea.bat`
- **UNIX** : `IntelliJ\IdeaXX/bin/idea.sh` / `IdeaICXX/bin/idea.sh`
- **macOS** : `/Applications/IntelliJ\IdeaXX.app/Contents/MacOS/idea` / `/Applications/IdeaICXX.app/Contents/MacOS/idea`  
To add the launcher to your path, add its containing directory `/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/MacOS`.

However, for macOS and UNIX, one should create a wrapper script, since this helps avoid some drawbacks related to the usage of IntelliJ IDEA launcher.

## Enabling invocation of IntelliJ IDEA operations from the command line

For macOS and UNIX platforms, we recommend creating the wrapper script, or the command line launcher to integrate IntelliJ IDEA with your shell. Then, you need to ensure that the created launcher script is within the search path of your shell.

On Windows, we recommend you add the path to IntelliJ IDEA to the environment variable `Path`. Everything is done outside of IntelliJ IDEA, with the IntelliJ IDEA executable.

Note that if you have specified location of the IntelliJ IDEA executable as a `Path` environment variable, the command will work no matter which directory you are currently in.

### To enable invoking IntelliJ IDEA operations from the command line, follow these steps

- On macOS or UNIX :
  1. Make sure IntelliJ IDEA is running.
  2. On the main menu, choose Tools | Create Command-line Launcher. The dialog box Create Launcher Script opens, with the suggested path and name of the launcher script. You can accept default, or specify your own path.  
Make notice of it, as you'll need it later.
  3. Outside of IntelliJ IDEA, add the path and name of the launcher script to your path.
- On Windows :
  - Specify the location of the IntelliJ IDEA executable in the `Path` system environment variable. In this case, you will be able to invoke the IntelliJ IDEA executable and other IntelliJ IDEA commands from any directory.

## Comparing files using IntelliJ IDEA as a command line tool

### To compare two files using IntelliJ IDEA as a diff command line tool

1. [Enable invoking IntelliJ IDEA operations from the command line](#).
2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
<IntelliJ IDEA launcher(Windows) or wrapper script (MacOS or UNIX)> diff <path to file1> <p
```

where `file1` is your local copy, `file2` is the repository version.

For example:

```
idea diff README.md.bak README.md
```

## Merging files using IntelliJ IDEA as a command line tool

Most often you need to merge three versions of the same file: your local version, the version in the repository or in the upstream, and the base revision, which is the origin for the two diverged versions.

## To merge files using IntelliJ IDEA as a command line tool

1. [Enable invoking IntelliJ IDEA operations from the command line](#) .

2. Type the following command at the command prompt:

```
<IntelliJ IDEA launcher(Windows) or wrapper script (MacOS or UNIX)>  
merge <path to file1> <path to file2> <path to file3> <path to output>
```

where `file1` is your local copy, `file2` is the repository version, `file3` is the base revision for `file1` and `file2` , and `output` is the file to save the merge results in (optional).

## Passing three arguments to merge tool

It is possible to pass just three arguments to the merge tool:

```
<path to file1> <path to file2> <path to output> .
```

In this case, the contents of the output will be taken as the base revision:

```
<IntelliJ IDEA launcher> merge <path to file1> <path to file2> <path to output> <path to output>
```

See the example in this [blog](#) to learn how to use IntelliJ IDEA diff and merge tool with Git.

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